

Assemblyman Ken Zebrowski is getting real results for New York State families

Dear Neighbor:

Happy Summer! I'm writing to update you on the successful 2014 Legislative Session we had up in Albany this year. In addition to passing the fourth consecutive on-time budget, I also passed 20 bills this session, making it my most successful to date.

We were able to accomplish a lot over the past six months; the Legislature made many positive changes and initiatives to better the State of New York, as well as Rockland. This newsletter will provide an informative overview of what we were able to successfully achieve this year. As always, feel free to contact my office with any questions or concerns that you may have.

Sincerely,

Ken Zebrowsk

Freezing Property Taxes for Rockland

Ken supported the new tax freeze program that will provide residents with tax credits for all of their property tax increases over the next two years. Residents will be eligible to receive these tax credits if their municipalities keep under the tax cap and create a long term plan to save tax dollars. This program will help reduce the burden of property taxes by providing real relief.

Protecting the Environment

Assemblyman Zebrowski co-sponsored legislation that imposes a three year moratorium on the use of hydrofracking for natural gas and oil. The legislation (A.5424-B), which passed the Assembly, will provide the Health Department time to study the impact that fracking has on the environment and public health. Ken wants to ensure that this process doesn't threaten our drinking water or harm the environment.

Combating the Heroin Epidemic

Ken joined Governor Cuomo in supporting a series of bills to help end the growing heroin problem in New York State. The legislation will address addiction and abuse relating to heroin, prescription drugs, and opioids. The new laws will help to end the

epidemic by creating alternative treatment options, strengthening penalties relating to distribution, increasing public awareness, and expanding the availability of naloxone to prevent overdoses.

Requiring Disclosure on Political Ads

Ken's legislation to require a "paid for by" statement on all political advertisements or mailings passed the Assembly this year (A.8187C). The bill would increase transparency in the political process by requiring all internet, print, radio and TV political ads to inform voters who paid for them.

Fighting the NJ First Act

Several years ago, NJ passed a discriminatory residency requirement that effectively shut all New Yorkers out of all public jobs in New Jersey. This unfair law particularly affects Rockland residents due to our close proximity to New Jersey. After repeated attempts of urging Governor Christie to repeal the law, Assemblyman Zebrowski introduced and passed legislation that would label NJ a "discriminatory jurisdiction" preventing their residents from gaining public employment in NY.

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