



## Legislation Passed – Week of May 29, 2020

Bill #	Sponsors	Summary
<b>Banking Law</b>		
S8243c/A10351b	Kavanagh/ Rozic	Relates to the forbearance of residential mortgage payments; requires New York regulated banking organizations to make applications for forbearance for residential mortgages available to qualified mortgagors during the period in which the NY on PAUSE order is in effect in the county wherein the qualified mortgagor is located and to grant such applications for a period of 180 days.
<b>Business Corporation Law</b>		
S8412/A10498	Benjamin/ Paulin	Provides for the remote conduct of certain practices and procedures relating to board meetings utilizing electronic and/or audio-visual technologies.
<b>Civil Practice Law and Rules</b>		
S7082/A9036	Hoylman/ Rosenthal	Extends the time in which to file a claim relating to certain child sexual abuse cases.
<b>Criminal Procedure Law</b>		
S8414/A10493	Bailey /Lentol	Relates to conducting hearings on a felony complaint during a state disaster emergency; appearances of any party or witness may be by electronic means so long as the judge is able to hear and see the image of each witness and such appearance is comparable to such witness being present in the courtroom.
<b>Education Law</b>		
S7996b/A10189a	Carlucci/ Ortiz	Provides that school districts, including the city school district of the city of New York, are entitled to an apportionment of state aid for the closure of schools due in response to the novel coronavirus.
S8410/A10465	Mayer/Ryan	Relates to aid for library construction; provides that public libraries that received aid for projects commencing July 1, 2017 through July 1, 2019 that are unable to complete such projects due to the state disaster emergency declared pursuant to Executive Order No. 202, as amended, shall be provided an additional twelve months from the statutory project end date to complete such projects.

S8182a/A10508	Hoylman/ Paulin	Authorizes licensed pharmacists to administer a vaccine for COVID-19.
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**Election Law**

S8130d/A10516a	Myrie/ Simotas	Permits electronic application for absentee ballots and removes requirement that such application be signed by the voter; provides for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration.
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**Executive Law**

S8363/A10509	Harckham/ Rosenthal	Includes the commissioner of addiction services and supports as a member of the disaster preparedness commission.
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**General Business Law**

S8189/A10270	Hoylman/ Rozic	Relates to price gouging; prohibits price gouging for essential medical supplies and services and any other essential goods and services used to promote the health or welfare of the public.
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**General Municipal Law**

S8286a	Gaughran	Provides that local code enforcement officers may issue blanket orders extending the expiration date for all active building permits for a period of up to but not exceeding 120 days beyond the expiration date stated in the permit.
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S8251b/A10438a	Kaminsky/ Thiele	Relates to the determination of points for service award programs for volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers during a state disaster emergency.
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S8400/A9789a	Benjamin/ Braunstein	Relates to the establishment by the city of New York of a revenue stabilization fund and variations from generally accepted accounting principles as applied to the budget and accounts of such city in connection with such fund.
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**Housing**

S8419/A10522	Kavanagh/ Cymbrowitz	Enacts the "emergency rent relief act of 2020" to establish an interim residential rent relief program.
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**Labor Law**

S8275a/A10348a	Martinez/ Rosenthal	Suspends the forfeiture of unemployment benefits during the COVID-19 state of emergency.
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S8397a/A10326a Savino/Reyes Prohibits health care employers from penalizing employees because of complaints of employer violations.

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**Local Finance Law**

S8397a/A10492 Savino/  
Thiele Relates to bond anticipation notes issued in calendar years 2015 through 2021; authorizes the expenditure and temporary transfer of reserve funds for expenses related to COVID-19; authorizes the extension of repayment of inter-fund advances made for expenses related to COVID-19.

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**New York City Administrative Code**

S8411/A10519 Jackson/  
Weinstein Disallows, for purposes of the unincorporated business corporation tax, the general corporation tax, the city banking tax, and the city business corporation tax, certain amendments, with respect to taxable years beginning before January 1, 2021, made to the internal revenue code by sections 2303, 2304 and 2306 of public law 116-136.

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**Penal Law**

S8415/A10446 Bailey/Quart Relates to the crime of loitering.

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**Not-for-Profit Corporation Law**

S8408/A7652a Comrie/  
Paulin Utilizes the internet for cemetery lot transactions.

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**Public Authorities Law**

S8181a/A10294a May/Stirpe Establishes a state disaster emergency loan program to be administered by industrial development agencies for small businesses and small not-for-profit corporations.

S8428/A10530 Parker/  
Mosley Relates to expenditures and temporary transfers of reserve funds for expenses related to state disaster emergency (Part A); relates to issuing a moratorium on utility termination of services during periods of pandemics and/or state of emergencies (Part B); relates to the forbearance of residential mortgage payments for qualified mortgagors for a period of up to 180 days with the option to extend for an additional 180 days (Part C); relates to hearings conducted on a felony complaint during a state disaster emergency (Part D).

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**Public Health**

S8245a/A10517 Parker/Aubry Requires the department of health to conduct a study on the health impacts of COVID-19 on minorities in New York state.

S8362a/A10447a Serrano/  
Joyner Requires that COVID-19 contact tracers be representative of the cultural and linguistic diversity of the communities in which they serve to the greatest extent practicable; and provides for the repeal of such provisions upon the expiration thereof.

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**Public Health Law**

S8289b/A10394a Salazar/  
Lentol Relates to requiring residential health care facilities to submit an annual pandemic emergency plan to the commissioner of health; requires such plan to include a communication plan with families, plans to protect staff, residents and families against infection, and plans to preserve a resident's place at the facility if he or she is hospitalized.

S8416/A1040a Metzger/  
Rosenthal Includes audio-only and video-only telehealth and telemedicine services in those telehealth and telemedicine services eligible for reimbursement.

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**Public Service Law**

S8113a/A10521 Parker/  
Mosley Relates to issuing a moratorium on utility termination of services during periods of pandemics and/or state of emergencies.

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**Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law**

S8192b/A1029b Hoylman/  
Dinowitz Provides that no court shall issue a warrant of eviction or judgment of possession against a residential tenant that has suffered a financial hardship for the non-payment of rent that accrues or becomes due during the COVID-19 covered period.

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**Real Property Taxation**

S8122b/A10241a Comrie/  
Hyndman Extends the deadline for the filing of applications and renewal applications for real property tax abatement programs to July 15, 2020.

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**Real Property Tax Law**

S8138b/A10252a Martinez/  
Stern Relates to deferring certain property taxes during a declared state disaster emergency and providing for installment payments thereafter to be determined by the local legislative body.

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**Retirement and Social Security Law**

S8427/A10528	Gounardes/ Abbate	Establishes a coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) public employee death benefit for individuals who reported to their usual place of employment or an alternate worksite at the direction of their employer on or after March 1, 2020 and such individual contracted COVID-19 within 45 days of reporting to such workplace as confirmed by a laboratory test or by a licensed physician and such individual died on or before December 31, 2020.
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**Transportation Law**

S8119c/A10303b	Comrie/ Dinowitz	Relates to paratransit services within the state and city of New York during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.
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