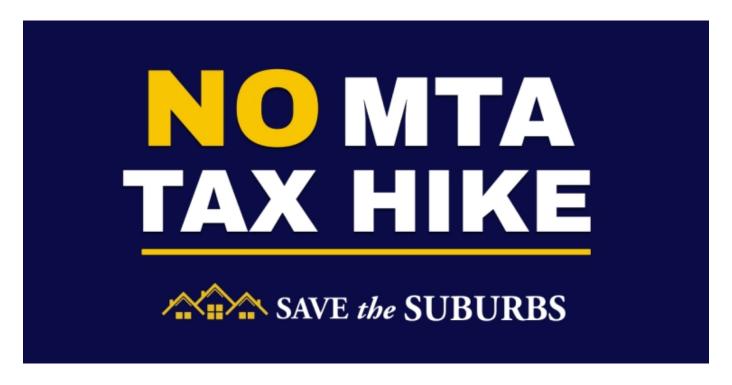


Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick joins Business Owners & Leaders to Oppose a Return of the MTA Payroll Tax

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(Albany, NY) – The New York State Senate Republicans are telling Governor Hochul and Democrat Leadership that under no circumstances should the full reinstatement of the MTA payroll tax be considered as a solution to closing the MTA's budget shortfalls. Businesses in the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District (MCTD) cannot afford another tax or impediment to hiring. The MTA Payroll Tax is a tax on businesses with employees working in the MCTD. The tax affects the five boroughs of New York City (Brooklyn, Bronx, Manhattan, Queens, and Staten Island) as well as the suburban counties of Dutchess,

Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, and Westchester. Instead of burdening hardworking taxpayers and businesses with yet another increase, tax or fee, the MTA must take accountability for its long-standing issues of mismanagement, fraud and waste.

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The MTA's long history of fiscal mismanagement is in need of real reform. We must continue to hold the MTA accountable and ensure that taxpayers and businesses are not forced to foot the bill for its ongoing failures. It would be simply unacceptable and irresponsible for the state to attempt to address the MTA's fiscal woes through an increase in the payroll tax, rather than focusing on long-term solutions that promote fiscal responsibility and efficiency,

stated NYS Senator Patricia Canzoneri-Fitzpatrick, 9th Senate District.

*See the attached letter sent to the Governor and Democrat Leadership in the Senate and Assembly.