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Assemblyman Matt Slater: Combating the Cost-of-Living Crisis:

Working To Make Childcare More Affordable

“As a parent of two young children, I understand how high childcare costs stretch household budgets. I’m working every day to make childcare more accessible and affordable for Hudson Valley families.”



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Slater highlights need for bipartisan investment in child care to support families across New York

-The Somers Record, April 11, 2025³

The high cost of childcare is fueling the affordability crisis for parents across the Hudson Valley, with many families now paying \$20,000 or more each year¹. In fact, childcare for young children is often more expensive than college tuition².

To help ease the burden of childcare costs, Assemblyman Matt Slater introduced legislation to expand access and lower costs by increasing the number of childcare providers (A.2053).

The Slater Plan would enable local governments to lower childcare costs through property tax exemptions (A.2002), helps parents access childcare assistance programs (A.7643), and creates a new program to provide funding for grandparents and other family members to provide childcare services (A.6482).

Lowering childcare costs is a key component of Assemblyman Slater's Affordability Agenda that also includes property tax relief, lower energy costs, and college tuition assistance.

Protecting Victims of Domestic Violence

Assemblyman Slater wrote legislation to extend the period domestic violence victims may stay in domestic violence shelters from 180 days to 270 days (A.9005). With the region's rental and housing market becoming increasingly more expensive, this legislation will provide more time for domestic violence victims and the organizations that assist them to create a safe and stable living environment.

For more on this issue or any state matter...

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