



NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE
PUBLIC HEARING CALENDAR

For Immediate Release:

October 16, 2009

Oct. 19 **Joint – Senate Standing Committee on Health
Chair: Senator Thomas Duane
and Assembly Standing Committee on Health
Chair: Assemblyman Richard N. Gottfried
Public Hearing: Improving patient safety in New York: Understanding and improving the current
system
Place: Assembly Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, Room 1923, 19th Floor, New York, NY
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Contact: (Senate) Denise Soffel (212) 633-8052 or Alison Jacobs (518) 455-2630
(Assembly) Richard Conti (518) 455-4941 or Estibaliz Alonso (518) 455-4311
Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888
(Senate) Erin Dennin (518) 455-2415**

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Oct. 19 **Senate Standing Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions
Chair: Senator Bill Perkins
Public Hearing: Still “On the Waterfront”: Corruption at Our Local Ports
Place: Senate Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, 19th Floor, New York, New York
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Contact: Tom Briggs (518) 455-2441
Media Contact: Tom Briggs (518) 455-2441**

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Oct. 20 **Assembly Standing Committee on Economic Development, Job Creation, Commerce
and Industry
Chair: Assemblyman Robin Schimminger
Public Hearing: The Future of Economic Development
Place: University at Buffalo, Center for Tomorrow, North Campus, Corner of Flint and
Service Center Roads, Buffalo, New York
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Contact: Lekeya Martin (518) 455-4928
Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888**

Oct. 20 **Senate Standing Committee on Environmental Conservation
NOTE: Chair: Senator Antoine M. Thompson
NEW Public Hearing: Wetlands
DATE Place: Buffalo Science Museum, 1020 Humboldt Parkway, Buffalo, New York
Time: 11:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Contact: Rashied McDuffie (518) 455-3371
Media Contact: Heather Zeist (716) 854-8705**

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Oct. 21 **Senate Standing Committee on Civil Service and Pensions
Chair: Senator Diane J. Savino
Public Hearing: Provisional Appointments in the City of New York
Place: Senate Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, 19th Floor, New York, New York
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Contact: Barbara M. O’Neill (518) 455-2405
Media Contact: Ana Tinsly (646) 331-4765**

- Oct. 21 **Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means**
 Chair: Assemblyman Herman D. Farrell, Jr.
 Public Hearing: Executive Proposal to reduce the estimated budget deficit for the 2009 – 2010 State Fiscal Year
 Place: Hamilton Hearing Room B, Legislative Office Building, 2nd Floor, Albany, New York
 Time: 9:30 A.M.
 Contact: Clinton R. Freeman (518) 455-5491
 Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888
- Oct. 22 **Joint – Assembly Standing Committee on Election Law**
 Chair: Assemblymember Joan L. Millman
Assembly Standing Committee on Education
 Chair: Assemblymember Catherine Nolan
and Assembly Standing Committee on Libraries and Education Technology
 Chair: Assemblymember Barbara Lifton
 Public Hearing: Administration of Elections in New York State in compliance with the federal Help America Vote Act
 Place: Assembly Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, Room 1923, 19th Floor, New York, NY
 Time: 10:30 A.M.
 Contact: Laurie Barone (518) 455-4313
 Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888
- Oct. 23 **Joint – Senate Standing Committee on Insurance**
 Chair: Senator Neil D. Breslin
and Senate Standing Committee on Health
 Chair: Senator Thomas K. Duane
 Public Hearing: The Role of private health insurance in the diagnosis and treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder
 Place: Meeting Rooms 2 and 3, Empire State Plaza, Concourse, Albany, New York
 Time: 10:00 A.M.
 Contact: Kate Powers (518) 455-2225
 Media Contact: Kate Powers (518) 455-2225
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- Oct. 23 **Assembly Standing Committee on Banks**
 Chair: Assemblyman Darryl C. Towns
 Public Hearing: To examine and discuss the role of the States in a new financial services regulatory scheme
 Place: Assembly Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, Room 1923, 19th Floor, New York, New York
 Time: 10:30 A.M.
 Contact: Yolanda J. Bostic (518) 455-4928
 Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888
- Oct. 23 **Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means**
 Chair: Assemblyman Herman D. Farrell, Jr.
 Public Hearing: Executive Proposal to reduce the estimated budget deficit for the 2009 – 2010 State Fiscal Year
 Place: Onondaga County Legislative Chamber, 401 Montgomery Street, Room 407, Court House, Syracuse, New York
 Time: 10:00 A.M.
 Contact: Clinton Freeman (518) 455-5491
 Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888
- Oct. 27 **Senate Standing Committee on Investigations and Government Operations**
 Chair: Senator Craig M. Johnson
 Public Hearing: New York State's non-collection of taxes on cigarettes sold to non-Native Americans on Indian Reservations
 Place: Richard Harris Terrace, Borough of Manhattan Community College, 199 Chambers Street, New York, New York
 Time: 10:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.
 Contact: Cari Abatemaro (518) 455-2618
 Media Contact: Rich Azzopardi (518) 859-0586
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Oct. 27 **Senate Standing Committee on Environmental Conservation**

NOTE: Chair: Senator Antoine M. Thompson
NEW Public Hearing: Wetlands
DATE Place: Meeting Room 4, Empire State Plaza, Concourse, Albany, New York
Time: 11:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Contact: Rashied McDuffie (518) 455-3371
Media Contact: Heather Zeist (716) 854-8705

Oct. 28 **Joint – Senate Standing Committee on Banks**

Chair: Senator Brian Foley
and **Senate Standing Committee on Codes**
Chair: Senator Eric T. Schneiderman
Public Hearing: Residential Mortgage Fraud in New York
Place: Senate Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, 19th Floor, New York, New York
Time: 10:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Contact: Jerry Yomoah (518) 455-2041
Media Contact: James Freedland (212) 928-5578

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Oct. 29 **Senate Standing Committee on Transportation**

Chair: Senator Martin Malavé Dilan
Public Hearing: New York State Department of Transportation's Five-Year Capital Plan
Place: Syracuse City Hall, 233 East Washington Street, Third Floor, Common Council Chambers, Syracuse, New York
Time: 12:00 to 4:00 P.M.
Contact: Matthew Trapasso (518) 455-2177
Media Contact: Graham Parker (518) 455-2177

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Oct. 29 **Assembly Standing Committee on Health**

Chair: Assemblyman Richard N. Gottfried
Public Hearing: Proposed Revision of the Anatomical Gift Act
Place: Assembly Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, Room 1923, 19th Floor, New York, New York
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Contact: Elizabeth Hamlin (518) 455-4941 or Estibaliz Alonso (518) 455-4311
Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888

Oct. 30 **Senate Standing Committee on Transportation**

Chair: Senator Martin Malavé Dilan
Public Hearing: New York State Department of Transportation's Five-Year Capital Plan
Place: Buffalo & Erie County Historical Society, 25 Nottingham Court, Buffalo, New York
Time: 12:00 to 4:00 P.M.
Contact: Matthew Trapasso (518) 455-2177
Media Contact: Graham Parker (518) 455-2177

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Nov. 12 **Assembly Standing Committee on Transportation**

Chair: Assemblyman David F. Gantt
Public Hearing: New York State Department of Transportation Federal Stimulus Projects
Place: Hamilton Hearing Room B, Legislative Office Building, 2nd Floor, Albany, NY
Time: 11:00 A.M.
Contact: Najay Roache (518) 455-4881
Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888

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Nov. 16 **Joint – Assembly Standing Committee on Veterans’ Affairs**
Chair: Assemblymember Adriano Espaillat
Assembly Subcommittee on Women Veterans
Chair: Assemblymember Donna Lupardo
and Assembly Task Force on Women’s Issues
Chair: Assemblymember Ellen Jaffee
Public Hearing: Issues related to women veterans, including the transition of women veterans from a combat zone to civilian life, the availability of benefits for women veterans and reasons why women veterans may become homeless
Place: Assembly Hearing Room, 250 Broadway, Room 1923, 19th Floor, New York, NY
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Contact: Zachary Shapiro (518) 455-4355
Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888

Nov. 16 **Senate Standing Committee on Higher Education**
Chair: Senator Toby Ann Stavisky
Public Hearing: Swine flu preparedness on college campuses
Place: Hamilton Hearing Room B, Legislative Office Building, 2nd Floor, Albany, NY
Time: 12:00 – 3:00 P.M.
Contact: Jacob Crawford (518) 455-3461
Media Contact: Alex Christodoulides (718) 445-0004
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Nov. 18 **Joint – Senate Standing Committee on Energy and Telecommunications**
NOTE: Chair: Senator Darrel Aubertine
NEW **Senate Standing Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions**
PLACE Chair: Senator Bill Perkins
Senate Standing Committee on Commerce, Economic Development and Small Business
Chair: Senator William Stachowski
Assembly Standing Committee on Energy
Chair: Assemblyman Kevin A. Cahill
Assembly Standing Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions
Chair: Assemblyman Richard L. Brodsky
and Assembly Standing Committee on Economic Development, Job Creation, Commerce and Industry
Chair: Assemblyman Robin Schimminger
Public Hearing: New York State’s low-cost power programs
Place: Assembly Parlor, Room 306, State Capitol Building, Albany, New York
Time: 11:00 A.M.
Contact: Christian Malanga (518) 455-4363
Media Contact: Assembly Press Office (518) 455-3888
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Dec. 1 **Joint – Senate Standing Committee on Insurance**
Chair: Senator Neil D. Breslin
Senate Standing Committee on Health
Chair: Senator Thomas K. Duane
and Senate Standing Committee on Codes
Chair: Senator Eric T. Schneiderman
Public Hearing: Medical Malpractice Reform
Place: Hamilton Hearing Room B, Legislative Office Building, 2nd Floor, Albany, NY
Time: 10:00 A.M.
Contact: Evan Schneider (518) 455-2225
Media Contact: Evan Schneider (518) 455-2225
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OTHER MEETINGS OF INTEREST:

Nov. 10 **Senate Standing Committee on Environmental Conservation**
Chair: Senator Antoine M. Thompson
Roundtable: To discuss Marcellus Shale
Place: Room 103, State Capitol Building, Albany, New York
Time: 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.
Contact: Rashied McDuffie (518) 455-3368
Media Contact: Heather Zeisz (716) 854-8705