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## O'Mara blasts move by Albany Democrats to raise legislative pay

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**Elmira, N.Y., December 20**—State Senator Tom O'Mara (R,C-Big Flats) today blasted legislation introduced last night by the Democrat majorities in the Senate and Assembly to make New York the highest paid Legislature in the nation.

If approved, the legislation, which will be voted on in a special session Thursday and would take effect on January 1, would increase legislators' base pay from the current \$110,000 to \$142,000.

O'Mara released the following statement:

"One-party, all-Democrat control of New York State government continues to show no shame. New York is the highest taxed state in America and Albany Democrats think they deserve to be the highest paid legislators in America? Albany Democrats see this state becoming less safe, less affordable, less free, less economically competitive, less responsible, and far less hopeful for the future, and their first order of business is to give themselves a huge pay raise? It's wrong, it's irresponsible, and it can't be justified by any measure of accountability or integrity. One-party, all-Democrat rule has been a disaster for New York. It's out of control and it's about to go from bad to worse in the new year."