

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2015-2016 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

January 28, 2015

Introduced by Sens. GRIFFO, LIBOUS, AMEDORE, BONACIC, CARLUCCI,
DeFRAN- CISCO, FUNKE, GALLIVAN, LARKIN, O'MARA, ORTT, RANZENHOFER,
RITCHIE, SERINO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to
be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government
Operations -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as
amended and recommitted to said committee -- committee discharged and
said bill committed to the Committee on Rules -- ordered to a third
read- ing, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the
order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the legislative law, in relation to limiting the
amount of time any member of the legislature may serve as temporary
president of the senate, speaker of the assembly, minority leader of the
senate, minority leader of the assembly or chairman of a legislative
committee

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and
Assem- bly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The legislative law is amended by adding two new
sections
2 5-b and 5-c to read as follows:
3 § 5-b. Limitation on tenure of temporary president, speaker and
minor- ity leaders. No member of the legislature shall hold the office
of

5 temporary president of the senate, speaker of the assembly,
minority
6 leader of the senate or minority leader of the assembly for more
than
7 eight years.
8 § 5-c. Limitation on tenure of legislative committee chairman.
No
9 member of the legislature shall be the chairman of any single
legisla-
10 tive committee for more than eight consecutive years.
11 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in
brackets

[-] is old law to be omitted.

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**NEW YORK STATE SENATE
INTRODUCER'S MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
submitted in accordance with Senate Rule VI. Sec 1**

BILL NUMBER: S2722B

SPONSOR: GRIFFO

TITLE OF BILL: An act to amend the legislative law, in relation to limiting the amount of time any member of the legislature may serve as temporary president of the senate, speaker of the assembly, minority leader of the senate, minority leader of the assembly or chairman of a legislative committee

PURPOSE:

This bill limits the tenure of legislative leaders and committee chairs.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS:

Section 1 amends the Legislative Law by adding two new sections, 5-b and 5-c.

* 5-b limits the tenure of the temporary president, speaker and minority leaders to no more than eight (8) years.

* 5-c limits the tenure of the committee chair of a single committee to no more than eight (8) consecutive years.

Section 2 provides for an effective date.

JUSTIFICATION:

This bill is intended to keep New York State's leadership fresh and innovative, to allow an influx of new voices and perspectives in order to make better and broader the representation of the people of New York in the State's Legislature.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

2013-14 - S. 3556 passed Senate; A. 7026 - Governmental Operations Committee.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediate