



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## STATEMENT FROM SENATOR WALCZYK ON LATE STATE BUDGET

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"The state budget deadline is the same every year, yet here we are on April first, without a budget. The Governor has granted a 'message of necessity' to force a budget extender into the floor of the Senate to cover their incompetence and lateness.

For the third consecutive year, we are forced to rely on an extender, showing a failure to address the real issues that impact our communities—namely affordability. Yet, the three majority leaders in a room are debating non-budgetary policy they want to jam into the language instead of focusing on a more effective and efficiently run state government. None of the leaders are talking about cutting costs anywhere

Under one-party control, our state's budget has exploded by 30% since 2019. They've proposed a reckless \$259 Billion level of spending and aren't even talking about reigning any of it in. New York is already leading the nation in outmigration, crippling our local economies and forcing families to tighten their belts while bloating the state's spending plan. It's not sustainable and the people of New York deserve better."