



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Adriano Espaillat

## Sen. Espaillat Selected for Key Leadership & Committee Assignments

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Espaillat will serve as top Democrat on Housing Committee and serve as chair of Minority Program Development, a Senate leadership post. New York State Senator Adriano Espaillat (D, WFP – 31<sup>st</sup> district) announced his selection to a number of key committees as well as a Senate leadership post. Recognizing his longtime leadership on urban issues, including his advocacy for tenants' rights and working families, Senator Espaillat was selected as the top Democrat on the Housing Committee.

This session, the Housing Committee will play a particularly vital role as existing rent stabilization laws come up for reauthorization. "As an advocate for working families who need rent stabilization to remain in their homes, I am pleased to be selected as the ranking member on the Housing Committee," said Espaillat whose district ranges from Manhattan's Upper West Side through Washington Heights and includes Riverdale, Marble Hill, Inwood, and Hamilton Heights.

Senator Espaillat was also chosen to be chair of Minority Program Development, a key leadership post that will help shape the direction of the Senate this year.

Additionally, Senator Espaillat will serve as a member of the Economic Development Committee, Codes Committee, and Environmental Protection Committee.

“My top priority in the senate continues to be job creation, which is why I am particularly eager to get to work as a member of the Economic Development Committee,” said Espaillat. “I know that by investing in New York’s working men and women, supporting small businesses, and incentivizing hiring, we can once again create jobs in our state and restore economic stability for New Yorkers.”

**Full list of committee assignments for Senator Espaillat:**

- Housing Committee(ranking member)
- Economic Development and Small Businesses Committee
- Codes Committee
- Environmental Protection Committee
- Insurance Committee
- Judiciary Committee
- Veterans, Homeland Security, and Military Affairs Committee

### **About Senator Espaillat:**

*After 14 years of public service in the State Assembly, Senator Espaillat was elected to represent the 31<sup>st</sup> Senatorial District in November 2010. Senator Espaillat has distinguished himself with a record of advocacy and achievement that includes securing unprecedented amount of resources to boost job creation and education in his district, extending benefits to daycare workers and livery cab drivers, protecting tenants from unfair rent hikes, and preserving our environment and quality of life.*