

NYS Senator Kristen Gonzalez on the passing of Federal Republicans' Budget Bill

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This Republican federal budget bill will have dangerous and rippling effects across our state, city, and on everyday New Yorkers. Let's be clear: this bill will result in millions of New Yorkers losing healthcare, public benefits like SNAP, and jobs. I am angry to see the estimated \$8 billion loss in funding for hospitals and healthcare facilities while our communities already struggle with healthcare access. I am angry to see the cuts to food stamps which will impact 3 million New Yorkers while our neighbors are going hungry.

Washington has made its move and we in New York must now make ours. I'm ready to reconvene in the state legislature for a special session to address these cuts. We must pass revenue-raising legislation to mitigate the harm of these cuts and take care of New Yorkers' basic needs.