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## Meth Again

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We've seen an alarming and a troubling increase across the Southern Tier and Finger Lakes regions over the past year in the incidents of addiction, violence and tragedy that are the by-products of rampant methamphetamine production and use.

The officers of the Southern Tier Methamphetamine Task Force continue to do outstanding work to protect our communities.

But none of us can sit back and allow our region or anywhere else in New York State to serve as a safe harbor for meth labs, meth addicts or meth pushers. The risks are too great and the consequences too overwhelming for the safety of our neighborhoods, our police officers and our first responders, to say nothing of local systems of health care, criminal justice and social services.

So I'm that a series of tougher new laws will help in the prosecution and punishment of meth crimes.

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