



SENATOR JIM ALESİ



Community Update: 1/4/12

State of the State Address: Legislative Session 2012

Today, Governor Andrew Cuomo delivered his State of the State Address. Hundreds of New Yorkers from across the State were able to come to Albany to be a part of the historic day.

With his delivery of the 2012 State of the State Address, Governor Cuomo has officially kicked off the start of a new Legislative Session. As your Senator, I am committed to making this new Session as positive and productive as possible.

Last year, we ended bipartisan gridlock by partnering with Governor Cuomo to make government function again and produce results that matter for taxpayers.

Working together we achieved many of my goals, including:

- Cutting state spending and state bureaucracy
- Closing a \$10 billion deficit without raising taxes and fees
- Enacting a property tax cap
- Cutting taxes for middle class taxpayers
- Reducing taxes for Upstate manufacturers and
- Working to create new private sector jobs

In 2012, we must build on our momentum and do even more. It starts with early passage of a fiscally responsible state budget that cuts spending and avoids new taxes and fees.

Most important, we have to make New York more business-friendly to attract and retain new private-sector jobs because job growth is the long-term solution to our budget problems. If we create more jobs and build a stronger economy, we will create a more prosperous New York, now and for generations to come. Last year we made great progress, and I am going to work to make 2012 even more productive. Working together, we can see that these initiatives become reality for all New Yorkers.

Sincerely,



Helpful Information for the 2012 Legislative Session

The 2012 Session Calendar can be viewed [here](#). You can browse and search Floor Calendars, Active Lists, Committee Meetings and Session Transcripts.

The [Open Legislation](#) page is an invaluable resource for anyone looking for information related to the New York State Senate. There, you can browse and search for legislative information from the Senate. You can search by keyword, last name of the bill's sponsor, committee name or bill number preceded by an "s" for Senate or "a" for Assembly.

Also, the [New York State Senate](#) website is a valuable resource. My [webpage](#) is also regularly updated with Legislation, Press Releases, Community Updates and more. I encourage you to visit my [Senate webpage](#) and [Facebook Page](#) to keep you informed of events throughout our community.

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