



May 29, 2026

**Re: Opposition to S.1477-A (Krueger) / A.643-B (González-Rojas) (Champerty Bill)**

We, the undersigned membership organizations representing a broad cross-section of New York State’s leading business organizations and financial services industry, write to strongly oppose the Champerty Bill, which would materially damage New York’s position as the world’s leading financial and legal center for sovereign debt and negatively impact the very countries it intends to protect.

The Champerty Bill directly threatens a critical New York market. New York law governs a substantial share of the global sovereign bond market, with hundreds of billions of dollars trading annually under its framework. The Champerty Bill would drive new issuances to competing jurisdictional frameworks such as English, Delaware, or Texas law<sup>1</sup>—jurisdictions actively positioning themselves to capture this business.<sup>2</sup> The result is clear: loss of high-value jobs, economic growth, and tax revenue for New York.

The Champerty Bill will increase borrowing costs and harm the very countries it purports to protect. Undermining enforceability reduces investor confidence. Sovereign issuers will be forced to offer higher yields to attract capital as a result. Those higher financing costs burden national budgets, reducing funding available for the essential public services the authors intend to protect.

We urge you to reject the Champerty Bill.

Respectfully submitted,

**The Business Council of New York State, Inc.**

**Creditor Rights Coalition**

**LSTA, Inc.**

**MFA**

**Partnership for New York City**

**SIFMA**

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<sup>1</sup> Act of May 30, 2025, 89th Leg., R.S., ch. 311, § 2, 2025 Tex. Gen. Laws (codified as amended at TEX. BUS. & COM. CODE ANN. § 8.302(e) (“...no issuer...may assert a defense...based on the intent of the purchaser...to assert or pursue through litigation...the enforcement of the purchaser’s rights...”))

<sup>2</sup> Senate Research Center, Bill Analysis, Tex. S.B. 1239, 89th Leg., R.S. (March 27, 2025) (“Recent proposed legislation in New York would create serious legal uncertainty for lenders and borrowers alike...S.B. 1239 seeks to position Texas to be a leader in sovereign debt cases...”), <https://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/89R/analysis/pdf/SB01239S.pdf>.