



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Bill Introduced in Assembly by 7-Term Democrat Charles Lavine of Glen Cove

State Senator George Latimer (D-Westchester) today called on Legislative Leaders to include in the 2018 budget his legislation which establishes bomb threats to religious affiliated community centers as hate crimes.

The bill introduced earlier this month, has 14 Senate co-sponsors and has been introduced in the Assembly by Charles Lavine of Nassau County. The bill is now S.5065 (Latimer)/A.6739 (Lavine).

“This legislation was introduced to address a pressing problem -- one that continues to grow, with new bomb threats across New York State in the last two weeks. There is support for it, as it is now sponsored by a very prominent colleague in the Assembly. New York needs to act now to stem the growing number of hateful threats on our families simply because they

attend locations with religious affiliations,” Senator Latimer said.

Latimer pointed out that once the budget is complete, consideration of major legislation tends to wait until the end of session, currently slated for the third full week of June. “There is no good reason to allow these hateful acts to not face the full measure of justice until it is convenient for the legislative calendar,” Latimer added.

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RELATED LEGISLATION

2017-S5065

- Introduced

- ◦ In Committee Assembly
 - In Committee Senate

- ◦ On Floor Calendar Assembly
 - On Floor Calendar Senate

- ◦ Passed Assembly

- Passed Senate

- Delivered to Governor

- Signed By Governor

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Relates to expanding the definition of public place for purposes of offenses against public order and expanding the definition of specified offense for the purposes of hate crimes

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