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Subject: FOLLOW-UP: Tabling, if not voting down, S.7408-A -- state reimbursement of district attorney salary increases

[TO: Patrick Cronin, Legislative Aide to Senator Marchione](#)

Following up my phone call requesting to speak with Senator Marchione and/or her Legislative Director Dafni Jordan regarding what took place at today's hearing of the Committee on Local Government, at which S.7408-A was voted out of Committee, without any reference to my below e-mail or its contents, please reiterate my request that either the Senator or Ms. Jordan call me at their earliest convenience to discuss same.

Thank you.

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TO: Peter Gemellaro, Legislative Analyst for Senator Marchione – Chair, Senate Committee on Local Government

As discussed shortly after 9 a.m. this morning, S.7408-A – on the calendar of today's 12:30 p.m. meeting of the Committee on Local Government -- must be tabled, pending a committee hearing – if not voted down, summarily.

The sole basis of S.6408-A, amending County Law §700, subdiv. 11, to have the state pick up the full cost of the district attorney salary increases resulting from the "force of law" judicial salary increases recommended by the December 24, 2015 report of the Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation, is the statutory link between district attorney salaries and judicial salaries, set forth in Judiciary Law §183-b.

Quite apart from the fraudulence and unlawfulness of the Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation and its December 24, 2015 report – about which I notified Senator Marchione by e-mail on March 31, 2016, furnishing her a link to the March 23, 2016 verified second supplemental complaint: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/3-23-16-osc-2nd-supp-complaint.htm> -- there is NO legitimate basis for the statutory link – whose result, since 2012, has been to increase district attorney salaries by approximately \$30,000 – making district attorneys among the highest-paid elected officials in the counties. S.6408-A will now facilitate yet another increase of approximately \$30,000, with district attorney salaries becoming even more disproportionate and out-of-wack with county salary levels.