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## Looking Ahead

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Over the past few weeks in my weekly column "From the Capitol," I've been looking ahead at a few of the challenges that I'll be focusing on heading into a new legislative session in 2014.

I opened this series of columns two weeks ago by putting a spotlight on where I believe we need to begin: revitalizing upstate manufacturing. Read my August 19th column, "[Agenda 2014: Upstate manufacturing.](#)"

Then I turned my attention to another critical quality-of-life crisis across the Southern Tier and Finger Lakes regions: illegal drugs and drug trafficking, particularly meth and heroin.

Read my August 26th column, "[Drug-free futures.](#)"