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Subject: Governor Hochul's "recommendations" pertaining to the Legislative & Judiciary budgets for fiscal year 2024-2025

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Article VII, §1 of the New York State Constitution empowers the Governor to make “recommendations” to the Legislature pertaining to the Legislative and Judiciary budgets.

The website of the Governor’s Division of the Budget, <https://www.budget.ny.gov/>, posts the Governor’s combined [Legislative/Judiciary Budget Bill #S.8301/A.8801](#), dated January 16, 2024, that she submitted to the Legislature, but seemingly no “recommendations” by her pertaining thereto.

Consequently, pursuant to FOIL [Public Officers Law Article VI, Senate Rule XIV, Assembly Rule VIII, and Chief Administrator’s Rules Part 124], this is to request a copy of Governor Hochul’s “recommendations”, if any, pertaining to the Legislative and Judiciary budgets for fiscal year 2024-2025 and, presumably, furnished to them.

Pursuant to FOIL [Public Officers Law §89.3], your response is required within five business days of receipt of this written request.

Thank you.

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