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Statement of the Joint Commission on Public Ethics

Pursuant to the statutory process as set forth in Executive Law §94(14-a), the Joint Commission on Public Ethics has today presented a Substantial Basis Investigation Report to the Legislative Ethics Commission ("LEC") for its review under Legislative Law §80. Subject to limited exceptions, the LEC must make the Report public within 45 days. Given the nature of this matter, the Joint Commission urges the LEC to act expeditiously.

Separately, the Joint Commission is referring certain findings in its report to the Assembly Standing Committee on Ethics and Guidance, which has jurisdiction over Assembly rules and policies.

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