

Statement by Senate Majority Leader Dean Skelos

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As always, Senate Republicans stand ready to work with the Governor and Assembly to ensure the State's budget is structurally balanced. Shortly after we complete a full review of the Budget Division's mid-year report we will release our own estimates.

Senate Republicans continue to believe that it is both possible and necessary to manage next year's budget much like we did this year, when the Legislature and Governor eliminated a much larger deficit without raising taxes.

Our top priorities must be promoting the growth of businesses, increasing jobs, and building a stronger economy.