

## Gov Cuomo, Sen Kaminsky to Take Action on Water Rate Increases

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Today in Point Lookout, following a briefing on last night's hearing regarding American Water billing spikes, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo told Senator Todd Kaminsky that he was referring the issue to the Attorney General's Office for an investigation and that he was requesting a special monitor be appointed. The Governor expressed outrage at the skyrocketing increases and vowed to seek relief for ratepayers.

"I am grateful for the Governors assistance on this critical issue for South Shore Residents," said Senator Todd Kaminsky. "At my hearing last night, hundreds of people expressed

outrage, not only about the size of their water bills, but about the water companies lack of concern or accountability. They demanded action loudly and clearly and the Governor has heard them."

Last week, American Water customers began reporting skyrocketing water bills. Sen Kaminsky's office alone logged more than 400 such complaints. Last night, Kaminsky, along with a bipartisan group of legislators, held a hearing, attended by hundreds of ratepayers, on the skyrocketing water bills where American water executives and state regulators heard from irate residents.

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