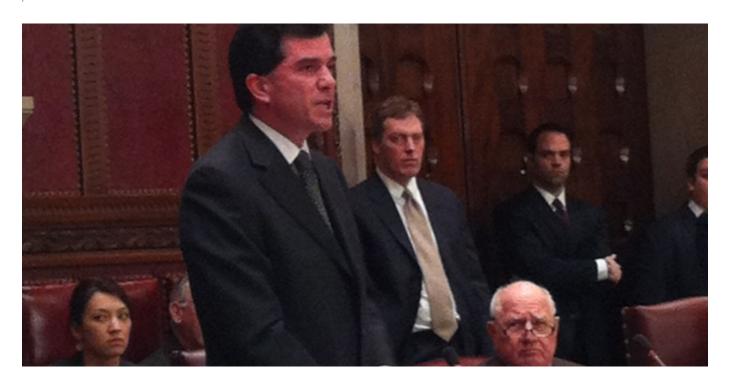


## Senator Grisanti's Statement on Governor Cuomo's 2012 Budget Plan

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"I applaud Governor Cuomo and his team for their work on the 2012 budget. We look forward to passing an on-time and balanced budget to eliminate the state's deficit while ensuring vital government services are not impacted.

I am also pleased to see that Environmental Protection Funding held level at \$134 million,

and the commitment the Governor has in Western New York to get our private sector economy rolling again. In addition, this budget starts the much needed discussion of true mandate relief, including the state takeover of Medicaid growth, which I support.

I do have some questions about how this budget impacts Roswell Park Cancer Institute and the NFTA, two vital services to Western New York.

I am ready to roll up my sleeves and get to work on the 2012 budget so we can pass the budget on-time for the second consecutive year."

-Senator Mark Grisanti, 60th District.