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<http://blog.timesunion.com/capitol/archives/197889/hevesi-letter-sent-to-cuomos-commissioners/>

It was submitted at approximately 1:30 and 3:00 pm yesterday and at 12:15 pm today – and is as follows:

Well, well, surprise, surprise --

"The Assembly's investigations committee is waving its subpoena power around..." -- this being, according to Mr. Odato's hyperlinked [Times Union](#) article, the Assembly's "dormant Committee on Oversight, Analysis and Investigations, which has subpoena power" and "has been hardly heard from since 2006".

The Assembly Committee on Oversight, Analysis and Investigations is a KEY government oversight committee. Why is there NO investigation of what this committee has been doing for the past 5 years? And what about the other 70 or so committees of the Legislature -- ALL of which have oversight functions to ensure the integrity of government operations within their jurisdictions?

The duties that Governor Cuomo has conferred on the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption are "actually duties of a properly-functioning legislature, discharging its oversight and law-making functions". This was set forth -- with substantiating particulars, including as to the Assembly Committee on Oversight, Analysis and Investigations -- in our August 21st letter to Governor Cuomo, thereafter furnished to the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption.

Read the August 21st letter for yourself -- and our Sept. 17th written testimony to the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption. Perhaps they have something to do with the Assembly Committee on Oversight, Analysis and Investigations springing to life...

Both the August 21st letter and our written testimony are posted on our website, [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org), accessible via our top panel: "Latest News". Here's the direct link to the Aug. 21st letter: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/people-lead/aug-21-2013-ltr-to-gov.htm>

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