

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Michael Gianaris

Senate Deputy Leader Gianaris And State Senate Pass Nation's Strongest Eviction Moratorium

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ALBANY – Senate Deputy Leader Gianaris and the State Senate passed the Covid-19 Emergency Eviction and Foreclosure Prevention Act (S.9114), the strongest bill in the nation to block eviction and foreclosure proceedings and ensure renters and homeowners facing hardships due to the pandemic can stay in their homes. Senate Deputy Leader Michael Gianaris said, "There has not been nearly enough done to prevent a full-blown housing crisis from erupting as a result of the covid-19 pandemic. This moratorium is a good step to ensure New Yorkers don't get thrown out of their homes at a time when we're asking people to stay in their homes. We must do even more to provide real relief in the months ahead."

Under this new bill, any pending eviction proceedings, or any commenced within 30 days of the effective date of this legislation, will be stayed for at least 60 days to give tenants an opportunity to submit a simple hardship declaration that would prevent eviction. This implements a two-month moratorium to ensure New Yorkers are able to take advantage of this legislation and the protections it provides. A similar prohibition on foreclosures would also be enacted.

Click here view Senator Gianaris' floor speech on the legislation.