



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Statement From Senate Majority Leader Dean Skelos

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Senate Republicans have a long history of fighting for property tax relief for hardworking homeowners and their families. We created the original STAR school property tax relief program, led the fight for passage of the two-percent property tax cap, and initiated the STAR rebate check program, which was eliminated by Democrats in 2009.

While we look forward to discussing the specifics of Governor Cuomo's proposal when he unveils his entire Executive Budget, it is essential that any enacted property tax relief plan ensures all middle-income families in every region of the state receive property tax relief.

It's clear that New Yorkers can count on Senate Republicans to be outspoken and tireless advocates for cutting their property taxes this year.