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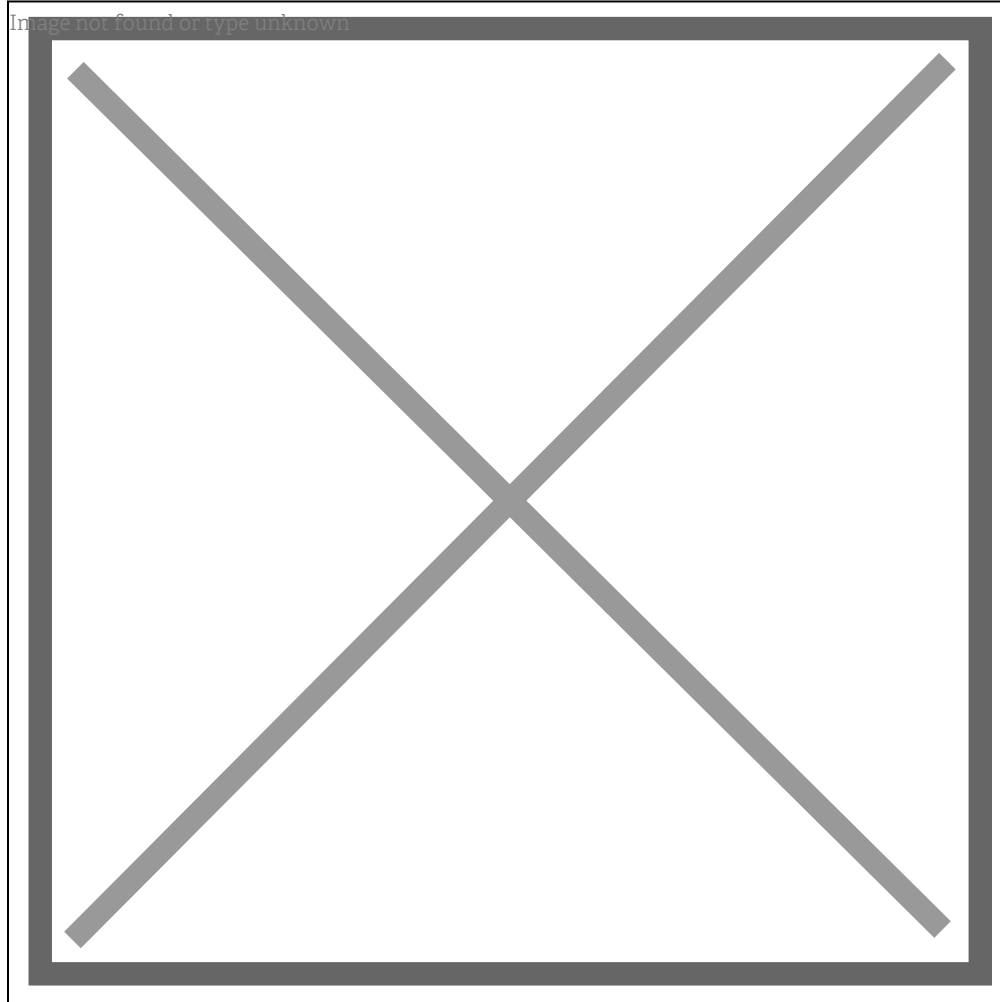
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Information on the Breast Density Information Law sponsored by Senator Flanagan

The law ([Chapter 265 of 2012](#)) ensures that women are informed of their own "density" and that other screening options may be helpful in early detection of breast cancer. **The law requires all mammography reports to inform women of their own breast density and its associated risks and encourages them to speak with their doctor about whether additional screening tests may be useful based upon their own individual risk.**

“This legislation will provide women with access to important medical information they need to make decisions about their own health care and will, quite simply, save lives. Many women are unaware of their own breast density, that it can be linked to an increased risk of breast cancer and that dense breast tissue can make it difficult to detect tumors by mammography alone. Ensuring that all women are supplied with the information they need to make the most educated decisions about their health care will lead to earlier detection when the cancer is most treatable and survivable,” stated Senator Flanagan.



January 24, 2013 - Senator Flanagan and Assemblywoman Jaffee Announce Life-Saving
"Breast Density Information" Law In Effect

[Click here to view the January 23, 2013 press conference](#)

[American College of Radiology Breast Density Brochure featuring a Q & A](#)

[July 27, 2011 - Medical News: Dense Breast Raise Risk Of Breast Cancer](#)

[July 2, 2012 - News12 Long Island Segment Regarding Breast Cancer Legislation](#)

April 29, 2013 - WNYT.COM "Women See Changes Under New Mammogram Law"

May 16, 2013 - Wall Street Journal Article "A Dilemma In The Search For Breast Cancer"

American Cancer Society, Breast Cancer Facts & Figures, 2011-2012 (Table 4 details density/risk factor)

American Society of Breast Disease

Journal National Cancer Institute

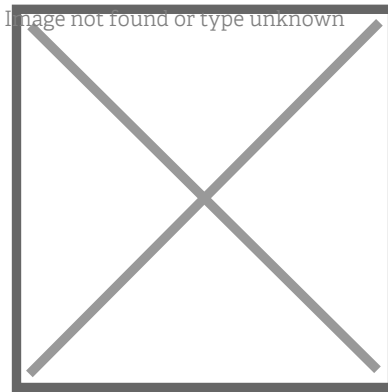


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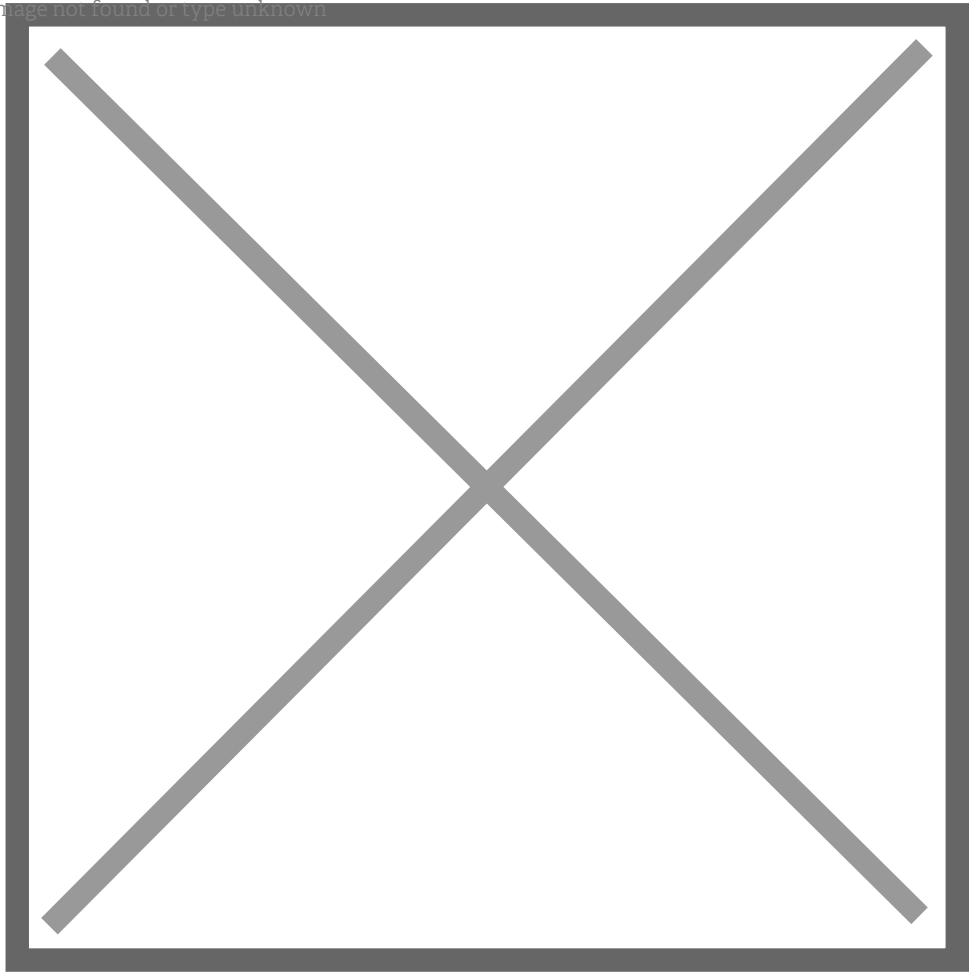


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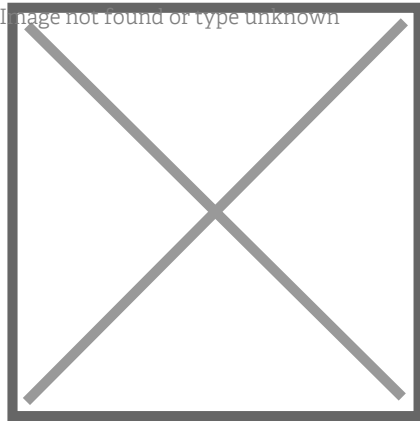


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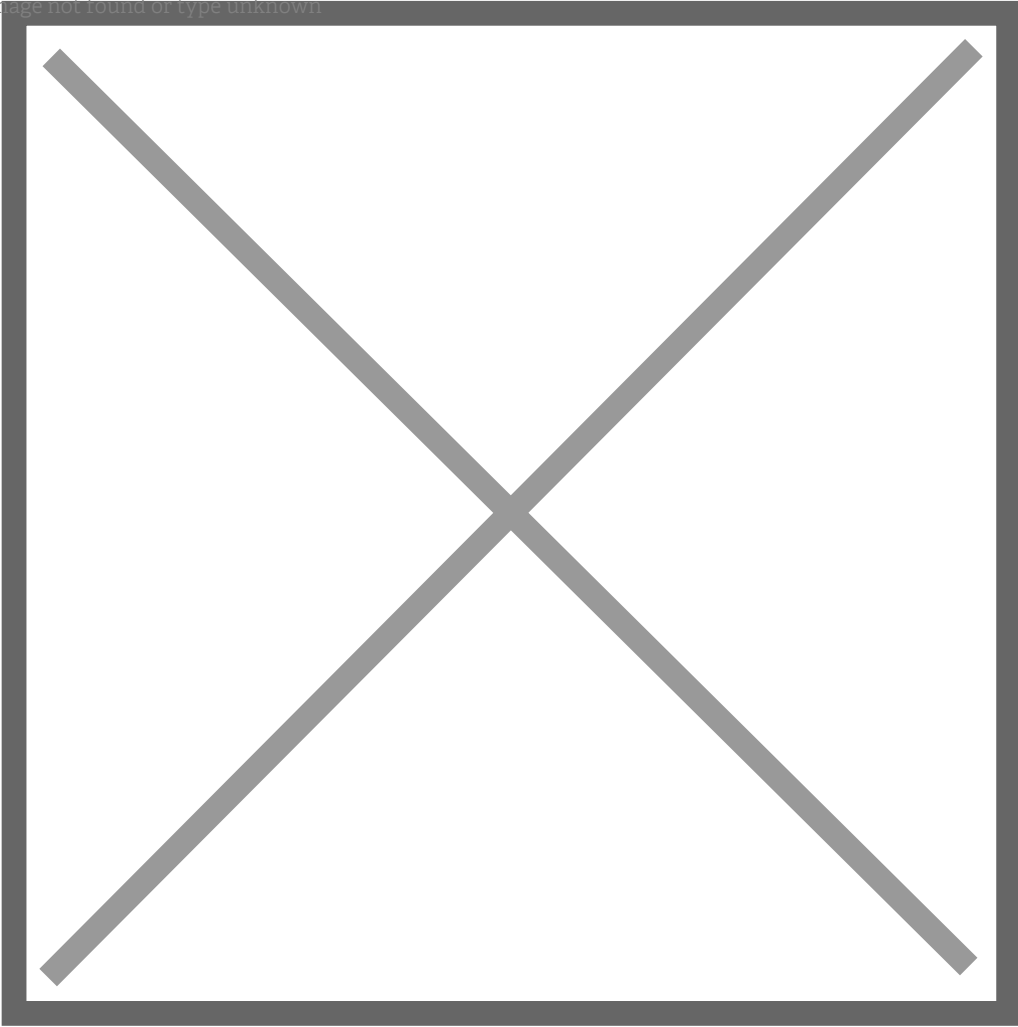


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