



**THE LEAGUE
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POLITICAL ACTION FOR ANIMALS

DEAR FRIENDS,

YOUR CALLS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED! IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE OR DEATH! - NYS LEGISLATORS: NO MORE TAXES TO SUPPORT THE GUN INDUSTRY!

At a time of national crisis and especially right here in New York, millions of our tax dollars are used to support the gun industry via the killing of wildlife! And in spite of Governor Cuomo's strong anti-gun policies, states must still match the firearms excise taxes by giving \$1 for every \$3 dollars they receive. This is an intolerable misuse and abuse of taxpayer money, which dates back to 1937! The tradition must end.

We must urge NYS elected officials:

- to stop diverting our taxes to wildlife management bureaus that are linked to the firearms business!
- to use all funds to battle the coronavirus and lift up the struggling economy!
- to budget money for education and to help those truly in need during this time of a major budget shortfall!

To address these urgent issues while the state budget is still under discussion:

1. Please sign/share the petition:

<https://www.change.org/NoTaxesForHunting-AllTaxesForFightingCOVID-19AndAidingEconomy>

2. Please contact Governor Cuomo and the NYS legislators (below) and let them hear the following:

“As you discuss the budget, we ask that no more state dollars be used to subsidize the firearms industry and hunting. All such taxes must go to fighting Covid-19! And to helping the general public economically.”

Please make the following important calls NOW (also email, tweet, share on FB and all social media):

- **Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo** – 518-474-8390; @nygovcuomo; (email@exec.ny.gov)
- **Senator Stewart Cousins** (Yonkers), Majority leader – 518-455-2585; @andreascousins scousins@nysenate.gov
- **Assemblymember Carl Heastie** (Bronx), Speaker - 518-455-3791; @carlheastie speaker@nyassembly.gov
- **Senator Liz Krueger** (Manhattan), Chair Finance Committee – 518-455-2297 lkrueger@nysenate.gov; @lizkrueger
- **Assemblymember Helene Weinstein** (Brooklyn), Chair Ways and Means Committee – 518-455-5462; @heleneweinstein weinsth@nyassembly.gov

If you can, please contact other members as well, and ask for their support:

- **Senator Jose Serrano** - 518-455-2795; serrano@nysenate.gov; @senatorserrano
- **Senator Monica Martinez** - 518-455-2950; martinez@nysenate.gov

THERE'S NO TIME TO WASTE! PLEASE DO IT NOW!!!

Thank you for your support at this very difficult time for all.
Stay Safe. Be Well.

Sincerely,



Anne Muller

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