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TO: ALL DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY HEADS

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SUBJECT: HIRING FREEZE WAIVER FOR 55-B AND 55-C POSITIONS

Hiring restrictions that applied to individuals eligible for State employment under Section 55-b and Section 55-c of the Civil Service Law and imposed by Budget Bulletin B-1148, issued January 5, 1995, and referenced in Budget Bulletin B-1159, issued February 25, 1999, are rescinded.

Such positions may be filled without Division of the Budget approval provided the agency can fund those positions within approved funding and personnel levels.

Civil Service Law authorizes the Civil Service Commission to place up to 1,200 positions in the non-competitive class specifically for the hiring of individuals with a physical or mental disability who are otherwise qualified and able to perform the functions of those positions at a satisfactory level. The Law also permits up to 300 positions to be similarly designated for qualified disabled veterans. Candidates for these vacant 55-b and 55-c positions must be certified as eligible by the Employee Health Service Unit of the Department of Civil Service.

Agencies must notify the Department of Civil Service of their intent to fill a position with an eligible candidate and to request the reclassification of the item. The Department will be responsible for monitoring the number of 55-b and 55-c positions. Agencies must enter this appointment transaction into the NYSTEP system.

Questions concerning this Budget Bulletin should be directed to your budget examiner.

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