

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Tedisco: "The Mother of All Exodus Budgets"

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Senator Tedisco's remarks on the Senate Floor on the Senate's One-House Budget. During the debate, Tedisco learned that unlike the Governor's plan, the Senate does not have specific funding earmarked for security cameras at the entrances and exits of all

"Senate Majority Needs a Printing Press for \$13 Billion in New Spending in One-House State Budget Bill"

"Like the Governor's budget proposal, the Senate Majority's spending plan is the 'Mother of

All Exodus Budgets."

"Where's the printing press to print \$13 billion in cash for new spending of taxpayer funds for the Senate Majority's one-house state budget plan that was passed today? They can't use Monopoly money to pay for it!"

"We all know that if this spending plan is the basis for the final, agreed-upon state budget due by April 1st, it will ultimately come out of the wallets of hard-working taxpayers and our small businesses who are struggling to grow and create jobs in our economically beleaguered state."

"The Majority's budget has no plan to address our state's most pressing existential threat to our fragile economy, the mass exodus of people who are fleeing New York in droves. Over 101,000 people walked out the door last year, leading the nation in out-migration of population, with over 631,000 people leaving the state since the pandemic."

"While the Senate budget plan does right by education in restoring the 'hold harmless' assistance to our schools, aid to local municipalities, and increases support for our direct care workers who provide compassionate care to some of our most vulnerable citizens – all of which I've been strongly advocating for – it just doubles down on the same bad medicine of misplaced spending priorities and over-taxing that has led to people escaping from New York.

"I thought the Governor and Super-Majorities in the Senate and Assembly said they had a plan to keep New Yorkers in our beautiful state and not cause them to flee. Unfortunately, under this one-house budget, it seems the only businesses being helped are U-Haul and the travel industry to create incentives for New Yorkers to buy one-way tickets out of our beautiful Empire State!"

Below please find a link to Senator Tedisco's remarks on the Senate Floor on the Senate's One-House Budget. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tUqx3HI10e8