

## Senator Martins Receives Business Council's Highest Grade in 2011 Voters' Guide Report

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The Business Council of New York State released its 2011 Voters' Guide, which measures New York State legislators' commitment to improving the state's economic climate and performance by scoring their support for key business legislation during the 2011 session.

Senator Jack M. Martins received the council's highest score.

"In this last legislative session, we had a priority to work with the Governor to make our state more friendly to business. We sent a clear message that New York State is open for business. The goals continue to be to encourage economic growth and create jobs. I want to thank the Business Council for recognizing our efforts," Senator Martins said.

According to the Business Council, Senators and Assembly members were rated for their stances on bills considered by the Business Council to have a significant impact on New York's economic climate. Legislators were graded on important bills like the real property tax cap, Medicaid spending reductions and program reforms in the budget, as well as Article X Siting legislation, "Recharge New York," and an improved Excelsior Jobs Program.

"I am looking forward to building upon our success as we work, in a bi-partisan way, toward New York State's economic recovery," said Senator Martins.