

Assemblywoman Margaret Markey wants to know....

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

At this time of great economic challenges for our city and state, I would like to hear your views about some of the issues that will be before us when the Legislature convenes for a new session. Please take a few moments to check your views about these important subjects and return this form to my office.

1. After several previous years of confusion in Albany, do you think this year's legislative session and state budget process has now put New York State on the right track?

- Yes
- Heading in the right direction
- No
- Unsure

2. One proposal to pay for the creation and maintenance of parks in New York City and New York State is to create a one-penny charge for the use of throw-away plastic bags in retail stores. The plan would also reduce the environmental impact of these bags. Do you support this proposal?

- Yes, this is a good way to provide funding for parks
- No
- Unsure

3. How do you feel about legalizing casino gambling in New York City/State?

- Yes
- OK only for selected resort areas
- I oppose additional gambling in New York

4. How do you feel about the major increases in tolls on Port Authority bridges and tunnels?

- Tolls should be rolled back
- Bridge and tunnel tolls should be used only to maintain the facilities where they are collected

5. Management and funding problems continue to plague the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Do you think New York State should exercise greater control over the MTA?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

6. The issue of tolls on the East River bridges is likely to be raised again this year to help pay for transit improvements. Do you think...

- Transit fares should be increased to pay for improvements
- There should be no tolls on these bridges
- Unsure

7. In order to prevent further cuts to public schools and programs for public safety, seniors, and children, should the State increase tax revenue by enacting a tax on the highest income taxpayers, known as a "Millionaire's Tax"?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

8. Member item funding which has helped support worthy community-based senior and social service organizations in the 30th Assembly District has not been available in recent years. Should this local funding be restored to aid these local non-profit organizations?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

9. New York State is considering environmental approval for extracting natural gas from shale formations through a process known as hydrofracking. How do you feel about this?

- Yes, we need the natural gas supply
- No, the risk of contamination is too high
- The issue needs further review and study

10. What is the most important problem facing New York State in the coming year? _____

11. What is the most serious problem our local community faces in the coming year? _____

Please Return This Form to My District Office

Thank you for sharing your views. Please tell me your views on these current issues and return this page to my office:

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