



## MEMO OF SUPPORT

### [S4945 \(Comrie\)](#)

*Makes PARIS reports immediately available to the public*

April 3, 2026

#### **TITLE OF BILL**

An act to amend the public authorities law, in relation to requiring certain reports of public authorities are published via the public authorities reporting information system [PARIS].

#### **STATEMENT OF SUPPORT**

Reinvent Albany strongly supports this bill because it speeds up public access to government information.

Public authorities in NY currently hold [\\$333.1 billion in public debt](#). To ensure that money is spent transparently, state law requires industrial development agencies and other public authorities to submit annual reports and budget reports to the Authorities Budget Office (ABO) via PARIS. Eventually, the ABO posts these reports on its website or through open data. But until then, the reports are only accessible via PARIS login, which is not available to the public. The MTA, for example, [published its procurement report as open data](#) in April 2025. The ABO did not make [procurement data from state authorities](#) like the MTA available to the public until December 2025.

Removing the login requirement will ensure quicker public access to these crucial records. We urge the Legislature to pass the bill.

#### **SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS**

Section 1 adds a new subdivision 5 to Public Authorities Law §2800 requiring that annual reports added to PARIS shall not require login credentials to access. Section 2 does the same for budget reports by adding a subdivision 4 to §2801.

Section 2 states that the bill takes effect 180 days after becoming law.