



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## **Statement by Senator Griffo concerning latest ruling in small city school aid lawsuit**

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*State Senator Joseph Griffo, R-Rome, released the following statement Monday in response to a State Supreme Court's ruling that New York has met its "constitutional obligation" to provide enough school aid to eight small city school districts, including Utica:*

I respect the judicial process, but I am disappointed and I disagree with this latest ruling against those school districts that are fighting for the right to their fair share of funding. This ruling should be appealed.

As I have recently stated, we still recognize and appreciate the responsibility that both the State Legislature and the Governor have to develop a better school aid

funding formula that is fair, equitable and predictable. This is vital step toward New York State fulfilling its obligation to provide every student with access to a sound education.

I have already proposed legislation that would ensure adequate funding for our schools, and I am hopeful that this next legislative session will bring even more focus and momentum to finally resolve this matter in a way that serves the best interests of our children and our schools.

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## related legislation

### [2015-S4988B](#)

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- Introduced
    - ◦ In Committee Assembly
    - ◦ In Committee Senate
  - ◦ On Floor Calendar Assembly
  - ◦ On Floor Calendar Senate
  - ◦ Passed Assembly
  - ◦ Passed Senate
  - Delivered to Governor
  - Signed By Governor
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Aye

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