

## Senator Golden and Assemblyman Lentol Anti-Gang Bill Might Have Prevented EMS Tragedy

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3/28/2017 – ALBANY-State Senator Martin J. Golden (Brooklyn- R, C, I) and Assemblyman Joe Lentol (Brooklyn – D) will announce that they are again sponsoring legislation, S.2410/A.5477,

known as the New York State Criminal Street Gang Act, which may have prevented the

tragic murder of EMS worker Yadira Arroyo by gang member Jose Gonzalez, if the Assembly

passed, and the Governor signed the bill that was approved by the State Senate.

The anti-gang bill would have provided for extended criminal penalties for acts performed as

part of an ongoing criminal gang organization and could have kept Jose Gonzalez off the

streets. It is in the public interest to establish a comprehensive approach to the protection of

public order and individual safety from criminal street gangs and gang-related violence. This

bill establishes such a comprehensive approach by increasing penalties for gang-related

violence, creating anti-crime programs that focus on patterns of criminal gang activity and

organization, expanding education and intervention to prevent the growth of criminal street

gangs, and establishing an ongoing system of tracking criminal gang activity.

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