



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Yes, Governor Cuomo, let's end the 18-a utility tax ASAP

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Statement from Senator George Maziarz: "Putting an end to the 18-a utility surcharge cannot come quickly enough. I have been banging this drum louder than anyone else since 2009 when this tax was foolishly created to support bloated state spending.

"This tax has made it more expensive to live and work in our great state to the tune of hundreds of millions of dollars each year. That money comes out of the pockets of all ratepayers, both homeowners and businesses.

"I commend Governor Cuomo for recognizing the need to eliminate the onerous 18-a tax on industrial customers immediately, and the more we can do to phase out the tax for other customers, the better.

"As we begin the new year, this proposal and the many other worthy tax relief proposals highlighted by the Governor today require the Legislature's prompt attention."

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