



NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER AMY PAULIN
NEW YORK STATE SENATOR BRAD HOYLMAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUM ON THE CHILD-PARENT SECURITY ACT

SUBJECT: The *Child-Parent Security Act* (A.6701/S.4617)

PURPOSE: To hear from stakeholders regarding New York State's *Child-Parent Security Act*, and to discuss the impacts the legislation would have on the lives of parents, children, gestational carriers, and gamete donors.

**Tuesday, April 1, 2014
10:30 A.M.
Legislative Office Building
Hearing Room C
Albany, NY 12210**

New York law has failed to keep pace with medical advances in assisted reproduction, causing uncertainty about who the legal parents of a child are upon birth. The *Child-Parent Security Act* seeks to amend New York State law to permit gestational carrier agreements, set forth the criteria for such agreements, as well as provide clarity to ensure a child's relationship to his or her parent(s) is legally recognized.

Anyone wishing to testify or attend the forum must complete and return the form attached no later than Tuesday, March 25, 2014. Oral testimony is by invitation only. Individuals who would like an invitation to testify should indicate so on the reply form attached.

- The submission of written testimony is also strongly encouraged and will be included as part of the record.
- Written testimony must be e-mailed (as a Word or PDF document) by Tuesday, March 25 to: phillips@nysenate.gov.
- Witnesses should limit oral testimony to five minutes in length.
- If you are testifying, please submit one electronic copy of any written statement by Tuesday, March 25 and submit ten hard copies at the forum registration table.

In accordance with State and Federal law, the New York State Legislature seeks to make its facilities and services available to all individuals with disabilities. Reasonable accommodations will be provided for individuals with disabilities, upon request.

Questions about this public forum may be directed to Burton Phillips, Counsel to State Senator Brad Hoylman at (518) 455-2452 or phillips@nysenate.gov.

PUBLIC FORUM REPLY FORM

Persons who would like an invitation to testify at or who plan to attend the public forum on April 1, 2014 are requested to **complete this reply form by March 25, 2014** and mail, email or fax it to:

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- I plan to attend the public forum on the *Child-Parent Security Act* to be conducted by Assembly Member Paulin and State Senator Hoylman
- I would like to be invited to make a public statement at the forum. My statement will be limited to five minutes and I will answer any questions which may arise. I will provide one electronic copy by March 25, and 10 hard copies of my prepared statement at the forum.
- I will address my remarks to the following subjects:

I will require assistance and/or handicapped accessibility information. **Please specify the type of assistance required:** _____

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