



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Daphne Jordan

## Pain at the Pump, Home Heating Hurt: Senator Daphne Jordan launches online petition opposing Senate Democrat's proposed 55-cent gas tax hike

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**Albany, NY** – New York State Senator Daphne Jordan (R,C,I-Halfmoon) today announced the launch of her online petition aimed at building grassroots opposition to a proposal being advanced by the Senate Democratic Majority that would increase the cost of gas by as much as fifty-five cents per gallon and increase home heating costs by more than twenty-five percent.

The Democrat's legislation would impose a carbon tax of \$55 per ton of fossil fuel emissions to reach renewable energy mandates under the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, passed by the Legislature in 2019.

According to the Tax Foundation, New York currently has the 7th highest gas tax in the country, at 43.12 cents per gallon with California presently the highest at 62.47 cents per gallon. This legislation would raise New York's tax to 98.12 cents per gallon, an increase of more than 127 percent, and would make New York's gas tax more than 57 percent higher than any other state. New York State has repeatedly been named as one of the worst business tax climates in the nation by the Tax Foundation.

"The Senate Democrat's proposal would punish millions of New Yorkers by significantly increasing the cost of commuting to work, bringing children to school, taking a family day trip, or heating their homes. Higher taxes are never the answer and are a terrible idea for New York's fragile economy caused by Cuomo's COVID closures. We need to stop these proposals that drive up costs for hard-working families and instead advance common-sense measures that will make our state a more affordable place for everyone," Senator Jordan said.

Senator Jordan launched an online petition to build grassroots opposition to the Albany Democrat's proposed energy tax hike. The petition is available at Senator Jordan's Senate website [here](#).

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