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## Senator Johnson's Prenatal Vitamin Insurance Legislation Passes Senate

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Important legislation sponsored by Senator Craig M. Johnson, (D-Nassau), that would help families by requiring insurance companies to cover the costs of prenatal vitamins passed the Senate.

Prenatal vitamins are supplements taken before and during pregnancy. These vitamins, which are proven to help reduce instances of post-birth health-related issues, are expensive, and often are not covered by health insurance companies.

“Women across New York State deserve to have equal access to quality prenatal care,” Senator Johnson said. “This legislation will ensure that these prenatal vitamin are readily available and will make health insurance companies honor their obligation to be there when we need them the most.”

The legislation, (S.6309/ A.9787), was delivered to the Assembly.

Video of Senator Johson discussing this bill can be found at [www.cjohnson.nysenate.gov](http://www.cjohnson.nysenate.gov).