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Senator Seward Applauds State of State Address

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ALBANY, 01/05/11 -- State Senator James L. Seward (R/C/I – Oneonta) today commented on Governor Cuomo's State of the State address:

“The governor’s state of the state message was a slam dunk. Styled more like an upbeat high school pep rally than a monotonous political speech, he hit on all the right themes and seemed to energize legislators and all New Yorkers on hand.

“The message of fiscal responsibility rang through and is one I have been promoting for some time. The state has been spending too much, and needs to cut back through the use of a hard spending cap, Medicaid reform, and state agency consolidations.

“I also applaud the governor’s call for private sector job growth. In order to resurrect our state’s economy we must put people back to work, and ensure that our young people can find a job here at home.

“The firm stand against new taxes is also significant. I am in lock-step with that sentiment and will stand tall against any proposal that raises the cost of living for our already over burdened taxpayers.

“There is great synergy in Albany today. The senate and assembly leaders and the governor are all talking the talk and are prepared to make the hard choices necessary to get our state back on track. Now it is time to roll up our sleeves and turn the well-intentioned proposals into reality.”