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NEW YORK

A.B. 1152 - Consumer Finance

Sponsor:

Assembly member Jeffrey Dinowitz (D)

Summary:

Increases the monetary exclusion on the requirement for plain language in consumer contracts to \$250,000.

http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=%0D%0A&bn=A01152&term=2015&Text=Y

Status:

Introduced; referred to Assembly Judiciary Committee 1/8/2015. Hearing scheduled 3/3/2015.

Outlook:

Public testimony is generally not accepted at scheduled meetings; however, a vote on this measure is likely. The measure is a refile of A.B. 7777 from last session. Companion legislation has not been filed to accompany this measure which is considered important for a measure to gain consideration in New York. The sponsor is a member of the majority party and serves in the committee of referral. In New York, committees are not required to consider each bill referred to them. The Republican Party controls the Senate while the Democratic Party controls the Assembly and the Governor's Office.

A.B. 1940 - BUILDING CODES

Sponsor: Assembly member Steven Englebright (D)

Summary: Allows municipalities to adopt a building code that is more stringent than the standards imposed by the State Building Council.

http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/?default_fld=&bn=AB+1940&term=2015&Text=Y

Status:

Introduced; referred to Assembly Committee on Governmental Operations 1/13/2015.

Outlook:

The sponsor is a member of the majority party. The Republican party controls the Senate while the Democratic party controls the Assembly and the Governor's Office. Companion legislation has not yet been filed in the Senate. Companion legislation is considered important to moving bills through the legislative process. This measure has yet to garner the support of any cosponsors.

S.B. 7565 - BUILDING CODES

Sponsor:

Senator Catharine Young (R)

Summary:

Allows a local government to adopt codes for construction that are more stringent than the uniform code if approved by the State Fire Prevention and Building Code Council. States that the Council must make a decision within 180 days of receiving the receipt whether to approve the codes in whole or in part. [http://statelink.stateside.com/Attachments/-1 NY SB7565.doc](http://statelink.stateside.com/Attachments/-1_NY_SB7565.doc)

Status:

Introduced; referred to Senate Housing, Construction and Community Development 5/15/2014.

Outlook:

The sponsor is a member of the majority coalition, but is not a member of the committee of referral. Republicans and the Independent Democratic Conference share control of the Senate forming the Senate Majority Coalition. The coalition agreement created the position of Temporary President, which will alternate between two conference leaders (Senator Jeff Klein, (IDC) and Senator Dean Skelos (R)) every two weeks. Democrats control the Assembly and Governor's office. Measures in the Legislature can be brought up at any time, even after long periods of inactivity. This measure has not been previously introduced, nor does it have a companion in the Assembly. Companion legislation is considered important to moving bills through the legislative process.

The Assembly adjourned for recess June 19 with the Senate adjourning for recess June 20. While unlikely, all measures that were left in either chamber after adjournment may still be acted upon. The only way for a measure to receive further action this year will be if Speaker Sheldon Silver (D) calls the Assembly to order or the Senate Temporary President, Senator Jeff Klein (IDC) or Senator Dean Skelos (R), calls the Senate to order and order a measure to be considered. Measures will not be considered "failed" until the Legislature adjourns Sine Die December 31, 2014.

Effective Date: Immediately