



Mandate Relief

The Assembly Republican Conference's plan for alleviating the burden caused by unfunded mandates in New York

Stop Mandates at the Source

- Eliminate unfunded mandates that burden our local governments and school districts:
 - Create a permanent moratorium on unfunded mandates (**A.3227, Kolb**).
 - Reinstate the Mandate Relief Council and implement a temporary moratorium on unfunded mandates (**A.3494, Ra**).
 - Enact a Constitutional Amendment to require the State to fund the costs that result from any special or general law that mandates a new or increased service from a locality (**A.5365, Friend**).

State Assistance for Local Medicaid Costs

- Require the State to cover local Medicaid expenses and give localities greater flexibility:
 - State takeover of the local share of Medicaid outside of New York City over 10 years (**Part A of A.4088, Kolb**).
 - State takeover of 50 percent of New York City's Medicaid costs over a 20-year period (**Part B of A.4088, Kolb**).
 - Allow counties to opt out of providing optional Medicaid services to new enrollees (**A.2806, Kolb**).
 - Require the Department of Health to pay for 100 percent of the non-federal share for services required by State law (**A.5830, Giglio**).
 - Prohibit any additional unfunded mandates imposed on local governments through the Medicaid program (**A.5795, Giglio**).
 - Reimburse counties for purchasing Medicaid fraud detection software (**A.3540, Palmesano**).

Reduce and Control Property Taxes

- Provide relief to local budgets by reining in high property taxes:
 - Effectively freeze homeowners' and businesses' property taxes at the current level by having the State assume the property tax growth of any local government or school district that stays within the Real Property Tax Cap (**Part H of A.4088, Kolb**).
 - Create a Real Property Tax Redesign Team tasked with finding recurrent savings to reduce property taxes (**Part I of A.4088, Kolb**).
 - Subject New York City to the Real Property Tax Cap (**Part J of A.4088, Kolb**).