



### **Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Prevention**

As part of the Governor's standalone "Women's Agenda", he included a proposal aimed to prevent sexual harassment in the workplace. The proposal includes several provisions, including mandatory reporting requirements for State vendors, a prohibition of public entities entering into nondisclosure type agreements in employment contract, prohibiting the use of taxpayer funds in sexual harassment settlements, uniform sexual harassment policies for public entities, and allowing JCOPE to investigate complaints of sexual harassment for public entities.

### **Liquor Law Reforms**

The Governor's Executive Budget Proposal included three provisions that would modify the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law. The first provision would remove the requirement for hotels to have a full service on-premises restaurant in order to obtain a liquor license that permits room service and mini bars. The second provision would add definitions of the terms "mead" and "braggot", and create a license for businesses to produce and sell these products. The third provision would allow the State Liquor Authority (SLA) to issue a new license for businesses that only buy and sell New York State alcoholic beverage products. These new licensees would not be able to sell to wholesalers or retailers within New York.

### **Expanding of TASTE NY**

The Governor's Executive Budget Proposal includes authorization for TASTE NY facilities to be located at any State operated roadside rest area. Under the current law, State operated roadside rest areas can only offer food and beverage through vending machines.

### **Public Financing and Campaign Finance Reform**

The Governor's Executive Budget Proposal includes a mechanism to create a public financing system for campaigns in New York, along with proposals to change the overall contribution limits for candidates for elected positions statewide. The proposal would further limit the aggregate amount of contributions to housekeeping accounts, and would require registration statements to be submitted by political contribution bundlers.

### **Tourism Funding**

- Market New York - \$8,000,000
- Matching Grants - \$3,815,000
  - o Beekmantown Information Center - \$196,000
  - o Binghamton Information Center - \$196,000
- Taste NY - \$1,100,000
  - o Includes \$550k for the NY Wine and Culinary Center
- I Love NY - \$2,500,000
- Round 8 of the REDCs - \$150,000,000

**Note:** NYSH&TA has already submitted letters to the Senate and Assembly Tourism Chairman asking them to include an increase to \$5 Million for the Matching Grants Program in their respective budgets.