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## Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins and Senator Mayer call for relief on behalf of ratepayers experiencing outrageous increases in their ConEd bills

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(Yonkers, NY) – State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins and State Senator Shelley B. Mayer sent a joint letter today to Consolidated Edison and the Public Service Commission demanding that recent rate increases be suspended and other measures be taken to mitigate the impact of the dramatic jump seen in Con Edison ratepayers' bills.

"We have grave concerns about the financial shock these high costs will have for our constituents and others across New York State," said the Senators in their letter. "The rise in charges will result in serious challenges for many New Yorkers, particularly those already struggling to make ends meet."

Recent spikes in energy prices coinciding with a planned rate increase approved by the Public Service Commission have resulted in some ratepayers' bills more than doubling between December 2021 and January 2022. Both Senators had opposed the planned rate increase.

In the letter, which is attached to this press release, the Senators said the "situation is unacceptable" and called on the Public Service Commission and Con Edison to take immediate action to provide relief to ratepayers.

“Both the Public Service Commission and Con Edison have a responsibility to ratepayers, and such dramatic and unexpected cost increases demand action on your part in order to fulfill that responsibility,” the Senators wrote.