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Representative Glenn Grothman of Wisconsin has offered a FY 2024 budget amendment that would cut funding for HUD's Community Development Block Grant formula grants program by \$1.65 billion (50%). As NYCOM members know, the CDBG program is the key ongoing source of federal aid provided to states, cities, villages, towns and counties. The full House of Representatives is currently considering the FY 2024 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies funding bill (also known as THUD).

NYCOM urges you to **contact your member of the House of Representatives** and ask that they vote NO on the Grothman amendment that would slash CDBG funding in half. It is **particularly important that you do so** if you are located within the congressional district of Representative D'Esposito, Garbarino, LaLota, Langworthy, Lawler, Malliotakis, Molinaro, Santos, Stefanik, Tenney or Williams.

Important Bills Still Awaiting Delivery to the Governor

There are currently 284 bills that passed the Senate and Assembly in 2023 which have not yet been delivered to the Governor's desk for her approval or veto. Below are four bills of particular importance to NYCOM members that

have not yet been sent to the Governor, so there is still time for you to weigh-in by emailing a letter to Legislative.Secretary@exec.ny.gov. Also, NYCOM has a regularly updated 2023 Summary of Legislation that provides the status on these and other bills passed this year which impact cities and villages

PILOT Payments and the Tax Cap – A.1567 (McDonald)/S.1045 (Cooney) – NYCOM Supports

Introduced at NYCOM's request, this bill would modify the way PILOT payments are treated so that their growth does not negatively impact a municipality's ability to remain under the tax cap. Specifically, this legislation would provide that the tax base growth factor include increases in the assessed value for those properties that are subject to a PILOT agreement.

Wrongful Death Liability Expansion – A.6698 (Weinstein)/S.6636 (Hoylman-Sigal) – NYCOM Opposes

Would permit families of wrongful death victims to recover compensation for emotional loss when a tortfeasor is found liable for causing a death. Although this bill intends to address some of the issues the Governor raised in her veto message last year, it fails to provide a serious evaluation of the fiscal impact it would have on local governments, the medical industry and others, as the Governor requested.

Additional Procedural Requirements for Employee Discipline – A.3748-A (Pheffer Amato)/S.1039-A (Jackson) – NYCOM Opposes

Would infringe upon an employer's ability to effectively manage their workforce by adding unnecessary procedural hoops to the employee disciplinary process outlined in section 75 of the Civil Service Law. This would include modifying the way hearing officers are selected, limiting employee suspensions to a maximum of 30 days and requiring that such suspensions be with pay.

Direct Billing to EMS Providers – A.250-A (Magnarelli)/S.1466 (Breslin) – NYCOM Supports

Would ensure that ambulance service providers receive direct payment from insurance companies for services rendered without the need for the responding ambulance to be listed as a preferred provider with the insurance company.



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