

STATE OF NEW YORK EXECUTIVE CHAMBER ALBANY 12224

APPROVAL #50 CHAPTER #729

December 22, 2022

MEMORANDUM filed with Assembly Bill 7919, entitled:

"AN ACT to amend the state finance law, the general municipal law, the public authorities law and the highway law, in relation to enacting the New York state buy American salt act"

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This bill would amend several provisions of law which would mandate that the State, localities, and other contracting authorities be required to procure American produced rock salt and sodium chloride.

This legislation required several amendments before it could be signed into law in order to achieve the goals of the legislation while keeping costs down for New Yorkers. The changes ensure that a contracting authority would have the ability to bypass procurement law for a producer of rock salt or sodium chloride if their bid falls within 10 percent of the lowest bidder. These changes will enable those who wish to contract to buy American salt to have the flexibility to do so.

Based on this agreement, I am pleased to sign this bill into law.

This bill is approved.

Kathy Hochal