

## Croci Scores Huge Property Tax Victory for Long Islanders

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State Senator Tom Croci (R-C-I, Sayville) announced that homeowners in Islip and Brookhaven will be receiving new property tax rebates thanks to legislation approved by the New York State Senate. Over the next four years property taxpayers and senior citizens statewide will receive over \$3 billion in new property tax rebates starting in 2016. When combined with the existing tax freeze check, nearly \$900 million in rebates will go out next year.

"I pledged to the residents of Suffolk County that I would fight to reduce property taxes to make it easier for us to afford to stay on Long Island, and I've kept that commitment," said Senator Croci. "I started by delivering the biggest education aid increase our local schools have seen since 2008, then extended the 2% Property Tax Cap until 2020, and now enacted a new property tax rebate check program that will help people keep more of what they earn. This has helped school districts keep their school property taxes low while improving the quality of life on Long Island. This is real money that makes a real improvement for Long Island families."

Senator Croci's property tax relief successes include:
• A Landmark Property Tax Rebate Check Plan one of the largest property tax relief programs in State history ensuring that homeowners across the state will see substantial property tax relief rebate checks next year.
• Extending the Property Tax Cap to the year 2020.
• Nearly \$3.4 billion this year to help fully fund STAR and Enhanced STAR which deliver major tax relief to millions of middle class families and seniors each year.
• Almost \$1 Billion in education aid for school districts in the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Senate District
• Ongoing Mandate Relief, Pension Savings, and Medicaid reform to help town and county

government hold down property taxes.