

A Better Plan for New York

A Responsible Economic Stimulus Budget Plan
for New York State

Senate Republican Conference

A Fiscally Responsible Plan

- * Includes Over \$4.2 Billion in Spending Cuts Proposed by the Governor and Additional Spending Reductions of \$1.3 Billion for a Total of \$5.5 Billion in Reductions
- * \$900 Million in New Recurring Savings – Helping to Reduce Outyear Gaps
- * Leaves Rainy Day Funds Untapped and Fully Funded
- * Increases the State's Overall Fiscal Reserves

- * Spending Cap to Restrain Growth in Outyears

- * Eliminates Tax Increases, Creates Jobs, Strengthens Economy

- * Provides Mandate Relief to Local Governments and School Districts

- * Provides Critical Property Tax Relief

Over \$2.2 Billion in New Cost Cutting Measures and Budget Actions

- \$519 M - Cut 1% from Agency Contracts
- \$266 M – Consolidation of State Agencies
- \$138 M – 5% Cut in State Agency Non-Personal Service
- \$216 M – Family Tuition Investment Plan

- \$500 M – Collect Cigarette Taxes
- \$175 M – Enhanced Medicaid Fraud Coordination
- \$174 M – Accelerate State Repayment Contracts
- \$78 M - Freeze State Purchases of Recreational Lands
- \$50 M – Eliminate Executive Unspent Lump Sum Balances
- \$50 M – Sale of Surplus State Property
- \$34 M – Re-implement Welfare/Medicaid Anti-Fraud Safeguards

(Finger imaging, face to face interviews, asset requirements)

Over \$15 Billion in Stimulus Funds for Fiscal Relief Over \$7 Billion in 2009-10

- The State Will Receive Over \$15 billion in Federal Funds for Fiscal Relief Over the Next 25 months
- Over \$7 billion in Fiscal Relief for 2009-10:
- Nearly \$5.5 billion in Medicaid Related Funds

- \$1.5 Billion in Education Aid
- \$278 million in Flexible Relief

Over \$7 Billion in Stimulus Funds in 09-10 Proposed Senate Republican Allocations

Priority 1 - Job Creation

- \$150 M – Low Cost Power to Struggling Businesses
- \$23 M – Invest in Job Training and Employment Services (*Federal Funds*)
- \$40 M – Eliminate Business Taxes for NYS Distressed Manufacturers & Cut Tax Rate for Small Businesses by 50%
- \$90 M – Job Creation Credit (Training, Capital Investment)
- \$272 M – Prevent Layoffs in Empire Zones by Keeping State Commitment

□ \$1.7 B – Restore Property Tax Rebate Checks / Direct Stimulus to Taxpayers

(Average Rebate Check \$450)

□ Expand NYS Film Tax Credit to Promote Local Film and Television Production

Additional Steps

□ \$1.23 B - K-12 School Aid Restoration - (*Federal Mandate*)

□ \$45 M - K-12 Restoration (non-public)

□ \$756 M - Health Care – Long Term Reform, Efficiency, Restructuring Funding

□ \$220 M - Stop Raid on SUNY & CUNY Tuition – “Governor’s Student Tax”

□ \$103 M Other Critical Health and Safety Priorities

Eliminate Governor’s 142 Taxes and Fees that Target Middle Class Families

- *Restores STAR Rebate Checks
- *Tax on Healthcare Insurance Policies – “Covered Lives Assessment”
- *Utility Taxes – (*18-A & Cap. Base*)
- *Cable and Satellite Television
- *New Taxes on Home Renovations
- *Life Insurance Premium Taxes
- *Drivers Taxes – Gasoline, Licenses, Registrations, License Plates
- *Haircuts
- *Bowling
- *Movie Tickets
- *iTunes
- *Tax on Filing Taxes – For All Taxpayers Who Don’t File Electronically
- *Massages
- *Credit Rating and Reporting Services
- *Taxicabs, Livery Service
- *Intra-State Charter Buses

- *Train Tickets
- *Plane Tickets
- *Charter Fishing Services
- *Sightseeing Services
- *Beer, Wine, Cigars
- *Golf Greens Fees
- *Concert Tickets
- *Tax on Store Coupons
- *Bottled Water
- *Various Other Insurance Taxes
- *Gym Memberships
- *Pedicures, Manicures

Governor's Plan vs. Senate Republican Plan

Governor's Plan _____ Senate
Republican Plan

□ \$5.3 B in Spending Reductions
Reductions

□ **\$5.5 B in Spending**

*(after accounting for \$1.3 B in
Federally Mandated Stimulus Spending on Education)*

□ \$6.2 B – In New Taxes/Fees
Fees

□ **\$0 –Total New Taxes and**

□ \$0 Direct Taxpayer Relief
*(\$3,320 Middle Class Family
Tax and Fee Increases)*

□ **\$1.7 B – In Taxpayer Relief**
(\$450 Average Rebate Check)

□ State Funds Spending Growth 1.7%
Growth 1.6%

□ **State Funds Spending**

□ Reserves - \$1.3 B

Reserves - \$2.2 B

A Smarter, More Efficient Health Care System

□ The Senate Plan Reflects the Influx of Federal Stimulus Funds, While Also Encouraging Efficiencies and Reforming

and Improving New York's Health Care System

□ The Senate's Plan Will:

□ Control Health Care Spending – Includes Nearly \$1.1 B in Medicaid/Health Care Cuts

□ Create Incentives for Long Term Reforms

□ Eliminates \$1.4 B in New Taxes on Health Care—Taxes Which Would Make Health Care More Expensive in NYS.

□ \$756 M in Federal Stimulus Funds Invested to Continue Providing Quality Care to Seniors and Vulnerable Populations