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Tedisco on State of the State

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Statement from Senator Jim Tedisco (R,C-Ballston Lake)

“If this is the Governor’s new ‘vision’ for New York State, she needs a new eyeglasses prescription!”

“The irony of all ironies is that Kathy Hochul has been the Governor for almost four years and Lt. Governor for over seven years before that and during that reign she has been at the center of one-party rule and total domination of all levers of power in Albany that has led to our state’s affordability and public safety crisis. Now she’s going to be the one to save our state! If you didn’t laugh, you’d cry.”

“The Empire State is a beautiful state with amazing and talented citizens. Unfortunately, under one-party rule that Kathy Hochul has been a leading part of, it’s become too expensive for many people to afford to live and work in, which has led to a mass escape from New York over the past few years.”

“We agree with the need to cut taxes for New Yorkers and enhance and bolster public safety to end our state’s crime crisis but missing from the Governor’s pie-in-the-sky State of the State Address was any semblance of reality as to how she’s going to pay for her ‘vision.’ What programs will the Governor cut? Where’s the cap on unsustainable state spending?”

“Forget pulling a rabbit out of a hat, the Governor’s going to need to be a magician on the order of Houdini to convince her pals in the Super-Majorities in the Legislature to pass her vision without raising taxes and spending to even higher levels.”

“Maybe the Governor missed her calling. Instead of running for Governor, she should have become a comedian because her State of the State proposal is laughable.”