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Statement from Senator Anna M. Kaplan on Legislation Repealing Governor's Emergency Powers

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CARLE PLACE, NY (MARCH 2, 2021) - State Senator Anna M. Kaplan (D-Great Neck) issued the following statement today following the **announcement** that the Legislature will pass legislation repealing the temporary emergency powers that were granted to the governor last year at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic:

Senator Anna M. Kaplan said "We've come a long way from those dark days last spring when the COVID-19 pandemic shut down our state and created new challenges that impeded the

ability of the Legislature to respond quickly to the rapidly evolving emergency situation. It's critical that we continue to have the tools necessary to respond quickly and effectively as we battle COVID in our community, but moving forward, we can and should have better oversight of the process. Today, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins has unveiled legislation that would provide oversight while ensuring our community continues to be protected. She has my full support, and I intend to vote for the proposed legislation."