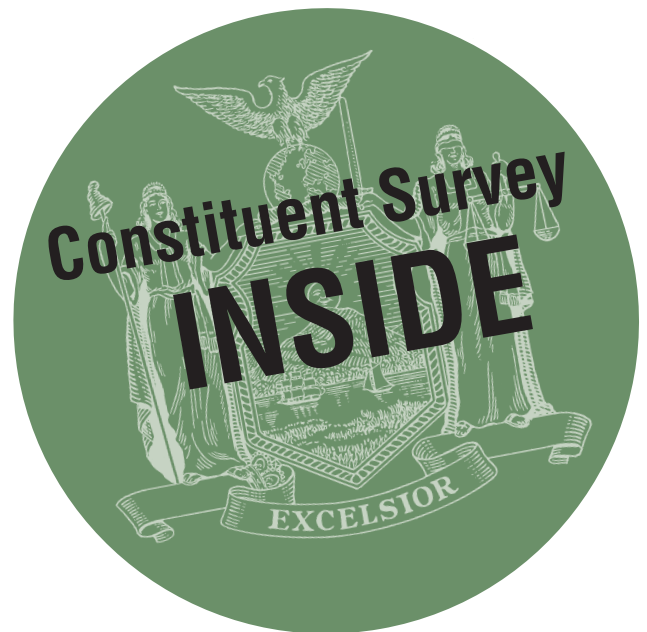




I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Assemblyman Cusick wants your opinion on the issues
2017 CONSTITUENT SURVEY





Dear Neighbor,

Recently, you may have heard that the "Plastic Bag Tax" bill passed by the New York City Council in 2016 has been stopped. I strongly feel that a tax charging at least five cents on plastic and paper bags would unfairly burden New York City taxpayers and would not be a reasonable solution to this longstanding problem. In response, along with Senator Simcha Felder, I led the way in passing my bill, A.4883, which puts a moratorium on the city law effectively pausing the tax for a year and allowing us to come up with alternative measures to curb the use of plastic bags.

However, I know full well of the environmental impact that these disposable bags can have on our streets, in our parks, and in our waterways. That is why I'm asking for your help.

I want to make certain that each and every opinion and suggestion of my constituents is taken into consideration before seeking a further cost-effective and environmentally-friendly solution to this important issue. Your participation will help the state legislature formulate a real plan to address the impact plastic bags have on our environment. I ask that you please take a few moments to answer the enclosed questionnaire.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to respond. Your input is tremendously valuable to me and helps me to better serve you and your family. For the most up to date information on what I am working on in Albany and on Staten Island, please visit my website: assembly.state.ny.us/cusick, and follow me on Twitter: @michael_cusick.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Cusick
Member of Assembly



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Community Survey Questionnaire for the 63rd Assembly District

Section I. Community

Please indicate where you live by checking the box.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Arden Heights | <input type="checkbox"/> Fairview Heights | <input type="checkbox"/> New Springville |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arlington | <input type="checkbox"/> Four Corners | <input type="checkbox"/> Sea View |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bloomfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Graniteville | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Lake |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bulls Head | <input type="checkbox"/> Greenridge | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunnyside |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Castleton Corners | <input type="checkbox"/> Grymes Hill | <input type="checkbox"/> Todt Hill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chelsea | <input type="checkbox"/> LaTourette | <input type="checkbox"/> Travis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clove Lakes | <input type="checkbox"/> Lighthouse Hill | <input type="checkbox"/> Westerleigh |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concord | <input type="checkbox"/> Manor Heights | <input type="checkbox"/> Willowbrook |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dongan Hills | <input type="checkbox"/> Mariners Harbor | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodrow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emerson Hill | <input type="checkbox"/> Meier's Corners | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Section II. **Alternatives

The following alternative solutions are ideas presented to Albany thus far. Please check one of the following boxes that you may feel would be the best solution. We also encourage you to offer your own opinion regarding an alternative solution to the plastic bag issue.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A ban on plastic bags for New York City.

_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Establish a pilot program to allow for curbside pick up of plastic bags.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A ban on plastic bags for New York State.

_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Establish a pilot program with major grocery retailers to tie their current rewards program in with utilizing reusable bags.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Establishing a \$0.03 rebate (3 cents credited towards the purchase) incentivizing consumers for utilizing reusable bags.

_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please explain.)

_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Establish a \$0.05 rebate for using a reusable bag or charge a \$0.05 tax that goes to fund local educational programs and restoration projects. (Currently being utilized by the Anacostia River Cleanup and Protection Act in Washington, D.C.)

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