



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senators Launch Push for Stronger Rent Laws

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**NYS Senator Eric Adams states:** *“New York State government has had power over New York City rent laws since 1971. This had resulted in a dramatic weakening of rent regulations. In 1997, for example, Republican Governor George Pataki and a Republican-controlled State Senate capitulated to heavy landlord lobbying and campaign contributions and enacted vacancy decontrol, a method used to deregulate rent stabilized apartments. Tens of thousands of affordable rent regulated apartments have become expensive market rentals. It is time legislate a restoration of balance to the rental housing market and to return home rule to the City of New York.”*

### Excerpt from Press Release

**Nine State Senators stood today with rent regulated and Mitchell-Lama tenant allies to launch a full court press to pass stronger rent laws before the current legislative session ends in June.**

**State Senators Darrel Aubertine; Eric Adams; Joseph Addabbo; Ruben Diaz Sr.; Tom Duane; Liz Krueger; Hiram Monserate; Velmenatte Montgomery; Andrea Stewart-Cousins joined with tenant advocates from throughout the five boroughs to urge the Senate to take up and pass a package of pro-tenant bills to fix New York’s rent laws and make them stronger during this legislative session.**

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