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Subject: **FOIL/Records Request: the Members & Chairs of the Senate & Assembly Joint Legislative Commissions of Legislative Law Articles 5, 5-A, and 5-B**

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[Legislative Law Article 5-A](#) lists 14 legislative commissions, [Legislative Law Article 5-B](#) lists a further legislative commission – the Administrative Regulations Review Commission – and [Legislative Law Article 5 \(§80\)](#) establishes the Legislative Ethics Commission.

The [Senate’s webpage for “Senators and Committees”](#) identifies only two of these “Legislative Commissions”:

- (1) the [Legislative Commission on Administrative Regulations Review](#), chaired by Senator Felder, with no additional members;
- (2) the [Legislative Commission on Rural Resources](#), chaired by Senator May, with two additional members: Senators Helming and Breslin – and, on a [January 12, 2023 webpage](#), referencing Assemblyman Santabarbara as its Assembly chair.

The [Assembly’s webpage for “Committees & More”](#) identifies the following ten:

- (1) the [Legislative Commission on Administrative Regulations Review](#), chaired by Assemblyman Stern, with one additional member: Assemblyman Goodell.
- (2) the [Legislative Commission on Government Administration](#), chaired by Assemblyman Carroll, with two additional members: Assemblymen Brabenec and DiPietro;
- (3) the [Legislative Commission on Rural Resources](#), chaired by Assemblyman Santabarbara, with two additional members: Assemblyman Palmesano and Assemblywoman Woerner;
- (4) the [Legislative Commission on Solid Waste Management](#), chaired by Assemblywoman Hyndman, with two additional members: Assemblymen Gallahan and Tannousis;
- (5) the [Legislative Commission on Skills Development and Career Education](#), chaired by Assemblyman Conrad, with two additional members: Assemblymen Blankenbush and Durso;
- (6) the [Legislative Commission on State-Local Relations](#), chaired by Assemblyman Epstein, with no additional members;
- (7) the [Legislative Commission on Toxic Substances and Hazardous Wastes](#), with no chair, but two members: Assemblymen Morinello and Tannousis;

- (8) the [Legislative Commission on Future of the Long Island Power Authority](#), co-chaired by Assemblyman Thiele and Senator Thomas, and four additional members: Assemblyman Smith, Assemblywoman Solages, and Senators Gaughran and Sanders;
- (9) the [Legislative Commission on Legislative Ethics](#), chaired by Assemblywoman Simon, with no additional members;
- (10) the [Legislative Task Force on Demographic Research and Reapportionment](#), chaired by Assemblyman Zebrowski, with one additional member: Assemblyman Palmesano.

Pursuant to [Senate Rule XIV \[“Freedom of Information”\]](#) and [Assembly Rules VIII \[“Public Access to Records”\]](#), this is to request records reflecting the appointment of the members and chairs of the 14 [Legislative Law Article 5-A commissions](#), the [Legislative Law Article 5-B](#) Administrative Regulations Review Commission, and the [Legislative Law Article 5 \(§80\)](#) Legislative Ethics Commission, **consistent with those statutory provisions.**

Thank you.

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