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New York State Senator Joseph E. Robach (R, C, I – Rochester) was named Chairman of the New York State Senate's Committee on Transportation.

"Our roads, highways, bridges and transportation systems play an important role in the New York State economy and the quality of life for residents, especially those in Upstate New York, and visitors of our state," said Robach. "I am excited to begin serving as Transportation Committee Chairman, and implementing policies and investments that will not only add to safe travel, but lead to infrastructure improvements that will benefit economic development and job retention throughout New York."

The Senate Transportation Committee oversees New York State's transportation system including the Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles and the New York State Thruway Authority among other agencies.

Prior to being named Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, Senator Robach served as the committee's Vice Chairman. In his role as Vice Chairman, Robach led the fight

against proposed toll hikes along the New York State Thruway that would have hurt small businesses and commercial trucking companies, and could have negatively impacted job growth and business development throughout New York State.