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## Senator Bonacic Announces Metro-North Open House for Proposed Port Jervis Line Improvements

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(**Middletown, NY**)- State Senator John J. Bonacic (R/C/I-Mt. Hope) announced today that Metro-North Railroad will hold an open house in Goshen, NY on February 15 to share details on a proposal for capital projects that will enable enhanced train service on the Port Jervis Line.

The event will be held at the Harness Racing Museum, 240 Main Street in Goshen, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Metro-North staff will be on to explain the proposal and answer questions. Staff will make presentations at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

“Improvements to the Port Jervis line are critical to my constituents who take the train every day,” said Senator Bonacic. “I applaud Metro-North for their commitment to engaging with the public on these proposed improvements, and look forward to working with them to see these changes come to fruition.”

The Port Jervis Line currently carries 10 trains to Hoboken between 3:50 a.m. and 1 p.m., but only two trains are able to operate in the reverse direction during this time. After 1 p.m. the reverse dynamic is in place, with 11 bound trains to Orange County operating between 1 p.m. and 3:10 a.m., and just three trains operating in the reverse direction. The addition of a mid-point yard and passing sidings is envisioned to allow for more frequent peak and off-peak service from Orange County to Hoboken, and vice-versa.