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(Middletown, NY)- Senator John J. Bonacic, 42nd Senate District, announced today that he will serve as a member to the New York State Senate's Task Force on Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases. The Task Force was created in October of 2013. Shortly thereafter, the Task Force issued a report detailing its recommendations for combating Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases in New York State.

“I look forward to serving with my colleagues on this important task force,” said Bonacic. “Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases are potentially life-threatening illness’ that affect many individuals in New York State and the Hudson Valley. My colleagues and I will work to address the geographic expansion of Lyme and Tick-Borne illness by taking a comprehensive approach that examines ways to encourage detection and prevention initiatives, and facilitates diagnostic and treatment advancements.”

This session’s Task Force will build upon funding secured last year, which included \$500,000 in last year’s budget, promote the ongoing implementation of the report’s recommendations, and continue outreach to identify issues needing to be addressed in the prevention, detection, and treatment of tick-borne illnesses in New York.

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