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Senator Felder Says, "Your Check is in the Mail"

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Beginning in August, the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance will be sending out over 1.5 million supplemental Child Credit payments. The Empire State Child Credit supplement will provide relief payments up to \$330 per child and **taxpayers do not need to do anything to claim it. The Tax Department will automatically calculate the additional payment based upon tax returns and send a check in the mail.**

"At a time when so many families are struggling to make ends meet, it is very important that people look out for this check in the mail so that they don't miss it or assume it's a scam and throw it out," said Senator Simcha Felder. The program is generally available to families where a single filer earns up to \$75,000 per year, or where married couples filing jointly earn up to \$110,000. Taxpayers who qualified for a minimum of \$100 for the Empire State Child Credit for tax year 2023 will qualify for payments ranging from 25% to 100% of their previous Child Tax Credit, based on income.

Last year, my colleagues and I in the New York State Legislature expanded the Empire State Child Credit to apply to children under 4 years old, adding approximately 600,000 children to the program.

Questions? Call Senator Felder's office at 718-253-2015.