

January 14, 2019

Dear Senator (NAME):

Today, you will consider a piece of legislation ([S1103](#)) which would consolidate federal and state primary dates. This would result in a singular primary in June, during the last calendared month of the annual New York State legislative session.

Before voting on the bill before the house, we invite you to pledge your commitment to New York State residents and the constituents you represent to be present every legislative day to ensure the people's work is done.

Absence in Albany by Senators in contested primaries would hinder the business of the house. We do not want to return to the bad old days, long in the rearview, when sessions ran far beyond schedule into the summer months and work came to a halt. Nor, do we want districts to lack representation because their representative is campaigning. Absence from session is only acceptable in the event of sickness or emergency.

Pledge your commitment to attending session from the time petitioning begins at the end of through the end of the campaign in June by signing your name below and return it to nyssenaterepublicans@gmail.com: