



December 15, 2022

The Honorable Kathy Hochul
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224
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Re: Please Veto NY Senate Bill S7493A

Dear Governor Hochul:

The New Jersey Aviation Association represents general aviation business and individuals throughout New Jersey. Due to the cross-border mobility of aviation transportation we are occasionally compelled to take positions on legislation in neighboring states. This is one of those times. NJAA opposes NY Senate Bill S7493A and urges you to veto it. The bill is aimed at curtailing helicopter traffic in the vicinity of New York City by subjecting New Jersey businesses and individuals to civil litigation for supposed noise pollution even when the operations comply with federal law. Federal law preemptively governs aircraft noise and the proposed bill, if signed into law, will be invalidated in court.

As important, this bill unfairly harms the interests of numerous New Jersey businesses and individuals who actively fly to and from New York City and would threaten their use of airspace above the borders and waterways of New Jersey.

We urge you to veto this misguided legislation that will hurt New Jersey's business and transportation interests and will violate federal law as well.

Respectfully,

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