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From: Katie Bender <benderk@assembly.state.ny.us>
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 12:36 PM
To: 'Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)'
Subject: RE: "Budget Consideration Schedule" and "Joint Budget Conference Committee" and Subcommittees Thereto Pursuant to Senate and Assembly Joint Rules

Elena,

Per our phone call, and in reference to your FOIL request on conference committees:

You can see the joint budget schedule which is found on the Assembly website under Committees/ Commissions/Task Forces; Ways and Means Committee; News; Joint Legislative Budget Schedule Announced.

<http://assembly.state.ny.us/comm/?sec=post&id=41>

In terms of the certificate to create conference committees, no such record exists at this time. Each house is scheduled to take its own first budget action (via budget resolutions) on Monday the 11th. After that, the leaders do the certificate to create conference committees (the idea being that there is nothing to conference until each house stakes out its positions in their budget resolutions).

In terms of your question about whether any appointments to conference committees have been "informally" made, the answer is no. Although, it is possible some members are assuming they would be on the same conference committee they were appointed to in prior years. However, no FOILable records exist on this subject.

Katie

From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [<mailto:elena@judgewatch.org>]
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Subject: "Budget Consideration Schedule" and "Joint Budget Conference Committee" and Subcommittees Thereto Pursuant to Senate and Assembly Joint Rules

Dear Mr. Patience & Ms. Bender:

Attached is my above-entitled letter of today's date. Your expeditious response would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

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