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Critical Aid for Genesee County Restored in Final Budget

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Albany, NY – The final budget bill includes the Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) aid for the City of Batavia, Town of Batavia and Genesee County in the amount of \$800,000. Originally left out of the Senate One-House Budget, Senator Rath was vocal in his opposition to the elimination of this critical aid.

“I am pleased to see this aid restored. Many of our communities are beginning to recover from COVID and the financial implications, to cut their funding at such a critical time would

be detrimental. To think that the only areas that were exempt from the VLT aid were areas represented by Republican senators was troubling. This cut would have been detrimental, and I am glad that the aid was restored,” said Senator Ed Rath.

The VLT funding was included in part KK of the Public Protections and General Government Budget Bill (S.2505-C).