



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Addressing the Budget Crisis: What Do You think? Take the Survey

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Below are some broad budget options as well as some specific proposals from the Governors budget. Please indicate what your general priorities are by checking the appropriate circles.

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**Broad Budgetary Priorities Ordered by the Percentage of the Budget Made Up by these Programs (With 2010-2011 Proposed Budget Funding):**

	<b>Maintain Spending</b>	<b>Cut Spending</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
Health Care (\$50.3 billion) (50% Federal Match, Cut State, lose Federal \$)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
K-12 Education (\$24.5 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local Government Assistance (\$9.6 billion) (i.e., Aid and Incentives to Municipalities)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Capital Projects/Infrastructure (\$8.6 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Higher Education (\$7.2 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Employee Benefits (\$6.3 billion) (i.e., Pension, Health Care, Taxes)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transportation (\$4.7 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Local Welfare Assistance (\$4.7 billion) (i.e., Public Assistance, Child Care)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	<b>Maintain Spending</b>	<b>Cut Spending</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
Other Executive Agency Budgets(\$4.7 billion) (e.g., Dept of Aging, Dept.of Environmental Conservation)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Corrections/State Police (\$3.1 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
STAR Property Tax Rebates (\$3 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Judiciary (\$2 billion)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Member Items (\$170 Million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Possible Ways of Raising Revenue:**

	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
Increase income tax on high wage earners	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Increase business taxes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cut refundable business tax credits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Support Oppose Not Sure**

Transfer Tax on stock transactions                 

Commuter Tax                 

Congestion Pricing                 

Carbon Tax on Pollution                 

**Specific Proposals From Governors Budget (with Amount of Cut or Revenue Increase):**

**Support Oppose Not  
Sure**

Decrease local school aid (\$1.1 billion)                 

Eliminate Aid and Incentives to Municipalities  
(AIM) funding for New York City (\$301 million)                 

Cut Medicaid programs (\$1 billion)                 

Cut Environmental Protection Fund (\$79 million)

	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>
Cut Tuition Assistance (TAP) grants for college students (\$33 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Cut community college aid (\$56 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Allow SUNY and CUNY to increase their own tuition by campus and program and reduce state funding (\$142.7 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reduce funding for homeless services and supportive housing (\$69 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Delay implementation of increase to public assistance grant (\$14 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Across-the-board agency cuts (\$500 million)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Allow liquor stores to sell more products and allow sale of wine in grocery stores (revenue increase of \$250 million through franchise fees)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Support**   **Oppose**   **Not  
Sure**

Eliminate MTA payroll tax on sole proprietors earning less than \$100,000 (loss of \$29 million in revenue)

    

Increase MTA payroll tax in NYC (gain of \$453 million in revenue)

    

Decrease payroll tax in suburbs (loss of \$216 million in revenue)

    

Tax on Sugared Sodas (Revenue increase of \$450 million)

    

**Other Ideas For Spending Cuts or Revenue Generation:**

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