

## Stec Seeks Answers on COVID Relief at Joint OCFS Budget Hearing

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At yesterday's Joint Legislative Public Hearing, Senator Dan Stec (R,C-Queensbury) used his time to ask state Office of Children and Family Services Commissioner Sheila J. Poole about the allocation and use of COVID-19 relief funding in Gov. Hochul's budget proposal. Stec's main objective during his q-and-a with the Commissioner was to ensure that the billions in aid New York State has received from the federal government goes to the families and essential workers that need it.

"New York State received billions in federal COVID-19 relief funds and it's vital that it gets distributed to the people and organizations that it's intended for," Stec said. "I appreciated the opportunity to ask Commissioner Poole about this topic and find out how this aid has been and continues to be distributed. As we move toward a final enacted state budget, I'll work to ensure these funds are properly and fairly issued."

To watch the four-minute clip of Senator Stec and Commissioner Poole, visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\_6e5iI5IGuk