



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Velmanette Montgomery

## Senator Montgomery and the Senate Democratic Policy Group release report "Protecting Jobs, Health & Our Communities: Enhancing New York's Superfund in the Age of Trump"

SENATOR VELMANETTE MONTGOMERY May 24, 2017

| ISSUE: **SUPERFUND CLEANUP, GOWANUS CANAL, ENVIRONMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE**



In October 2015, Democratic Conference Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins launched the Democratic Policy Group to develop policy initiatives to serve all New Yorkers. The group, chaired by Senator Daniel Squadron, with Senators George Latimer, Velmanette Montgomery, Kevin S. Parker, and José M. Serrano, works with the entire Democratic Conference to identify and advance practical solutions to the most pressing problems facing

New Yorkers today.

President Trump's 2018 budget proposes draconian cuts to the United States Environmental Protection Agency whose duties include management of the federal Superfund program. This important program protects New Yorkers by removing toxic chemicals from contaminated sites around the state and creates jobs in environmental cleanup and for businesses that can newly operate at sites that have been cleaned up.

In response to the looming federal cuts, the Senate Democratic Conference has introduced legislation and developed policy recommendations to enhance Superfund and other environmental cleanup programs in New York to create jobs and protect health and communities across the state.

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*Senator Montgomery noted "this issue is critically important to my constituents since my district is home to the Gowanus Canal Superfund site. As a consequence of decades of pollution from the illegal dumping of toxic and contaminated industrial waste, the Gowanus Canal is one of the most polluted waterways in our nation. Brooklyn is also home to a second Superfund site located at Newtown Creek. New York must do more to safeguard the health and safety of residents; and ensure that Superfund sites throughout the state are properly remediated."*

To learn more, download the Senate Democratic Policy Group report "Protecting Jobs, Health & Our Communities: Enhancing New York's Superfund in the Age of Trump."

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RELATED LEGISLATION

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**2017-S6466**

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- Introduced
    - ◦ In Committee Assembly
      - In Committee Senate
    - ◦ On Floor Calendar Assembly
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    - ◦ Passed Assembly
      - Passed Senate
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Relates to the recovery of costs for the response costs and damages to natural resources as a result of the illegal disposal of waste

May 23, 2017

In Senate Committee [Environmental Conservation](#)

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**2017-S6467**

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- Introduced
  
  - ◦ In Committee Assembly
    - In Committee Senate
  
  - ◦ On Floor Calendar Assembly
    - On Floor Calendar Senate
  
  - ◦ Passed Assembly
    - Passed Senate
  
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Relates to penalties for violations related to solid waste transportation, facilities and disposal

May 23, 2017

In Senate Committee [Environmental Conservation](#)

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**2017-S6316**

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- 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 illegal dumping local enforcement grants

May 11, 2017

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## 2017-S6275

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- Introduced

- ○ In Committee Assembly
  - In Committee Senate
- ○ On Floor Calendar Assembly
  - On Floor Calendar Senate
- ○ Passed Assembly
  - Passed Senate
- Delivered to Governor
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Relates to construction and demolition diversion practices of state contractors

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## 2017-S6174

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- Introduced

- ○ In Committee Assembly
  - In Committee Senate
- ○ On Floor Calendar Assembly
  - On Floor Calendar Senate
- ○ Passed Assembly
  - Passed Senate
- Delivered to Governor
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Provides for the establishment of a small business and household pollution prevention program, including collection events and grants therefor

May 11, 2017

In Senate Committee [Environmental Conservation](#)

Sponsored by [Daniel L. Squadron](#)

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## 2017-S6463

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- Introduced

- ○ In Committee Assembly
  - In Committee Senate
  
- ○ On Floor Calendar Assembly
  - On Floor Calendar Senate
  
- ○ Passed Assembly
  - Passed Senate
  
- Delivered to Governor
  
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Establishes an implementation and effectiveness task force to study compliance with electronic equipment recycling and reuse requirements

May 23, 2017

In Assembly Committee

Sponsored by **Joseph P. Addabbo Jr.**

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