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Legislature Announces 2022 Joint Legislative Budget Hearing Schedule

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Senate Finance Committee Chair Liz Krueger and Assembly Ways and Means Committee Chair, Helene E. Weinstein today announced the [Joint Legislative Hearing Schedule](#) on the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Executive Budget Proposal.

These hearings, each of which focuses on a programmatic area of the Executive Budget Proposal, are intended to provide the appropriate legislative committees with public input. In the interest of public health and safety, the hearings will be conducted virtually using web-based video conferencing.

The hearings will be available for viewing on the [Senate](#) and [Assembly](#) websites. The Legislative Channel (on [cable systems](#) throughout the state) also will carry the proceedings.

In accordance with the schedule, the hearings will commence on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 and conclude on Wednesday, February 16, 2022. The respective state agency or department heads will begin testimony each day, followed by witnesses who have requested to testify on that area of the budget.

Due to time constraints related to provisions of the New York State Constitution concerning the approval of the state budget by April 1st, only a limited number of witnesses can be accommodated at any given hearing. The committees will endeavor to permit as many interested parties to testify as possible, ensuring that a wide range of views are presented, and will attempt to avoid redundant testimony, where possible.

Requests to testify must be made by submitting a [Hearing Request Form](#) no later than 5 p.m. on the dates listed in the chart below. The Hearing Request Form can also be found on both the Senate and Assembly websites at www.nysenate.gov and www.nyasassembly.gov, respectively.

In order to afford ample opportunity to be heard, please note that no person or entity will be permitted to testify at more than one hearing. However, any person or entity is permitted – and indeed encouraged – to submit written testimony for any hearing. For individuals not testifying, written testimony must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. on the day of the corresponding hearing to financechair@nysenate.gov and to wamchair@nyasassembly.gov.

The submission of written testimony for anyone who is requesting to testify must be done in compliance with the chart set forth below. Witnesses who have had their requests to testify accepted by the committees are required to send a copy of their written testimony **via email no later than the dates listed in the chart below** to both financechair@nysenate.gov and to wamchair@nyasassembly.gov. **No one will be permitted to testify unless testimony is emailed to the committees accordingly and received by 5 p.m. on the due date listed in the chart below.** Due to the heavy volume of written testimony received, once submitted, no modifications of the submitted testimony will be accepted. Please note that these requirements will be rigidly enforced and failure to submit written testimony in a timely manner will result in exclusion from the final witness list. Witnesses also must indicate in the subject field of the email containing their written testimony which hearing their testimony relates to.

Witnesses are strongly encouraged to summarize their key points in their oral testimony, and not simply read from their written testimony. Witnesses must limit their oral testimony to no more than three minutes, after which time they should be prepared to entertain questions from legislators.

The agency and the departmental portion of the hearings are provided for in Article 7, Section 3 of the Constitution and Article 2, Section 31 of the Legislative Law. The State Legislature is also soliciting public comment on the proposed budget pursuant to Article 2, Section 32-a of the Legislative Law.

Note: [Click here to view Hearing Schedule](#)

Date	Day	Time	Hearing
January 25	Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Public Protection
January 26	Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Elementary Education
January 31	Monday	11:00 a.m.	Workforce
		2:00 p.m.	Housing
February 1	Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Environmental Conservation
February 2	Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Human Services
February 7	Monday	11:00 a.m.	Higher Education
February 8	Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Health
February 9	Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Local Government
February 14	Monday	11:00 a.m.	Mental Hygiene
February 15	Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Transportation
February 16	Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Economic Development
		1:00 p.m.	Taxes
