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Dear Ms. Sassower:

In your correspondence dated January 30, 2014, you requested all records pertaining to the reappropriations for the Legislature included in the Legislative and Judiciary Budget Bill, Assembly bill 8551. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law (Public Officers Law §88), a copy of A.8551 is available for public inspection and copying. Any amendments made thereto will similarly be made available, as will any bill memorandum submitted by the Governor in relation to this bill. While there have been no amendments to date, and no memorandum for this bill has been submitted by the Governor, this office can provide you with a copy of the bill. Please be aware, however, that bills, amendments to bills, and bill memoranda are all posted on the Assembly website and are thus available free of charge.

In relation to the reappropriations contained in A.8551, you have requested records reflecting the following:

- 1. Why they were not part of the Legislature's proposed budget, transmitted to the Governor by its November 27, 2013 cover letter. The Assembly maintains no record responsive to this request.
- 2. When and in what fashion they were separately transmitted to the Governor. The Assembly maintains no Index Records responsive to this request. To the extent that there are records of any communications between the Legislature and the Executive in relation to the drafting of legislation, such records are not available pursuant to POL §88 or pursuant to the Assembly's Public Access to Records Policy (Rule VIII of the Assembly Rules.)
- 3. Who in the Legislature, if anyone, certified that the monies proposed for reappropriations were suitable for that purpose. The Assembly maintains no record responsive to this request.
- 4. Their cumulative total. The Assembly maintains no record responsive to this request, other than A.8551, which lists the reappropriations in the text of the bill.

5. The cumulative total of the monetary allocations for the Legislature in the Governor's Budget Bill # S.6351/A.8551. The Assembly maintains no record responsive to this request, other than A.8551, which lists the appropriations and reappropriations in the text of the bill.

You have been previously provided a copy of the Guide to the Inspection and Copying of Legislative Records, as well as the copies of POL §88 and Assembly Rule VIII. If, however, you wish to receive additional copies or if you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely, Robin Marilla