

Statement From Senate Democratic Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins Regarding Affordable Higher Education

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"Senate Democrats have led the fight to make a quality higher education affordable to all New York students, and our Higher Education Ranking Member Senator Toby Stavisky has carried a bill to accomplish just this goal. This is perfect example of why the Democrats that comprise a majority of the Senate should unite. It is clear that initiatives like this would pass in a Democratic Majority."

## **BACKGROUND:**

- Senator Toby Ann Stavisky Bill to Provide Free Tuition for New York State Residents to SUNY, CUNY and Community Colleges:
  - https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2015/S4760/amendment/B
- Senate Democratic Report on College Affordability:
  https://www.scribd.com/document/311741193/White-Paper-College-in-NYS-Affordability-and-Success
- Additional Senate Democratic Bills on College Affordability and Success:
  https://www.scribd.com/document/311993105/White-Paper-Legislation-Appendix-College-Success

## RELATED LEGISLATION

## 2017-S4760

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

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Provides that a state employee's net salary may be deposited directly in a bank for any purpose to an account in the name of such employee

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In Senate Committee Finance

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Do you support this bill?