



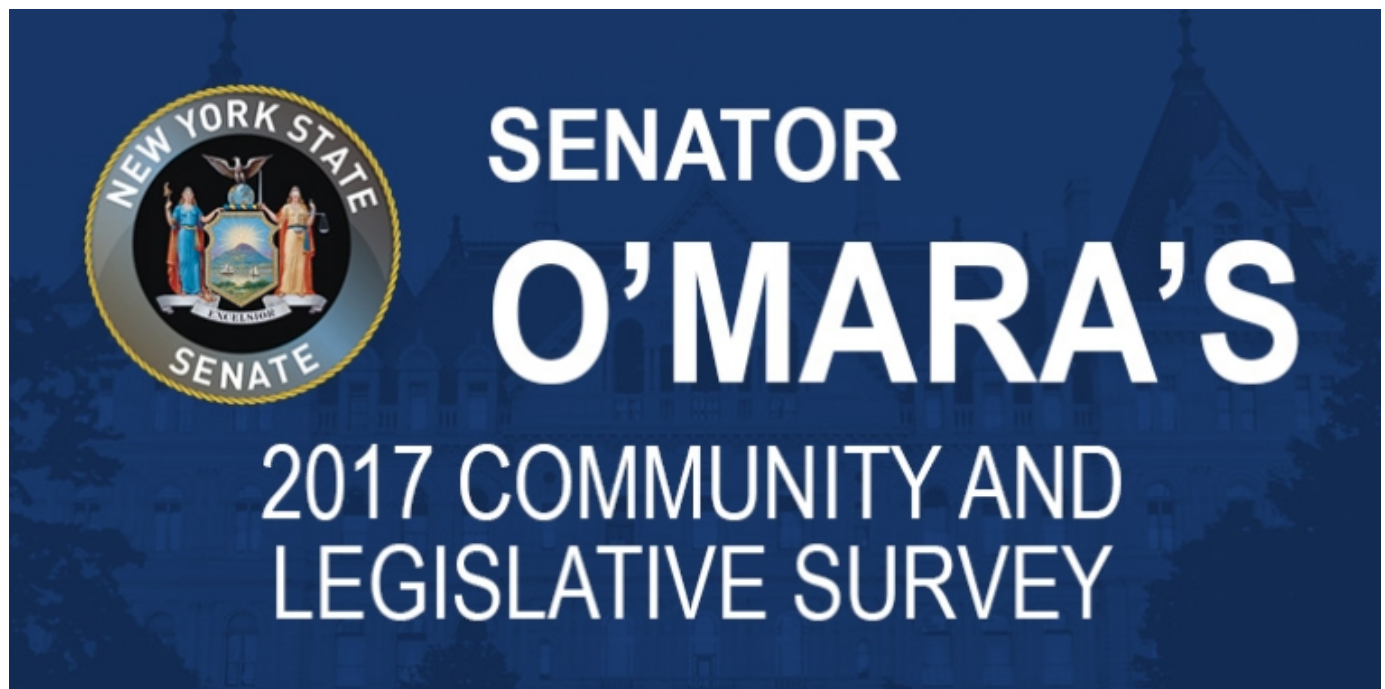
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O'Mara encourages local input on 2017 'Community and Legislative Survey'

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Elmira, N.Y., January 9—State Senator Tom O'Mara (R,C,I-Big Flats) today announced that he has launched an online **"2017 Community and Legislative Survey"** and invited area residents to share their views on a variety of challenges and issues facing the Southern Tier and Finger Lakes regions, and all of New York State, this year.

O'Mara unveiled his 2017 survey with the new session of the State Legislature underway and as Governor Andrew Cuomo today begins a series of "State of the State" messages around the state, although not directly within the Southern Tier or Finger Lakes regions.

"This annual online survey provides another avenue to encourage local input on a number of the key challenges and concerns facing our region and the state as a whole in 2017. I'm always grateful for the input," said O'Mara, whose 58th Senate District includes all of Chemung, Schuyler, Steuben and Yates counties, and part of Tompkins County (the city of Ithaca, and the towns of Enfield, Ithaca, Newfield, and Ulysses).

The Senate and Assembly gaveled into session early last week.

O'Mara's has offered the annual questionnaire to constituents since being elected to the Senate in 2010.

The survey offers an opportunity for local residents to share their own views and suggestions on private-sector job creation, government reform, education, public safety, transportation, health care and additional issues.

"It's not a scientific poll in any traditional sense, but it does offer meaningful and useful snapshots of what's on the minds of area residents paying attention to state government and willing to give some thought to the choices being debated at the Capitol," said O'Mara.