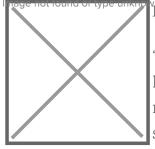


## Statement from Senator Martin Malavé Dilan

MARTIN MALAVÉ DILAN April 8, 2010

ISSUE: LABOR, TRANSPORTATION, CONSTRUCTION, UNEMPLOYMENT, BUDGET

COMMITTEE: TRANSPORTATION



Re: Funding New York's Road and Bridge Work

"There is no reason, cause or justification for withholding funding to the hundreds of road crews and contractors hard at work around the state maintaining our transportation infrastructure. To continue shortchanging New York's roads and bridges is a path that will lead to disaster.

With road and bridge work at a standstill around the state we unnecessarily and irresponsibly risk the safety and well being of drivers and passengers. We also risk the loss of hundreds of jobs; a blow New York can ill afford in this economic climate.

Without a budget in hand, I cannot support any emergency budget extender that does not provide a funding stream for capital projects in it."