



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## **Democrats' Disastrous Budget Continues to Pile on More Taxes and Fees**

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### **Drivers Licenses & Registrations to Increase 25% on September 1st**

Senate Republican Leader Dean G. Skelos (R-Rockville Centre), a vocal opponent to Governor Paterson and Assembly and Senate Democrat's increase in fees imposed in this year's State Budget, called today's increases in DMV fees another attack on the hard working people of this State. These fee increases take affect starting today, September 1st, 2009 and will cost the average family about \$180.

"For most of us here on Long Island, our cars are not a luxury, they are a necessity," said Senator Skelos. "Every month brings a new round of tax and fee hikes that Democrats in the Senate and Assembly forced on New Yorkers in the state budget."

Registration fees are scheduled to increase today for passenger vehicles, commercial vehicles, trailers, taxis, busses, motorcycles, all terrain vehicles, construction vehicles, motorboats and custom vehicles. Drivers licenses and registration fees will go up by 25 percent, creating an additional cost to New York drivers.

The average registration fee will go from \$44 to \$55 and a standard eight-year license renewal will cost \$64.50, up from \$50. In addition, fees will be increased to re-register vehicles, register custom vehicles and make photocopies of motor vehicle documents. Also, starting on April 1, 2010, New Yorkers obtaining or renewing their vehicle registration will be required to purchase brand new license plates, whether they need them or not, for \$25 - a \$10 increase.

"These increases are another example of the irresponsible budget that was enacted this year by the New York City Democrats," said Senator Skelos. "These "nit-pick" fee increases are hurting all New Yorkers stifling jobs and economic development at a time when the state should be looking at ways to create jobs so people can get back to work."

Please take a moment to sign my on-line petition to let Governor Paterson know that we simply cannot afford any more tax and fee increases. [Loading...](#)