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## Tedisco: Governor Cuomo's "Blame Game Budget is Just More of the Same"

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"Governor Cuomo's blame game budget presentation made us all mindful of the child who was before the judge for killing his parents and pleaded for mercy – for after all – he was an orphan!"

"From listening to the Governor's presentation, one would think it's everyone else's responsibility for balancing New York State's budget but his. Other than selling drugs and trying to get more gambling dollars, which would provide minimal revenue and bring a

whole new set of safety and financial costs, the Governor presented zero proposals or a realistic plan to make New York economically viable going forward.”

“Governor Cuomo’s blame game budget proposal was just more of the same tired rhetoric accusing the federal government and just about everyone and everything else for New York State’s woes and not taking any responsibility for his own failed leadership.”

“And once again, the Governor refused to talk about the elephant in the room, which is the fact that New York State is number one in taxes and coincidentally again leads the nation in outmigration of residents with 126,000 people leaving last year and over one million in the past decade of his watch, which will likely lead to the state losing two congressional seats in the next redistricting.”

“The millions who have fled our state and those who are now contemplating their exodus to a more taxpayer-friendly state have one thing in common: No one wants to be the last one left in New York to pay for our state’s overzealous taxes, regulations, mandates and laws. The last thing the state should be doing is raising taxes again. We need both a short term plan to address the budget deficit and a long term policy of moderation and common sense – not more social experimentation on the taxpayer’s dime!”