



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Statement by Senator Joseph P. Addabbo on Senate Budget Resolution of March 15

JOSEPH P. ADDABBO JR March 16, 2011

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Queens, NY, March 16, 2011 – NYS Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. (D-Queens), released the following statement

on yesterday's Senate budget resolution, now headed to conference committees for intensive negotiations, before the April 1 deadline:

While I appreciate the efforts of the Senate Majority and a number of their state budget proposals, I could not support their budget Resolution due to the questions surrounding its spending plan and lack of funding to sustain it. I need to be sure that before I accept any budget, it should address the need for property tax relief for city residents, provide for senior center funding, protect veterans' programs and restore a portion of the cuts to education. I believe these issues can be attended to, and at the same time cut wasteful spending. I intend to continue my efforts to promote the idea that government

agencies should make  
an improved effort to collect unpaid liens and taxes owed to the state. Now that the  
Assembly and Senate have  
provided their respective budget ideas, I look forward to working on the negotiation process  
that will  
intensify until a state budget is ratified.

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