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A Statement from Senator Rob Ortt

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Today, Senate Democrats passed legislation to “reform” the Joint Commission on Public Ethics. Unfortunately, the real result of this bill will be a more politicized commission with less accountability.

This one-house bill comes at a time when Senate Democrats have done nothing in their power to actually hold the Governor accountable. They have repeatedly rejected using their subpoena power to demand answers about the growing list of Cuomo scandals -- including the cover up of nursing home deaths, his \$5 million book deal, and multiple allegations of

sexual harassment.

This bill is intended to give the appearance they are doing something, but like the Assembly impeachment investigation, it is window dressing to provide cover for their members who have not taken a single action to hold the scandal-scarred Governor accountable.

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