**NYS Legislation Update**Bill numbers are reset in Jan of odd numbered years.

**District Maps drawn in 2012 for Congress, NYS Senate & Assembly** [**http://latfor.state.ny.us/maps**/](http://latfor.state.ny.us/maps/)

New York State bills to watch. Full text of Assembly bills can be found at <http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/> or <http://www.nysenate.gov/legislation> for NYS Senate bills.

**Remember in Nov 2014 see how your NYS Senator & Assembly member voted on 2013 Gun control bill SAFE Act and the 2011 A08354 Redefining (Gay) marriage law. Go to bottom of this page** to view the roll call votes**.
Note** If you do NOT want your Gun ownership, name and address to appear on the internet you must send a letter to “OPT Out” There are also new rules for keeping Gun permits
**Go to “Pro 2nd Amendment & Gun Control Section” section below for details
The Common Core roll call vote is bill A8929 just below**

**You can e-mail your Assemblyman at** [**http://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/**](http://assembly.state.ny.us/mem/) **.
You can e-mail NYS Senator at** [**http://www.nysenate.gov/**](http://www.nysenate.gov/)

**Three Common Core bills**

1. **A8844 /S6604 -2013 (Hold off Common Core)** Set up a Blue ribbon panel to study whether to drop Common Core standards. Common Core may be suspended in Schools at determination of the local school board until the Blue ribbon panel decides on standards. ZELDIN AVELLA, BALL, BOYLE, DILAN, FARLEY, LATIMER, MARCHIONE, MAZIARZ **Bill in Committee**. Died in Assembly committee
2. **A8929 -2013 (Keeps Common Core)** Keeps Common Core in Schools suspends testing until after election. **Passed Assembly sent to The NYS Senate killed the bill in committee
BILL:A08929 DATE:03/05/2014 MOTION: YEA/NAY:121/10 (19 absent)**Abbate ER Cook Y Gjonaj Y Lalor NO Nojay NO Rosenth Y Titone Y
Abinant Y Corwin Y Glick ER Lavine Y Nolan Y Rozic ER Titus Y
Arroyo Y Crespo Y Goldfed Y Lentol Y Oaks Y Russell Y Walter Y
Aubry Y Crouch Y Goodell Y Lifton Y O'Donne Y Ryan Y Weinste ER
Barclay Y Curran Y Gottfri Y Lopez Y Ortiz Y Saladin Y Weisenb ER
Barrett Y Cusick Y Graf NO Lupardo Y Otis Y Santaba Y Weprin Y
Benedet Y Cymbrow Y Gunther Y Lupinac Y Palmesa NO Scarbor Y Wright Y
Blanken Y Davila Y Hawley Y Magee Y Palumbo Y Schimel Y Zebrows Y
Borelli Y DenDekk Y Heastie Y Magnare Y Paulin Y Schimmi Y Mr Spkr Y
Boyland AB Dinowit Y Henness Y Malliot Y Peoples Y Sepulve Y
Braunst Y DiPietr NO Hevesi Y Markey Y Perry Y Simanow Y
Brennan Y Duprey Y Hikind Y Mayer Y Pichard Y Simotas ER
Brindis Y Englebr Y Hooper Y McDonal Y Pretlow Y Skartad Y
Bronson Y Fahy Y Jacobs Y McDonou Y Quart Y Skoufis Y
Brook-K Y Farrell Y Jaffee Y McKevit Y Ra NO Solages Y
Buchwal Y Finch Y Johns Y McLaugh Y Raia Y Stec Y
Butler Y Fitzpat NO Katz NO Miller Y Ramos ER Steck Y
Cahill Y Friend NO Kavanag Y Millman Y Rivera Y Stirpe Y
Camara Y Galef Y Kearns Y Montesa Y Roberts Y Sweeney Y
Ceretto Y Gantt Y Kellner AB Morelle Y Robinso Y Tedisco Y
Clark Y Garbari Y Kim Y Mosley Y Rodrigu ER Tenney NO
Colton Y Giglio Y Kolb Y Moya Y Rosa Y Thiele Y
3. **A07994 S06267-2013 (Repeal Common Core)** Relates(repeal) the common core state standards initiative and the race to the top program in NYS. Sponsor Graf, BALL Co-sponsors McDonough, Montesano, Giglio, Blankenbush, Borelli, Lupinacci, Ceretto, Friend, Curran, Tenney, Corwin, McKevitt, Hawley, Garbarino, Lalor, Crouch, Goodell, Duprey, McLaughlin, Katz, Raia, Stec, Tedisco, Palmesano, Butler, Kolb, Ra, Lopez P, DiPietro, Johns, Nojay, Malliotakis, MAZIARZ **Bill in Committee**

**If your NYS state Senator or Assemblyperson is NOT on the list of Sponsors or Co-Sponsors Please ask them to become a co-sponsor.**

**New major unfunded mandate proposed**! Cuomo commission pushes longer school day, year & PRE-K Every school would need a major increase in property taxes.
This will cost as much if not more the most of the unfunded mandates we are trying to repeal!!!

**Mandate Relief will help reduce local taxes**

**S1294-2013**: GRIFFO / Committee: LOCAL GOVERNMENT Requires that the state fund any program which imposes a mandate upon municipal corporations or school districts; establishes criteria for any exemption from such law if such mandate is ordered by the judiciary, pursuant to an executive order or requested by the locality; expands the reporting requirements of the mandate relief council.

**2013-2014 Budget** still being studied, but it would provide higher education aid to children of illegal immigrants. While the Governor has claimed it contains no new taxes; but it does **contain increases in fees and surcharges**. Including a major **surcharge on everyone’s utility bills** and a ban on plea bargaining traffic tickets so the state surcharge cannot be reduced.

**Other Major Bills**

1. **S438-2013:** ***(Pro-abortion)*** Reproductive Health Act; **Allows very late term Abortions**. **STEWART-COUSINS** / Co-sponsor(s): ADAMS, AVELLA, BRESLIN, DILAN, GIANARIS, HASSELL-THOMPSON, KRUEGER, LATIMER, MONTGOMERY, PARKER, PERALTA, PERKINS, RIVERA, SAMPSON, SERRANO, SQUADRON, STAVISKY
2. **S1474-2013:** ***(Pro-abortion) Krueger. (D)*** provisions relating to the execution of written forms, prior to assisted reproductive technology services, for consent and directives disposition embryos (babies), and provisions relating to notice prior to the implementation of the terms of such advance directives.
3. **S1494-2013: *(Pro-abortion) Krueger. (D)*** provisions relating Abortion causing drugs
4. **S195-2013/A04226 GENDA (Allows men to use ladies rooms!) This has passed the assembly in April 2013 for the sixth time It has been blocked by the Senate in the past. Gender Expression Non-Discrimination Act. It might pass this year** You remember, this bill is the one referred to as the "Bathroom Bill", because theoretically, if at the moment a man feels like a woman he will have the right to use the public women's restroom, women’s shower room, or women’s locker room. It is meant to stop discrimination against cross dressers and gender confused people.
5. **A 2597/S02378**, New York state DREAM ACT **Would make illegal-alien students eligible for NYS financial aid** programs, including tuition assistance and scholarships sponsored by Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver **This has passed the assembly five times but been blocked by the Senate . It might pass this year**
6. **S152-2013: Places a limit on the personal income tax levy by New York State**. Sponsor: GALLIVAN **(** **R)**/ Committee: INVESTIGATIONS AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS Law Section: Tax Law/ Law
7. **S183-2013:(Allows arrest of sober driver in a traffic accident)** Sponsor: SQUADRON**(D)** / Committee: TRANSPORTATION Law Section: Vehicle and Traffic Law / Law: Amd S1146, V & T L

### \*\*\*Passed\*\* 2012 Tier VI Pension Reform took effect April, 1 2012 in addition to raising the state retirement age to 63 for new employees. It increases the amount deducted from their pay from the current 3% to up to 6% for higher earners which reduces the amount local governments must pay for current pensions. This could provide a little tax relief if local governments choose to pass the savings on taxpayers.

**\*\*\*Information\*\*\*** There is no bill for this but one is needed. Route 9 & the Northway are nearing their designed max traffic capacity especially at rush hours. The current proposal is to widen the Northway to eight lanes which cost several billion. A much less expensive solution is a Commuter rail over the existing tracks between from south of Albany to Saratoga and/or a new bridge over the Mohawk River between the Northway’s twin bridges and the Rexford bridge’

**\*\*\*Passed\*\*\*** The Assembly and the NYS Senate linked NYC Rent control extension to the Upstate & Long Island 2 percent Property tax cap and them to combined them into one bill. Passed both houses in June 2011 now law. For the tax cap if inflation is greater than 2 percent the tax increase can match the inflation rate. (note pension costs and court judgments are not included in the cap) Both parts have a four year sunset clause. School districts must hold an election to override the cap. City, Towns, Villages & Counties only must hold a public hearing in November/December and get 3/5 vote of their town board, city council, County legislative body, or board of supervisors.

**Pro 2nd Amendment & Gun Control Section**

1. **A5955-2013: (Pro 2nd Amendment)** Relates to repealing the New York SAFE Act of 2013. Repeals chapter 1 of the laws of 2013 amending the criminal procedure law and other laws relating to suspension and revocation of firearms licenses. Sponsor: Katz / Co-sponsor(s): Friend, Barclay, Crouch, Palmesano, Nojay, Stec, McLaughlin
2. **S3948-2013:** **(Pro 2nd Amendment)** Relates to gun control, repealer Relates to the suspension and revocation of a license to carry firearms; relates to the applicability of certain provisions of the penal law, large capacity ammunition feeding devices, and gun licenses; relates to effectiveness of certain provisions of the NY SAFE Act relating to suspension and revocation of firearms licenses; private sale or disposal of firearms, rifles or shotguns and establishing a minimum age to possess a firearm; repeals various other provisions of law relating to the NY SAFE Act. **Sponsor:** MARCHIONE / Co-sponsor(s): BALL, BOYLE, DEFRANCISCO, FARLEY, GALLIVAN, LARKIN, LIBOUS, MAZIARZ, NOZZOLIO, O'MARA, RANZENHOFER, SEWARD, YOUNG, ZELDIN
3. **S202-2013:** **(Gun control)** SQUADRON**(D)** additional weapon models to the definition of an assault weapon and adds related definitions; bans the possession, sale or manufacture of assault weapons, subject to an exception; expands the duties of the superintendent of state police with respect to identifying assault weapons.
4. **S1422-2013** **(Gun control)** DIAZ**(D)** Increases the penalty for the possession, use, or sale of assault weapons and large capacity ammunition feeding devices and certain other weapons and redefines "assault weapon".
5. **S805-2013:** **(Gun control)** [ADAMS](http://open.nysenate.gov/legislation/sponsor/ADAMS) / **Co-sponsor(s):** [SERRANO](http://open.nysenate.gov/legislation/sponsor/SERRANO) Provides for the registration of firearms by the owner thereof at the county clerk’s office of the county where the owner resides, except in New York City

 **PASSED now law S2230-2013 A2388:** **(Gun control) NY Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act of 2013** Bans certain guns, limits clip size to 7 and other changes. It contains a major typo police are included in the limit

**Note:** All new gun permits will be limited to 5 years. Pre-existing lifetime permits will now expire by 2018 and have to be renewed for five year terms**.
If you do NOT want your Gun ownership, name and address to appear on the internet. Gu**n-permit applicants can now ask that their **personal information be kept secret** for any of several reasons: if they are police officers, have served on a jury in a criminal case, witnessed a crime, have been victims of domestic violence, fear for their safety, **or they might be subjected to unwanted harassment.**
 YOU MUST SEND A LETTER to the clerk office(s) who issued your gun permit(s) stating that you fear you would be subjected to unwanted harassment (or one of the other reasons above) and you want your gun permits removed from public access files as required 2013 NY Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act. The letter should include the permit number(s) and request for a reply from the clerk when the records are moved. We suggest you mail it return receipt mail. They should either accept the letter by sending a reply or send you a form. If you do NOT get a reply accepting the letter or accepting the form from the clerk in 60 days you should call or visit them.

**2013 Gun Control SAFE Act Vote Roll Call**

**NYS Senate Roll Call passed 43-18 Ayes (43):** Adams, Addabbo, Avella, Boyle, **Breslin**, Carlucci, Diaz, Dilan, Espaillat, Felder, Flanagan, Fuschillo, Gianaris, Gipson, Golden, Grisanti, Hannon, Hassell-Thomps, Hoylman, Kennedy, Klein, Krueger, Lanza, Latimer, LaValle, Marcellino, Martins, Montgomery, O'Brien, Parker, Peralta, Perkins, Rivera, Sampson, Sanders, Savino, Serrano, Skelos, Smith, Squadron, Stavisky, Stewart-Cousin, Valesky

**Nays (18):** Ball, Bonacic, DeFrancisco, **Farley**, Gallivan, Griffo, Larkin, Libous, **Little**, **Marchione**, Maziarz, Nozzolio, O'Mara, Ranzenhofer, Ritchie, Robach, **Seward**, Young

**Excused (1):** Zeldin
**Not yet seated (1) Tkaczyk** (has stated she would have voted Aye)

**NYS Assembly Roll Call passed 104-43 Y-Aye N-Nay E-Excused:**

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| Abbate | **Y** | Clark | **Y** | Gantt | **Y** | Kavanag | **Y** | McKevit | **Y** | Raia | **NO** | Solages | **Y** |
| Abinant | **Y** | Colton | **Y** | Garbari | **NO** | Kearns | **NO** | **McLaugh** | **NO** | Ramos | **Y** | **Stec** | **NO** |
| Arroyo | **Y** | Cook | **Y** | Gibson | **Y** | Kellner | **Y** | Miller | **Y** | Reilich | **NO** | ***Steck*** | **Y** |
| Aubry | **Y** | Corwin | **NO** | Giglio | **NO** | Kim | **Y** | Millman | **Y** | Rivera | **ER** | Stevens | **Y** |
| Barclay | **NO** | Crespo | **ER** | Gjonaj | **Y** | Kolb | **NO** | Montesa | **NO** | Roberts | **Y** | Stirpe | **Y** |
| **Barrett** | **Y** | Crouch | **NO** | Glick | **Y** | Lalor | **NO** | Morelle | **Y** | Robinso | **Y** | Sweeney | **Y** |
| Barron | **Y** | Curran | **Y** | Goldfed | **Y** | Lavine | **Y** | Mosley | **Y** | Rodrigu | **Y** | Tedisco | **NO** |
| Benedet | **Y** | Cusick | **Y** | Goodell | **NO** | Lentol | **Y** | Moya | **Y** | Rosa | **Y** | Tenney | **NO** |
| Blanken | **NO** | Cymbrow | **Y** | Gottfri | **Y** | Lifton | **Y** | Nojay | **NO** | Rosenth | **Y** | Thiele | **Y** |
| Borelli | **NO** | DenDekk | **Y** | Graf | **NO** | **Lope PD** | **NO** | Nolan | **Y** | Rozic | **Y** | Titone | **Y** |
| Boyland | **Y** | Dinowit | **Y** | Gunther | **NO** | Lope VJ | **Y** | Oaks | **NO** | Russell | **Y** | Titus | **Y** |
| Braunst | **Y** | DiPietr | **NO** | Hawley | **NO** | Losquad | **Y** | O'Donne | **Y** | Ryan | **Y** | Walter | **NO** |
| Brennan | **Y** | **Duprey** | **NO** | Heastie | **Y** | Lupardo | **NO** | Ortiz | **Y** | Saladin | **NO** | Weinste | **Y** |
| Brindis | **NO** | Englebr | **Y** | Henness | **Y** | Lupinac | **Y** | Otis | **Y** | **Santaba** | **Y** | Weisenb | **Y** |
| Bronson | **Y** | Espinal | **Y** | Hevesi | **Y** | Magee | **NO** | Palmesa | **NO** | Scarbor | **Y** | Weprin | **Y** |
| Brook K | **Y** | Fahy | **Y** | Hikind | **Y** | Magnare | **Y** | Paulin | **Y** | Schimel | **Y** | Wright | **Y** |
| Buchwal | **Y** | Farrell | **Y** | Hooper | **Y** | Maisel | **Y** | Peoples | **Y** | Schimmi | **NO** | Zebrows | **Y** |
| Butler | **NO** | Finch | **NO** | Jacobs | **Y** | Malliot | **Y** | Perry | **Y** | Sepulve | **Y** | Mr Spkr | **Y** |
| Cahill | **Y** | Fitzpat | **ER** | Jaffee | **Y** | Markey | **Y** | Pretlow | **Y** | Simanow | **Y** |  |  |
| Camara | **Y** | Friend | **NO** | Johns | **NO** | Mayer | **Y** | Quart | **Y** | Simotas | **Y** |  |  |
| Castro | **Y** | Gabrysz | **NO** | **Jordan** | **NO** | **McDonal** | **Y** | Ra | **Y** | Skartad | **Y** |  |  |
| Ceretto | **NO** | Galef | **Y** | Katz | **NO** | McDonou | **Y** | Rabbitt | **NO** | Skoufis | **NO** |  |  |

**Local Assembly vote**

#106 **Barrett Y,** #118 **Butler No,** #115 **Duprey No**, #106 **Fahy Y** #113 **Jordan No**, #102 **Lopez PD No,** #108 **McDonald Y**,
#107 **McLaughlin No,** #111 **SantaBarbara Y**, #114 **Stec No**, #110 **Steck Y**, #112 **Tedisco No**

**2011 Gay Marriage Vote Roll Call**

**Local NYS Assembly vote**

Amedore No

Tedisco No

Reilly Yes Retired 2012

Sayward Yes Retired 2012

Canestrari Yes Retired 2012

Jordan No

McEneny Yes Retired 2012

**Local NYS Senate vote**

Hugh Farley (R-Niskayuna) No

Betty Little (R-Queensbury) No

Roy McDonald (R-Saratoga) Yes Defeated 2012

Neil Breslin (D-Bethlehem) Yes Ran unopposed 2012

**Gov Cuomo signed the bill into law on 6/24/11
The full roll call is below**

The Marriage Equality Act grants same-sex couples the ability to marry A08354 Votes:

BILL: A08354 DATE: 06/15/2011 MOTION: YEA/NAY: 080/063

Abbate NO Castell NO Galef Y Katz NO McKevit NO Rabbitt NO Stevens NO

Abinant Y Castro Y Gantt NO Kavanag Y McLaugh NO Raia NO Sweeney Y

Amedore NO Ceretto NO Gibson AB Kellner Y Meng Y Ramos Y Tedisco NO

Arroyo Y Clark NO Giglio NO Kirwan NO Mill D NO Reilich NO Tenney NO

Aubry Y Colton NO Glick Y Kolb NO Mill JM Y Reilly Y Thiele Y

Barclay NO Conte NO Goodell NO Lancman Y Mill MG NO Rive J Y Titone Y

Barron NO Cook Y Gottfri Y Latimer Y Millman Y Rive N Y Titus Y

Benedet Y Corwin NO Graf NO Lavine Y Molinar NO Rive PM Y Tobacco NO

Bing Y Crespo NO Gunther Y Lentol Y Montesa NO Roberts Y Weinste Y

Blanken NO Crouch NO Hanna NO Lifton Y Morelle Y Robinso NO Weisenb Y

Boyland Y Curran NO Hawley NO Linares Y Moya Y Rodrigu Y Weprin Y

Boyle NO Cusick Y Hayes NO Lope PD NO Murray NO Rosenth Y Wright Y

Braunst Y Cymbrow NO Heastie Y Lope VJ Y Nolan Y Russell Y Zebrows Y

Brennan Y DenDekk Y Hevesi Y Losquad NO Oaks NO Saladin NO Mr Spkr Y

Bronson Y Dinowit Y Hikind NO Lupardo Y O'Donne Y Sayward Y

Brook-K Y Duprey Y Hooper NO Magee NO Ortiz Y Scarbor AB

Burling NO Englebr Y Hoyt Y Magnare Y Palmesa NO Schimel Y

Butler NO Farrell Y Jacobs Y Maisel Y Paulin Y Schimmi NO

Cahill Y Finch NO Jaffee Y Malliot NO Peoples Y Schroed Y

Calhoun NO Fitzpat NO Jeffrie Y Markey AB Perry Y Simotas Y

Camara Y Friend NO Johns NO McDonou NO Pretlow Y Smardz NO

Canestr Y Gabrysz NO Jordan NO McEneny Y Ra NO Spano Y

NYS Senate full vote tally 6/24/11 is below.

Eric Adams (D-Brooklyn) Yes

Joe Addabbo (D-Queens) Yes

Jim Alesi (R-Monroe County) Yes

Tony Avella (D-Queens) Yes

Greg Ball (R-Putnam County) No

John Bonacic (R-Ulster County)

Neil Breslin (D-Bethlehem) Yes

David Carlucci (D-Rockland County) Yes

John DeFrancisco (R-Syracuse) No

Ruben Diaz Sr. (D-Bronx) No

Martin Malave Dilan (D-Brooklyn) Yes

Tom Duane (D-Manhattan) Yes

Adriano Espaillat (D-Manhattan) Yes

Hugh Farley (R-Niskayuna) No

John Flanagan (R-Long Island) No

Charles Fuschillo (R-Long Island) No

Patrick Gallivan (R-Erie County) No

Mike Gianaris (D-Queens) Yes

Marty Golden (R-Brooklyn) No

Joe Griffo (R-Rome) No

Mark Grisanti (R-Buffalo) Yes

Kemp Hannon (R-Long Island) No

Ruth Hassell-Thompson (D-Mt. Vernon) Yes

Shirley Huntley (D-Queens) Yes

Owen Johnson (R-Long Island) No

Tim Kennedy (D-Buffalo) Yes

Jeff Klein (D-Bronx) Yes

Liz Krueger (D-Manhattan) Yes

Carl Kruger (D-Brooklyn) Yes

Andrew Lanza (R-Staten Island) No

Bill Larkin (R-Orange County) No

Ken LaValle (R-Long Island) No

Tom Libous (R-Binghamton) No

Betty Little (R-Queensbury) No

Carl Marcellino (R-Long Island) No

Jack Martins (R-Long Island) No

George Maziarz (R-Niagara County) No

Roy McDonald (R-Saratoga) Yes

Velmanette Montgomery (D-Brooklyn) Yes

Mike Nozzolio (R-Finger Lakes) No

Tom O’Mara (R-Elmira) No

Suzi Oppenheimer (D-Westcheser) Yes

Kevin Parker (D-Brooklyn) Yes

Jose Peralta (D-Queens) Yes

Bill Perkins (D-Manhattan) Yes

Mike Ranzenhofer (R-Erie County) No

Patti Ritchie (R-North Country) No

Gustavo Rivera (D-Bronx) Yes

Joe Robach (R-Monroe County) No

Steve Saland (R-Poughkeepsie) Yes

John Sampson (D-Brooklyn) Yes

Diane Savino (D-Staten Island) Yes

Jose Serrano (D-Bronx) Yes

Jim Seward (R-Central NY) No

Dean Skelos (R-Long Island) No

Malcolm Smith (D-Queens) Yes

Daniel Squadron (D-Manhattan) Yes

Toby Ann Stavisky (D-Queens) Yes

Andrea Stewart-Cousins (D-Westchester) Yes

David Valesky (D-Syracuse) Yes

Cathy Young (R-Olean) No

Lee Zeldin (R-Long Island) No