

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Thomas F. O'Mara

'Getting the Lead out of Schools' ~ Watch Senator O'Mara and Assemblywoman Lupardo interviewed last night on Capital Tonight discussing a landmark new law they sponsored requiring schools to test drinking water systems for lead contamination

THOMAS F. O'MARA September 8, 2016

- ISSUE: SAFE DRINKING WATER
- COMMITTEE: ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION



O'Mara and Lupardo developed and introduced the legislation earlier this year in light of incidents at schools within their own legislative districts, as well as other high-profile cases statewide and nationally. They joined a coalition of public health, environmental and healthy schools advocates to push the law's enactment this session. Senator O'Mara and Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo (D-Endwell) were interviewed by host Liz Benjamin on last night's edition of Time Warrner Cable's *Capital Tonight*. They discussed their landmark legislation, **signed into law on Tuesday** by Governor Andrew Cuomo, making New York the first state in the nation to require the testing of school drinking water systems for lead contamination.

O'Mara and Lupardo developed and introduced the legislation earlier this year in light of incidents at schools within their own legislative districts, as well as other high-profile cases statewide and nationally. They joined a coalition of public health, environmental and healthy schools advocates to push the law's enactment this session.

Watch last night's *Capital Tonight* interview, "Getting the Lead out of Schools"