

SUMMARY:**S6307 BRESLIN**

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Designates the Karner Blue as the official butterfly of New York state.

BILL TEXT:

STATE OF NEW YORK

6307

2007-2008 Regular Sessions

IN SENATEJune 18, 2007

Introduced by Sen. BRESLIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the state law, in relation to making the Karner blue the state butterfly

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The state law is amended by adding a new section 88 to read
2 as follows:

3 § 88. State butterfly. The Karner blue shall be the official butterfly
4 of the state of New York.

5 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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SPONSORS MEMO:

**NEW YORK STATE SENATE
INTRODUCER'S MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT
submitted in accordance with Senate Rule VI. Sec 1**

BILL NUMBER: S6307

SPONSOR: BRESLIN

TITLE OF BILL:

An act to amend the state law, in relation to making the Karner blue the state butterfly

PURPOSE:

To establish the Karner blue butterfly as the official state butterfly for New York state

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS:

Amends the State law by adding a new section 88 designating the Karner blue butterfly as the official butterfly of the state of New York.

JUSTIFICATION:

The Karner blue butterfly has state and federal endangered status, In 1970, New York adopted the Eastern bluebird as its state bird. Since then, the bluebird has been coming back from alarmingly low numbers. New Yorkers began building special nesting boxes along fence rows to help the birds as they did not have natural nests. Making the Karner blue New York state's official butterfly will inspire people to support actions to protect the Karner blue, which will help to ensure the preservation of the species.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

None.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Immediately.
