

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, STATE AND

FEDERAL LEGISLATION

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CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF NEW YORK

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE MINUTES

Of the

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL  
OPERATIONS, STATE AND FEDERAL  
LEGISLATION

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April 24, 2025  
Start: 12:02 p.m.  
Recess: 12:05 p.m.

HELD AT: COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL

B E F O R E: Lincoln Restler, Chairperson

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Gale A. Brewer  
James F. Gennaro  
Jennifer Gutiérrez  
Shahana Hanif  
Vickie Paladino  
Lynn C. Schulman  
Inna Vernikov

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3 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: This is a microphone  
4 check on the Committee of Governmental Operations,  
5 State and Federal Legislation, recorded by James  
6 Marino in the Chambers on 4-24-2025.

7 SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Good afternoon, good  
8 afternoon. Welcome to the New York City Council vote  
9 on the Committee on Governmental Operations, State  
10 and Federal Legislation.

11 At this time, please silence all  
12 electronics, and do not approach a desk.

13 Chair, you may begin.

14 CHAIRPERSON RESTLER: Good morning. No,  
15 good afternoon. My name is Lincoln Restler, and I am  
16 the Chair of the Committee on Governmental  
17 Operations, State and Federal Legislation. I would  
18 like to start off by thanking those of us who have  
19 joined us for today's votes, my Colleagues, Council  
20 Member Inna Vernikov, Council Member Jim Gennaro,  
21 Council Member Vickie Paladino, Council Member  
22 Jennifer Gutiérrez, Council Member Shahana Hanif,  
23 Council Member Gale Brewer, and online we do have  
24 Council Member Lynn C. Schulman, who we hope is  
25 feeling better.

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Today we'll be voting on three items.

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First, Intro. 246-A, sponsored by Council Member

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Crystal Hudson, which will require City agencies to

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include X as an option when collecting gender

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identity information. In light of the attacks from

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the federal government on TGNCBNI community, it is

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more important than ever before that New York City

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shows support and respect for TGNCBNI individuals in

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our community. I appreciate Council Member Hudson's

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leadership on this and I was really pleased that we

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were able to hold a hearing on this bill earlier last

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year.

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We will also be hearing Pre-Considered

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Intro. 1263 to address a technical error relating to

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employees' communications in adjudicative

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proceedings.

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And finally, a Home Rule message in

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support of State legislation sponsored by

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Assemblymember Hooks and Senator Liu to authorize the

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City to discontinue certain parkland in Flushing

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Meadows-Corona Park.

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I will now ask the Clerk to call the

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roll.

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2 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Good  
3 morning. William Martin, Committee Clerk. Roll call  
4 vote Committee on Governmental Operations, State and  
5 Federal Legislation. All items are coupled. Chair  
6 Restler.

7 CHAIRPERSON RESTLER: Aye.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Schulman.

9 COUNCIL MEMBER SCHULMAN: Aye.

10 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank  
11 you. Gennaro.

12 COUNCIL MEMBER GENNARO: Aye.

13 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Brewer.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER BREWER: Yes.

15 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN:  
16 Gutiérrez.

17 COUNCIL MEMBER GUTIÉRREZ: Aye.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Hanif.

19 COUNCIL MEMBER HANIF: Aye.

20 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Carr.

21 CHAIRPERSON RESTLER: Where's Brooklyn's  
22 own? Nowhere. David's not here today. Okay. We miss  
23 him.

24 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Vernikov.

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2 COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: Aye on all  
3 except no on Intro. 246.

4 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Okay.  
5 Thank you.

6 COUNCIL MEMBER VERNIKOV: Sorry. Reso.  
7 246.

8 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Paladino.

9 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Aye on all  
10 except for Intro. 246, which is a no. Reso. 246,  
11 which is a no.

12 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Thank  
13 you.

14 COUNCIL MEMBER PALADINO: Intro., that's  
15 what I thought. I'm listening to my neighbor. Sorry.  
16 I'm not listening. All right. You got it. We're all  
17 square, right? Good.

18 COMMITTEE CLERK WILLIAM MARTIN: Following  
19 results. Pre-considered Introduction, Pre-Considered  
20 Proposed Introduction Amended, and Pre-Considered  
21 Resolution have been adopted by the Committee with  
22 eight in the affirmative, zero in the negative and no  
23 abstentions, and Proposed Introduction 246-A has been  
24 adopted by the Committee with six in the affirmative,  
25 two in the negative, and no abstentions.

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CHAIRPERSON RESTLER: And with that, we  
will adjourn. Thank you all. [GAVEL]

C E R T I F I C A T E

World Wide Dictation certifies that the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate record of the proceedings. We further certify that there is no relation to any of the parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that there is interest in the outcome of this matter.



Date June 11, 2025