



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

James L. Seward

## Statement on Hydraulic Fracturing Ban

JAMES L. SEWARD December 17, 2014

**ONEONTA, 12/17/14** -- State Senator James L. Seward (R/C/I – Oneonta) today commented on the release of a health study from the Department of Health relating to high volume hydraulic fracturing:

**“I have consistently said that any decision concerning hydraulic fracturing in New York State must be based on science and, like many, have awaited the release of the study from the Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Conservation related to drilling. Today the governor moved to ban hydraulic fracturing in New York, and while many disagree and litigation is likely, in light of the governor’s decision, we need to move on to develop a robust economic development strategy that capitalizes on our other resources.”**