

THE SENATE REPUBLICANS TAKE BACK NEW YORK 2022 AGENDA















HELPING OUR HEROES IN NEED: \$4,505,000 for the Joseph P. Dwyer Program



ENSURING SECURITY FOR OUR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Senate Republicans are committed to providing support and programs for New York's most vulnerable, in addition to being fierce advocates for those who have served our Nation.

SENIORS:

- Increase support for nursing homes and elder care communities.
- Provide new tax benefits for family caregivers and expand home care options for aging New Yorkers.

VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES:

- Recommit to combat the opioid crisis with increased investment in prevention, treatment and recovery services.
- Make Kendra's Law permanent, to keep our communities safe and guarantee the highest level of care and treatment for those with serious mental illness.

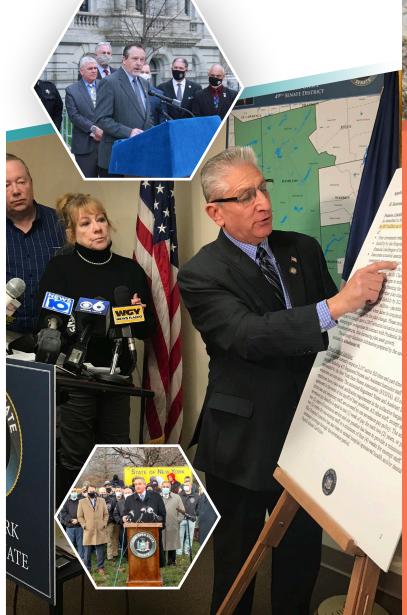
VETERANS:

- Double the funding for the Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support.
- Increase funding for Local Veteran Service Agencies by supporting housing and services that increase awareness about issues faced by our veterans.

RESTORING ACCOUNTABILITY TO STATE GOVERNMENT

We must restore accountability and trust to New York State Government. For far too long Democrats have turned their backs on checks and balances. We must fundamentally change the way Albany is doing business. Senate Republicans led the charge in ridding this state of Andrew Cuomo, and we will continue pushing for greater accountability in state government as we enter 2022 by:

- Reform JCOPE and empower the state Inspector General to provide real oversight.
- Protect victims of sexual harassment in state government by creating a joint commission on public transparency and sexual harassment, creating the crime of illegal employee retaliation, and extending the statute of limitations.





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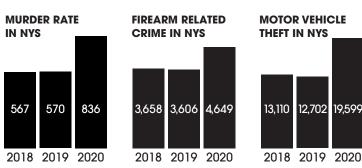


A BETTER QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL NEW YORKERS

Senate Republicans are committed to ensuring strong, safe and healthy communities in every corner of our state by:

FIGHTING FOR A SAFER NEW YORK:

- End cashless bail for dangerous criminals and restore judicial discretion to keep dangerous criminals off our streets.
- Support and protect our law enforcement officers by providing them with the tools, skills and resources they need.
- Protect and prioritize crime victims and law-abiding citizens by increasing penalties for violent offenders and reforming our broken parole system.



ENSURING ACCESS TO A QUALITY EDUCATION:

- Expand school choice by eliminating or increasing the charter school cap to provide more options where they are needed, provide the ability for high-performing charter schools to expand, and infuse the system with quality education alternatives.
- Restore admissions testing for NYC Specialized High Schools.
- Oppose efforts to turn classrooms into venues for social experimentation and instead provide students tools they need to think critically, act responsibly and thrive in a competitive economy.





DEMOCRATS DELIVER: Pain at the Pump 55¢/GALLON TAX



MAKING NEW YORK AFFORDABLE FOR ALL

We can stop the exodus of New Yorkers and make our State a more affordable place to live, work and raise a family, by:

CUTTING NEW YORK'S HIGHEST-IN-THE-NATION TAXES:

- Enact a permanent cap on runaway state spending.
- Repeal unfunded mandates that drive up local property taxes.
- Reject the Senate Democrats' radical plans to dramatically increase gas, home heating, and everyday-living costs.

REDUCING THE COST OF LIVING:

- Repeal outdated regulatory barriers that impact availability of affordable housing and protect the rights of property owners.
- Make childcare more affordable and available by cutting costly regulations, expanding the Empire State Child Tax Credit and the dependent care credit, and increasing support for employer-provided early childhood education and care.
- Mitigate the impact of the global energy crisis by providing nearly \$300 million in energy tax relief.



For many years, businesses across the state have found it difficult to find the skilled, trained workforce they need to succeed and grow. The COVID 19 pandemic exasperated this problem even more. We can move New York forward by:

TRAINING AND GROWING OUR WORKFORCE:

- Prepare our students to be career and college ready and increase support and utilization of BOCES to expand pathways to high school graduation.
- Align employers' needs and job-seekers' skills with centralized apprenticeship programs, funding regionally-driven/industry-led career pathways, and adopting "credential passports" to enable a more seamless transition across institutions.
- Expand our skilled workforce by eliminating burdensome occupational licensing restrictions and promoting interstate licensing exchange.

STANDING WITH OUR NEW YORK FAMILY FARMS:

- Strongly reject destructive policies like the "Farmworker Fair Labor Practices Act."
- Support agriculture programs in our K-12 classrooms, BOCES agricultural education programs, and on-farm apprenticeship programs.
- Increase investments in the Nourish New York and Young Farmers initiatives.





IMPROVING OUR BUSINESS CLIMATE AND EXPANDING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

IMPROVING NEW YORK STATE'S BUSINESS CLIMATE:

- Cut red tape and burdensome regulations.
- Reduce taxes on small businesses.
- Cap unemployment taxes to protect businesses still struggling with pandemic recovery.

INVESTING IN INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE 21ST CENTURY:

- Expand access to broadband by repealing NY's fiber optic tax, funding expansion into underserved areas, and increasing standards for speed and access.
- Support investment in local roads and bridges by increasing Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program aid.
- Invest in safe, water and sewer infrastructure.

MOVING TOWARD A CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE AND CONSERVING OUR ENVIRONMENT:

- Require independent analysis of climate mandates to protect against soaring energy prices and require legislative approval on any proposal that raises consumer electric rates.
- Invest in our power grid to ensure reliability and efficiency while increasing capacity and upgrading transmission capabilities.
- Streamline the development process to reduce project costs and require community input.