



**December 31, 2024**

## **Greetings –**

Best wishes to all for a happy and healthy New Year!!!

I wanted to share with you some of the highlights of my legislative and budget related work this past year. Despite the uncertainty we face in our national and local politics in 2025, I remain optimistic that at the State level we can continue to make progress in enacting policy that best serves the needs of all New Yorkers. We must be particularly vigilant in protecting our human rights and our environment.

## **My Dyslexia Diagnosis Access Act and My Auto Broker Transparency Bill Were Signed Into Law By Governor Hochul**

I authored and was the prime sponsor of the Dyslexia Diagnosis Access Act ([A.2898/S.5481](#)). This legislation mandates that private health insurance policies pay for neuropsychological exams for the purpose of diagnosing dyslexia. This bill is the first of its kind in the nation and will make such evaluations, which typically cost between \$6,000 - \$10,000, affordable to thousands of families. An essential part of children with dyslexia and related learning disabilities getting the services they need is positive identification of their disability.

I was also the prime sponsor of the Auto Broker Transparency Bill ([A.3499/S.7553](#)). This legislation prevents deceptive practices by auto brokers and protects good union jobs in the auto-sales industry. It will help ensure that consumers know who and how much they are paying for auto-broker services.

## **I Co-Sponsored Environmental, Housing, and Street Safety Legislation Signed Into Law By Governor Hochul**

The State Legislature passed several important pieces of legislature signed into law by Governor Hochul. Below are three that I co-sponsored that I especially want highlight.

With the enactment of the Climate Change Superfund Act ([A.3351/S.2129](#)) New York State joins Vermont as one of two states passing legislation holding fossil fuel companies accountable for the harm caused by climate change by requiring them to pay their fair share of climate adaptation and mitigation costs.

The Enacted 2024-25 State Budget included a version of the Good Cause Eviction bill that extends tenant protections against arbitrary evictions and unreasonable rent increases to hundreds of thousands of apartments not currently covered by rent stabilization or other government programs.

The enacted budget also included Sammy's Law which will reduce accidents and save lives by giving NYC the authority to lower the speed limit from 25 to 20 mph on a street-by-street basis and from 15 to 10 mph on streets that already have traffic calming measures.



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**LEGISLATIVE WINS IN 2024**

**Two Carroll Prime Sponsored Bills Signed into Law**

**The Dyslexia Diagnosis Access Act (A.2898/S.5481):** Mandates that private health insurance policies pay for neuropsychological exams for the purpose of diagnosing dyslexia. A first in the nation bill that will make these evaluations, which cost over \$6,000, affordable to thousands of families.

**Auto Broker Transparency Bill (A.3499/S.7553):** Prevents deceptive practices in the auto broker industry and protects consumers by ensuring they know who and how much they are paying for auto-broker services.

**Major Carroll Co-Sponsored Bills Signed Into Law**

**Climate Change Superfund Act (A.3351/S.2129):** New York State joins Vermont as one of two states passing legislation holding fossil fuel companies accountable for the harm caused by climate change by requiring them to pay their fair share of climate adaptation and mitigation costs.

**Good Cause Eviction (Article VII 2024-25 Enacted Budget):** This legislation extends tenant protections to hundreds of thousands of apartments not currently covered by rent stabilization or other government programs.

**Sammy's Law (Article VII 2024-25 Enacted Budget):** This law will reduce accidents and save lives by giving NYC the authority to lower the speed limit from 25 to 20 mph on a street-by-street basis and from 15 to 10 mph on streets that already have traffic calming measures.

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## **Budget Highlights: Over \$12 Million In State Capital Funding Secured For Local Museums, Parks, And Schools**

The Enacted State Budget for 2024-25 included many necessary and important initiatives including record funding for school aid statewide and very significant funding to help address the number of migrants coming into the State. Here I would like to highlight some local funding initiatives.

I am proud to have spearheaded the effort to secure \$10 million in capital funding for the Brooklyn Museum. These funds will go towards a new African Art Gallery, a new American and Contemporary Art Gallery, a new education wing, and essential infrastructure improvements. I also directed \$1 million for the reconstruction of paths to and around Prospect Park's Long Meadow and over \$1 million for playground renovations and other capital work at elementary schools throughout the District.

On the expense side of the budget, I directed \$120,000 to local schools for structured literacy programming, \$140,000 to save PS 889's after school program, \$70,000 to the Brooklyn Public Library for adult literacy programming and support to the branch libraries, and \$250,000 to the Promise Project to help children with reading disorders in underserved communities. I will be sharing updates on these and other local initiatives in the months ahead.





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## STATE BUDGET WINS IN 2024

### Over \$12 million in State Capital Funding Secured for Local Museums, Parks, and Schools

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**Prospect Park:** \$1 million for the reconstruction of paths to and around the Park's Long Meadow.

**Local Schools:** Over \$1 million for playground renovations and other capital work at elementary schools throughout the District.

**Plus:**

■ \$120,000 to local schools for structured literacy programming.

■ \$140,000 to save **PS 889's** after school program.

■ \$70,000 to the Brooklyn Public Library for adult literacy programming and to support local branches.

■ \$250,000 to the **Promise Project** to help children with reading disorders in underserved communities.

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