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Senate Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins and Hudson Valley Senate Delegation Response to Governor Cuomo and Mayor De Blasio's Congestion Pricing Plan

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Albany, NY — Today, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins and the Hudson Valley Senate Majority delegation released statements responding to Governor Cuomo and New York City Mayor de Blasio's congestion pricing plan. The Hudson Valley Senate Majority delegation includes Senators James Skoufis, Jen Metzger, David Carlucci, Pete Harckham and Shelley Mayer. The delegation issued the following joint statement:

"As representatives for Hudson Valley commuters, it is our responsibility to ensure that any congestion pricing plan is not funded from their pockets without ample benefit. The Governor and Mayor's current proposal raises concerns for our region:

We understand the need for action and want to work together to best achieve that. The current proposals are a starting point, but substantial changes are required to ensure our region's interests are included."

Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart Cousins said, "I look forward to working with my Hudson Valley Delegation to ensure that the needs of the region are met. While I am generally supportive of the congestion pricing concept and the need for a dedicated stream

of revenue, I would like to see some minor changes that will help all regions of the MTA.”