


NYSEMA Conference

LEGISLATIVE REPORT
2014


Assembly –7633A/Senate –5790

- ▶ Sponsor – Crespo
- ▶ 9/27/13 – Signed Chap.379
- ▶ Requires the DHSES to provide recommendations on the implementation of tornado warning systems in the state, on the installation of tornado sirens and on the use of firehouse sirens; requires the division to also make recommendations on the use of other technology available for notification of impending tornado.

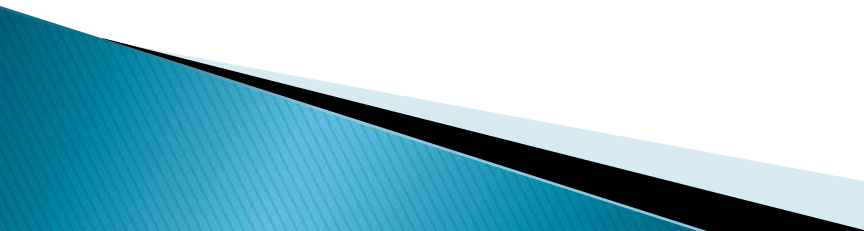
Assembly – 7971 /Senate – 5787

- ▶ Sponsor – Englebright
 - ▶ 7/11/13 – Signed Chap.101
 - ▶ Relates to state fire mobilization and mutual aid plan; acceptance of gifts by the state; immunity from liability for emergency alerts; gives a Sheriff ability to notify Governor via alternate means of a State of Special Emergency.
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Assembly Bill – 6194 (1524 – 2012)

- ▶ Sponsor – Tedisco
 - ▶ 1/8/14 – Referred to Governmental Operations
 - ▶ Adds Elderly persons to disaster registries and creates a state emergency assistance database; provides that the Disaster Preparedness Commission (DPC) shall establish the database.
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Assembly – 6432 / Senate – 4759 (7257 – 2012)

- ▶ Sponsor – Cusick
 - ▶ 1 / 14 / 14 – Enacting clause stricken
 - ▶ Requires counties to maintain a confidential registry of people of all ages with disabilities for the purpose of evacuation and sheltering such persons during disasters.
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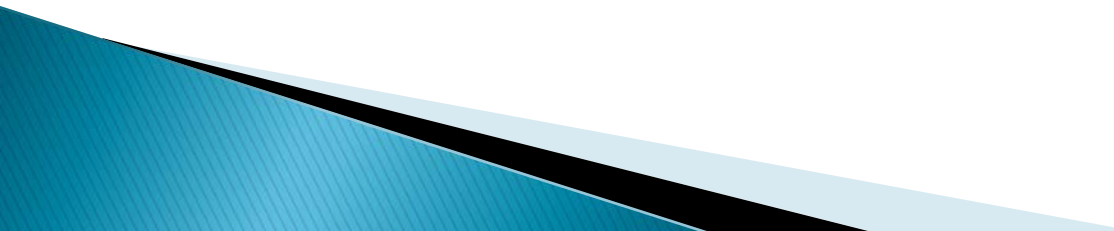
Assembly – 4261A

- ▶ Sponsor – Raia
 - ▶ 5/20/13 – Enacting clause stricken
 - ▶ Directs the Office for the Aging, in consultation with the DOH and other entities, to review studies conducted on evacuation, disaster and emergency preparedness plans for nursing homes, ALFs and other housing for partly or wholly dependent persons and issue regulations aimed at correcting any failing found therein.
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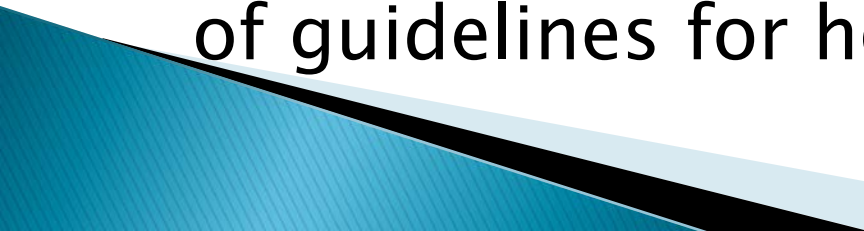
Assembly – 7402 / Senate – 5818

- ▶ Sponsor – Millman
- ▶ 1 / 8 / 14 – Referred to Health
- ▶ Formulation and implementation of a statewide plan for evacuation and disaster and emergency preparedness plans at nursing homes and ALFs; requires the DOH to prepare a report including recommendations and guidelines relative to the existence, placement and maintenance of emergency power equipment in such facilities.

Assembly – 0535A/Senate – 2754A

- ▶ Sponsor – Abinanti
 - ▶ 2/3/14 – Referred to Health
 - ▶ Requires the County Health Commissioner to notify certain individuals in the event of an emergency creating an imminent risk to public health and safety.
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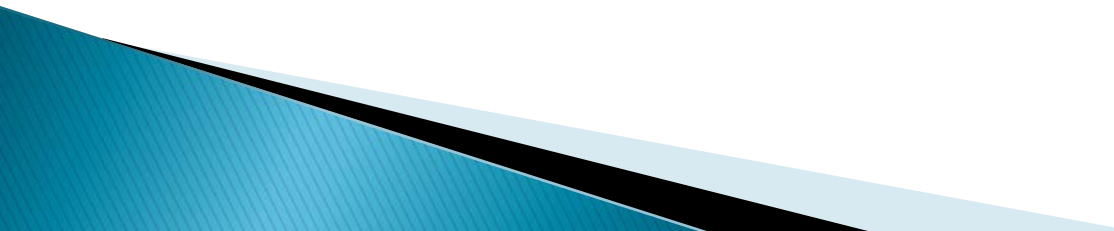
Assembly – 7303A/Senate – 4778B

- ▶ Sponsor – Cusick
 - ▶ 1 / 8 / 14 – Referred to Governmental Operations
 - ▶ Establishes an executive statewide plan for natural disaster emergency procedure; shall allow state and local officials to act cooperatively and efficiently; provide the public with a clear, concise and effective set of guidelines for how to prepare.
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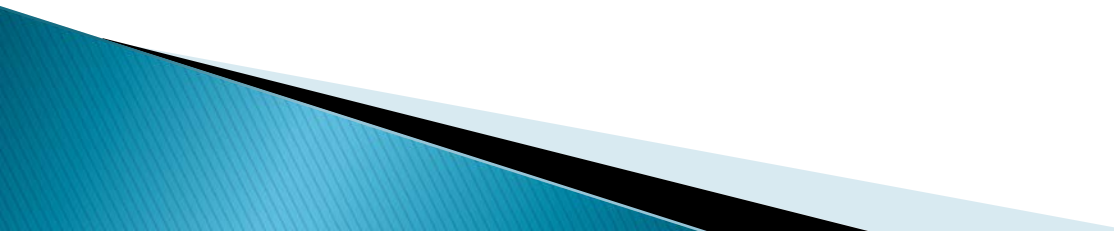
Assembly – 6028 / Senate – 2561 (7881 / 5271 – 2012)

- ▶ Sponsor – Ortiz
- ▶ 1 / 8 / 14 – Referred to Government Operations
- ▶ Requires local disaster preparedness plans to include a public education component as part of disaster prevention which shall be widely disseminated and shall take into consideration linguistic and cultural characteristics of the inhabitants.

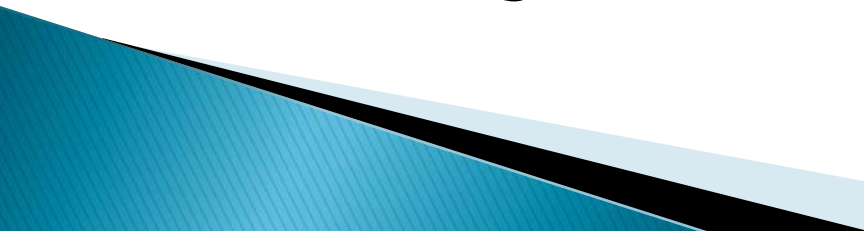
Assembly – 8387

- ▶ Sponsor – Ortiz
 - ▶ 1 / 9 / 14 – Referred to Cities
 - ▶ Authorizes and directs certain cities to conduct a study on the preparedness and readiness of such city to react and respond to certain disasters.
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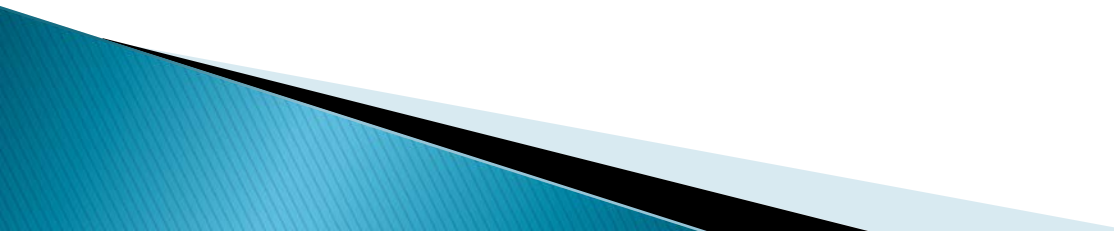
Assembly – 4531

- ▶ Sponsor – Borelli
 - ▶ 1 / 8 / 14 – Referred to Governmental Operations
 - ▶ Requires dissemination of local disaster preparedness plans to residents for free, including NYC and Long Island.
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Assembly – 6532A/Senate – 4773A

- ▶ Sponsor – Crespo
 - ▶ 1 / 13 / 14 – Print number 6532a
 - ▶ Creates the “Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Planning Act”; authorizes a local sales tax exemption for emergency preparedness supplies; requires the DHSES, in conjunction with Taxation and Finance, to establish, promote and publish on the web a list of eligible items.
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Senate – 3761A

- ▶ Sponsor – Smith
 - ▶ 1 / 28 / 14 – Print number 3761A
 - ▶ Enacts the “Natural Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation Act” providing for enhanced disaster preparedness and recovery from disasters.
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Senate – 3761A

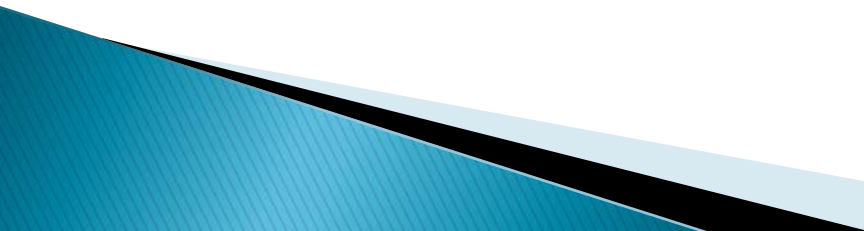
- ▶ Requires:
 - enhanced planning, preparation and mitigation efforts by state, local, utilities and health care facilities.
 - Timely/comprehensive support by state to locals
 - Local chief executives take and active role in preparedness programs
 - Consideration and incorporation into every preparedness plan (local and state), the emergency management plans submitted by private agencies (health care facilities, utilities)

Senate – 3761A

▶ Requires:

- DPC to evaluate state, local, utility and health care plans following a disaster within 180 days after the occurrence of a disaster.
 - Effectiveness of state plan and how it interfaced with local plans
 - Effectiveness of each individual plan
 - Overall strengths and weaknesses of each plan
 - Shall report to governor, legislature, and appropriate emergency management agency.

Senate – 2563

- ▶ Sponsor – Ball
 - ▶ 1 / 8 / 14 – Referred to Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs
 - ▶ Includes acts of terror including biological, chemical and radiological within the definition of disaster for local preparedness plans.
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Senate – 2563

- ▶ Adds to what must be included within a county disaster plan.
- ▶ Shall comply with the National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- ▶ Roster of volunteer medical personnel in the county / procedures for coordination
- ▶ Health related: healthcare infrastructure, system for disease/exposure data collection, county health official as health risk communicator
- ▶ Identification and coordination of the emergency services organizations
- ▶ Creation of drills to be used to test such plans

Assembly – 1093 / Senate – 4235

- ▶ Sponsor – Skoufis
- ▶ 1/22/14 – Committed to Insurance
- ▶ Creates a task force on disasters; provides that such taskforce shall consist of 18 members. Purpose is to examine and report on whether policyholders and communities have adequate insurance coverage and if they are able to rely upon that coverage in the event of a disaster.

Assembly – 8138/Senate 5987

- ▶ Sponsor – Magee
 - ▶ 1/8/14 – Referred to Governmental Operations
 - ▶ Establishes a supplemental state disaster aid program within the NYS emergency assistance program to aid municipalities, residents and businesses that have been otherwise denied assistance from the federal government.
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QUESTIONS ?

Thank you!

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