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Senate Bill #	Assembly Bill #	Sponsor	Title / Purpose	Action
S0275	A3376	Sen. Larkin- Assy. Rabbitt	Eligibility for STAR exemption when at least one property owner is 65 or older	Senate Aging Committee Assembly Aging Committee
S0441	A1485	Sen. Diaz - Assy. Gunther	Establishes NY certified retirement community program in NYS Office for Aging (OFA. Provides certification that a community is advantageous	Assembly Aging Committee Senate Aging Committee
S1123	A2180	Sen. Maziarz - Assy. Gunther	Establishes a statewide safe patient handling policy for health care facilities	Senate Health Committee Assembly Codes Committee
S1341	None	Sen. Maziarz	Permanently pre-empts state regulation of internet and cable telephone service	Senate Energy & Telecommunications Committee
S1417	A5168	Sen. Montgomery - Assy. Gottfried	Requires a registered nurse, for monitoring and assessment, on staff at facilities certified for enhanced assisted living or special needs assisted living	Senate Aging Committee Assembly Health Committee
S1662	A5201	Sen. Grisanti - Assy. Gottfried	Increases penalties for harming residents of assisted living residences and adult homes	Senate Social Services Committee. Assembly Health Committee
S1663	A4467	Sen. Grisanti - Assy. Gottfried	Requires minimum hours of training for direct care staff in adult care facilities	Assembly Health Committee Senate Health Committee
S1765	A1211	Sen. LaValle- Assy. Englebright	Local assessor to accept late applications for STAR through local law	Senate Aging Committee Assembly Real Property Tax Committee
S1767	A1212	Sen. LaValle- Assy. Englebright	Cap school tax for aged 70 or older under enhanced STAR	Senate Finance Committee Assembly Real Property Tax Committee
S2078	A5389	Sen. Perkins- Assy. Gottfried	Establishes NY Health as a comprehensive single payor health plan	Senate Health Committee Assembly Health Committee
S2079	A1988	Sen. Hannon- Assy. Gottfried	Defines Hospital Observation Status related to flexibility of bed use and policies	Signed into Law 2-26-13, Chapter 5
S2118	A4611	Sen. Ranzenhoffer - Assy. Schimminger	Allows continuing care communities to offer additional "Lifecare at Home" services	Passed Senate Assembly Health Committee

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S2148	A438	Senator Valesky - Assy. Dinowitz	Authorizes NY Connects to use an universal assessment tool; targets those as potentially in need of respite, home delivered meals, and in-home services provided by the aging network and licensed home and community services and nursing home level of care.	Senate Finance Committee Assembly Aging Committee
S2149	A2700	Sen. Valesky- Assy. Magee	Establishes Farm to Senior program to promote the purchase of fresh local products by senior centers	Senate Finance Committee Assembly Agriculture Committee
S2157	A0433	Sen. Valesky- Assy. Dinowitz	Health Dept. to create contact info for NY Connects: Choices for Long Term Care program	Senate Finance Committee Assembly Ways & Means Committee
S2179	A2432	Sen. Golden- Assy. Englebright	Caregiver's assistance act, income tax break for caring for senior family member & STAR tax break	Senate Investigations Committee Assembly Ways & Means Committee
S2319	A1666	Sen. DeFrancisco- Assy. Cahill	Limits the insurance co-pay for physical therapy care to no more than the 20% of the total allowable charge	Senate Insurance Committee Assembly Insurance Committee
S2323	A0591	Sen. Klein- Assy. Dinowitz	Requires the Office of Children & Family Services to track and report elder abuse and to issue a biennial report on the incidence of elder abuse in NYS	Senate Aging Committee Assembly Aging Committee
S2324	A0723	Sen. Klein- Assy. Braunstein	Requires health professionals to complete training regarding the	Senate Higher Education Committee
S2337	A3737	Sen. Klein - Assy. Benedetto	Requires reports on financial exploitation of the elderly to OCFS	Senate Aging Committee Assembly Aging Committee
S2454	A2678	Sen. Savino- Assy. Weinstein	Consumer credit fairness act	Senate Judiciary Committee Awaiting Full Assembly vote
S2937	None	Sen. Hannon	Requires the state to develop a shorter, simplified renewal application for senior citizens already receiving a STAR Tax exemption.	Awaiting Full Senate Vote

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S2947	A1124	Sen. Hannon - Assy. Rosenthal	Requires health care professional clinical education every four years in pain management and palliative care	Senate Health Committee Passed Assembly
S3055	A0655	Sen. Little- Assy. Dinowitz	Authorizes dispensing audiologists, employed by a physician who has conducted an evaluation for hearing loss to dispense hearing aids for a profit	In Assembly Higher Education Committee In Senate Consumer Protection Committee
S3266	None	Sen. Krueger	Creates the middle class circuit breaker tax credit & commission to	Senate Investigations Committee
S3295	A0623	Sen. O'Mara - Assy. Weprin	Authorizes a demonstration program for package pricing for funeral services	Assembly Health Committee Senate Health Committee
S3508	None	Senator Ball	Establishes a capped property school tax rate for persons sixty-seven years of age or older who have a combined annual income of \$60,000 or less.	Awaiting vote by full Senate.
S362	A2580	Senator Kennedy - Assy. Robinson	Exempts veteran disability payments from inclusion as income of persons sixty-five years of age or over to determine eligibility for a real property tax exemption	Awaiting vote by full Senate. Assembly Veterans Affairs Committee
S3691	None	Sen. Hannon	Enacts the "safe staffing for quality care act" to require hospitals and nursing homes to implement direct-care nurse to patient ratios	Senate Health Committee
S3960	A3583	Senator Golden - Assy. Englebright	Establishes reverse mortgage loan program for low income seniors in the NYS Mortgage Agency	Senate Corporations Committee Assembly Housing Committee
S3999	A1113	Senator Farley - Assy. Heastie	Enacts the "short-term financial services loan act"; authorizes licensed cashers of checks to provide short-term loans under certain circumstances.	Senate Banks Committee Assembly Banks Committee

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S865	A1961	Senator Diaz - Assy. Millman	Creates a caregiver support program for grandparents and other older adult relative caregivers who are providing primary care for children aged 18 and under	Senate Finance Committee Assembly Aging Committee
None	A0348	Assy. Dinowitz	Establishes the Capital Infrastructure Improvement Grants program for community-based aging services	Assembly Aging Committee
None	A0619	Assy. Rosenthal	Changes the witness requirement for the health care proxy from two adult witnesses to one adult witness	Assembly Codes Committee
None	A2675	Assy. Gottfried	Requires health care providers to disclose errors in diagnosis, treatment or other services that the	Assembly Health Committee
None	A2844	Assy. Gottfried	Changes Hospital Charity Care Formula to promote equity and accountability	Enacted in State Budget 2013
None	A3139	Assy. Gottfried	Requires diversion of new nursing home patient admissions when a facility has been found to provide inadequate care within a 48 hour period	Assembly Ways & Means Committee
None	A3430	Assy. Brindisi	Requires Adult Protective Services to notify county Office for the Aging about cases of older persons	Assembly Aging Committee
None	A3538	Assy. Weisenberg	Cemetery Bill of Rights	Assembly Corporations Committee
None	A3781	Assy. Gottfried	Prohibits ownership or control of managed long term care plans by health maintenance organizations or insurers	Assembly Ways & Means Committee
None	A4062	Assy. Gottfried	Expands special advisory review panel on Medicaid managed care	Assembly Ways & Means Committee

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None	A4305	Assy. Brennan	Individual shall not become ineligible under EPIC program due to increase in social security benefits or public or private pension where such increase does not exceed consumer price index	Assembly Aging Committee
None	A4320	Assy. Englebright	Provides for the establishment of a senior care choices program to give care and services at home to senior citizens, sets criteria for such program and directs application for a federal waiver	Assembly Aging Committee
None	A4392	Assy. Gottfried	Establishes prescription drug discount program with rebates from manufacturers that are exempt from and exceed "best pricing rules"	Assembly Health Committee
None	A4594	Assy. O'Donnell	Authorizes geriatric parole for certain low risk prisoners age 60 and older	Assembly Corrections Committee
None	A4650	Assy. Englebright	Creates Student Loan Forgiveness Incentive for Practice of Geriatric Medicine	Assembly Higher Education Committee
None	A4996	Assy. Gottfried	Due Process for Consumers in Medicaid Managed Long Term Care Program	Assembly Health Committee