

Senator Klein to Hold Gov't Efficiency Town Hall in Pelham Oct. 26

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PELHAM, N.Y. – Senator Jeffrey D. Klein, (D-Bronx/ Westchester), will hold a Town Hall meeting on how to reform and revamp state government **Wednesday, Oct. 26.**

The meeting will begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Daronco Town House, 20 Fifth Avenue, Pelham.

Senator Klein, who is the co-chair of the NYS Senate Task Force on Government Efficiency, will be discussing his efforts to make state government more efficient and less costly.

He also wants to hear residents' ideas on how to improve government.

"Our goal is to restructure and modernize a state bureaucracy that in many ways is stuck in the last century" Senator Klein said. "I am proud of the work that this Task Force has done and I will continue our work to shed light on the wasteful practices and structural problems that abound in Albany."

Under Senator Klein's leadership, the Task Force on Government Efficiency uncovered \$312 million in questionable spending and potential savings during the 2010 legislative session. Additionally, they proposed reforms to crack down on overtime abuses, develop new accountability standards for outside contractors, review the use of state assets, and eliminate duplicative administrative functions.

Last year, he and the other members of the Independent Democratic Conference built upon that work. They issued 16 legislative reports and advanced reform proposals that would save New York more than \$1 billion during the next decade.