



**Raising taxes  
during the  
worst economy  
in 75 years  
is like forcing  
a square peg  
into a  
round hole.**

**Assemblyman  
Andrew Raia  
knows it doesn't  
make sense.**

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# Governor Paterson's proposed state budget has over \$1 billion in new taxes, fines, and fees!

A Long Island family of four would pay \$1,812 this year, including:

- \$750 more in property taxes for Suffolk County – already the 12<sup>th</sup> highest in the US!
- \$485 more in state college tuition costs!
- \$102 in fat taxes on soda and other drinks!
- \$164 to pay down New York's record-high debt!

Assemblyman Andrew Raia doesn't believe in forcing a square peg into a round hole. He wants to cut taxes, reduce new spending, and repeal job-killing state mandates like the **\$1.5 billion MTA payroll tax** on small businesses and the self-employed. We cannot raise taxes when our economy is struggling, and we need a plan to create new jobs and strengthen our economy in order to get out of the worst fiscal climate in the state since the Great Depression.

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