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ASSEMBLYMAN BRIAN CURRAN'S 2023 BUDGET RECAP

Friends, now that the 2023 State Budget is officially passed, I wanted to take some time to explain what exactly was in it. First off, there were, as in all budgets, both good things and bad. Here are some of the items included that are good for you and your family.



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BRIAN CURRAN

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HOUSING:

I am proud to report we have successfully defeated the New York Housing Compact introduced by the governor. From the beginning I fought alongside our local mayors against this disastrous proposal that would allow the state to overrule local zoning boards to build high-rises in Long Island neighborhoods. I am also very proud that the proposal was rejected in a bi-partisan manner, we came together to show that local control is essential and not a political issue.

EDUCATION:

We all know that education is essential to the families of Nassau County, so we made a 9.5% increase in funding for public schools as well as an increase of 5.9% in aid for non-public schools and I am proud I voted for that increased funding. Every child deserves a quality education, and this funding will help move toward that goal. School safety was also addressed with \$45 million going toward security personnel and safety equipment. (A.3004-D)

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Since my return to Albany, I have been fighting to repeal bail reform. I was happy this budget included pro-law enforcement adjustments to the disastrous Cashless Bail Law that will make our communities safer. However, there is still more work to be done in this area. (A.3006-C)

HIGHER EDUCATION:

I successfully fought against the governor's proposed in-state tuition hikes for SUNY and CUNY schools and won. We were able to secure an increase of \$49.1 million for community college general maintenance and an increase of \$110 million for general maintenance on our SUNY campuses. (A.3004-D)

UNFORTUNATELY, this budget also contains items that will not help us. The current tax and spending plan is causing Long Island to become too unaffordable and forcing people to leave.

TAXES:

At a time when our families are being forced to deal with high inflation, they deserve every break they can get. This year's budget by the governor and legislative majority conferences did not deliver that, but it did include a \$700 million tax break for Hollywood millionaires which I proudly voted against. (https://www.bls.gov/cpi/) (A.3009-C)

SPENDING:

This year's budget is over \$229 billion, which is larger than states like Florida and Texas, which have similar populations to New York. (https://taxfoundation.org/publications/state-local-tax-burden-rankings/)



If you have any questions regarding the budget or any other issue, please call or email my office at 516-561-8216; curranb@nyassembly.gov.

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