



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Christopher J. Ryan

Senator Ryan Passes Bill Expanding Access to Breast Cancer Screening

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Today, Sen. Christopher J. Ryan announced the passage of Senate Bill [S4850](#), a crucial piece of legislation aimed at expanding access to life-saving breast cancer screenings for individuals with a family history of the disease.

This bill ensures that individuals with a second-degree relative who has been diagnosed with breast cancer will have insurance coverage for physician-recommended mammograms, regardless of age. By increasing access to early detection, S4850 strengthens New York's commitment to proactive, preventive women's healthcare.

"Today, we took a step forward in the fight against breast cancer," said Sen. Ryan. "With the passage of S4850, we are breaking down barriers to critical screenings and ensuring that more New Yorkers receive the care they need. Early detection saves lives, and this legislation reaffirms our commitment to accessible, comprehensive healthcare for all."

Breast cancer remains one of the most common forms of cancer, and early detection is key to improving outcomes. By expanding coverage to those with a familial risk, this bill provides individuals with the opportunity to detect cancer sooner and seek treatment earlier, ultimately saving lives.

Sen. Ryan continued, "I remain committed to advancing policies that prioritize public health and equitable access to medical care. I hope to see this bill pass in the Assembly and be signed into

law.”

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Includes second degree relatives in certain criteria for breast cancer screenings to be covered under insurance plans

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