



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Todd Kaminsky

## Kaminsky Pushes For Change in 2018 Primary Date

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(Rockville Centre, New York) - NYS Senator Todd Kaminsky announced legislation ([S6955](#)) to change New York's scheduled 2018 electoral primary date from September 11 to September 13 to avoid conflicts with both the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah and the National Day of Service and Remembrance of the September 11 attacks.

"Changing this year's primary date is absolutely necessary," said Senator Todd Kaminsky. "It is unjust to ask voters to choose between their civic duty and their observance of a holiday. It is my responsibility to encourage and empower citizens to engage in our democratic process. Therefore, I will do everything in my power to remove any hindrance to our voting in elections."

Senator Kaminsky's legislation will change the current September 11 primary date to September 13 as the date directly conflicts with the religious observance of Rosh Hashanah, and the National Day of Service and Remembrance. The second day of Rosh Hashanah, which falls on September 11, is one of the holiest days for the Jewish people. Additionally, our nation members mourn and honor the heroic individuals who sacrificed their lives, as well as those who perished during the September 11 attacks.

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