



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Bonacic: TV Tax Proposal Is Dead

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State Senator John Bonacic (R/C/I – Mt. Hope) today said the legislation (S.3827), proposing a tax on satellite television service is not going to pass the State Senate. The Legislation is sponsored by Senator Kevin Parker (D – NYC).

Direct TV is running advertisements on its channel telling people to call their lawmakers in opposition to the tax proposal. “The TV Tax is dead. We do not need a new tax on anything, including television,” Senator Bonacic said.

“I am always happy to hear from constituents, but I want people to know the TV tax is not going to happen,” Bonacic said.

The Senator noted that Direct TV recently sent out a letter telling viewers that Direct TV is raising their rates. “On one hand Direct TV is daily sounding the alarm about this legislation, which has no chance of passing. On the other hand they are raising rates. I would not want consumers to be under the false impression that the TV tax Direct TV keeps telling consumers to call about was enacted, and that is why their rates are rising. The TV tax was not enacted nor will it be. Customers of Direct TV are paying more because Direct TV is raising rates,” Bonacic said.