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**New York State Assembly Speaker's Office Subject Files
L0017**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	These files, compiled by staff of Assembly Speaker Stanley Fink, contain background information on legislative subject areas and correspondence between the Speaker and other legislators, interest groups, state agency officers, local officials, and private citizens concerning proposed legislation. Also included are memorandums, copies of bills, press releases, newsletters, and petitions. Subjects include labor, veterans affairs, infrastructure, abortion, Love Canal, and the Democratic National Committee.
Creator:	New York (State). Legislature. Assembly. Office of the Speaker
Title:	Assembly Speaker's Office subject files
Quantity:	26 cubic feet
Inclusive Date:	1977-1986
Bulk Date:	bulk 1978-1986
Series:	L0017

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Arrangement

Alphabetic by subject.

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Administrative History

Stanley Fink was elected to the Assembly in 1968. He was chairman of the Codes Committee after 1975, Majority Leader after 1977, and Speaker after 1979. He retired from the Assembly in 1986.

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Scope and Content Note

This series contains correspondence and background files compiled by the staff of Speaker Stanley Fink. These files contain background information on legislative subject areas and correspondence between the Speaker and other legislators, interest groups, state agency officers, local officials, and private citizens concerning proposed legislation. There are memoranda prepared by staff members providing historical background and legislative options on important issues. Other types of documents in the files include: reports (published and unpublished, many by New York state agencies); copies of bills; press releases; press clippings; newsletters from legislators; petitions; and excerpts from the Assembly Journal.

There are virtually no memoranda between the speaker and his top advisors, and virtually no notes from the frequent meetings at which policy decisions were made. Therefore, these files are not fully representative of the operations of the Speaker's Office.

The subjects of these files include: broad topics such as labor, veteran's affairs, or infrastructure; controversial topics such as abortion, Love Canal, and nuclear freeze; individual legislation (e.g. Bottle Bill); state agencies and commissioners and public and private institutions and organizations; geographic locations (e.g. New York City, Yonkers); and political or administrative topics such as delegate selection, Democratic National Committee, and interns.

At the end of the series are correspondence surveys for the years 1977-1986. These provide a statistical breakdown of correspondence received by Speaker Fink by subject or issue, pro or con orientations of the writer, and whether the writer resided in Fink's home district.

L0017-86, 23 cubic feet: records filed in Fink's Albany office.

L0017-87, 3 cubic feet: records filed in Fink's New York City office.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

Access Terms

- Legislative bodies
- Legislation
- Women--Health and hygiene
- Reports
- Legislative bodies--Leadership
- Legislating
- Memorandums
- New York (State)--Politics and government
- Fink, Stanley, 1936-