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Committee Assignment: Assembly Freedom 4

Bill #:AF-30

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An Act To

Edit Article 2, Section 24 of General Construction Law create a state holiday to memorialize those who lost their lives due to the 9/11 attacks.

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

Purpose

Create a state holiday to memorialize those who lost their lives due to the 9/11 attacks.

Summary of Provisions

Section 1: Definitions

9/11: Series of airline hijackings and suicide attacks committed in 2001 by 19 militants associated with the Islamic extremist group al-Qaeda against targets in the United States, the deadliest terrorist attacks on American soil in U.S. history.

Awareness: Knowledge or perception of a situation or fact.

Section 2

§ 24. Public holidays; half-holidays. The term public holiday includes the following days in each year: the first day of January, known as New Year's day; the third Monday of January, known as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. day; the twelfth day of February, known as Lincoln's birthday; the third Monday in February, known as Washington's birthday; the last Monday in May, known as Memorial day; the second Sunday in June, known as Flag day; the fourth day of July, known as Independence day; the first Monday in September, known as Labor day; the 11th day of September, known as 9/11 Memorial Day. the second Monday in October, known as Columbus day; the eleventh day of November, known as Veterans' day; the fourth Thursday in November, known as Thanksgiving day; and the twenty-fifth day of December, known as Christmas day, and if any of such days except Flag day is Sunday, the next day thereafter; each general election day, and each day appointed by the president of the United States or by the governor of this state as a day of general thanksgiving, general fasting and prayer, or other general religious observances. The term half-holiday includes the period from noon to midnight of each Saturday which is not a public holiday.

(NY CONSOLIDATED LAW, General Construction, Article 2, Section 24)

Justification:

This will aid in commemorating this historically significant date as its significance should be relayed to future youth, allowing its impact to never be forgotten.

Fiscal Implications

There would be fiscal implications, as public schools, would get off, with private schools being an exception.

Environmental Implications

There are no environmental implications in our bill

Effective Date One year after bill is passed