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## MEMORANDUM OF SUPPORT

**Assembly Bill 10384-A (Assemblymember Woerner) / Senate Bill 7878-A (Senator Funke)**

**AN ACT TO AMEND THE AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS LAW, IN RELATION TO PERMITTING AGRICULTURAL ASSESSMENT APPLICATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY**

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New York Farm Bureau, the state's largest agricultural advocacy organization, respectfully requests your support for this legislation. If enacted, this bill would allow agricultural assessment applications to be submitted electronically.

Many farmers lease lands from landowners to be used in agricultural production. Currently, in order to receive an agricultural assessment on this land, the landowner must submit an initial agricultural assessment application and then each year submit a renewal application. It is common for landowners who lease their land to farmers, to travel when the applications are due, or they do not reside in the community where the applications must be filed. The option to file the applications electronically would modernize and streamline the application process.

For these reasons, New York Farm Bureau requests your support of this legislation.