

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Martin J. Golden

## Senator Golden Makes Concerns Known About Medical Appointment Wait Times at Senate Hearing

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Albany - State Senator Martin J. Golden (R-C-I, Brooklyn), who today attended the joint committee meeting of the Senate Health and Insurance Committees focused on the Affordable Health Care Act issued the following statement:

"Following today's meaningful hearing on the future of health care in New York State, I have serious concerns regarding the outlook of the system. The new implication of in-network vs. out-of-network doctors, along with the thousands of new patients, has rightly created apprehension about the ability of the current system to handle the expected increase.

People across this City and State, including myself, are worried that these changes will mean longer appointment, testing and surgical wait times, and about the overall effect on healthcare. We must make sure that the access, treatment and quality of care does not suffer during this transition."