

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Edward A. Rath III

## Senator-Elect Rath Appointed to Senate Committees

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Albany, NY – Senator-Elect Ed Rath has been appointed Ranking Member of the Elections Committee and the Local Government Committee.

"I am looking forward to the start of the legislative year. There is a lot that needs to be done this year in Albany and I am ready to begin that work," said Rath. "As a former Erie County Legislator, I am acutely aware of the challenges facing our local governments. The pandemic has put a huge burden on local governments' budgets and the services they provide. I look forward to working with local leaders across the district to address their specific needs and concerns.

"Over the last few legislative sessions, we have seen tremendous changes to our election laws in New York State, the work of this committee critical. We need to assure that our elections are run smoothly, transparently, and effectively. We need to work with our local board of elections to learn what can be done to improve our election system in New York State. It is imperative that we get to Albany and work to help our suffering, local communities."

"Senator-elect Rath's experience and leadership as a former Erie County legislator will bode well for him as ranking member on the New York State Senate Committee on Elections, and the New York State Senate Committee on Local Government. For over a decade, Senatorelect Rath has been a fighter in his community and county government. His placement on these committees will allow him to continue to champion the issues important to local communities and taxpayers in his district and across New York," said Senate Republican Leader Rob Ortt.

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