

Andrew Garbarino (NY-02) Research Report

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Key Findings

Garbarino Was Bad For New Yorkers

Garbarino was bad for New York women. Garbarino repeatedly voted against expanding reproductive rights and protecting access to abortion. He voted against measures aimed at establishing equal pay, despite saying he supported equal pay in 2012. Notably, Garbarino voted against the Women's Equality Act, which established equal pay, banned workplace sexual harassment, and prohibited pregnancy discrimination, among other things.

Garbarino was bad for marginalized communities in New York. Garbarino repeatedly voted to protect racial discrimination practices, including racial and ethnic profiling and discrimination based on natural hairstyles. Additionally, Garbarino voted against the interests of New York immigrants—voting against the New York DREAM Act 10 times, which provided educational opportunities to the children of immigrants. Garbarino also failed to protect the New York LGBTQ community when he voted to protect discrimination on the basis of gender identity or expression 7 times.

Garbarino was bad for New York workers. Garbarino voted against expanding workers' benefits—including paid sick leave and unemployment benefits—during the COVID-19 pandemic, despite the fact that the unemployment rate in the Nassau-Suffolk area reached a whopping 16% in April 2020. Garbarino repeatedly voted against paying workers fair and good wages and voted against expanding unemployment benefits, access to child care, and workers' compensation benefits. Additionally, Garbarino voted against increased workers' protections that aimed to deter job discrimination.

Garbarino was bad for the environment. Despite claiming he was an “advocate” for the environment, Garbarino repeatedly voted against the New York Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, which set critical environmental standards to mitigate climate change. Additionally, Garbarino voted against state budget measures that increased environmental protections, voted against expanding protections of wetlands, and voted against the New York State Health and Green Procurement Act, which aimed to reduce the use of toxic chemicals.

Garbarino voted against comprehensive gun reform. Garbarino sided with the NRA—not the people of New York—when he voted against the Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act. The SAFE Act was one of the most comprehensive gun laws in the nation and was passed in the wake of the Sandy Hook elementary school shooting. The SAFE Act included a mental health alert, an assault weapons ban, and required universal background checks. Garbarino received criticism for his opposition to the SAFE Act.

Garbarino was bad for New York democracy. Garbarino repeatedly voted against measures to expand early voting, voted against implementing online voter registration, voted against expanding information about voting to voters, and was one of just three legislators who voted against race-related voting protections.

Garbarino Was Bad For Health Care And Was On The Side Of Health Care Giants, Not New Yorkers

Garbarino voted against expanding health care coverage for New Yorkers. Garbarino consistently voted against the New York Health Program, which aimed to establish a single-payer health care system and provide all New Yorkers with comprehensive access to health care. Garbarino voted against codifying New York's Affordable Care Act exchanges into state law, repeatedly voted against expanding coverage of outpatient treatment for mental health issues, and voted against including insurance coverage for substance abuse disorders. Garbarino also voted against the Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act five times, which codified that all health insurers provide cost-free contraception coverage. Furthermore, Garbarino was one of 10 legislators to vote against amending New York insurance law to include coverage for autism spectrum disorders.

Garbarino was on the side of health care giants, not New Yorkers. Garbarino was beholden to the interests of Big Pharma: he held stock in and received campaign funds from pharmaceutical companies that have been accused of defrauding consumers and taxpayers. Garbarino spent more than \$10,000 in taxpayer money to travel to National Council of Insurance Legislators conferences that were attended by other state legislators and insurance corporations. Furthermore, Garbarino wanted to protect the private health insurance industry—even opposing different pieces of legislation because they would negatively impact private health insurance companies.

Garbarino repeatedly voted against increasing safety measures at health care facilities. Garbarino voted against numerous bills that aimed to increase safety measures at health care facilities including: requiring criminal history background checks on maintenance employees, requiring health care facilities to report sexual offense incidents, and establishing reporting requirements for abuse in care facilities. Additionally, Garbarino voted against the Safe Staffing Quality Care Act in nursing homes and voted against the New York State Nursing Shortage Correction Act, both of which aimed to establish safe patient to health care worker ratios.

Garbarino voted against Medicaid legislation that would hurt Long Islanders. Garbarino supported legislation that required New York to take over the local share of Medicaid costs, even though critics said the practice would hurt Long Island. Garbarino also stated he wanted to reduce the “bloated cost of Medicaid,” he voted against covering speech, physical, and occupational therapy under Medicaid, and voted against protecting temporary status Medicaid beneficiaries.

Garbarino Opposed Common-Sense Police Reform

Garbarino repeatedly voted against common-sense police reforms. Garbarino had a history of voting against common-sense police reforms, and in the wake of Black Lives Matter protests he continued this voting record. Amidst protests about police brutality across the country, Garbarino voted against the Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act in committee—which criminalized the use of chokeholds by law enforcement officers—and he voted against releasing police disciplinary records to the public. In the past, Garbarino voted to protect the practice of racial profiling, voted against measures that aimed to maintain safe policing practices (like CPR training and requiring officers to complete a training course before they carry a weapon), voted against developing child-sensitive arrest policies, and voted against establishing a right of New Yorkers to record law enforcement activities.

Garbarino voted against common-sense prison reform. Garbarino voted against limiting solitary confinement for young people and those with disabilities, even though studies show that solitary confinement is both ineffective and disproportionately harms young people and those with disabilities. Additionally, Garbarino voted against prohibiting torture on prisoners by health care professionals.

Garbarino was heavily backed by major law enforcement associations. Throughout his career as a politician, Garbarino was endorsed by major law enforcement associations—including an endorsement from the Police Benevolent Society of New York for his congressional campaign. New York law enforcement associations also bankrolled Garbarino’s state assembly campaigns and were the second largest industry that contributed to his campaigns.

Garbarino Was A Career Politician And Republican Insider

Garbarino was a career politician. At 36 years old, Garbarino has served most of his professional life in the New York State Assembly. In 2012, he was first elected at age 27, and has since won each of his re-election bids—serving in the Assembly for a total of four terms. Garbarino served as the Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Insurance and was a member of the Codes, Health, Higher Education, and Racing and Wagering Committees. Garbarino stated that he has “always wanted to be a congressman.”

Garbarino had deep ties to the local Republican Party. *Since 2016, Garbarino's father (William Garbarino) has served as the Islip Republican Party Chairman and his father has been active in local Republican politics since the 1980s. Additionally, Garbarino had close ties to the Tantone family, a prominent Islip Republican family, and Garbarino was once described as a "scion of a prominent GOP family."*

Garbarino was a close ally to New York Republican Representatives Lee Zeldin and Pete King. *Garbarino was a longtime ally of Republican Congressman Lee Zeldin and Garbarino said he was convinced to run for Congress by Zeldin. Garbarino also had close ties to Congressman Pete King, who he has spoken to about policy and campaign strategy. Garbarino was endorsed by both Zeldin and King and Garbarino said that Pete King's endorsement meant the most to him.*

Garbarino was backed by prominent national Republicans. *Republican House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, Republican Minority Whip Steve Scalise, and all members of the New York Republican Congressional delegation have formally backed Garbarino's bid for Congress. Kevin McCarthy's leadership PAC was a top contributor to Garbarino's congressional campaign and McCarthy endorsed Garbarino in March 2020. Likewise, Steve Scalise's leadership PAC was a top contributor to Garbarino's congressional campaign and Scalise endorsed Garbarino in March 2020. Additionally, the NRCC named Garbarino to their Young Guns program as an "on the radar" candidate and Russ Schriefer—a longtime Republican political strategist—served as Garbarino's campaign consultant.*

Garbarino pledged to support Donald Trump's conservative agenda. *Garbarino pledged to support the conservative leadership of Donald Trump and Mike Pence and in 2016, Garbarino thanked Trump in his re-election victory speech. Over his career, Garbarino received a 73.3% average rating from the Conservative Party of New York.*

Garbarino Used His Relationships And Status To Benefit His Own Interests

Garbarino's professional achievements were tightly linked to his father. *After graduating law school, Garbarino went on to practice real estate law at his father's law firm, the Law Offices of William R. Garbarino. Garbarino served as counsel for a scholarship foundation that his father chaired and Garbarino's father has been highly involved in Long Island GOP politics, something that Garbarino said "doesn't hurt."*

Critics have questioned if conflicts of interest existed between the Garbarino family's legal work and their political ties. *Garbarino and his father practiced real estate law and mainly represented private-sector clients to local planning and development boards. In 2018, Garbarino assured the public that there was no conflict of interest between his job in the Assembly and his private legal work. In 2016, a prominent Islip Republican opposed William Garbarino's election as party chairman due to potential conflicts of interest with his legal work.*

Garbarino used his power to overturn a ban on state legislator outside income, so he could reap the benefits of his legal work. *In 2019, Garbarino filed a petition with the New York Supreme Court to overturn a ban on state legislators' outside income. A judge tossed out the ban on outside income, a move that was praised by Garbarino but criticized by watchdog groups due to potential conflicts of interest. This move came a year after New York State Assemblymembers received a pay raise that made them some of the highest paid state legislators in the country, making \$110,000 per year. In 2018, Garbarino reported that he made nearly \$70,000 in income from his legal work.*

Thematics

Garbarino Was Bad For New Yorkers

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino was bad for New York women
 - ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against expanding reproductive rights
 - ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against equal pay, prohibiting pregnancy discrimination, and banning sexual harassment from all workplaces
- ✓ Garbarino was bad for marginalized communities in New York
 - ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted to protect racial discrimination practices and was one of 10 legislators to vote against prohibiting racial discrimination on the basis of natural hairstyles
 - ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against the interests of New York immigrants—including increased protections and education opportunities
 - ✓ Garbarino voted to protect discrimination practices on the basis of gender identity and expression 7 times
- ✓ Garbarino was bad for New York workers
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against expanding worker benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic, where unemployment rates in the Nassau-Suffolk area reached a whopping 16% in April 2020
 - ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against paying workers good and fair wages
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against expanding unemployment, child care, and workers' compensation benefits
 - ✓ Notably, Garbarino was one of just a few legislators who voted against authorizing mental health care for injured employees, banning the sale of employment data, and prohibiting employee discrimination against people who's criminal charges have been adjourned
- ✓ Garbarino was bad for the environment
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against the New York State Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act five times—which set standards for climate change, created a renewable energy program, and set standards for labor and worker protections
- ✓ Garbarino voted against comprehensive gun safety legislation—choosing to side with the NRA instead of New Yorkers
 - ✓ Garbarino opposed the SAFE Act, which was passed in the wake of Sandy Hook school shooting and included a tougher assault weapons ban, stronger regulations on ammunition, and universal background checks
 - ✓ The bill was opposed by the NRA and Garbarino received criticism from the community for his vote
- ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against measures aimed at protecting and expanding voting rights
 - ✓ Garbarino was consistently one of a few legislators who voted against expanding absentee voting
 - ✓ Garbarino was one of just three legislators who voted against race-related voting protections

Garbarino Was Bad For New York Women

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Expanding Reproductive Rights

Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act Four Times

The Reproductive Health Act Codified Roe v. Wade Into Law And Expanded Access To Abortions. “The purpose of the RHA is to codify Roe v. Wade protections into state law and ensure access to safe, legal abortion in New York State. [...] The RHA legalizes abortion after 24 weeks of pregnancy if a woman’s health is at risk.” [New York State Senator Liz Krueger, [2/12/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00240, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00240, [1/22/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00021, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00021, [1/15/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01748, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01748, [3/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01748, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01748, [1/17/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Protecting A Woman’s Right To An Abortion

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting A Woman’s Right To An Abortion. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06221, “§ 4166 provides that the state shall not deny a woman's right to obtain an abortion as established by the United States Supreme Court in the decision Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973). This bill codifies the alignment of State law with existing federal law. In Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the United State Supreme Court ruled that the United States Constitution protects a woman's right to have an abortion prior to fetal viability or when necessary to protect the health and life of the woman. Although current State law does not have all of these protections, this has, in fact and in law, been the law in New York for over forty years; this proposal would not change or alter existing State and federal laws that permit a health care provider or institutions from refraining from providing an abortion for religious or moral beliefs. This bill would not expand the class of individuals who could perform abortions, nor would it alter the current long-standing criminal ban on partial birth abortion. The bill simply codifies the reproductive rights that women in New York have had since Roe.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 50. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06221, [6/7/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting A Woman’s Right To An Abortion. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06221, “§ 4166 provides that the state shall not deny a woman's right to obtain an abortion as established by the United States Supreme Court in the decision Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973). This bill codifies the alignment of State law with existing federal law. In Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the United State Supreme Court ruled that the United States Constitution protects a woman's right to have an abortion prior to fetal viability or when necessary to protect the health and life of the woman. Although current State law does not have all of these protections, this has, in fact and in law, been the law in New York for over forty years; this proposal would not change or alter existing State and federal laws that permit a health care provider or institutions from refraining from providing an abortion for religious or moral beliefs. This bill would not expand the class of individuals who could perform abortions, nor would it alter the current long-standing criminal ban on partial birth abortion. The bill

simply codifies the reproductive rights that women in New York have had since Roe.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 51. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06221, [3/25/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted To Protect Discrimination Based On Reproductive Health Decisions

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual’s Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00660, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00660, [1/22/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual’s Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00566, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00566, [3/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual’s Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00566, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00566, [6/12/17](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual’s Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01142A, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01142A, [6/16/15](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Enacting Equal Pay Acts

Garbarino Voted Against The Women’s Equality Act—Which Aimed To Establish Equal Pay, Among Other Things

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Women’s Equality Act, Which Aimed To Establish Equal Pay. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08070, “Establishes the ‘Women's Equality Act’; relates to prohibition of differential pay because of sex (part A); relates to unlawful discriminatory practices (part B); provides for attorney's credit discrimination (part C); relates to the unlawful discriminatory practice because of familial status (part D); relates to domestic violence victim status and lawful source of income (part E); relates to the duties of interpreters appointed by the courts in certain cases (part F); relates to establishing a pilot program for the filing of petitions for temporary orders of protection by electronic means and for issuance of such orders ex parte by audio-visual means (part G); relates to prostitution in a school zone; enacts the trafficking victims protection and justice act (part H); relates to reasonable accommodation (part I); and relates to access to reproductive services (part J).” The bill passed by a vote of 88 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08070, [1/27/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Women’s Equality Act, Which Aimed To Establish Equal Pay. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08070, “Establishes the ‘Women's Equality Act’; relates to prohibition of differential pay because of sex (part A); relates to unlawful discriminatory practices (part B); provides for attorney's credit discrimination (part C); relates to the unlawful discriminatory practice because of familial status (part D); relates to domestic violence victim status and lawful source of income (part E); relates to the duties of interpreters appointed by the courts in certain cases (part F); relates to establishing a pilot program for the filing of petitions for temporary orders of protection by electronic means and for issuance of such orders ex parte by audio-visual means (part G); relates to prostitution in a school zone; enacts the trafficking victims protection and justice act (part H); relates to reasonable accommodation (part I); and relates to access to reproductive services (part J).” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08070, [6/20/13](#)]

Garbarino: “There Are A Lot of Very Good Pieces In That Bill” But Supporters “Made It Into A Political Issue.” “Garbarino also offered his take on a few controversial measures within the State Assembly and Senate, including the Women's Equality Act, which consisted of a 10-point package that included addressing broader issues of harassment and discrimination against women both at home and in the workplace. However, it failed to pass this year due to one contentious point that would recodify state abortion law by transferring it from penal law to health law and administering greater protections for practicing doctors. ‘There are a lot of very good pieces in that bill, but [its supporters] made it into a political issue by refusing to adopt the other nine points without the abortion measure,’ said Garbarino. ‘So instead of easing up and allowing nine measures to become law, we got nothing.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

The Bill Was Designed To End Discrimination And Inequality Based On Gender. “Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today, joined by members of the Womens Equality Coalition, introduced legislation designed to end discrimination and inequality based on gender and to restore New York as a leader in womens rights. If enacted by the Legislature, the Womens Equality Act will achieve pay equity, stop sexual harassment, prevent pregnancy discrimination in all workplaces, strengthen human trafficking laws and protections for domestic violence victims, end family status discrimination and protect a womans freedom of choice.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Achieved Pay Equity. “The bill would finally shatter the glass ceiling by eliminating the ability of employers to point to any other factor other than sex to justify pay disparities and instead require that their pay decisions be based on legitimate reasons. In addition, the legislation would protect an employees right to share wage information with other employees without being retaliated against, and increase damages to successful plaintiffs in pay equity discrimination cases. Currently, in New York, women earn 84% of what men earn, and over a lifetime will earn \$500,000 less than men. Jobs that are traditionally held by women pay significantly less than jobs predominately employing men. And, in New York, a woman working full time is paid, on average, \$42,113 per year, while a man is paid \$50,388 per year. In 2013, this is both inexcusable and absurd.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Aimed To Stop Sexual Harassment In All Workplaces. “The new law would ban sexual harassment in every workplace, regardless of the number of employees, so all workers are protected. Currently, New York State law only prohibits sexual harassment in workplaces with four or more employees. In 2011, women accounted for 75% of all sexual harassment complaints filed with the NYS Division of Human Rights and 83% of those filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Over 60% of New York State employers have less than four employees.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Protected Victims Of Domestic Violence. “The legislation creates a pilot program to allow domestic violence victims to seek temporary orders of protection through electronic means rather than having to appear in person. In addition, this bill would ensure that orders of protection are translated, when needed, and makes clear that a victim of domestic violence who has an order of protection against her abuser cannot be accused of violating her own order of protection. Currently, domestic violence victims face too many obstacles in securing much needed protection from their abusers. This bill would remove many of those obstacles, and ensure that domestic violence victims get the protection they need.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Strengthened Human Trafficking Laws. “This legislation would strengthen New Yorks existing human trafficking laws. It would, in part, eliminate the requirement that coercion be proven in a sex trafficking prosecution when the victims of sex trafficking are minors. In addition, the bill would increase the penalties for trafficking and create an affirmative defense in prostitution prosecutions if the defendant was herself a sex trafficking victim. This bill seeks to address the massive underground trafficking industry by holding traffickers accountable, making prosecution and enforcement more effective, and giving greater protections to victims.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Aimed To End Pregnancy Discrimination. “The legislation would create a specific protection that requires employers to provide reasonable accommodations for pregnant employees. The current protections for working, pregnant women are confusing and have been misinterpreted. Some pregnancies can result in medical conditions requiring reasonable accommodations in the workplace.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act Seven Times

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04696, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04696, [4/16/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04696, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04696, [4/4/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06937, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill was passed by a vote of 91 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06937, [4/11/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06937, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill was passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06937, [4/27/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against A Fair And Equal Pay State Policy. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01574A, “Implements state policy of fair and equal pay for equivalent value of work; provides that the principle of fair and equal pay for similar work and for equivalent value of work shall be followed in the classification and reclassification and the allocation and reallocation of positions and all positions having the same title shall be allocated the same salary grade.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01574A, [4/27/15](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Implementing A State Policy Of Fair And Equal Pay For Equivalent Work. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01729, “Implements state policy of fair and equal pay for equivalent value of work; provides that the principle of fair and equal pay for similar work and for equivalent value of work shall be followed in the classification and reclassification and the allocation and reallocation of positions and all positions having the same title shall be allocated the same salary grade.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01729A, [4/16/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05958, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05958, [4/16/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Wage Differentials Based On Protected Class Status

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Wage Differentials Based On Protected Class Status. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08093, “Prohibits wage differentials based on protected class status.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08093, [6/13/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00658, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00658, [4/16/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00658, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00658, [4/4/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Publish Public Employers’ Wage Disparities By Gender And Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02549, “Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02549, [4/4/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00437A, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00437A, [4/11/16](#)]

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...However, During His First Campaign For State Assembly Garbarino Said He Supported Equal Pay

Garbarino Said He Supported Equal Pay For Equal Work. “He also believes women deserve the same pay for the same job. ‘You should be paid for the work you do and it doesn't matter if [you're] a man or a woman,’ he said.” [Long Island Advance, 10/25/12]

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08421, “Provides increased protections for protected classes and special protections for employees who have been sexually harassed; prohibits nondisclosure agreements related to discrimination; prohibits mandatory arbitration clauses related to discrimination; requires employers to provide employees notice of their sexual harassment prevention training program in writing in English and in employees’ primary languages; extends the statute of limitations for claims resulting from unlawful or discriminatory practices constituting sexual harassment to three years; requires review and update of the model sexual harassment prevention guidance document and sexual harassment prevention policy; and directs the commissioner of labor to conduct a study on strengthening sexual harassment prevention laws.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 20. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08421, [6/19/19](#)]

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Garbarino Was Bad For Marginalized Communities In New York

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted To Protect Racial Discrimination Practices

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling By Police Four Times

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04879, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04879, [6/12/18](#)]

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2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police From Using Racial And Ethnic Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03949, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03949, [6/2/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police Officers From Using Racial Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02941, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02941, [6/11/14](#)]

Garbarino Was One Of 10 Legislators To Vote Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hairstyles

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hairstyles. Garbarino voted against a bill that, “Prohibits race discrimination based on natural hair or hairstyles; defines ‘race’ for certain specific purposes to include, but not be limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, and to include traits historically associated with race, including but not limited to, hair texture and protective hairstyles; and defines ‘protective hairstyles’ to include, but not be limited to, such hairstyles as braids, locks, and twists.” The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 10. [New York State Assembly, [6/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hair Or Hairstyles. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A107797, “Prohibits race discrimination based on natural hair or hairstyles; defines ‘race’ for certain specific purposes to include, but not be limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, and to include traits historically associated with race, including but not limited to, hair texture and protective hairstyles; and defines ‘protective hairstyles’ to include, but not be limited to, such hairstyles as braids, locks, and twists.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 19 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A107797, [6/19/19](#)]

Garbarino Was Bad For New York Immigrants

Garbarino Voted Against The New York DREAM Act 10 Times, Which Provided Educational Opportunities To The Children Of Immigrants

The DREAM Act Expanded Education Opportunities To Immigrants. “The Senator José Peralta New York State DREAM Act gives undocumented and other students access to New York State-administered grants and scholarships that support their higher education costs. The DREAM Act opens the doors of higher education to thousands of students, providing access to the new Excelsior Scholarship, the Tuition Assistance Program, as well as other state-administered scholarships that were not previously available to them.” [New York State Higher Education Services Corporation, accessed [5/26/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01250, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01250, [1/23/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09605A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09605, [2/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09605A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 14 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09605A, [2/5/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03039, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 51. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03039, [2/6/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03039, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03039, [1/31/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04311A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04411A, [6/6/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04311A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04411A, [2/26/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09640, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 84 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09640, [6/2/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02597, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02597, [2/25/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02597, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02597, [5/21/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Penalties For Discrimination Or Threatening Immigrant Employees

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting Penalties For Discriminating, Threatening, Or Retaliating Against Immigrant Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05791, “Establishes penalties for threatening, penalizing, or in any other manner discriminating or retaliating against any employee, including but not limited to contacting United States immigration authorities or otherwise threatening to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05791, [6/17/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Penalties For Threatening Or Retaliating Against An Employee By Contacting Immigration Authorities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05501, “Establishes penalties for threatening, penalizing, or in any other manner discriminating or retaliating against any employee, including but not limited to contacting United States immigration authorities or otherwise threatening to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05501, [4/9/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Including Immigration Status As A Category People Can Be Targeted For

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Including Immigration Status As A Category People Can Be Targeted For. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11173, “Expands the definition of hate crime to include immigration status as a category a person can be targeted for.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11173, [6/13/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Legal Services To Immigrant Communities

Garbarino Opposed The 2019 State Budget. “Officials confirmed that under New York State’s recently proposed 2019 budget, Islip Town stands to lose just under \$1.8 million in state aid. [...] New York State Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville) had the following to say regarding the cuts. ‘Every municipality that got money every year is losing it. It’s [Cuomo’s] way of saying, ‘now you don’t need that much money.’ I can’t wait for the local government committee meetings; I’m sure [Martinez] will work together with us on this. We’ll get from the local municipalities what services will be cut.’” [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

The 2019 Budget Provided Legal Services To New York’s Immigrant Communities. “The enacted budget provides \$10 million to support the expansion of the first-in-the-nation Liberty Defense Project. Established in 2017, the Liberty Defense Project has provided more than 25,000 vital legal services to immigrants and communities targeted by harsh federal immigration policies. The LDP expansion includes Project Golden Door, which will provide crucial services to immigrant children and families in New York, and a Regional Rapid Response program to quickly respond with effective legal services on the ground, including in response to targeted raids and arbitrary arrests by ICE. These enhancements build on the network of services currently being provided by current LDP partners and create more uniform legal coverage for immigrants across the state, particularly in under-served communities.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Eligibility Under The Basic Health Program To Include Immigrants

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Eligibility Under The Basic Health Program To Include Immigrants. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10054, “An act to amend the social services law, in relation to eligibility under the basic health program. To extend eligibility under the Essential Plan to certain immigrant populations who are otherwise income eligible.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10054, [5/17/16](#)]

Garbarino Was Bad For The New York LGBT Community

Garbarino Voted To Protect Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression 7 Times

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01047, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01047, [1/15/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03358, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No A03358, [5/7/18](#)]

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03358, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No A03358, [3/27/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identity Or Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04558B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04558B, [5/9/16](#)]

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04558B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 52. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04558B, [6/2/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identify Of Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04226B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04226B, [6/10/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identify Of Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04226B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 51. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04226B, [4/30/13](#)]

Garbarino Was Bad For New York Workers**Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Workers’ Benefits During The COVID-19 Pandemic****Garbarino Voted Against The FY 2021 State Budget****2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget For**

2020 – 2021. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07506B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 76 – 66. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07506B, [4/3/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Workers' Benefits—including Paid Sick Leave And Unemployment

Amidst The COVID-19 Pandemic, The Budget Adopted Paid Sick Leave Policy, Increased Unemployment Funding, And Prevented Proposed Medicaid Cuts. “We also adopted a paid sick leave policy for all workers with minimal impact on small businesses, increased funding for unemployment insurance, and partially rolled-back proposed Medicaid cuts. [...] \$1.05 billion increased funding for Unemployment Insurance (UI), and ensuring all New York employees have between five to seven days (40 to 56 hours, respectively) of sick leave. [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Added \$200 Million Towards Child Care Development Block Grant To Help Families Affected By The Pandemic. “The state budget also addressed the many community members who are struggling due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, with \$200 million in additional support through the Child Care Development Block Grant to assist families affected by the public health emergency.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Approved Paid Sick Leave Policy For Large And Medium-Sized Employers. “Most workers in New York will soon be entitled to paid sick leave as part of the budget deal. Cuomo and lawmakers approved a measure requiring large employers (100 or more employees) to provide up to 56 hours of paid leave a year for workers who become ill or injured or have to care for a sick family member. Medium-sized employers (4 to 99 employees) will have to provide up to 40 hours. And those with fewer than four employees will have to provide up to 40 hours of unpaid sick leave. Workers will accrue one hour of sick leave per 30 hours worked. The new requirements take effect in 2021.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Required Workers On Private Projects Receiving Public Subsidies To Be Paid The Prevailing Wage. “Requires that workers on private projects receiving a significant public subsidy will be paid a prevailing wage. Private projects larger than \$5 million where at least 30 percent of construction expenses are supported by public grants, tax credits, or certain other incentives will be required to pay prevailing wage, extending important worker protections to even more components of New York's largest-in-the-nation building program.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

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Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Paying Workers Fair And Good Wages

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Minimum Wage

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Incrementally Raising The Minimum Wage, With Wages Reaching \$15 Per Hour By 2018. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07257B, “Employers in all areas of the state not covered by paragraph (c) of this subdivision shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than: \$9.75 on and after July 1, 2016, \$10.75 on and after December 31, 2016, \$11.75 on and after December 31, 2017, \$12.75 on and after December 31, 2018, \$13.75 on and after December 31, 2019, \$14.50 on and after December 31, 2020, and \$15.00, and on and after December 31, 2021[...] (c) Employers in a city with a population in excess of one million and in counties with a population of nine hundred thousand or more that fall within the metropolitan commuter transportation district as defined in section twelve hundred sixty-two of the public authorities law, shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than: \$10.50 on and after July 1, 2016, \$12.00 on and after December 31, 2016, \$13.50 on and after December 31, 2017, and \$15.00 on and after December 31, 2018...” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07257B, [5/4/15](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Raising The Minimum Wage To \$9.00 Per Hour. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00038, “An act to amend the labor law, in relation to the minimum wage and making technical corrections relating thereto Would raise the statutory minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$9.00 per hour on and after January 1, 2014 and provide that on each January 1st thereafter, the rate shall be indexed to inflation.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00038, [3/5/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Paying Workers The Prevailing Wage

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Paying Utility Employees The Prevailing Wage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06265, “Ensures that utility employees, who currently fall outside the definition of an employee that may receive the prevailing wage, fall under such wage requirements.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06265, [6/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring Utility Employees Are Paid The Prevailing Wage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08083A, “Ensures that utility employees, who currently fall outside the definition of an employee that may receive the prevailing wage, fall under such wage requirements.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 20 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08083A, [6/18/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Payment Of The Prevailing Wage To Affected Employees Of The Indian Point Power Plant. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07569, “Requires the payment of prevailing wages of affected employees of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant; requires the department of labor to oversee sale and the hiring of new employees at such power plant.” The bill was passed in the Codes Committee by a vote of 20 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07569, [6/11/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring All Subcontracted Transportation Center Workers The Standard Wage Rate. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07886, “Requires that every subcontracted transportation center service worker shall be compensated at a rate that is no less than the applicable standard rate for subcontracted transportation center service workers.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07886, [6/21/17](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding The Scope Of Prevailing Wage Requirements To Include Security And Janitorial Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07482A, “To broaden the scope of prevailing wage requirements for public utility janitorial and security employees and establish criminal penalties for violations relating thereto.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07482A, [6/20/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Unemployment Benefits

Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits To Those Who Provide Childcare

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits To Those Who Provide Childcare And Have Made Efforts To Secure Alternative Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07004, “Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07004, [2/2/16](#)]

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2014: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits For Individuals Who Provide Child Care And Made An Effort To Secure Alternative Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08919, “Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08919, [3/5/14](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Expanding Access To Child Care And Workers’ Compensation Benefits

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03420A, “Provides that parents and caretakers who are otherwise eligible for child care assistance, and provided with such assistance, shall be able to utilize such assistance when care is necessary to enable them to sleep because they work non-traditional hours and have a child who is under the age of six and not in school for a full school day; further provides that the authorization for assistance shall be sufficient to allow the parent to obtain up to eight hours of sleep, as needed.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03420A, [6/17/19](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00775B, “Provides that parents and caretakers who are otherwise eligible for child care assistance, and provided with such assistance, shall be able to utilize such assistance when care is necessary to enable them to sleep because they work non-traditional hours and have a child who is under the age of six and not in school for a full school day; further provides that the authorization for assistance shall be sufficient to allow the parent to obtain up to eight hours of sleep, as needed.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00775B, [5/17/16](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments To Not Require A Family To Contribute More Than 20% Of Income

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments To Not Require A Family To Contribute More Than 20% Of Income Exceeding The Poverty Level. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06174B, “Standardizes child care copayments by instructing local social services districts to not require a family receiving child care assistance to contribute more than 20% of the amount of their income exceeding the poverty level.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06174B, [5/12/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments For Families Not To Contribute More Than 20% Of Their Income Exceeding The Poverty Level. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08928, “Standardizes child care copayments by instructing local social services districts to not require a family receiving child care assistance to contribute more than 20% of the amount of their income exceeding the poverty level.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08928, [3/5/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption For Parents Who Received Public Assistance And Personally Provide Child Care

2015: Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption For Parents Who Received Public Assistance And Personally Provide Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01805A, “Authorizes the offering of the twelve month work exemption to certain parents or relatives in receipt of public assistance who personally provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01805A, [5/5/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption To Certain Parents In Receipt Of Public Assistance Who Personally Provide Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06839, “Authorizes the offering of twelve month work exemption to certain parents or relatives in receipt of public assistance who personally provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06839, [3/5/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Efforts To Work For Unemployment Benefits To Include Needs For Child Care

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Efforts To Work For Unemployment Benefits To Include Needs For Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04780, “Requires regulations promulgated for systematic and sustained efforts to find work for unemployment benefits to include a claimant's need to provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04780, [5/5/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Reimbursement Pay For Children Absent From Child Care

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Reimbursement Pay For Children Absent From Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08926, “Reimbursement for payment on behalf of children who are temporarily absent from child care is required for a minimum of twelve days in a six month period. A maximum number of absences, which shall be no less than twenty-four days in a six month period shall be determined by the office of children and family services pursuant to regulation. Reimbursement for additional absences shall be allowable in the case of extenuating circumstances, as determined by the office of children and family services pursuant to regulation.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08926, [3/5/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Workers’ Compensation Benefits

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Temporary Disability Benefits For Domestic Workers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01326, “AN ACT to amend the workers' compensation law, in relation to covered employment as a domestic worker for temporary disability benefits.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01326, [2/25/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Making The Death Of An Injured Worker Due To Opioid Overdose Compensable. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11028, “That the death of an injured worker due to opioid overdose is compensable where that injured worker was prescribed opioids as a result of his or her workplace injury.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 59. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11028, [6/20/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Was One Of 15 Legislators Who Voted Against Authorizing Treatment By A Certified Acupuncturists Under The Workers’ Compensation Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02462A, “Authorizes the care and treatment of injured employees by licensed or certified acupuncturists under the workers' compensation program.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 15. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02462, [6/16/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Workers’ Compensation To An Employee And To Family Members To Care For An Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03870A, “Provides workers'

compensation benefits for injury or sickness, pregnancy or family leave; applies to an employee and to family members taking family leave to care for an employee.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03870A, [2/2/16](#)]

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2014: Garbarino Was One Of 12 Legislators Who Voted Against Authorizing Mental Health Care For Injured Employees Under Workers’ Compensation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05299B, “Authorizes the mental health care and treatment of injured employees by licensed clinical social workers under the workers' compensation program.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05299B, [6/19/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Workers’ Compensation For Injury, Sickness, Pregnancy, Or Family Leave To An Employee And Family Members Taking Care Of An Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01793B, “Provides workers' compensation benefits for injury or sickness, pregnancy or family leave; applies to an employee and to family members taking family leave to care for an employee.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01793B, [3/5/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Temporary Disability Benefits For Domestic Workers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06358, “Relates to covered employment as a domestic worker for temporary disability benefits.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06358, [6/19/13](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Increased Worker Protections

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Seeking Salary History From Applicants—Which Perpetuated Job Discrimination

National Women’s Law Center: “Asking For Salary History Perpetuates Pay Discrimination From Job To Job.” “Employers’ requests for an applicant’s salary history in the hiring process, and reliance on that information to determine compensation, forces women and, especially women of color, to carry lower earnings and pay discrimination with them from job to job. As a result, several federal courts and an increasing number of cities and states are prohibiting employers from basing compensation on an employee’s salary history.” [National Women’s Law Center, [December 2018](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Seeking Salary History From Applicants. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06549, “Prohibits employers from seeking salary history from applicants.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 20. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06549, [6/20/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting The Use Of Consumer Credit History In Employment Determinations—Which Could Bar Upward Mobility And Exacerbate Racial Discrimination

The Use Of Credit History In Employment Decisions Created A Barrier Of Opportunity And Exacerbate Racial Discrimination. “Over the last ten years, a growing number of cities and states passed laws limiting the use of credit checks in hiring, promotion, and firing. Lawmakers are motivated by a number of well-founded concerns: although credit history is not relevant to employment, employment credit checks create barriers to opportunity and upward mobility, can exacerbate racial discrimination, and can lead to invasions of privacy. This report examines the effectiveness of the employment credit check laws enacted so far and finds that unjustified exemptions included

in the laws, a failure to pursue enforcement, and a lack of public outreach have prevented these important employment protections from being as effective as they could be.” [Demos, [2/25/16](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Use Of Consumer Credit History In Employment

Determinations. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02611E, “Prohibits the use of consumer credit history in hiring, employment and licensing determinations.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02611E, [6/13/19](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Credit Privacy In Employment Act Which Prohibited The Use Of Consumer Credit Reports In Hiring Decisions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07056, “Enacts the ‘credit privacy in employment act’ to prohibit the use of consumer credit reports in hiring and employment determinations.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07056, [6/19/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Agreements Between Employers That Restrict Current Or Future Employment Of Any Employee

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Agreements Between Employers That Restrict Current Or Future Employments Of Any Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05776C, “Prohibits agreements between employers that directly restrict the current or future employment of any employee and allows for a cause of action against employers who engage in such agreements.” The Codes Committee passed the bill by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05776C, [4/30/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Requiring Conditions Or Preconditions Of Employment

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Requiring Conditions Or Preconditions Of Employment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05777, “This bill would prohibit an employer from requiring an employee or person seeking employment to waive, arbitrate, or otherwise diminish any existing or future claim, right, or benefit to which the employee or person seeking employment would otherwise be entitled to under any provision of New York State or federal law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05777, [4/9/19](#)]

Garbarino Was One Of A Few Legislators Who Voted Repeatedly Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer Consent

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer Consent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00431, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 17. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00431, [3/20/19](#)]

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2018: Garbarino Was One Of 10 Legislators Who Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer Consent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00859A, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed by a vote of 124 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00859A, [4/30/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Was One Of 11 Legislators Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer Consent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00859A, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00859A, [6/20/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Individuals Who Use Medical Marijuana From Being Discriminated Against In The Workplace

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Individuals Who Use Medical Marijuana From Being Discriminated Against In The Workplace. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04560, “This bill would protect individuals who are prescribed medical marihuana from being discriminated against in the workplace based on testing positive for the substance in a drug test.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04560, [5/2/17](#)]

Garbarino Was One Of 14 Legislators Who Voted Against Prohibiting Employment Discrimination Against Persons Who Criminal Charges Have Been Adjourned

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employment Discrimination Against Persons Whose Criminal Charges Have Been Adjourned. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04589, “Prohibits employment discrimination against persons whose criminal charges have been adjourned in contemplation of dismissal.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04589, [6/11/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Employees From Retaliatory Actions By Employers For Reporting Illegal Activity

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Employees From Retaliatory Actions By Employers For Reporting Illegal Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05757, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05757, [4/30/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Employees From Retaliatory Actions By Employers For Reporting Illegal Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05757, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 110 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05757, [6/20/17](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Workers Who Report Illegal Business Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05696A, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05696A, [6/17/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Workers Who Report Illegal Business Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05696A, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05696A, [6/20/13](#)]

Garbarino Was Bad For The Environment

Garbarino Opposed the New York State Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act

The Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act Set Critical Environmental Standards To Mitigate Climate Change

The Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act Set Critical Environmental Standards To Mitigate Climate Change. “Speaker Carl Heastie and Environmental Conservation Committee Chair Steve Englebright today announced Assembly passage of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, a comprehensive bill that sets critical environmental standards, including reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and increasing the use of renewable energy in order to address and mitigate the effects of climate change (A.8429, Englebright). ‘Climate change is already having adverse effects on communities here in New York, and if it continues unchecked, it will wreak havoc on our environment, our economy and on the everyday lives of New Yorkers,’ Speaker Heastie said. ‘As the administration in Washington rolls back environmental protections, the Assembly Majority will continue to lead the way in developing green energy alternatives and sustainable policies and practices.’” [New York State Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie, [6/20/19](#)]

The Act Set Greenhouse Gas Limits, Invested In Clean Energy, And Established A Climate Justice Working Group. “The Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act would require that the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) establish: Statewide greenhouse gas emissions limits by regulation, to reduce emissions 85 percent by 2050; Regulations to achieve statewide greenhouse gas emissions reductions; and A process ensuring that a minimum of 35 percent of investments from clean energy and energy efficiency funds are invested in disadvantaged communities. The legislation would also establish a Climate Justice Working Group, consisting of representatives from environmental justice communities, DEC and the Departments of Health and Labor. The working group would identify disadvantaged communities for the purposes of reducing co-pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions and the allocation of certain investments.” [New York State Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie, [6/20/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act 5 Times

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06599, “Enacts the New York state climate leadership and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06599, [6/20/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08270B, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08270B, [4/24/18](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08270B, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08270B, [6/19/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10342, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10342, [6/1/16](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against State Budget Measures That Increased Environmental Protections

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Environmental Conservation Budget Which Increased Funding, Restored Wildlands, And Banned Fracking

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07508, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 81 – 60. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07508, [4/2/20](#)]

The Budget Approved A \$3 Billion Environmental Bond Act. “In his original budget proposal in January, Cuomo said he wanted to seek voter approval to borrow \$3 billion to fund environmental upgrades in New York, including green infrastructure upgrades and anti-flooding projects. That proposal made it through to the final budget agreement. But it gives Cuomo's budget director the ability to pull it back if it would interfere with the state's ability to obtain financing for other capital projects or the state can't otherwise get access to the markets to issue the bonds. Unless Cuomo pulls it back, the bond act will appear on the ballot this November.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Bond Funded Flood Mitigation And Wildland Restoration Efforts. “State lawmakers approved a \$3 billion environmental bond fund for flood mitigation and wildland restoration efforts – a headline issue for Cuomo at his January State of the State address – was included in new budget legislation submitted Wednesday afternoon.” [City & State, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Placed A Ban On Fracking. “In late 2014, Cuomo's administration first banned high-volume hydraulic fracturing, the technique used to help free natural gas from underground shale formations. But the state's ban was administrative, meaning it was implemented by the Department of Environmental Conservation and could be overturned by a future governor. That's no longer the case: Now the ban will be in state law, meaning it would require the governor and the Legislature to overturn it in the future.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Environmental Conservation Budget

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development, And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01508C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote 103 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01508, [3/31/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Environmental Conservation Budget That Continued Environmental Protections

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09508C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09508, [3/29/18](#)]

The Budget Continued The Clean Water Infrastructure Act. “The FY 2019 Budget continues the State's historic multi-year \$2.5 billion investment in drinking water and wastewater infrastructure and source water

protection actions that will protect the environment and enhance communities' health and wellness.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/18](#)]

The Budget Renewed The Environmental Protection Fund. “The Budget continues EPF funding at \$300 million, the highest level of funding in the program's history.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The Environmental Conservation Budget That Increased Funding For Environmental Protections

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09008C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 113 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09008C, [3/31/16](#)]

The Budget Included \$300 Million For Environmental Protection Fund. “The Budget includes appropriations of \$300 million for the EPF, the highest level of funding in the program’s history and an increase of \$123 million from FY 2016. The increase will provide record funding for stewardship, agriculture programs, invasive species prevention and eradication, water quality improvement, municipal recycling and an aggressive environmental justice agenda. Further, this funding level will establish new programs to help communities adapt to climate change through resiliency planning and capital projects, and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions outside of the power sector.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

The Budget Increased Funding For The Water Infrastructure Improvement Act. “The Water Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2015 provides grants to municipalities for critical drinking water and wastewater system improvements. This year’s budget increases the act’s funding from the \$200 million approved in 2015, to \$350 million. Grants provided through the act will help local governments advance approximately \$2 billion in local drinking water and waste water infrastructure investments while creating an estimated 33,000 construction jobs.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Environmental Conservation Budget That Increased Investment In The Environmental Protection Fund

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03008B, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03008B, [3/30/15](#)]

The Budget Increased Investment In The Environmental Protection Fund. “The enacted budget raises the Environmental Protection Fund to \$177 million dollars, an increase of 32 percent since Governor Cuomo took office. The \$15 million increase will support increases in fourteen categories, including land conservation, stewardship, and invasive species control and prevention. The increase includes a new sub-allocation for capacity grants to State Parks friends’ groups.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Protections Of Freshwater Wetlands

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Protections Of Freshwater Wetlands. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02468, “An act to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to enforcement of the freshwater wetland law. To expand the protection of freshwater wetlands by conforming enforcement provisions to those applicable to tidal wetlands.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02468, [4/23/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Healthy And Green Procurement Act, Which Aimed To Reduce The Use Of Toxic Chemicals

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Healthy And Green Procurement Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06046, “Enacts the ‘New York state healthy and green procurement act’. [...] As New York moves into the twenty-first century the state should serve as a role model for practices that will create and maintain a healthy environment and vibrant economy. The manufacture use and disposal of commodities and technologies, the construction of buildings and the provision of services utilizing toxic chemicals may have adverse impacts on public health and the environment. Persistent, bioaccumulative toxic chemicals, such as mercury, lead, dioxin and poly brominated diphenyl ethers, are toxic in small amounts, remain in the environment for long periods of time, and build to dangerous levels in humans, fish and other animals; and this group of pollutants known as persistent bioaccumulative toxic chemicals (PBT) pose risks to public health and the environment through their ability to cause cancer, birth defects and endocrine disruption. Such chemicals have polluted hundreds of water bodies, fish and waterfowl in the state.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06046, [5/5/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Healthy And Green Procurement Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06046, “Enacts the ‘New York state healthy and green procurement act’. [...] As New York moves into the twenty-first century the state should serve as a role model for practices that will create and maintain a healthy environment and vibrant economy. The manufacture use and disposal of commodities and technologies, the construction of buildings and the provision of services utilizing toxic chemicals may have adverse impacts on public health and the environment. Persistent, bioaccumulative toxic chemicals, such as mercury, lead, dioxin and poly brominated diphenyl ethers, are toxic in small amounts, remain in the environment for long periods of time, and build to dangerous levels in humans, fish and other animals; and this group of pollutants known as persistent bioaccumulative toxic chemicals (PBT) pose risks to public health and the environment through their ability to cause cancer, birth defects and endocrine disruption. Such chemicals have polluted hundreds of water bodies, fish and waterfowl in the state.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06046, [4/23/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazards Of Private Water Supplies

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazard Of Private Water Supplies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01194, “Creates the well water and water supply education act; requires the department of health to establish and maintain a public education program on the potential hazards of private water supplies; requires home inspectors, licensed real estate agents and brokers to provide private water supply education materials to prospective buyers of property where such property is serviced by a private water supply and contact information for relevant local health organizations.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01194, [1/29/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazard Of Private Water Supplies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00310, “Creates the well water and water supply education act; requires the department of health to establish and maintain a public education program on the potential hazards of private water supplies; requires home inspectors, licensed real estate agents and brokers to provide private water supply education materials to prospective buyers of property where such property is serviced by a private water supply.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00310, [1/17/17](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Private Well Testing Act, That Established Standards For Clean Drinking Water. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01040, “Enacts the ‘private well testing act’; authorizes the department of health to promulgate rules and regulations to establish standards for the testing of drinking water

from privately owned wells.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01040, [4/23/13](#)]

...However, Garbarino Claimed He Was An “Advocate” For The Environment

Garbarino Committed To Being An Advocate For The Environment. ““As a life-long Long Islander, I’ve seen the windfall of changes that have beset our beautiful landscape; but I’m going to fight to make sure our area remains a healthy place to live, work and raise a family. Whether it’s addressing the increasingly dangerous high levels of MTBE in our drinking water, protecting our beautiful beaches and bays from pollution, or making sure we have a properly-funded and structurally-sound sewer system, I promise to be an advocate and a voice in the Legislature for our environment,” Garbarino concluded.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [4/22/15](#)]

Garbarino Pledged To Protect Fire Island And The Great South Bay. “Also, I grew up going to Fire Island, so making sure the Fire Island National Seashore is protected and the Great South Bay is cleaner through water quality, I would think you could get money there from the infrastructure bill, or it might be a separate one.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Comprehensive Gun Reform

Garbarino Voted Against The Secure Ammunition And Firearms Enforcement Act, Which Was Passed By The State In The Wake Of The Sandy Hook School Shooting Tragedy

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Secure Ammunition And Firearms Enforcement Act, Which Was Passed By The State In The Wake Of The Sandy Hook School Shooting Tragedy In Newtown, Connecticut. “Garbarino also commented on why he voted against the Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act of 2013 - the divisive gun control law that was hastily passed by the state in the wake of the Sandy Hook school shooting tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut. His qualms included the fact that the bill only focused on registered guns without increasing penalties for illegally obtained guns, as well as the fact that police officers were not exempt from certain punishments. However, he noted that one of the positives was the portion that created a database of New Yorkers deemed too mentally unstable to carry firearms. ‘It was thrown together sloppily,’ said Garbarino. ‘They left out certain key parts and put in things that shouldn’t have been in there. I don’t think we even had 24 hours to read the bill.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

The SAFE Act Tightened Gun Restriction Measures To Provide The Most Comprehensive Gun Laws In The Nation

The SAFE Act Gave New York The Most Comprehensive Gun Laws In The Nation. “Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced legislation Monday, called the New York Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act of 2013 (NY SAFE ACT), to give New York State the most comprehensive gun laws in the nation, which will keep guns out of the hands of potentially dangerous mental health patients and ban high capacity magazines and assault weapons. This bill does not affect rifles and shotguns used by traditional sportsmen and hunters.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Included A Mental Health Alert. “Mental Health Alert: Under the legislation, mental health professionals will be required to report to local mental health officials when there is reason to believe a patient is likely to engage in conduct that will cause serious harm to themselves or others. This information will then be crosschecked against the new comprehensive, and regularly updated, gun registration database. If the patient possesses a gun, the license will be suspended and law enforcement will be authorized to remove the person’s firearm.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Included A Tougher Assault Weapons Ban. “Tougher assault weapons ban: The legislation outlines a stricter definition of assault weapons, and implements an immediate ban of defined assault weapons. Under the stricter definitions, semi-automatic pistols and rifles with detachable magazines and one military style feature will be considered assault weapons. Semi-automatic shotguns with one military style feature will also be considered assault weapons. Assault weapons possessed before the effective date must be registered within a year and recertified every five years. Owners of grandfathered assault weapons may only sell out of state or through an in-state federal firearms licensee. Under the legislation, the Bushmaster used in the Newtown, Connecticut shooting would be illegal.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Included Stronger Regulations On Ammunition. “Stronger regulations on ammunition: Under the legislation, New York will have the strongest ban on high capacity magazines in the country, with a limit on capacity of seven rounds, down from the current limit of 10. The legislation includes a ban on possession of pre-1994 high capacity magazines, and will require owners to sell the banned magazines out of state within one year. Existing 10 round magazines can be grandfathered in, but may only be loaded with seven rounds.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Make New York The First State To Track Ammo Purchases In Real Time. “To track high-volume ammunition purchasers, the legislation will make New York the first state in the nation to track ammo purchases in real time. All dealers in ammunition must be registered with the State Police, and each sale will require both a state background check and transmission of a record of the sale to State Police, so as to enable alerts of high volume purchases. Ammunition records will be purged within a year of submission. Dealers must report any loss of inventory. The legislation will also include a ban on direct internet sales of ammunition. Ammunition ordered over the internet must be delivered in a face-to-face transaction with a firearms dealer and the purchaser will be subject to the state background check. The Aurora shooter reportedly amassed 6,000 rounds through direct online purchases.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Require Statewide Recertification Of Handguns And Assault Rifles. “Statewide recertification of handguns and assault rifles: The legislation will require individuals who own a handgun or an assault rifle to recertify their permit every five years through their county of residence. With this more accurate information, the state will establish an electronic gun permit database that may be run against other databases containing the names of people who would be disqualified from possessing firearms, including those with criminal convictions, involuntary commitments, and those subject to orders of protection, as well as death records.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Require Universal Background Checks. “Universal Background Checks - closing the private sales loophole: The legislation will require all gun transfers between private parties, except immediate family, to be conducted through a federal firearms licensee, subject to a subject to a federal National Instant Criminal Background Check.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Enact The Webster Provision, Which Would Categorize The Murder Of A First Responder Engaged In Work As A Class A-1 Felony. “Webster Provision: Under the legislation, murder of a first responder who is engaged in his or her duties would become a Class A-1 felony, with a mandatory penalty of life in prison without parole. This provision was created to honor the memory of Lt. Mike Chiapperini and Tomasz Kaczowka, who were victims of a fatal shooting in Webster, New York, on December 24, 2012.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Expand and Strengthen Kendra’s Law. “Extending and Strengthening Kendra’s Law: Kendra’s law will be extended for two years — through 2017 — and the period of mandatory outpatient treatment will be extended from six months to one year. In addition, a review will be required before a mentally ill inmate is released from state prison.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

Kendra’s Law Provided Assisted Outpatient Treatment For Certain People With Mental Illnesses Unlikely To Survive Safely In The Community Without Supervision. “In 1999, New York State Enacted

Legislation that provides for assisted outpatient treatment for certain people with mental illness who, in view of their treatment history and present circumstances, are unlikely to survive safely in the community without supervision. This law is commonly referred to as “Kendra’s Law” and is set forth in §9.60 of the Mental Hygiene Law (MHL).” [New York State Office of Mental Health, [5/06](#)]

The Safe Act Would Protect Families By Requiring Judges To Order Surrender Of Weapons If Necessary.

“Protecting Families: When a judge issues an order of protection and finds a substantial risk that the individual subjected to the order will use a gun against the person protected by the order, the judge is required to order the surrender of the weapon.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Require The Safe Storage Of Firearms In Certain Households. “Safe Storage: To better ensure that guns are kept inaccessible to those who are barred from possessing them, the legislation requires safe storage of firearms in households where individuals live who have been convicted of a crime, involuntarily committed, or are subject to an order of protection. Existing state law already requires that all guns sold at retail in the state be sold with a gun lock.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Increase The Penalty For Possessing A Firearm On School Grounds Or In A School Bus From A Misdemeanor To A Class E Felony. [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Establish Tougher Penalties For Illegal Gun Use And Measures To Help Combat Gang Violence. [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

Garbarino Was Criticized For His Vote On The SAFE Act

EDITORIAL HEADLINE: “Shame On Assemblyman Garbarino.” [Suffolk County News, Editorial, 1/24/13]

EDITORIAL: Garbarino Will “Hide Behind The Second Amendment.” “After 20 first-graders and six adults were each riddled by bullets from an assault rifle in Newtown, Connecticut; after multiple numbers of people were shot and killed from an assault rifle at a movie theatre in Aurora, Colo.; after a United States congresswoman, Gabrielle Giffords of Tucson, Ariz., was shot in the head and will never fully recover, and a member of her staff died in addition to a little girl; after the largest massacre of all of students and professors at Virginia Tech by an assault rifle and after a number of students and teachers were shot and killed by an assault rifle in Columbine, Colo., state Assemblyman Andrew R. Garbarino, Republican from the local 7th District, voted no in Albany against the broad gun control bill that was passed by both houses of the state Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Andrew Cuomo. [...] They’ll hide behind the second amendment, but terrorism in any form will show them for what they really are.” [Suffolk County News, Editorial, 1/24/13]

NRA Opposed The SAFE Act

NRA Opposed The SAFE Act. “The National Rifle Association issued a statement attacking Cuomo, saying he ‘orchestrated a secretive end-run around the legislative and democratic process and passed sweeping anti-gun measures with no committee hearings and no public input’ and chalking it up to the governor’s ‘political aspirations.’” [Newsday, 1/16/13]

Garbarino Was Bad For New York Democracy

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Measures To Expand Early Voting

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Early Voting Provisions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01102, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the tenth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill was passed by a vote of 89 – 55. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01102, [1/14/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Removing A Requirement That Registration Be Completed 10 Days Prior To Election Day. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01048, “Amends the constitution to delete the requirement that registration for purposes of voting be completed at least ten days before election day and provides that laws be made to adequately safeguard against deception in the exercise of the right of suffrage.” The bill was passed by a vote of 104 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01048, [1/14/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against An Early Voting Provision. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09608, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the eighth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09608, [4/17/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Absentee Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04920, “Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subdivision 2 of section 8-400 of the election law, paragraph (c) as amended by chapter 321 of the laws of 1988 and paragraph (d) as separately amended by chapters 97 and 104 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows: (c) All applications must be [mailed to] received by the board of elections [not] no later than the [seventh] day before the election for which a ballot is first requested [or delivered to such board not later than the day before such election].” The bill passed by a vote of 112 – 24. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04920, [3/20/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Early Voting Provision. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08582B, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the eighth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08582B, [6/16/16](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Early Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00689, “The purpose of this bill is to establish early voting in primary, general and special elections in the State of New York.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00689, [2/11/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Was One Of 13 Legislators Who Voted Against Expanding Absentee Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01880, “This bill offers technical amendments to make laws relating to ballots concurrent with current practices. It repeals a section of election law relating to the use of pasters (labels to replace someone on an already printed ballot). It also amends the laws relating to the use of absentee ballots so that the board of elections may receive applications for absentee ballots up to the day before an election.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 13. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01880, [1/23/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Was One Of 11 Legislators Who Voted Against Expanding Absentee Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01880, “This bill offers technical amendments to make laws relating to ballots concurrent with current practices. It repeals a section of election law relating to the use of pasters (labels to replace someone on an already printed ballot). It also amends the laws relating to the use of absentee ballots so that the board of elections may receive applications for absentee ballots up to the day before an election.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01880, [5/29/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Early Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00689, “The purpose of this bill is to establish early voting in primary, general and special elections in the State of New York.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00689, [4/30/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Implementing Online Voter Registration

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act Of 2018, Which Established Online Voter Registration. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05382A, “Enacts the ‘Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act of 2018’; relates to establishing the electronic personal voter registration process; provides for

online voter registration.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05382A, [4/17/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act Of 2018, Which Established Online Voter Registration. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05382A, “Enacts the ‘Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act of 2018’; relates to establishing the electronic personal voter registration process; provides for online voter registration.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05382A, [5/15/17](#)]

Garbarino Was Of Three Legislators Who Voted Against Race-Related Voting Protections

2018: Garbarino Was One Of Three Legislators Who Voted Against Pre-Clearance Of Voting-Related Regulations To Ensure The Right To Vote Was Not Abridged On The Basis Of Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05925, “To ensure that the right of citizens who reside in New York to vote is not denied or abridged on account of race, color, or language minority status through the enforcement of a voting-related regulation, procedure or policy that is enacted or administered after the effective date of this section, the following voting-related regulations, and policies shall be subject to pre-clearance by the attorney general pursuant to this title.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05925, [3/20/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Voting Rights, Times, And Information To Voters

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Voters With Information About The State’s Closed Primary

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Voters With Information About New York’s Closed Primary System. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05735, “Provides voters with a warning about New York’s closed primary system on voter registration forms.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05735, [6/19/17](#)]

Garbarino Was One Of Seven Legislators Who Voted Against Extending Voting Hours In Dutchess County

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Hours Of Voting In Dutchess County. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A0806, “Extends hours for voting in Dutchess county from 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm to 6:00 am - 9:00 pm.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08086, [6/15/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Election To Vote In The Primary

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Presidential Election, Vote In The Primary When They Are 17 Years Old. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03549, “Amends the constitution to allow a person who will be 18 years old at the time of a presidential election to vote in the presidential primary election if he or she is 17 years of age at the time of the presidential primary election.” The bill was passed by a vote of 94 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03549, [5/17/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Presidential Election, Vote In The Primary When They Are 17 Years Old. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00504, “Amends the constitution to allow a person who will be 18 years old at the time of a presidential election to vote in the presidential primary election if he or she is 17 years of age at the time of the presidential primary election.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00504, [3/30/16](#)]

Garbarino Was Bad For Health Care And Was On The Side Of Health Care Giants, Not New Yorkers

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino voted against expanding health care coverage for all New Yorkers
 - ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against the New York Health Program, which provided New Yorkers comprehensive access to health insurance and aimed to establish a single payer system that would cover all medically necessary care
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against codifying New York's ACA exchange into state law
 - ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against expanding coverage of outpatient treatment for mental health issues, was one of 10 legislators to oppose coverage for autism spectrum disorders, and including coverage for substance abuse disorders
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against the Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act—which codified that all health insurers provide cost-free contraception coverage—five times
- ✓ Garbarino was on the side of health care giants, not New Yorkers
 - ✓ Garbarino was beholden to the interests of Big Pharma—he held stock in and received campaign funds from pharmaceutical companies that have been accused of defrauding consumers and taxpayers
 - ✓ Garbarino spent more than \$10,000 in taxpayer money to travel to National Council of Insurance Legislators conferences that were attended by other state legislators and insurance corporations
 - ✓ Garbarino opposed different pieces of legislation because they would hurt the private health insurance industry
- ✓ Garbarino voted against multiple bills designed to keep patients in health care facilities safe—including bills that aimed to increase staffing and protect patients from abuse and sexual assault
- ✓ Garbarino supported Medicaid legislation that would hurt Long Islanders
 - ✓ Garbarino wanted the state to assume Medicaid costs, even though critics said residents of Long Island would benefit the least from this policy
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against covering speech, physical, or occupational therapy under Medicaid
- ✓ Garbarino voted against ensuring temporary status beneficiaries would receive Medicaid benefits if the federal government ended the program

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Health Care Coverage For New Yorkers

Garbarino Consistently Voted Against The New York Health Program, Which Provided New Yorkers With Comprehensive Access To Health Insurance

The New York Health Act Would Establish A Single-Payer System That Covered All Medically Necessary Care

The New York Health Act Would Establish A Single-Payer System. “He has sponsored the New York Health Act in the Assembly since 1992. The Assembly has passed the bill, which would establish single-payer health care in New York, in the last four legislative sessions; now that the State Senate is also under Democratic control, it has a real opportunity to become law.” [Nation, [3/1/19](#)]

The New York Health Act Covered All New Yorkers And All Medically Necessary Care. “Each of us gets the healthcare we need through a just, equitable healthcare system that guarantees healthcare for every New York resident as a fundamental human right, not just as a privilege. New York Health covers ALL medically necessary care, including medical, prescription, vision, dental, hearing, long-term care and support services, mental health and substance abuse treatment; and reproductive care. One comprehensive plan, freedom of provider choice, no more networks.” [Campaign for New York Health, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

New York Health Act Eliminated All Co-Pays, Deductibles, And Premiums. “New York Health pays for all covered services, giving it the power to eliminate waste and contain costs. No more co-pays, deductibles, or premiums! New York will actually save billions off current healthcare costs, and 90% of New Yorkers are expected to pay less than they currently do. New York Health is accountable only to the public. Doctors and nurses, not insurance companies, work with you to decide your care. This ensures that private profit never comes before public health.” [Campaign for New York Health, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against The New York Health Program

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05248, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05248, [2/28/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Establishment Of The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 46. [New York Assembly, Bill No A04738A, [6/14/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts

provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04738, [4/17/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04738, [3/13/18](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 16 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04738, [2/14/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Health Plan. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05062A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health

care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 53. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05062A, [6/1/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Health Plan. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05062A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 52. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05062A, [5/27/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Codifying New York’s ACA Exchange Into State Law

Garbarino Opposed The FY 2020 State Budget

Garbarino Opposed The FY 2020 State Budget. “Officials confirmed that under New York State’s recently proposed 2019 budget, Islip Town stands to lose just under \$1.8 million in state aid. [...] New York State Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville) had the following to say regarding the cuts. ‘Every municipality that got money every year is losing it. It’s [Cuomo’s] way of saying, ‘now you don’t need that much money.’ I can’t wait for the local government committee meetings; I’m sure [Martinez] will work together with us on this. We’ll get from the local municipalities what services will be cut.’” [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

The Budget Codified The ACA Into State Law

The FY 2020 Budget Codified The ACA Into State Law. “Fearing the federal repeal of so-called Obamacare, New York plans to codify its state health exchange into law. So even if the federal government goes ahead with its repeal threat, New York would still have its New York State of Health, which serves more than 4.7 million residents.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

The New York State Health Benefit Exchange Was Created By The ACA And Covered Essential Benefits

The New York State Health Benefit Exchange Was Created By The ACA And Covered Essential Benefits. “New York State of Health is the official name of the New York State Health Plan Marketplace, also known as the New York State Health Benefit Exchange (NYSOH). The marketplace was created by the Affordable Care Act and is the place where New York’s individuals, families, and small businesses can shop for affordable health insurance. [...] Any NY health insurance plan sold through New York State Health Benefit Exchange will need to include coverage for medical services in the following 10 categories in accordance with the Affordable Care Act legislation: Ambulatory patient services, such as doctor’s visits and outpatient services; Emergency services; Hospitalization; Maternity and newborn care; Mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment; Prescription drugs; Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices; Laboratory services; Preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management; Pediatric services, including oral and vision care. States will also play a role in determining which minimum essential benefits will be covered under the Affordable Care Act.” [New York Health Insurer, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act, Which Expanded Access To Cost-Free Contraception Coverage

Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act —Which Codified That All Health Insurers Provide Cost-Free Contraception Coverage—Five Times

The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act Codified, Under The ACA, That All Health Insurers Provide Cost-Free Contraceptive Coverage. “The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act (A.585A, Cahill), codifies in New York State Insurance Law the requirement under the federal Affordable Care Act that all health insurers provide cost-free contraceptive coverage as a part of their insurance policies. Under the proposal, insurance companies have to provide cost-free coverage for at least one type of all FDA-approved contraceptives, including emergency contraception. The bill also applies to voluntary sterilization procedures, extending coverage to both men and women, and provides contraceptive education, counseling and related follow up services.” [Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie, Press Release, [1/22/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00659A, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00659A, [1/22/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00585, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00585, [1/14/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09957, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09957, [3/13/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09957, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09957, [3/5/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08135B, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08135B, [1/25/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Student Health Insurance Coverage For Up To Eighteen Months If They Are On Medical Leave

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Providing A Student Health Insurance Coverage For Up To Eighteen Months If They Are On Medical Leave From The School. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02421, “Provides that a student shall be eligible for up to eighteen months of coverage if such person is on medical leave from his or her school.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02421, [5/30/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Eligibility For The Child Health Insurance Plan To Cover Young Adults

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Eligibility For The Child Health Insurance Plan To Cover Young Adults. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08054A, “Extends eligibility for the child health insurance plan

to young adults between the ages of 19 and 30 years of age.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08054A, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Freelancers Health Plan Demonstration Plan

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Freelancers Health Plan Demonstration Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06519, “Creates the freelancers health plan demonstration program; provides that such program would be a self-funded plan maintained by an association for the purpose of providing medical, surgical, or hospital services to independent workers; provides for an expiration of December 31, 2014.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06519, [6/17/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Would Require Insurers To Cover Outpatient Treatment For Mental Health

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Policies To Cover Outpatient Treatment For Mental Health Treatments. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00670, “Requires blanket health insurance policies to provide coverage for outpatient treatment by mental health practitioners (mental health counsellors, marriage and family therapists, creative arts therapists and psychoanalysts) licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00670, [5/30/19](#)]

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2018: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Required Health Insurance Policies To Provide Coverage Of Outpatient Mental Health Treatment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02163, “Requires blanket health insurance policies to provide coverage for outpatient treatment by mental health practitioners (mental health counsellors, marriage and family therapists, creative arts therapists and psychoanalysts) licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02163, [6/20/18](#)]

Garbarino Was One Of 10 Legislators Who Voted Against Amending The Definition Of Autism In Insurance Law

2013: Garbarino Was One Of 10 Legislators Who Voted Against Amending The Definition Of Autism For Education And Insurance Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01663C, “AN ACT to define the term ‘autism’ for the purposes of the education law and the mental hygiene law and the term ‘autism spectrum disorder’ for the purposes of the insurance law and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof.” The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01663C, [6/18/13](#)]

New York Required Every Insurance Policy To Provide Comprehensive Coverage For The Diagnosis And Treatment Of Autism Spectrum Disorder

New York Required Every Insurance Policy To Provide Comprehensive Coverage For The Diagnosis And Treatment Of Autism Spectrum Disorder. “New York Requires every policy which provides physician services, medical, major medical or similar comprehensive-type coverage to provide coverage for the screening, diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder. Coverage includes, therapeutic care, which is habilitative or nonrestorative, provided by a licensed or certified speech therapist.” [American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Was On The Side Of Health Care Giants, Not New Yorkers

Garbarino Was Beholden To The Interests Of Big Pharma

Garbarino Held Stock In Bristol-Myers Squibb, A Pharmaceutical Giant Accused Of Tax Evasion And Improper Marketing

2019: Garbarino Reported That He Held Dividends Worth \$1,001 To \$15,000 In Bristol-Myers Squibb Company. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

Bristol-Myers Squibb Was A Global Biopharmaceutical Company. “Bristol Myers Squibb is a global biopharmaceutical company whose mission is to discover, develop and deliver innovative medicines that help patients prevail over serious diseases.” [Bristol-Myers Squibb, accessed [5/28/20](#)]

A New York Whistleblower Filed A Tax Evasion Law Suit Against Bristol-Myers Squibb.

“Pharmaceutical giant Bristol-Meyers Squibb has faced whistleblower lawsuits in numerous courts in recent years, losing in California and New York, but escaping trial in a federal qui tam lawsuit under the federal False Claims Act. [...] In New York, a whistleblower revealed that Lantheus Medical Imaging, a subsidiary of BMS that performs medical radiology and other services, had evaded New York State business franchise taxes and MTA surcharges from 2002 through 2006. The whistleblower, in this case, was a tax service provider who had discovered irregularities in filings in 2012. For coming forward and filing an action under New York State law, that tax professional received a bounty of \$1,137,814.80, a little less than twice what the City of New York eventually recovered.” [Pharmaceutical Integrity Coalition, accessed [5/28/20](#)]

Bristol-Myers Squibb Paid Millions To Settle An Improper Marketing Lawsuit Filed By Multiple States.

“Last month, pharmaceutical company Bristol-Myers Squibb agreed to pay \$19.5 million to settle a multi-state lawsuit that charged the company with improper marketing of the atypical antipsychotic Abilify. Abilify is made by Otsuka America Pharmaceutical, Inc. and marketed and promoted in the United States by Bristol-Myers Squibb. Money from the Abilify settlement, which was announced on December 8, 2016, will be split among the 42 states (plus the District of Columbia) that joined the lawsuit.” [Baum Hedlund Aristeri Goldman Trial Lawyers, [1/20/17](#)]

Garbarino Received \$3,750 From Pharmaceutical Companies Who Have Been Accused Of Defrauding Consumers And Taxpayers

Throughout His Career, Garbarino Has Received \$3,750 From Pharmaceutical Companies. From 2014 through 2019, Garbarino received a total of \$3,750.00 from varying pharmaceutical companies. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Garbarino Received \$1,800 From Pfizer PAC. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

2019: The State Of New York Accused Pfizer Of Fixing Prices For Generic Drugs. “New York is joining with many other states in a lawsuit against generic drug makers accused of taking part in a conspiracy to artificially inflate prices of generic drugs. The lawsuit alleges companies including Teva, Mylan, Pfizer and many others worked in concert for bid-rigging and fixing prices for more than 100 drugs. The affected medications treat a range of diseases, including cancer, diabetes, MS, ADHD and HIV. New York State Attorney General Letitia James’ office says executives in the pharmaceutical industry coordinated through various gatherings and exchanges of messages to carry out these plans. Some of the defendants are alleged to have used phrases such as ‘responsible competitor’ and ‘playing nice in the sandbox’ during these communications.” [WHAM, [5/13/19](#)]

2018: New York State Accused Pfizer Of Using Deceptive Advertising. “On October 11, 2018, New York Attorney General Barbara D. Underwood announced a settlement with Pfizer, Inc. for deceptive advertising in a drug copayment card program. The settlement follows an investigation into Pfizer’s business and advertising practices for its copayment coupon program. The company advertised to consumers that they would ‘pay no more than’ a certain amount for certain prescriptions, but then wound up spending far more at the cash register.” [Policy & Medicine, [10/14/18](#)]

Garbarino Received \$750.00 From Merck New York State PAC. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

2007: New York State Accused Merck Of Intentionally Concealing The Dangers Of A Drug And Defrauding The State Medicaid Program. “Seeking to recoup tens of millions spent by government-financed health programs on prescriptions for Vioxx, New York State and New York City joined yesterday in filing a lawsuit against Merck, the drug’s maker, which withdrew the painkiller from the market in 2004 because of dangerous side effects. The lawsuit, filed yesterday in State Supreme Court in Manhattan, accuses Merck & Company of intentionally concealing the dangers of Vioxx, and therefore defrauding the state Medicaid program, which paid for the prescriptions. The drug was used to treat arthritis and migraines but led to a high risk of heart attacks and strokes. Several other states have filed similar lawsuits against Merck more than 25,000 suits have been brought so far seeking reimbursement for taxpayer dollars spent on purchasing Vioxx and on treating patients for its side effects. The suits have focused on drug pricing and safety, involving both consumer and Medicaid fraud.” [New York Times, [9/18/07](#)]

Garbarino Received \$250.00 From Boehringer Ingelheim USA Corporation. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Boehringer Ingelheim Was Accused Of Defrauding Medicare And Engaging In Illegal Practices. “According to the United States Department of Justice (‘DOJ’), Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals Inc. will pay \$95 million to resolve allegations it engaged in marketing practices that defrauded Medicare and promoted the off-label use of four of its drugs. The improper marketing allegations involved the stroke-preventing drug Aggrenox, the chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (‘COPD’) medications Atrovent and Combivent and the hypertension medication, Micardis. According to the allegations, Boehringer fraudulently marketed Aggrenox, Combivent and Micardis for uses that were not medically accepted nor approved by the FDA and were, therefore, not covered by any federal healthcare program. The off-label marketing of these drugs caused false claims to be submitted to Medicare and other government-sponsored healthcare programs.” [Berger Montague, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Single Payer Health Care System Because It Would Hurt The Private Health Insurance Sector

Garbarino Opposed Single Payer Because He Said It Would Eliminate Jobs In The Private Health Insurance Sector. “We’re having hearings on single-payer health care, which I’m against, because it would more than double the budget and it would mean tens of thousands of private health care insurance jobs eliminated.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Coverage For Substance Abuse Disorders

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Insurers Providing Coverage Of Prescription Drugs For Opioid Addiction Must Also Provide Coverage Of Drugs For Substance Abuse Disorders. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04899, “Requires insurers providing coverage of prescription drugs for opioid addiction, to provide coverage of such prescription drugs prescribed for the treatment of substance abuse disorder.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04899C, [6/6/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Coverage For Substance Use Disorder

Treatment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04731, “Requires health insurance coverage for substance use disorder treatment services.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04721, Bill No. A04721, [5/30/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Developing Guidelines For The Prescription Of Opioid Antagonists

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Health Commissioner To Develop Guidelines For The Prescription Of Opioid Antagonists.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10099, “Requires the commissioner of health to develop guidelines for the prescription of opioid antagonists.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 14 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10099, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Was Concerned That The Child Victims Act—Which Expanded The Window That Victims Could Press Charges Against Their Attackers—Would Increase Costs On The Insurance Industry

2019: The State Legislature Passed The Child Victims Act, That Included A Provision That Allowed Victims To Press Charges Against Their Attackers

The State Legislature Passed The Child Victims Act, That Included A Provision That Allowed Victims To Press Charges Against Their Attackers Within A One Year Window. “For now, however, one of the biggest issues facing the insurance industry is the passage of the Child Victims Act. One key provision of the law was a one-year ‘lookback window’ that opens on Aug. 14, which will allow victims of childhood sexual abuse to press charges against their attackers.” [City & State, 8/11/19]

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The Bill Increased Risk On The Insurance Agencies. “The new law pits insurers against organizations like the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York and the Boy Scouts of America, who want their insurance policies to cover the enormous financial liability that the new law creates for them. ‘The insurance industry itself is very, very much on its toes and they are going to react to an enhanced risk by evaluating that risk,’ state Senate Insurance Committee Chairman Neil Breslin said. ‘They’ll spread the risk, but it’ll cost more to insure.’” [City & State, 8/1/19]

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Garbarino Was Concerned That The Bill Would Increase Costs On The Insurance Industry. “This included gauging the impact of the ‘lookback window’ opened by the Child Victims Act. Like other issues, industry concerns centered less on the main thrust of the proposal and more on how they would increase costs on the industry – a top concern of GOP lawmakers as well. ‘Great ideas come with a cost,’ said Republican Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino, who sits on the Insurance Committee.” [City & State, 8/1/19]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Increasing Safety Measures At Health Care Facilities

Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Commissioner Of Health To Conduct A Study Related To The Number Of Emergency Room Beds In The State

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Commissioner Of Health To Conduct A Study Relating To The Number Of Emergency Room Beds In The State. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06832, “Directs the commissioner of health to conduct a study relating to the number of emergency room beds in the state and to make recommendations on the minimum number of emergency rooms required per capita and the maximum distance

patients shall be expected to travel to access emergency room services.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06832, [6/13/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Criminal History Background Checks For Maintenance Employees In Residential Health Facilities

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Criminal History Background Checks For Maintenance Employees In Adults And Residential Health Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04304, “An act to amend the social services law and the public health law, in relation to criminal history records of maintenance employees in adult residential health and assisted living facilities. To provide criminal history background checks of supportive maintenance employees in adult and residential health facilities and assisted living facilities, similar to checks completed on nursing home employees.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04304, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Care Facilities To Report Sexual Offense Incidents To The Department Of Health And Education

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Care Facilities To Report Sexual Offense Incidents To The Department Of Health And Education. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05474, “Requires health care facilities to report incidents of a sexual offense to the departments of health and education.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05474, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Nursing Shortage Correction Act

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Nursing Shortage Correction Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04491, “Enacts the New York state nursing shortage correction act; establishes the New York state nursing recruitment incentive and retention program; defines terms; provides for tuition benefits and the reimbursement of student loans if a person is a registered and licensed nurse; provides that SUNY and CUNY shall pay for a person's education if such person signs a contract stating that he or she shall work in New York state as a registered nurse; makes related provisions; establishes the New York state nursing recruitment incentive and retention account.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04491, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Reporting Requirements Of Abuse In A Care Facility

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requirements Related To Reporting Abuse Of Persons In A Care Facility. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05908, “Relates to reporting abuses of persons receiving care or services in residential care facilities; includes misappropriation of property; establishes independent quality monitors and requirements relating to assets of operators.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05908, [6/21/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Strengthening Obligations To Report Abuse Of Nursing Home Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A4757A, “An act to amend the public health law, in relation to enhancing transparency and oversight of residential health care facilities To strengthen obligations to report abuse of nursing home residents, establish independent quality monitoring of written corrective action plans, and improve transparency relating to facility assets, service contracts, debt obligations, sale and notification to prospective residents.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A4757A, [6/19/19](#)]

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home residents, establish independent quality monitoring of written corrective action plans, and improve transparency relating to facility assets, service contracts, debt obligations, sale and notification to prospective residents.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A4757A, [5/21/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Safe Staffing Quality Care Act In Nursing Homes

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Safe Staffing Quality Care Act In Nursing Homes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02954, “Enacts the ‘safe staffing for quality care act’ to require acute care facilities and nursing homes to implement certain direct-care nurse to patient ratios in all nursing units; sets minimum staffing requirements; requires every such facility to submit a documented staffing plan to the department on an annual basis and upon application for an operating certificate; requires acute care facilities to maintain staffing records during all shifts; authorizes nurses to refuse work assignments if the assignment exceeds the nurse's abilities or if minimum staffing is not present; requires public access to documented staffing plans; imposes civil penalties for violations of such provisions; establishes private right of action for nurses discriminated against for refusing any illegal work assignment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote 18 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02954, [6/11/19](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against The Safe Staffing Quality Care Act In Nursing Homes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01532, “Enacts the ‘safe staffing for quality care act’ to require acute care facilities and nursing homes to implement certain direct-care nurse to patient ratios in all nursing units; sets minimum staffing requirements; requires every such facility to submit a documented staffing plan to the department on an annual basis and upon application for an operating certificate; requires acute care facilities to maintain staffing records during all shifts; authorizes nurses to refuse work assignments if the assignment exceeds the nurse's abilities or if minimum staffing is not present; requires public access to documented staffing plans; imposes civil penalties for violations of such provisions; establishes private right of action for nurses discriminated against for refusing any illegal work assignment.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 20 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01532, [1/24/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Safety Conditions In Adult Care Facilities

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Safety Conditions In Adult Care Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02743, “An act to amend the social services law and the mental hygiene law, in relation to violations of safety conditions in adult care facilities. To protect the health, safety and quality of life of New York residents living in adult care facilities by improving Department of Health safety enforcement.” The bill was passed by the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02743, [5/16/17](#)]

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residents living in adult care facilities by improving Department of Health safety enforcement.” The bill was passed by the Health Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02743, [5/2/17](#)]

Garbarino Supported Medicaid Legislation That Would Hurt Long Islanders

Garbarino Supported Legislation That Required New York To Take Over The Local Share Of Medicaid Costs, Even Though Critics Said It Would Hurt Long Island

Garbarino Helped Introduce Legislation That Required New York To Take Over The Local Share Of Medicaid Costs, Which Were Among The Highest In The Country. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) and his Assembly Minority colleagues introduced legislation that would restructure the state’s Medicaid program, which is one of the costliest in the country. The legislation would require the state to take over the local share of Medicaid costs over a 10-year period for counties outside of New York City and over a 20-year period for 50 percent of New York City’s local share of Medicaid. [...] ‘Medicaid costs, padded by all the excessive mandated services by the state, have put great burdens on counties like Nassau and Long Island taxpayers. We simply cannot afford Medicaid unless serious changes are made,’ said Garbarino. ‘Our Medicaid restructuring plan would force the state to be responsible for its growth and to ensure it is running efficiently for those who do need its services and those who are paying for it. I think this plan is both fiscally smart and socially responsible.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [3/15/18](#)]

The Legislation Would Not Be Beneficial To All And Residents On Long Island And Other Suburbs Would Likely Benefit The Least. “Any plan to reduce or eliminate what local governments pay into New York’s Medicaid budget would inevitably create winners and losers. The Assembly Republicans’ version unveiled last month, is no exception. [...] Likely to come out behind are residents of Long Island and the downstate suburbs, where Medicaid costs are relatively low and state tax payments are relatively high.” [Empire Center, [4/19/18](#)]

The Proposed Legislation Did Not Include How The Takeover Would Be Financed. “Backers say they would finance the Medicaid takeover and other expenses by cutting costs elsewhere, including a 50% reduction in the film and TV production tax credit and elimination of the property tax rebate checks. However, those ideas are not included in the proposed legislation, would not cover the full cost of the proposed expenditures and could be implemented with or without a Medicaid takeover.” [Empire Center, [4/19/18](#)]

Garbarino Wanted The State To Assume Medicaid Costs

Garbarino Emphasized The Need For The State To Assume Medicaid Costs In A Budget Hearing.

“Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) at a recent Joint Legislative Budget Hearing on Health Care emphasized the need for the state to assume Medicaid costs, which burden local governments like Suffolk County. [...] ‘New York must carefully balance the health concerns of the public with fiscal responsibility. Over the years, New York has ignored this and grew our Medicaid program to one of the largest and most costly in the country. This expense has been passed on to our local governments and property taxpayers,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Health.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/14/18](#)]

Garbarino Wanted The Budget To Outline A Plan To “Reduce The Bloated Costs Of Medicaid”

Garbarino Wanted The Budget To Outline A Plan To “reduce The Bloated Costs Of Medicaid.” “Listening to the governor’s State of the State address, I heard him outline an agenda which New Yorkers simply cannot afford, especially when we are facing a \$6 billion budget deficit. I didn’t hear a clear plan on how to reduce the bloated costs of Medicaid, which comprises the bulk of the deficit. He calls his agenda robust and aggressive, but I heard nothing significant to stop the hemorrhage of New York residents leaving the state for better opportunities.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [1/8/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid**2019: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04846, “Allows for speech, physical or occupational therapy under Medicaid beyond twenty visits where the provider of the therapy or services attests to the medical necessity of the additional visits.” The bill passed by the Health Committee by a vote of 21 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04846, [2/28/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07772, “Allows for speech, physical or occupational therapy under Medicaid beyond twenty visits where the provider of the therapy or services attests to the medical necessity of the additional visits.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 20 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07772, [5/23/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring Temporary Status Beneficiaries Received Medicaid Benefits If The Federal Government Ended The Program

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring That Temporary Status Beneficiaries Receive Medicaid Benefits If The Federal Government Ends The Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09594A, “Ensures that temporary protected status beneficiaries continue to receive Medicaid benefits if the federal government ends the program.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09594A, [4/24/18](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Common-Sense Police Reform

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against common-sense police reforms
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against the Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act in committee—which criminalized the use of chokeholds by law enforcement officers
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against releasing police disciplinary records to the public
 - ✓ Garbarino voted to protect the practice of racial and ethnic profiling by law enforcement
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against measures aimed at maintaining safe practices—like requiring officers to complete a training course before they can carry a weapon and CPR training
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against developing child-sensitive arrest policies
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against requiring law enforcement to report incidents where they discharged their weapon
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against establishing a right of New Yorkers to record law enforcement activity
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against improved police officer training and background tests
- ✓ Garbarino voted against common-sense prison reform
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against limiting solitary confinement for young people and those with disabilities, even though studies show that solitary confinement is both ineffective and disproportionately harms young people and those with disabilities
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against prohibiting torture on prisoners by health care professionals
- ✓ Garbarino was heavily backed by major law enforcement associations
 - ✓ Throughout his career as a politician, Garbarino was endorsed by major law enforcement associations—including an endorsement from the Police Benevolent Society of New York for his congressional campaign
 - ✓ New York law enforcement associations were one of Garbarino’s top Assembly campaign donors

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Common-Sense Police Reforms

Garbarino Voted Against The Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act In Committee, Which Criminalized The Use Of Chokeholds By Law Enforcement, But Later Voted For The Bill

The Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act Criminalized The Use Of Chokeholds By Law Enforcement

The Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act Criminalized The Use Of Chokeholds By Law Enforcement. “The New York State Assembly on Monday passed the Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act. The act passed both houses of the

New York State Legislature and Governor Andrew Cuomo has indicated he will sign it into law. Named for Eric Garner, who was killed in 2014 after being placed in a chokehold by an NYPD officer, the bill criminalizes the use of chokeholds that result in injury or death. The use of chokeholds by the NYPD had already been banned in 1993. [...] The bill would make it so that a police officer who injures or kills somebody through the use of ‘a chokehold or similar restraint’ can be charged with a class C felony, punishable by up to 15 years in prison.” [CBS News, [6/8/20](#)]

2020: In Committee, Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Crime For The Use Of Aggravated Strangulation By Police Officers

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Crime For The Use Of Aggravated Strangulation By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06144, “Establishes the crime of aggravated strangulation for police officers or peace officers where such officer commits the crime of criminal obstruction or breathing or blood circulation, or uses a chokehold or similar restraint, and causes serious physical injury or death.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06144, [6/8/20](#)]

However, Garbarino Later Voted For The Bill On The Floor

2020: Garbarino Voted To Establish A Crime For The Use Of Aggravated Strangulation By Police Officers. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A06144, “Establishes the crime of aggravated strangulation for police officers or peace officers where such officer commits the crime of criminal obstruction or breathing or blood circulation, or uses a chokehold or similar restraint, and causes serious physical injury or death.” The bill passed the Assembly by a vote of 139 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06144, [6/8/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public

2020: New York Law Makers Voted To Repeal State Law 50-A To Make Police Disciplinary Records Available To The Public

New York Law Makers Voted To Repeal State Law 50-A To Make Police Disciplinary Records Available To The Public. “As mass civil unrest over police brutality against African-Americans engulfs the nation, New York lawmakers took action Tuesday by voting to repeal 50-a, a state law used by police departments to shield disciplinary records. The Democrat-led Legislature approved the long-stalled reform of the statute — which is routinely used to keep the public from learning about police misconduct and disciplinary actions taken against officers — in response to protests sparked by the death of George Floyd, a black Minnesota man who was killed when a white police officer knelt on his neck for nearly nine minutes.” [New York Daily News, [6/9/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public Twice

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10611, “Rpld 50-a, Civ Rts L; amd 86, 87 & 89, Pub Off L. Relates to the disclosure of law enforcement disciplinary records.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10611, [6/8/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public. “The bill passed along party lines in the Senate, 40-22, with all Republicans voting against the measure. The Assembly approved the measure 101-43 Tuesday evening, also along party lines.” [New York Daily News, [6/9/20](#)]

Garbarino: “Last Night I Voted NO On The Completely Misguided Repeal Of §50-A”

Garbarino: “Last Night I Voted NO On The Completely Misguided Repeal Of §50-A.” “Last night I voted NO on the completely misguided repeal of §50-a. By repealing §50-a, a police officer’s personnel files will be released

to the public – even unsubstantiated or unfounded complaints. These are complaints that aren’t proven to be true, but they’re going to be released and they’re going to tarnish an officer’s name. I have no doubt that this will be abused and will unfairly put targets on the backs of police officers. It is a sad day for law enforcement in the State of New York. ###” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Opposed Repealing §50-A. “[0:00] Derek Chauvin is a murderer and he’ll pay for what he did, this is already the law in Minneapolis and it didn’t stop the death of George Floyd. I don’t understand the remedy that is being sought here. This legislation is going to release unsubstantiated, unfounded complaints against law enforcement officers. These are complaints that haven’t been proved to be true but they are going to be released and they are going to tarnish an officer’s name. In the Senate and the Assembly here, in this house, we have an ethics committee. We have an ethics committee that oversees complaints that are against us. Those are only released when they are substantiated. The ethics committee, they hear the files and they hear complaints, those aren’t released. We don’t release complaints against us, when they are not substantiated. They are only released when they are substantiated. Education law says that unfounded complaints against teachers are expunged from their record. I don’t know what we’re doing here today by allowing unsubstantiated complaints to be released.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino: I Know A Lot Of Police Officers, Fireman, And Correctional Officers And “They Don’t Have An Evil Or Racist Bone In Their Body.” “[1:20] I don’t know who this helps. It’s going to put targets on the backs of police officers. I know a lot of police officers, I know a lot of fireman, I know a lot of corrections officers they don’t have an evil or racist bone in their body. But this will unfairly out targets on their backs and for that reason I cannot support it and I’m voting in the negative.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling Four Times

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04879, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows

an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04879, [6/12/18](#)]

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2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police From Using Racial And Ethnic Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03949, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03949, [6/2/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police Officers From Using Racial Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02941, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02941, [6/11/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Measure To Prohibit Police Officers From Carrying A Weapon Without Completing A Training Course

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police Officers From Carrying A Firearm Unless They Complete A Training Course. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05178A, “Relates to prohibiting police officers from carrying or using a firearm during any phase of the officer's official duties unless the officer has satisfactorily completed a course of training that meets or exceeds the minimum standards established by the municipal police training council.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05178A, [6/17/19](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against A Measure That Prohibited Police Officers From Carrying A Weapon Without Completing A Training Course. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10686, “Relates to prohibiting police officers from carrying or using a weapon during any phase of the officer's official duties unless the officer has satisfactorily completed a course of training that meets or exceeds the minimum standards established by the municipal police training council.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10686, [6/17/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring CPR Training For Police Officers

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Biennial CPR Training For Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04974, “Establishes Briana's law requiring biennial CPR training for police officers.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04974, [6/11/13](#)]

However, Garbarino Voted For The Bill In 2014

2014: Garbarino Voted For Requiring Biennial CPR Training For Police Officers. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A04974, “Establishes Briana’s law requiring biennial CPR training for police officers.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04974, [2/11/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Developing Child-Sensitive Arrest Policies

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Developing Child-Sensitive Arrest Policies And Procedures. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01507, “Directs the superintendent of state police to develop and institute child-sensitive arrest policies and procedures for instances where police are arresting an individual who is a parent, guardian or other person legally charged with the care or custody of a child.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01507, [3/14/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent In The Event A Child Is Arrested

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent Of Guardian In The Event A Child Is Arrested. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03159, “Relates to the issuance of arrest warrants and appearance tickets upon a youth; provides for the police officer to immediately notify the parent or other person legally responsible for the care of such youth with whom the youth is domiciled that the youth has been arrested; provides further that the police officer need not notify the parent or other person legally responsible when such youth is not also a juvenile offender and the notification would endanger the health and safety of such youth.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03159, [6/11/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent Of Guardian In The Event A Child Is Arrested. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03545A, “Relates to the issuance of arrest warrants and appearance tickets upon a youth; provides for the police officer to immediately notify the parent or other person legally responsible for the care of such youth with whom the youth is domiciled that the youth has been arrested; provides further that the police officer need not notify the parent or other person legally responsible when such youth is not also a juvenile offender and the notification would endanger the health and safety of such youth.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03545A, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement To Provides Attention To The Medical And Mental Health Needs Of Detainees

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement To Provide Attention To The Medical And Mental Health Needs Of A Detainee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08226, “Provides that when a person is under arrest or otherwise in custody of a police officer, peace officer or other law enforcement representative or entity, such officer, representative or entity shall have a duty to provide attention to the medical and mental health needs of such person.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08226A, [6/11/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Police Training Council To Develop Policies Regarding Internet Technology

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Police Training Council To Develop Policies Regarding Internet Technology To Perpetuate Crimes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01348, “Requires the municipal police training council to develop policies and procedures regarding the use of internet technology and the use of such technology to perpetuate harassment or other crimes.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01348, [5/30/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Right Of New Yorkers To Record Law Enforcement Activities

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A1360A, “The purpose of this legislation is to unambiguously affirm, by statutory enactment, the right of New Yorkers to record, with expressed exceptions, the actions of persons acting under the color of law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01360A, [4/30/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The Right Of New Yorkers To Records Police Activity.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02448, “Relates to recording certain law enforcement activities; provides that a person not under arrest or in the custody of a law enforcement official has the right to record police activity and to maintain custody and control of that recording and of any property or instruments used by that person to record police activities, however, a person in custody or under arrest does not, by that status alone, forfeit such right to record.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02448, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement Officers To Report An Incident Where They Discharged Their Weapon

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement Officers Who Discharge Their Weapon With A Bullet To Report The Incident. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00927A, “Requires a law enforcement officer or peace officer who discharges his or her weapon under circumstances where a person could be struck by a bullet to immediately report the incident to his or her superiors.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00927A, [2/11/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement Officers Who Discharge Their Weapon With A Bullet To Report The Incident. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03574, “Requires a law enforcement officer or peace officer who discharges his or her weapon under circumstances where a person could be struck by a bullet to immediately report the incident to his or her superiors.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03574, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Division Of Criminal Justice To Report The Number Of Untested Sexual Offense Evidence Kits

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Division Of Criminal Justice Services To Report The Number Of Untested Sexual Offense Evidence Kits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04801, “Directs the Division of Criminal Justice Services to report the number of untested sexual offense evidence collection kits (rape kits) being stored by law enforcement agencies to the Governor and to the Legislature.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04801, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Improved Police Officers Training And Background Tests

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Improved Police Officer Training And Background Tests. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10614, “To amend the Executive Law and the General Municipal Law to provide for improved police officer training and hiring by expanding the law enforcement agencies eligible for accreditation by the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council, requiring annual firearms and other weapons training for police officers, and mandating that all police agencies conduct a fingerprint based background check on applicants being considered for employment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10614, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Also Voted Against Common-Sense Prison Reform

Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Segregated Confinement

Southern Poverty Law Center: “Solitary Confinement: Inhumane, Ineffective, And Wasteful”

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Numerous Studies Showed That Solitary Confinement Harms A Person’s Mental And Physical Health.

“Numerous studies have shown that solitary confinement harms a person’s mental and physical health, as well as the community to which the person eventually returns. People in solitary, in fact, attempt suicide at a much higher rate than those in the general population. What’s more, solitary is disproportionately used for people with mental illnesses, people of color, and people with disabilities.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

Solitary Confinement Did Not Improve Public Safety. “Solitary confinement does not improve public safety. Studies show that when people who have been in solitary return to their communities, they are more likely to commit crimes than those who were not subjected to it. Other states have recognized the wasteful and destructive nature of solitary confinement and have adopted more humane and less costly alternatives.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

Solitary Confinement Disproportionality Harmed Young People And People With Disabilities

Solitary Confinement Harmed Incarcerated Youth. “Research has shown that juveniles are less equipped to handle the stresses associated with solitary confinement than adults, putting them at greater risk of severe psychological damage. Placing juveniles in solitary confinement has been widely condemned by human rights organizations for this reason. Because young people are still developing both mentally and psychologically, traumatic experiences like solitary confinement can have profound impacts on their ability to rehabilitate. During adolescence and into a person’s mid-20s, the part of the brain responsible for cognitive processing is still developing. Isolation can damage these crucial developmental processes.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

Solitary Confinement Was Damaging To People With Disabilities. “Solitary confinement also can exacerbate disabilities, as individuals with physical disabilities typically have unique health care needs but may be denied regular access to medical care when in solitary confinement. Conditions of solitary confinement are especially harmful for people with sensory disabilities. Deaf and hard of hearing people make up a substantial portion of the state prison population – 13 to 20 percent of people in prison experience significant hearing loss. Such individuals might experience profound and heightened isolation in solitary confinement due not only to the sensory and social deprivation in solitary, but also because of their disabilities. Those who are deaf or hard of hearing may not be able to have even the informal conversations that others in solitary confinement may engage in by yelling. They also may have impaired language processing that can further diminish their access to adequate health care and other services which are already harder to access in solitary.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

However, Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting The Use Of Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01905A, “Relates to segregated confinement; prohibits segregated confinement for certain persons. [...] Except as provided in paragraphs (d) [and], (e), (g) and (h) of this subdivision, as a measure of last resort, the superintendent of a state correctional facility, under supervision of the commissioner, or the sheriff of a local correctional facility may keep any inmate confined in a cell or room, apart from the accommodations provided for inmates who are participating in programs of the facility, for such minimal period as may be necessary for maintenance of order or discipline, but in any such case the following conditions shall be observed:(g) Segregated confinement is prohibited for the following inmates: (i) juveniles under the age of twenty-one;(ii) any person with a mental illness or a developmental disability as defined in section 1.03 of the

mental hygiene law; and (iii) any person who has a permanent physical disability documented in his or her medical records that substantially limits one or more major life activities. For the purposes of this subdivision, ‘major life activities’ means functions such as walking, seeing, hearing and speaking.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01905A, [2/14/17](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01346B, “Relates to segregated confinement; prohibits segregated confinement for certain persons. [...] Except as provided in paragraphs (d) [and], (e), (g) and (h) of this subdivision, as a measure of last resort, the superintendent of a state correctional facility, under supervision of the commissioner, or the sheriff of a local correctional facility may keep any inmate confined in a cell or room, apart from the accommodations provided for inmates who are participating in programs of the facility, for such minimal period as may be necessary for maintenance of order or discipline, but in any such case the following conditions shall be observed:(g) Segregated confinement is prohibited for the following inmates: (i) juveniles under the age of twenty-one;(ii) any person with a mental illness or a developmental disability as defined in section 1.03 of the mental hygiene law; and (iii) any person who has a permanent physical disability documented in his or her medical records that substantially limits one or more major life activities. For the purposes of this subdivision, ‘major life activities’ means functions such as walking, seeing, hearing and speaking.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01346B, [6/15/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Restricting The Use Of Segregated Confinements And Creating Rehabilitative Confinement Options

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Restricting The Use Of Segregated Confinement And Creating Rehabilitative Confinement Options In Prison. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03080B, “Restricts the use of segregated confinement and creates alternative therapeutic and rehabilitative confinement options; limits the length of time a person may be in segregated confinement and excludes certain persons from being placed in segregated confinement.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03080B, [3/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Torture And Improper Treatment Of Prisoners By Health Professionals

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Torture And Improper Treatment Of Prisoners By Health Care Professionals. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01192, “Prohibits participation in torture and improper treatment of prisoners by health care professionals; prohibits a health care professional from engaging, assisting, planning the torture or improper treatment of a prisoner; requires health care professionals to report torture and improper treatment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01192, [5/21/19](#)]

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Garbarino Was Heavily Backed By Major Law Enforcement Associations In New York

Throughout His Campaigns, Garbarino Was Endorsed By Various Law Associations In New York

2020: Garbarino Was Endorsed By The Police Benevolent Association Of New York State

2020: The Police Benevolent Association Of New York State Endorsed Garbarino. “🚒NEW ENDORSEMENT 🚒 I am proud to have the endorsement of the Police Benevolent Association of New York State! I will continue to stand strong with Law Enforcement and #BacktheBlue in the face of radical calls to ‘Defund the Police.’ #GarbarinoForCongress #TheLawEnforcementCandidate ###” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/8/20](#)]



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2020: Garbarino Was Endorsed By The Detectives' Endowment Association

2020: The Detectives' Endowment Association Endorsed Garbarino. “🚒ENDORSEMENT ALERT 🚒 I am proud to announce that I have been endorsed by the Detectives' Endowment Association! I have been a strong supporter of Law Enforcement throughout my time in the NYS Assembly, and I will continue to #BacktheBlue in Washington! It is truly an honor to have these brave men and women put their trust in me to fight for them. #TheLawEnforcementCandidate #GarbarinoForCongress” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/9/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/9/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Was Endorsed By The Suffolk County Superior Officers Association

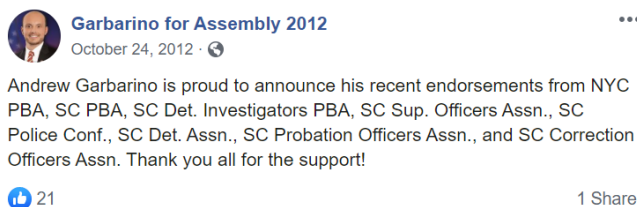
2020: Suffolk County Superior Officers Association Endorsed Garbarino. “ **ENDORSEMENT ALERT**  I'm honored to announce that I have been endorsed by the Suffolk County Superior Officers Association! I have always been a proud supporter our brave men and women in Law Enforcement, and I will continue to have their back in Washington. While some prioritize the needs of criminals, I remain proud to #BacktheBlue and stand for public safety. Thank you, SOA, for putting your trust in me — I won't let you down! #GarbarinoForCongress #TheLawEnforcementCandidate ###” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/16/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/16/20](#)]

2012: Garbarino Was Endorsed By Varying New York Law Enforcement Associations—including The NYC Police Benevolent Association

2012: Garbarino Was Endorsed By New York Law Enforcement Organizations. “Andrew Garbarino is proud to announce his recent endorsements from NYC PBA, SC PBA, SC Det. Investigators PBA, SC Sup. Officers Assn., SC Police Conf., SC Det. Assn., SC Probation Officers Assn., and SC Correction Officers Assn. Thank you all for the support!” [Garbarino for Assembly 2012, Facebook, [10/24/12](#)]



[Garbarino for Assembly 2012, Facebook, [10/24/12](#)]

New York Law Enforcement Organizations Were One Of Garbarino’s Top Campaign Donors

2012 – 2020: Garbarino’s Assembly Campaign Received A Total Of \$39,100 From Law Enforcement Associations

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Garbarino Law Enforcement Association Contributions	
Contributor	Total Amount
SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOC OF POLICE DEPT SUF CTY INC	\$7,300.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY PBA PAC	\$6,425.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFFS PBA PAC	\$3,650.00
SC DETECTIVES ASSOC INC PAC ACCOUNT	\$3,200.00
CORRECTION OFFICERS BENEVOLENT ASSOC PAC	\$2,000.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY CORRECTION OFFICERS ASSOC PAC	\$1,750.00
MTA PBA PAC FUND	\$1,500.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY PBA	\$1,050.00
SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOC POLICE DEPT CTY OF SFK PAC	\$1,050.00
DETECTIVE ASSOC INC POLICE DEPT CTY OF NASSAU PAC	\$1,000.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY CORRECTION OFFICERS ASSOC	\$1,000.00
SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOCIATION POLICE DEPT.	\$1,000.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY CORRECTION OFFICERS ASSOCIATION INC	\$950.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY CORRECTION OFFICERS ASSOC INC PAC	\$925.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY DETECTIVES ASSOCIATION INC	\$900.00
S.C. DETECTIVES ASSOC, INC	\$850.00
SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOC NCPD PEC	\$850.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY DETECTIVE INVESTIGATORS PBA PAC	\$650.00
NASSAU COUNTY PBA PAC	\$500.00
SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOC NASSAU CTY POLICE DEP PEC	\$500.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFFS PBA PAC	\$500.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY PROBATION OFFICERS ASSOC PAC	\$350.00
POLICE CONFERENCE OF NY INC PAC	\$250.00
NYS SSOCIATION OF PBAS	\$250.00
NYS TROOPERS PAC	\$250.00
SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOC NASSAU CTY POLICE DEPT	\$250.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY DETECTIVE INV PBA INC	\$100.00
SUFFOLK COUNTY COURT EMPLOYEES ASSOC INC PAC	\$100.00
TOTAL	\$39,100.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/29/20](#)]

Garbarino Received \$7,300 From The Superior Officers Association Of The Police Department Of Suffolk County—Making Them One Of Garbarino’s Top Overall Donors. The Superior Officers Association of Suffolk County contributed a total of \$7,300 to Garbarino’s campaign and they were Garbarino’s 7th highest contributor. [New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/29/20](#)]

Garbarino Received \$6,425 From The Suffolk County PBA PAC. The Suffolk County PBA PAC contributed a total of \$6,425.00 to Garbarino’s campaign and they were his 10th highest contributor. [New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/29/20](#)]

Law Enforcement Associations Were The Second Largest Industry Contributing To Garbarino's Assembly Campaign. Top industries of Garbarino's contributors included: assorted businesses (\$45,325.00), law enforcement associations (\$39,100.00), and labor unions (\$35,425.00). [New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/29/20](#)]

Garbarino Career Top Industry		
Rank	Industry	Total
1	Assorted Businesses	\$45,325.00
2	Law Enforcement Associations	\$39,100.00
3	Labor Unions	\$35,425.00
4	Legal	\$26,500.00
5	Construction & Landscaping	\$21,925.00
6	Republican	\$20,375.00
7	Non-Health Insurance	\$17,175.00
8	Real Estate	\$14,300.00
9	Gaming	\$9,750.00
10	Transportation & Auto	\$9,625.00
11	Health Professionals	\$6,400.00
12	Tourism & Recreation	\$4,975.00
13	Pharma	\$3,750.00
14	Health Insurance	\$3,250.00
15	Gas & Electric	\$2,700.00
16	Lobbyists	\$2,300.00
17	Educational	\$2,200.00
18	Financial	\$2,100.00
19	Telecommunications	\$2,000.00
20	Tobacco	\$1,000.00
21	Agriculture	\$550.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/29/20](#)]

Garbarino Was A Career Politician And A Republican Insider

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino was a career politician that was elected to the New York State Assembly at age 27 and has served his district for the past 8 years*
- ✓ *Garbarino had deep ties to the local Republican Party*
 - ✓ *Since 2016, Garbarino's father has served as the Islip Republican Chairman and has been active in local Republican politics since the 1980s*
 - ✓ *Garbarino had close ties to the Tantone family, a prominent Islip Republican family*
 - ✓ *Garbarino was described as a "scion of a prominent GOP family"*
- ✓ *Garbarino was a close ally to New York Republican Representatives Lee Zeldin and Pete King*
 - ✓ *Garbarino was a longtime supporter of Lee Zeldin and stated that Zeldin convinced him to run for Congress*
 - ✓ *Garbarino met with Pete King to discuss policy and campaign strategy*
- ✓ *Garbarino was backed by prominent national Republicans*
 - ✓ *Garbarino received support from high-profile Republicans like House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy and Representative Steve Scalise*
 - ✓ *As of May 2020, Republican PACs and committees were among Garbarino's top congressional campaign contributors*
 - ✓ *Garbarino's campaign consultant was a longtime Republican political strategist*
- ✓ *Garbarino pledged to support Donald Trump's conservative agenda*

Garbarino Was A Career Politician

Garbarino Has Served In The New York State Assembly Since 2013

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"Garbarino, who was just 27 years old when he was elected to the Assembly, relies on the critical-thinking skills he developed in law school as he navigates his first term representing the 7th District." [Hofstra University, [8/1/14](#)]

Garbarino Has Since Won Each Of His Re-Election Bids, Serving For A Total Of Four Terms

2020: Garbarino Served His Fourth Term In The State Assembly. “Serving in his fourth term as Assemblyman, Garbarino has taken on several positions of leadership.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [5/28/20](#)]

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Electoral History				
Year	Office	Candidates	Results	Garbarino Margin
2018	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	56.8%	+16.8%
		Thomas Murray (D)	39.9%	
2016	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	58.7%	+29.6%
		Nickolas Gambini (D)	29.1%	
2014	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	63.9%	+35.8%
		Deborah Pfeiffer (D)	28.1%	
2012	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	50.2%	+12.0%
		Christopher Bodkin (D)	38.2%	

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Garbarino Served As The Ranking Minority Member Of The Committee On Insurance

Garbarino Served As The Ranking Minority Member Of The Committee On Insurance And Was A Member Of The Codes, Health, Higher Education, And Racing And Wagering Committees. “He is the Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Insurance. He also sits on the Codes, Health, Higher Education, and Racing and Wagering Committees.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [5/28/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino: “I Always Wanted To Be A Congressman”

VIDEO: Garbarino: “I Always Wanted To Be A Congressman.” “[4:49] Why am I running? It’s funny when Peter King announced he wasn’t going to run; I didn’t want to run at first. I always wanted to be a congressman, I went to school in DC, but when he announced I didn’t wanna run. I said to myself, I am in the Assembly, I’m a ranking Republican on the Insurance Committee, I’m on this National Legislative Insurance board, I’m helping people. I’ve made good friends, good connections with people up in Albany. When a constituent calls my office, I can help them. I can help them with their liquor authority problem, I can help them with their Medicaid issue, I can help them with the Department of State, I can help them with their state ed issues.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

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Assemblyman Dean Murray Was Picked For The Nomination Over Garbarino. “Suffolk Republicans at their convention Thursday night named Assemb. Dean Murray as their candidate to succeed retiring GOP Sen. Tom Croci in the Third State Senate District to help preserve the party’s majority in November’s election. [...] Murray was chosen before about 100 party activists at the Selden Fire Department over fellow GOP Assemb. Andrew Garbarino based on the recommendation of Senate Majority Leader John Flanagan (R-East Northport).

Local GOP leaders deferred to Senate Republicans as they have extensive polling data and are expected to fund the bulk of the campaign.” [Newsday, 6/1/18]

2017: Garbarino Was Screened For A Seat On The Islip Town Board

Garbarino Was Screened For A Seat On The Islip Town Board. “After five years in Albany, Assemb. Andrew Garbarino is looking to come home. Garbarino, 32, was one of 18 contenders a week ago to screen for an Islip Town Board seat that is likely to become open because GOP incumbent Steve Flotteron is looking to run for the county legislature seat of term-limited Tom Barraga. The other town board seat up for election is held by Trish Bergin-Weichbrodt, who is seeking another term. Garbarino, of Bayport, said he has been encouraged to run by many who work in Town Hall. He said he believes his knowledge of zoning and land use issues would be valuable as the board faces major issues such as the Heartland Town Square project.” [Newsday, 5/1/17]

Garbarino Was Not Chosen By The Local GOP To Run For Islip Town Board. “For the two open spots on the Islip Town Board, 22 people were screened by the GOP, including Garbarino’s son, state Assemb. Andrew Garbarino of Sayville, who was not chosen to run for local office. ‘After we looked at all the candidates, we decided that it was for the good of the organization, for the party and for the community that we decided James would be a good fit for the town board at this time,’ Bill Garbarino said in a phone interview. ‘Andrew is doing good in Albany and in his district, and he will stay there at this time.’” [Newsday, 6/2/17]

Garbarino Had Deep Ties To The Local Republican Party

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2018: William Garbarino—Garbarino’s Father—Was The Islip Republican Chairman. “Garbarino, 33, a lawyer from Bayport, is the more low-key of the two. He is also the son of Islip Republican chairman William Garbarino, who would love to see his son advance. Andrew Garbarino said that although his father’s position ‘doesn’t hurt,’ he noted that he first won election before his father became party leader.” [Newsday, 5/13/18]

2012: William Garbarino Was The Vice Chairman Of The Islip Republican Party. “Garbarino and Solages have family political pedigrees. Garbarino’s father is vice chairman of the Islip Republican Committee and a former candidate for the Suffolk County Legislature.” [Newsday, 12/9/12]

2019: William Garbarino Was Elected As The Suffolk County GOP Treasurer

2019: William Garbarino Was Elected To Suffolk County GOP Treasurer—After He Was Nominated By His Son, Andrew Garbarino. “Suffolk County Republicans have re-elected Jesse Garcia as party chairman and tapped two longtime town party leaders for party leadership roles. [...] William Garbarino, the Islip GOP leader, was elected county GOP treasurer after he was officially nominated by his son, Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville).” [Newsday, [9/25/16](#)]

William Garbarino Has Run For Office Multiple Times As A Republican, But Ultimately Lost Each Bid

2013: William Garbarino Was In Line For A State Supreme Court Nomination—But Did Not Get Nominated. “Garbarino also has taken his own hard knocks. He blames McGowan for a lack of help for his narrow loss against Lindsay. And two years ago, Garbarino originally stepped down as the party’s first vice chair because he was in line for a state Supreme Court judicial nomination, only to see it go to a Huntington candidate at the last minute. Yet Garbarino’s son, Andrew, with his father’s help, won an assembly seat in 2012 and is serving his second term. Garbarino acknowledges that his prospects for leader as well as Tantone’s judicial nomination are not yet assured. But he takes his setbacks in stride. ‘Sometimes things happen, but it doesn’t mean it isn’t painful’

Garbarino said. ‘I may not have liked some of the results, but maybe God had something else planned.’” [Newsday, 9/20/13]

2001: William Garbarino Ran For Suffolk Legislature And Lost To Democrat IBEW Leader Bill Lindsay.

“Two decades later, Garbarino tried again, losing narrowly in 2001 to IBEW labor leader Bill Lindsay by just 78 votes. Lindsay went on to become the longest-serving presiding officer in the Suffolk Legislature before his death while in office two years ago.” [Newsday, 9/20/15]

William Garbarino’s Election Was Supported By Pasquale Curcio—Who’s Election As Chairman Was Thrown Out In A Court Ruling. “Conservatives may be warring among themselves, but they are not putting Republican legislative candidate William Garbarino in their crossfire. Not only is embattled Suffolk Conservative chairman Pasquale Curcio backing Garbarino, but so is Curcio's arch-foe, Smithtown Highway Superintendent Dan Donnelly. Donnelly said he will not try to stop Curcio from giving Garbarino authorization to run on the Conservative line even though he feels it violates the recent court ruling throwing out Curcio's election as chairman last September.” [Newsday, 3/8/01]

1985: William Garbarino Made His First Run For Suffolk Legislature. “William Garbarino made his first race for public office in 1985 running for the Suffolk Legislature in the aftermath of Hurricane Gloria, losing to a little-known Democrat, Steve Levy, who won with an anti-LILCO ballot line. Levy went on to become county executive and a GOP contender for governor.” [Newsday, 9/20/15]

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Garbarino Thanked His Father When He Won His First Election For The New York Assembly. “I want to thank my family and all of my supporters for all they've done to help make this happen. I would especially like to thank my father, Phil Garbarino. I couldn't have done this without his support, and I'd be nowhere in this world without my dad.” [Suffolk County News, 11/8/12]

Former Islip GOP Chairman’s Son Served As Garbarino’s Chief Of Staff

2013: Frank A. Tantone Was The Islip GOP Committee Chairman

Frank A. Tantone Was The Islip GOP Committee Chairman. “Islip GOP Committee chairman Frank A. Tantone, who recently turned down a consulting contract with the Town of Islip, has been reappointed as prosecuting attorney for the Village of Islandia. Tantone, a lawyer in private practice, was reappointed by a unanimous board vote Tuesday night to a one-year term to a post he's held since 2010.” [Newsday, 4/5/13]

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Frank J. Tantone—Frank A. Tantone’s Son—Served As Garbarino’s Chief Of Staff. “Other Tantone relatives on the public payroll are his wife, Claudia Tantone, a district director for state Sen. Philip Boyle (R-Bay Shore); and his son, Frank J. Tantone, chief of staff in the district office for Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville).” [Newsday, 4/5/13]

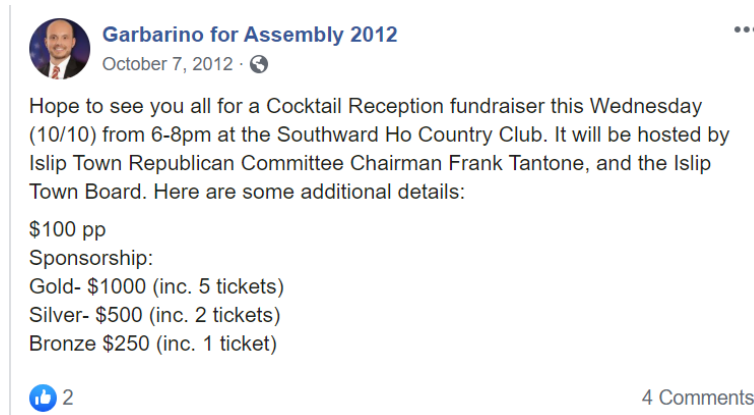
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Tantone Led A GOP Faction In Islip That Revived The Party. “Tantone led a GOP faction that revived the party a year ago after Democrats had taken over Town Hall following the jailing of former GOP Supervisor Pete McGowan for misusing his \$1 million campaign fund. Despite the reform mantle he took on, Tantone is no stranger to the patronage system that rewards party activists who gather petitions, raise money and knock on doors for the town slate. Tantone is a former head of the town planning board, his wife works for state Sen. Philip Boyle, and his

son just started working for newly elected Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville). Tantone said he and the others were all qualified.” [Newsday, 2/3/13]

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Garbarino Was The “Scion Of A Prominent GOP Family”

Garbarino Was The “Scion Of A Prominent GOP Family.” “Revitalized Islip Republicans, who won back town hall last year, are putting up first-time contender Andrew Garbarino, 27, a Sayville attorney, who has four ballot lines to Bodkin's one. Garbarino is the scion of a prominent GOP family.” [Newsday, 9/9/12]

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2012: Garbarino Was Active In Revitalizing The Islip GOP. “Meanwhile on the South Shore, a last-minute switch by Assemb. Philip Boyle (R-Bay Shore) to seek to replace retiring GOP Sen. Owen Johnson of West Babylon created an open seat in the 7th District. There, former Islip Town board member Christopher Bodkin, a Republican-turned-Democrat, is facing attorney Andrew Garbarino, who's been active in revitalizing Islip's GOP.” [Newsday, 10/31/12]

Garbarino’s Campaign Received Support From Local Republican Committees

Suffolk County Republican Chairman Approved Of Garbarino’s Campaign. “King's seat spans Suffolk and Nassau counties. Garbarino got his candidacy's blessing from Suffolk Republican chairman Jesse Garcia and Nassau Republican chairman Joseph Cairo. The 2nd CD includes the townships of Hempstead, Oyster Bay, Babylon and Islip.” [Suffolk County News, 2/6/20]

February 2020: The Nassau And Suffolk County GOP Endorsed Garbarino. “I’m honored to receive the endorsement of the Nassau and Suffolk County GOP. This is a great way to kickoff our campaign, and I have no doubt that I can build on the great work done in Congress by my friend, Pete King. Join me – and together, we will send a new generation of leadership to Washington.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [2/6/20](#)]



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February 2020: Garbarino Was Endorsed By Long Island Republican Leaders. “Long Island Republican leaders on Tuesday announced they are backing Assemb. Andrew Garbarino as their candidate to run for the seat of Rep. Peter King, but a fight for the nomination is still possible. [...] ‘The Republican parties of Nassau and Suffolk [counties] are united in their support of Andrew Garbarino to make this run to succeed our great, current Representative in Congress, Peter King,’ Suffolk GOP Chairman Jesse Garcia said in a statement. ‘Andrew has been a great assemblyman and he is going to be a terrific congressman.’” [Newsday, 2/5/20]

New York Republican Chairman Endorsed Garbarino. “New York Republican Chairman Nick Langworthy today endorsed Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino, the Party’s official designee, in New York’s Second Congressional District. Garbarino is running in an open seat to replace retiring Congressman Peter King (R—Seaford).” [Levittown Tribune, 2/19/20]

Garbarino Was A Close Ally Of Republican Congressmen Lee Zeldin And Pete King

Garbarino Was Convinced By Lee Zeldin To Run For Congress

VIDEO: Garbarino Was Convinced To Run For Congress By Congressman Lee Zeldin. “[5:54] At first, I didn’t want to do it, I was struggling with the idea. I was thinking, ‘Can I do this? Should I do this? I’m in a good spot.’ And it was actually Congressman Zeldin, he called me up and said, ‘what are you thinking, are you gonna do it are you not gonna do it?’ and I told him this, I said, ‘Lee, I’m not sure. I’m in a good spot in Albany, I like what I’m doing, I’m helping people... I was in a good place and I wanted to continue doing that.’ Lee told me, he said, ‘You know Andrew, when I ran back in 2014, I was in a good spot in Albany, I was helping people, I was getting bills passed, I was doing really good things.’ [...] He was doing all these good things, and you know what he said to me? ‘I went to DC and I’m doing good things here. He goes, “Yes, Andrew, you might be doing good things in Albany, but you can do good things here, you can do it at a bigger level, and help more people.’ So, when he said that to me that was really, that made me do it.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

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Garbarino Spoke To Prominent New York Republicans—Like Lee Zeldin—When Deciding To Run. “I woke up on Veterans Day when Peter King announced his retirement, and had all these text messages and phone calls saying, ‘you should look at this.’ Also, political consultant Mike Dawidziak was asked that day who could be possible replacements and he named Legis. Tom Cilmi, state Sen. Phil Boyle and me. I like to do my research and

weigh the pros and cons. One of the things you have to do is raise money. So I called the people who supported me for my first assembly run and they all said, 'you have to do it.' I'm comfortable and in a safe seat right now, but it's not always about being comfortable. The risks include not running for assembly re-election if I'm a nominee. [Congressman] Lee Zeldin called me one Saturday and I had a 40-minute conversation with him. He was in a safe seat in the Senate and took the risk of running for Congress.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

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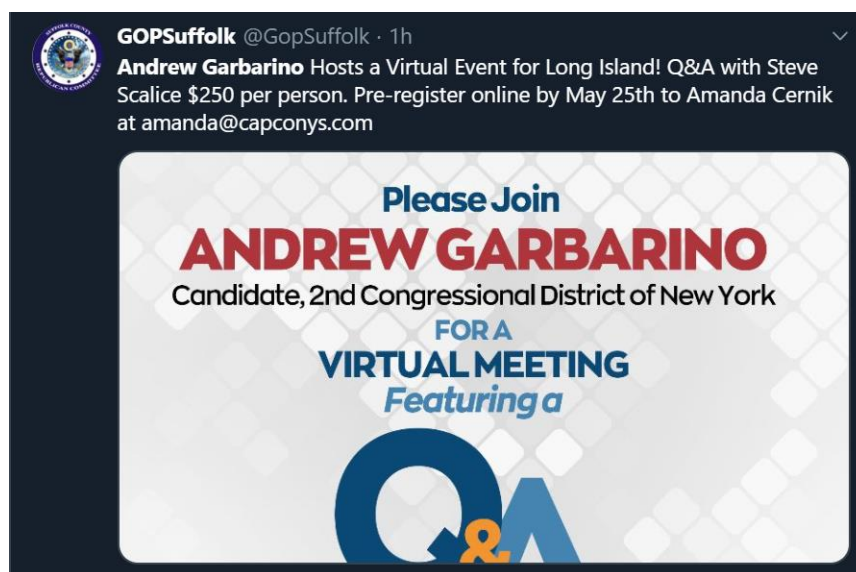
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Schriefer Was A Long Time Republican Political Strategist Who Worked Dozens Of Republican Politicians, Including George H.W. Bush, George W. Bush, And Mitt Romney. “Veteran political strategist Russ Schriefer has been shaping winning campaign messages for more than three decades. He’s held key roles in seven presidential campaigns, including the campaigns of President George H.W. Bush, President George W. Bush, and Mitt Romney, and has helped guide dozens of Representatives, Senators, and Governors to office. [...] A partial list of his additional candidates includes: Governor Chris Christie, Governor Asa Hutchinson, Governor Mary Fallin, Governor Bill Weld, Governor Paul Cellucci, Governor Tom Ridge, Governor Bob Riley, Senator Dan Coats, Senator Johnny Isakson, Senator Richard Lugar, Senator John Cornyn, and Senator Roy Blunt. Russ started his career in politics working as a Legislative Assistant, Press Secretary, and Chief of Staff on Capitol Hill, and managing campaigns at the NRCC and the NRSC.” [Strategic Partners Media, accessed [5/27/20](#)]

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Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 73.3% From The Conservative Party Of New York

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2018: Garbarino Received A 70% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2017: Garbarino Received A 72% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2016: Garbarino Received A 75% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2015: Garbarino Received A 76% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2014: Garbarino Received A 60% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2013: Garbarino Received A 80% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Garbarino Used His Relationships And Status To Benefit His Own Interests

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino's professional achievements were tightly linked to his father*
 - ✓ *After he graduated law school, Garbarino went on to work for his father's law firm*
 - ✓ *Garbarino served as counsel for a scholarship foundation that his father chaired*
 - ✓ *Garbarino's father has been highly involved in Long Island GOP politics, something that Garbarino said "doesn't hurt"*
- ✓ *Some have questioned if conflicts of interest exist between the Garbarinos' legal work and their political ties*
 - ✓ *Garbarino and his father practiced real estate law, mainly representing private-sector clients to local planning and development boards*
 - ✓ *In 2018, Garbarino assured the public that there was no conflict between his job in the Assembly and his private legal work*
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Garbarino's Professional Achievements Were Tightly Linked To His Father

After Garbarino Graduated Law School, He Worked For His Father's Law Firm

Garbarino Worked At His Father's Local Law Firm—The Law Offices Of William R. Garbarino

2020: Garbarino Worked At His Father's Local Law Firm. "The Garbarino family goes back in this area three generations. We've owned small businesses from Bayshore to Patchogue. My grandfather and great uncle owned local grocery stores, my uncle - the local deli, and my dad - the local law firm, where I currently work." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Garbarino Was Counsel For A Scholarship Foundation That His Father Chaired

Garbarino Was Counsel To A Foundation That Provided Scholarships

Garbarino Was Counsel For The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation. “Garbarino is counsel for the Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation, which awards over \$25,000 per year in local scholarships to high school students.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

William R. Garbarino Was The Chairman Of The Foundation

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Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation. See instructions				
(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
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[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Garbarino’s Father Was Highly Involved In Local Republican Politics

William Garbarino—Garbarino’s Father—Was The Islip Republican Party Chairman

2018: William Garbarino—Garbarino’s Father—Was The Islip Republican Chairman. “Garbarino, 33, a lawyer from Bayport, is the more low-key of the two. He is also the son of Islip Republican chairman William Garbarino, who would love to see his son advance. Andrew Garbarino said that although his father's position ‘doesn't hurt,’ he noted that he first won election before his father became party leader.” [Newsday, 5/13/18]

2012: William Garbarino Was The Vice Chairman Of The Islip Republican Party. “Garbarino and Solages have family political pedigrees. Garbarino's father is vice chairman of the Islip Republican Committee and a former candidate for the Suffolk County Legislature.” [Newsday, 12/9/12]

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Garbarino Stated That His Father’s Involvement In Local GOP Politics “Doesn’t Hurt”

2018: Garbarino Stated That His Father’s Position As Republican Chairman “Doesn’t Hurt.” “Garbarino, 33, a lawyer from Bayport, is the more low-key of the two. He is also the son of Islip Republican chairman William Garbarino, who would love to see his son advance. Andrew Garbarino said that although his father's position ‘doesn't hurt,’ he noted that he first won election before his father became party leader.” [Newsday, 5/13/18]

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2015: William Garbarino Represented Homeowners Seeking Modifications On Deed Covenants And Restrictions To The Islip Town Planning Board. “Attorney William Garbarino presented an application filed by homeowners Maria and Philip DeSimone for their property on the southeast corner of River Road and Woodhollow Road (South St.) in Great River. The applicant was seeking modification of deed covenants and restrictions on a two-family home they had purchased two years ago. However, since the building is not owner occupied, when they attempted to renew their permit they were told that these covenants and restrictions were in place. ‘They were told by the town that it was a legal two-family house,’ said Garbarino, who added that the new restrictions were recently added. ‘This property has been used as a two-family for 35 years. But, there was a covenant that was missed. This is a big hardship for these people,’ he said.” [Islip Bulletin, 4/16/15]

2014: William Garbarino Represented A Client In Front Of The Islip Town Planning Board Seeking A Change Of Zone For His Property. “At last Thursday's Islip Planning Board meeting, the owner of 95 Hiddink St. in Sayville, John Lorenzo, requested a change of zone for his property from Residence CAA District to General Service T District in order to operate a business on the premises. The applicant was also seeking a modification of deed covenants and restrictions, as well as site plan modification. The property is located on the north side of Hiddink St., 454.40 feet east of Lincoln Ave. William Garbarino, attorney for the applicant, said the building that was constructed in 1910 as a single family residence has gone through zone changes over the years. In 1995, it was changed to a two family dwelling. The current owner would like to use 400 square feet of space for his office. Garbarino said that the request was in keeping with other uses in the area that include other offices and retail businesses. ‘It's kept well, not a blight on the community,’ Garbarino added. ‘This application has merit.’” [Suffolk County News, 11/6/14]

Andrew Garbarino Represented Clients To Local Planning Boards

2013: The Planning Board Asked Brinkmann's To Reconsider The Scope Of Their Plans. “A longtime downtown business owner will have to wait a bit longer to move to another section of the hamlet. At last week's planning board meeting, an application for a change of zone ended in a reserved decision to reconsider the scope of the plans. The applicant, Sayville 226 LLC, requested the zone change for the property located on the west side of Railroad Avenue, 179 feet north of Swayze Street. Three parcels, which are now zoned Business District and Residence B District would need to be changed to all Business District in order to construct a new retail building there. Site plan modifications were also requested with the application.” [Suffolk County News, 10/31/13]

Garbarino Served As The Attorney For Brinkmann's Application. “The existing structures on the properties, which are currently considered blighted, would be demolished for this project. Andrew Garbarino, the attorney for the applicant, noted that the new building would provide 16, 000 square feet of retail space on the first floor and a little over 3, 000 square feet of office space on the second floor. He said it would be a vast

improvement over what presently exists. And he said that the project is consistent with the town's comprehensive downtown development plans.” [Suffolk County News, 10/31/13]

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2018: Garbarino Was An Attorney For Kelly Development. “Kelly Development attorney Andrew Garbarino also confirmed that the developers are in contract to purchase Outlaw Acres. Garbarino is a New York State assemblyman whose district includes the horse farm property. Garbarino also is the son of Islip Republican Chairman William Garbarino.” [Newsday, 9/25/18]

Garbarino Confirmed That Developers Were Looking To Buy Outlaw Acres Farm To Build Senior-Owned Homes. “Owners of a Bayport horse farm are in contract with a developer who wants to convert the property into a complex of senior-owned homes, Islip officials said, but neighbors say the proposal would add traffic to an already busy street near two schools. [...] Records show Michael Bulzomi and Rita Gambino purchased the Outlaw Acres property in 1995. Outlaw Acres, according to its website, is a business that offers horses for sale and riding lessons. Kelly Development attorney Andrew Garbarino also confirmed that the developers are in contract to purchase Outlaw Acres. Garbarino is a New York State assemblyman whose district includes the horse farm property. Garbarino also is the son of Islip Republican Chairman William Garbarino.” [Newsday, 9/25/18]

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Garbarino Said There Was “No Conflict” With His Job In The Assembly And As A Lawyer In His District. “‘There is no conflict,’ Andrew Garbarino said of his dual role as a lawyer for the proposed development and a public official. ‘This application does not deal with New York State or any of its agencies.’” [Newsday, 9/25/18]

A Prominent Islip Republican Opposed William Garbarino’s Election As Party Chairman Due To Potential Conflict Of Interest With His Legal Work

A Prominent Islip Republican Opposed Garbarino’s Election To Party Chairman Because Garbarino Often Appeared Before Town Zoning Boards For Private Clients. “The major reason Carpenter cited for opposing Garbarino was that the Sayville attorney often appears before various town zoning and planning boards for private clients, which the supervisor said posed a potential conflict of interest that would hurt the party with the public.

Garbarino said he and Carpenter did not discuss the issue at length in their meeting, but added there are legal opinions indicating it does not pose a conflict. ‘My position is there's no problem in appearing before the town,’ Garbarino said. ‘I do it with a clear conscience. I see no prohibitions.’ Carpenter called the issue ‘an open question,’ that needs more discussion. ‘I'm not saying we are going to be in lock step and agree on every issue, but there's going to communication,’ she said.” [Newsday, 11/8/16]

Islip Supervisor Angie Carpenter: “We Need A Chairman Who Does Not Bring Business Before The Board, Creating The Appearance Of A Conflict Of Interest.” “Islip Supervisor Angie Carpenter, citing the need for party stability, says she "cannot support" the election of acting town GOP leader William Garbarino as the next chairman because he represents clients as an attorney before the town. ‘We need a chairman who does not bring business before the board, thereby creating the appearance of a conflict of interest,’ said Carpenter in a letter to the town's nearly 300 committee members. ‘There is no place in the 21st century government for even a hint of impropriety, especially in these troubled times.’ Carpenter was joined in signing the letter by her GOP town board majority, John Cochrane Jr. and Steve Flotteron.” [Newsday, 6/17/16]

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2001: William Garbarino Served As Part Time Counsel For The Islip Housing Authority. “Garbarino has been counting on his lifelong ties in Sayville, where his family once owned a delicatessen. He has served as part-time counsel to the Islip housing authority for the past 14 years and has maintained a Main Street law practice for 27 years. Dozens of elected officials, including Republican County Executive Robert Gaffney, stumped for him.” [Newsday, 3/28/01]

Some Members Of The Community Opposed Projects That The Garbarino’s Pushed For Their Clients

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Residents Were Concerned About The Zone Change For Brinkmann’s Plan. “Susan Brosnan, who resides directly in back of the property, said she was concerned about those plans. ‘I’ve seen a lot of changes [in the area],’ Brosnan said. ‘I’m concerned about the zone change and how it would effect [the value] of our home. It’ll be a lot better that what’s there, but zoning could have an impact.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/31/13]

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Residents Opposed Construction Of The Proposed Apartment Building. “A few nearby residents then came forward to argue that the proposed building did not fit within the surrounding area. ‘This site is not appropriate for this parcel,’ said one resident who lives next door to the property on First Avenue. ‘It’s on a one-way congested street with no parking To put a building with that many people on a one-way street where children play isn’t appropriate. ‘It’s true that this area needs development, but this is not [a fit] for the neighborhood,’ she added. Another nearby resident living on East Main Street echoed similar sentiments, noting that a four-story building would ‘dwarf’ other buildings in the area and pose a threat to the safety of pedestrians and children on First Avenue.” [Islip Bulletin, 6/16/16]

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1991: William Garbarino Was Sued In A Class-Action Lawsuit For Building Homes That Were Built On A Live Stream And Prone To Flooding. “The secrets of the home lie in the basement, where the cement floor cracked and water started seeping in soon after Daryl Cerone's family moved into the brand-new house three years ago. The floor finally bulged up and broke into slabs of cement during the heavy rainfalls of last summer. There is a heavy, mildew odor in the air, and, on the broken cement, tracks of waste left by cesspool water that seeps periodically through the floor, Cerone said. With a sigh, Cerone, who is pregnant, sits down at her living room table upstairs and repeats the charge she made in a class-action lawsuit filed last year against the builder, William Garbarino, a lawyer who ran unsuccessfully as a Republican for a seat in the Suffolk County Legislature in 1985. ‘The house was built on a live stream,’ she said. ‘And the stream wants to come up.’ Cerone and a neighbor, Marion Youngblood, filed the lawsuit in State Supreme Court against Brookside Builders, Garbarino's company, charging the company knowingly built the 11-home Wood Acre's Valley subdivision on wetlands, said their attorney, Jerry Garguilo of St. James. The suit seeks an unspecified amount of compensation for monetary losses, the cost of the house if it's determined to be uninhabitable or compensation for expenses of fixing it.” [Newsday, 8/11/91]

William Garbarino Sought Permission To Build The Development In The Mid 1970s And The Town Knew The Area Was Prone To Flooding Yet Approved Garbarino’s Plan. “The case has yet to go to trial,

and Garbarino has not returned Newsday's telephone calls about the problem. However, a hefty file of paperwork kept in the Islip Town's Planning Department shows that as far back as the mid-1970s, when Garbarino sought permission to build the subdivision, town officials knew the area was in the watershed of Green's Creek. Neighbors who appeared at public meetings about the proposed subdivision complained that their homes were flooded each spring and each fall and that they suffered health problems from overflowing cesspools. Yet for some reason, even though the town's Department of Environmental Control recommended that Garbarino file an application to build on wetlands, he never did so, but he did receive permission to build." [Newsday, 8/11/91]

Garbarino Used His Power To Overturn A Ban On State Legislator Outside Earnings, So That He Could Reap The Benefits Of His Legal Work

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2019: Garbarino Filed A Petition With The New York Supreme Court To Overturn A Ban On State Legislators Earning Outside Income. "A group of New York State legislators has filed a petition in state Supreme Court in Albany seeking to overturn the New York State Compensation Committee's near-total ban on state legislators earning outside income. The following legislators have petitioned the Court: Senators Tom O'Mara and Robert Ort, and Assemblymen Brian Kolb, William Barclay, Gary Finch, Andrew Garbarino, Andrew Goodell, Stephen Hawley, Brian Manktelow, Angelo Morinello, and Anthony Palumbo. They contend that the Legislature authorized the Compensation Committee to determine only whether a legislative salary increase was warranted and, if so, to set new compensation levels. The committee's additional action implementing a near-total ban on a legislator's ability to earn an outside, private-sector income falls beyond the Committee's purview and violates the state Constitution, the legislators argue. The petition requests the Court to annul actions 'that restrict a legislator's ability to maintain outside employment that requires a fiduciary duty to the employer or a client and to earn outside income greater than 15 percent of the legislator salary' and to declare these provisions 'invalid, unconstitutional, and unenforceable.'" [Spectator, 3/3/19]

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2018: Following A Pay Raise, New York State Assembly Members Were Some Of The Highest Paid Legislators In The Country

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2018: Garbarino Reported Nearly \$70,000 In Income From His Legal Work

2018: Garbarino Reported \$69,292.40 In Earned Income From His Legal Work. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2018 Garbarino Earned Income		
Source	Type	Amount
State of New York	Salary	\$108,498.37
William R. Garbarino Esq	Salary	\$44,292.40
Andrew R. Garbarino Esq	Salary	\$25,000.00

[Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

Key Visuals

Video

VIDEO: Andrew Garbarino Criticized His Primary Opponent For Not Doing His Job In Albany. [0:00] It's day 2 in Albany, we're up here trying to reopen New York State. Sorry I have to talk about politics at this time but my opponent is accusing me of being a no-show politician who lines his pockets. Well, I'm up in Albany while Mike LiPietri is at home raising money from his parents basement. The self-anointed 'people's champion' should be in New York doing the people's work. I don't understand Mike, you shouldn't go an try to get new job until you've already done the one you have now. Peter King knows that, Lee Zeldin knows that, that's why they're in Washington, DC doing their job, that's why I'm in Albany doing our job. Get back to work, Mike." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/28/20](#)]

This Video Was Taken During The COVID-19 Pandemic And Garbarino Was Not Wearing A Mask.



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/28/20](#)]

VIDEO: Andrew Garbarino Facebook Live. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#); [5/15/20](#); [5/15/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino: "Send A Conservative Leader To Washington." "Now more than ever, we need strong conservative leadership in Washington. The primary election date is June 23rd, and you can vote in-person or by absentee ballot." Note, there is no sound on the video. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/19/20](#)]

VIDEO: Rep. Pete King Congratulates Andrew Garbarino On Receiving Chamber Of Commerce Endorsement. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, YouTube, [5/6/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Was Proud To Be Recognized By The NRCC. "I am proud to have earned the early recognition by the National Republican Congressional Committee for the strong campaign we are putting together on the ground to keep NY-02 in Republican hands. This is one of the most pivotal races in the country and it is

important we are unified going into Election Day this November.” Note, there is no sound on the video. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/28/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Was Honored To Have Representative Steve Scalise’s Endorsement. “I am honored to have the endorsement of House Republican Whip Rep. Congressman Steve Scalise. Since 2013, I have had the privilege of representing Long Island in Albany, where I have taken on the liberal machine. Now, it’s time to take on Nancy Pelosi and this do-nothing Congress that is more interested in resisting the President’s agenda rather than delivering results for the American people.” Note, there is no sound on the video. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/24/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Was Honored To Have House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy’s Endorsement. “I’m honored to have the endorsement of House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy. I have fought for Long Island in Albany and look forward to working Rep. McCarthy with him to make sure NY-02 has a voice in Congress come November.” Note, there is no sound on the video. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/19/20](#)]

VIDEO: Andrew Garbarino Endorsed By All New York GOP Representatives. “It’s a privilege to earn the endorsement of our New York State Congressional leaders. They have fought for their communities in Washington for years and I hope to follow in their footsteps come November. Nancy Pelosi and far-left Democrats in Washington are more focused on obstruction than results - now more than ever, we need someone who can build upon the great work of Rep. Pete King, our NYS Republican Delegation, and continue to deliver for our communities.” Note, there is no sound on the video. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/11/20](#)]

VIDEO: Andrew Garbarino For Congress Supporting Trump’s Agenda. “President Trump and Vice President Pence are making sure hard-working Americans - not career politicians - have a voice. In Congress, I’ll support their bold, conservative leadership and fight out-of-touch liberals, like Pelosi and AOC.” Note, there is no sound on the video. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/9/20](#)]

VIDEO: Congressman Zeldin Endorses Garbarino For Congress. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, [2/20/20](#)]

Images

Garbarino With Representative Pete King



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [2/9/20](#)]



[Pete King, Facebook, [2/21/20](#)]



[Pete King, Facebook, [2/14/20](#)]

Garbarino With Vice President Mike Pence



Work with President Trump to continue economic growth

I'm Andrew Garbarino, and I want to be Long Islan...

[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/19/20](#)]

Garbarino With Representative Lee Zeldin

2012: Garbarino Spoke At A Campaign Kick-Off Rally For Lee Zeldin's State Senate Campaign. "NYS Assembly Candidate Andrew Garbarino speaking at Senator Lee Zeldin's Campain Kick-off Rally." [Garbarino for Assembly 2012, Facebook, [9/12/12](#)]



[Garbarino for Assembly 2012, Facebook, [9/12/12](#)]

Garbarino With New York Republicans Filing Trump For Re-Election In New York

2020: Garbarino Was Present With New York Republicans Who Filed Trump For Re-Election In New York. "Chairman @NickLangworthy was joined today by @RepTomReed and @SheriffButchDC as they filed President @realDonaldTrump for re-election in NY. We're fully committed to giving our President the support he needs in Congress to continue our Great American Comeback! #KAG @TeamTrump." [New York GOP, Twitter, [2/24/20](#)]



[New York GOP, Twitter, [2/24/20](#)]



[New York GOP, Twitter, [2/24/20](#)]

Headlines

EDITORIAL HEADLINE: “Shame On Assemblyman Garbarino.” [Suffolk County News, Editorial, 1/24/13]

EDITORIAL: Garbarino Will “Hide Behind The Second Amendment.” “After 20 first-graders and six adults were each riddled by bullets from an assault rifle in Newtown, Connecticut; after multiple numbers of people were shot and killed from an assault rifle at a movie theatre in Aurora, Colo.; after a United States congresswoman, Gabrielle Giffords of Tucson, Ariz., was shot in the head and will never fully recover, and a member of her staff died in addition to a little girl; after the largest massacre of all of students and professors at Virginia Tech by an assault rifle and after a number of students and teachers were shot and killed by an assault rifle in Columbine, Colo., state Assemblyman Andrew R. Garbarino, Republican from the local 7th District, voted no in Albany against the broad gun control bill that was passed by both houses of the state Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Andrew Cuomo. [...] They'll hide behind the second amendment, but terrorism in any form will show them for what they really are.” [Suffolk County News, Editorial, 1/24/13]

Personal & Professional History

Biography

This section provides background information on Garbarino's personal life, including education, personal finances, criminal and civil record, and other areas. Searches were conducted with various local media in Suffolk County, media outlets including Newsday, Islip Bulletin, Suffolk County Times, as well as a number of other online resources, including Lexis-Nexis.

Birth Date

September 27, 1984

Education

BA (History and Classical Humanities), The George Washington University (2006)

JD, Hofstra University School of Law (2009)

Career

The following provides a brief overview of Garbarino's professional career:

Political

- **2013 – Present: New York State Assembly, District 7**
 - Ranking Minority Member, Committee on Insurance
 - Member, Committee on Codes
 - Member, Committee on Health
 - Member, Committee on Higher Education
 - Member, Committee on Racing and Wagering

Professional

- **2010 – Present: Attorney, Law Offices of William R. Garbarino**
- **Unknown: Counsel for Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation**

Organizations:

- **Member, Rotary Club**
- **Member, Knights of Columbus**
- **Parishioner, St. Lawrence Roman Catholic Church**

Licenses

- **2010-Present: Member of the New York Bar**

Criminal Record

Garbarino Did Not Have A Criminal Record

As Of May 2020, Garbarino Did Not Have A Criminal Record. [New York State Unified Court System, accessed [5/15/20](#)]

Judgments Or Liens

Garbarino Did Not Have Any Judgments Or Liens

Garbarino Did Not Have Any Judgments Or Liens. [LexisNexis Bankruptcy, Judgments & Liens Search, accessed 5/15/20]

Bankruptcy Filings

Garbarino Did Not File For Bankruptcy

Garbarino Did Not File For Bankruptcy. [LexisNexis Bankruptcy Filings, accessed 5/15/20]

Voter Registration & History

Garbarino Was Registered To Vote As A Republican

2020: Garbarino Was Registered To Vote In As A Republican. According to data from the New York Board of Elections, Andrew R. Garbarino was an active voter registered at 234 Fairview Ave, Bayport, NY as a Republican. Garbarino's voter registration was active and he first registered to vote on September 27, 2002. [New York Board of Elections, accessed 4/29/20]

Garbarino Was Registered In New York's 2nd District. [United State House of Representatives, accessed 4/29/20]

Voter History

According to New York Board of Elections, Garbarino's voting history is depicted below:

Andrew Garbarino Voting History								
	General	Primary	Muni Primary	Muni Runoff	Municipal	Pres Primary	Special	Special Primary
2019	Voted							
2018	Voted							
2017	Voted	Voted						
2016	Voted					Voted		
2015	Voted							
2014	Voted							
2013	Voted	Voted						
2012	Voted					Voted		
2011	Voted							
2010	Voted	Voted						
2009	Voted							
2008	Voted					Voted		
2007	Voted							
2006	Voted	Voted						
2005	Voted							

2004	Voted							
2003	Voted							
2002	Voted							

[New York Board of Elections, accessed 4/29/20]

Family

William Garbarino – Father

William Garbarino Employment History

William Garbarino Was An Attorney At The Law Offices Of William R. Garbarino. [Law Offices of William R. Garbarino, accessed [5/15/20](#)]

2016 – Present: William Garbarino Was The Islip Republican Chairman. “William Garbarino, who has been the acting Islip Republican chairman since June, was voted in as the new town GOP leader Wednesday night at a party convention in Bay Shore. ‘It went very nicely,’ Garbarino said of the 7 p.m. event that drew about 100 people. ‘We’re unified as a town committee and we’re moving ahead stronger than we were before the election.’ Several votes were cast by proxy, said Garbarino, whose name was the only one nominated.” [Newsday, [8/10/16](#)]

2016: William Garbarino Was The Party’s First Vice Chairman And Took Over As Leader When Frank Tantone Resigned To Run For Family Court Judge. “Garbarino, a Sayville attorney and the party’s first vice chairman, took over temporarily as town leader in June when Frank Tantone resigned as party leader to run for Family Court judge as part of a four way cross-endorsement deal. The winner at the convention will lead the town party until September 2017, the remainder of Tantone’s term.” [Newsday, [8/10/16](#)]

2009: Tantone Was A Part Of The Town’s Old GOP Regime And Was Appointed By A Town Supervisor Who Was Convicted Of Misusing Campaign Funds. “Elected with Tantone were William Garbarino of Sayville as vice chairman and Dominic Lettieri of West Islip as party secretary. However, critics say Tantone is part of the old GOP regime, first appointed by former Town Supervisor Peter McGowan, who later was convicted of misusing his \$1 million campaign fund. ‘There are no new faces in the picture,’ said Philip Nolan, Democratic town supervisor. ‘It’s all the same guys. They are just rearranging the chairs.’” [Newsday, 3/24/09]

A Prominent Islip Republican Opposed Garbarino’s Election To Party Chairman Because Garbarino Often Appeared Before Town Zoning Boards For Private Clients. “The major reason Carpenter cited for opposing Garbarino was that the Sayville attorney often appears before various town zoning and planning boards for private clients, which the supervisor said posed a potential conflict of interest that would hurt the party with the public. Garbarino said he and Carpenter did not discuss the issue at length in their meeting, but added there are legal opinions indicating it does not pose a conflict. ‘My position is there’s no problem in appearing before the town,’ Garbarino said. ‘I do it with a clear conscience. I see no prohibitions.’ Carpenter called the issue ‘an open question,’ that needs more discussion. ‘I’m not saying we are going to be in lock step and agree on every issue, but there’s going to communication,’ she said.” [Newsday, 11/8/16]

Islip Supervisor Angie Carpenter: “We Need A Chairman Who Does Not Bring Business Before The Board, Creating The Appearance Of A Conflict Of Interest.” “Islip Supervisor Angie Carpenter, citing the need for party stability, says she ‘cannot support’ the election of acting town GOP leader William Garbarino as the next chairman because he represents clients as an attorney before the town. ‘We need a chairman who does not bring business before the board, thereby creating the appearance of a conflict of interest,’ said Carpenter in a letter to the town’s nearly 300 committee members. ‘There is no place in the 21st century government for even a hint of impropriety, especially in these troubled times.’ Carpenter was joined in signing the letter by her GOP town board majority, John Cochrane Jr. and Steve Flotteron.” [Newsday, 6/17/16]

2019: William Garbarino Was Elected To Suffolk County GOP Treasurer—After He Was Nominated By His Son, Andrew Garbarino. “Suffolk County Republicans have re-elected Jesse Garcia as party chairman and tapped two longtime town party leaders for party leadership roles. [...] William Garbarino, the Islip GOP leader,

was elected county GOP treasurer after he was officially nominated by his son, Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville).” [Newsday, [9/25/16](#)]

2018: William Garbarino Was An Assistant Islip Town Attorney. “Gandolfo is chief of staff to state Assemb. Andrew Garbarino. Garbarino is the son of the chairman of the Islip Town Republican Party, William Garbarino, who is also an assistant Islip Town attorney.” [Newsday, 6/18/18]

2016: William Garbarino Held A “Salute To Greatness” Fundraiser For Islip Republican Candidates. “Call them dueling fundraisers. Islip Supervisor Angie Carpenter sent out a mailing two weeks ago soliciting for a fundraiser on Oct. 19. A short time later, new Islip GOP chairman William Garbarino, whom Carpenter opposed, sent out his own mailing for a \$125-a-head ‘Salute to Greatness’ fundraiser for this year’s candidates, a week before the supervisor’s event.” [Newsday, 10/1/16]

2013: William Garbarino Was In Line For A State Supreme Court Nomination—But Did Not Get Nominated. “Garbarino also has taken his own hard knocks. He blames McGowan for a lack of help for his narrow loss against Lindsay. And two years ago, Garbarino originally stepped down as the party’s first vice chair because he was in line for a state Supreme Court judicial nomination, only to see it go to a Huntington candidate at the last minute. Yet Garbarino’s son, Andrew, with his father’s help, won an assembly seat in 2012 and is serving his second term. Garbarino acknowledges that his prospects for leader as well as Tantone’s judicial nomination are not yet assured. But he takes his setbacks in stride. ‘Sometimes things happen, but it doesn’t mean it isn’t painful’ Garbarino said. ‘I may not have liked some of the results, but maybe God had something else planned.’” [Newsday, 9/20/13]

William Garbarino May Own The Port Royal Grille. “A local resident’s dream of opening a jazz club in the hamlet got a bit of the blues last week. An application placed before the Islip Planning Board received a reserve decision based on complaints about parking that were voiced by several area residents. [...] However, William Garbarino, who owns the Port Royal Grille, only one block away, said he was concerned about the competition, but mostly about the parking, which has long been an issue for him. ‘It’s an absolute nightmare [to park],’ he said, noting that the influx of new bars and other restaurants to the area takes parking away from existing businesses.” [Islip Bulletin, 9/13/12]

2001: William Garbarino Ran For Suffolk Legislature And Lost To Democrat IBEW Leader Bill Lindsay. “Two decades later, Garbarino tried again, losing narrowly in 2001 to IBEW labor leader Bill Lindsay by just 78 votes. Lindsay went on to become the longest-serving presiding officer in the Suffolk Legislature before his death while in office two years ago.” [Newsday, 9/20/15]

William Garbarino’s Election Was Supported By Pasquale Curcio—Who’s Election As Chairman Was Thrown Out In A Court Ruling. “Conservatives may be warring among themselves, but they are not putting Republican legislative candidate William Garbarino in their crossfire. Not only is embattled Suffolk Conservative chairman Pasquale Curcio backing Garbarino, but so is Curcio’s arch-foe, Smithtown Highway Superintendent Dan Donnelly. Donnelly said he will not try to stop Curcio from giving Garbarino authorization to run on the Conservative line even though he feels it violates the recent court ruling throwing out Curcio’s election as chairman last September.” [Newsday, 3/8/01]

2001: William Garbarino Served As Part Time Counsel For The Islip Housing Authority. “Garbarino has been counting on his lifelong ties in Sayville, where his family once owned a delicatessen. He has served as part-time counsel to the Islip housing authority for the past 14 years and has maintained a Main Street law practice for 27 years. Dozens of elected officials, including Republican County Executive Robert Gaffney, stumped for him.” [Newsday, 3/28/01]

1991: William Garbarino May Have Owned The Construction Company Brookside Brothers. “‘The house was built on a live stream,’ she said. ‘And the stream wants to come up.’ Cerone and a neighbor, Marion Youngblood, filed the lawsuit in State Supreme Court against Brookside Builders, Garbarino’s company...” [Newsday, 8/11/91]

1991: William Garbarino Was Sued In A Class-Action Lawsuit For Building Homes That Were Built On A Live Stream And Prone To Flooding. “The secrets of the home lie in the basement, where the cement floor cracked and water started seeping in soon after Daryl Cerone's family moved into the brand-new house three years ago. The floor finally bulged up and broke into slabs of cement during the heavy rainfalls of last summer. There is a heavy, mildew odor in the air, and, on the broken cement, tracks of waste left by cesspool water that seeps periodically through the floor, Cerone said. With a sigh, Cerone, who is pregnant, sits down at her living room table upstairs and repeats the charge she made in a class-action lawsuit filed last year against the builder, William Garbarino, a lawyer who ran unsuccessfully as a Republican for a seat in the Suffolk County Legislature in 1985. ‘The house was built on a live stream,’ she said. ‘And the stream wants to come up.’ Cerone and a neighbor, Marion Youngblood, filed the lawsuit in State Supreme Court against Brookside Builders, Garbarino's company, charging the company knowingly built the 11-home Wood Acre's Valley subdivision on wetlands, said their attorney, Jerry Garguilo of St. James. The suit seeks an unspecified amount of compensation for monetary losses, the cost of the house if it's determined to be uninhabitable or compensation for expenses of fixing it.” [Newsday, 8/11/91]

William Garbarino Sought Permission To Build The Development In The Mid 1970s And The Town Knew The Area Was Prone To Flooding Yet Approved Garbarino's Plan. “The case has yet to go to trial, and Garbarino has not returned Newsday's telephone calls about the problem. However, a hefty file of paperwork kept in the Islip Town's Planning Department shows that as far back as the mid-1970s, when Garbarino sought permission to build the subdivision, town officials knew the area was in the watershed of Green's Creek. Neighbors who appeared at public meetings about the proposed subdivision complained that their homes were flooded each spring and each fall and that they suffered health problems from overflowing cesspools. Yet for some reason, even though the town's Department of Environmental Control recommended that Garbarino file an application to build on wetlands, he never did so, but he did receive permission to build.” [Newsday, 8/11/91]

1985: William Garbarino Made His First Run For Suffolk Legislature. “William Garbarino made his first race for public office in 1985 running for the Suffolk Legislature in the aftermath of Hurricane Gloria, losing to a little-known Democrat, Steve Levy, who won with an anti-LILCO ballot line. Levy went on to become county executive and a GOP contender for governor.” [Newsday, 9/20/15]

1972: William Garbarino Was Admitted To The New York State Bar. William Garbarino was admitted to the New York State Bar on April 28, 1972 after graduating from Fordham Law School. There were no records of public discipline. [New York State Unified Court System, Registration Number 1136738, accessed [5/15/20](#)]

William Garbarino Political Contributions

William Garbarino Federal Contributions				
Year	Contributor Name	Occupation	Committee Name	Total Contributions
2020	William R. Garbarino	Self	Garbarino for Congress	\$2,800.00
2019	William R. Garbarino	William R. Garbarino, Esq	Garbarino for Congress	\$2,800.00
2013	William Garbarino	William Garbarino Attorney	Zeldin for Congress	\$500.00
1999	William Garbarino	Attorney	Lazio 2000 Inc	\$200.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS				\$6,300.00

[FEC, Individual Contribution search, accessed [5/15/20](#)]

William Garbarino State Contributions			
Year	Contributor Name	Committee Name	Total Contributions
2011 – 2015	William Garbarino	Town of Islip Republican Committee	\$2,700.00

2009 – 2015	William Garbarino	Suffolk County Conservative Chairman’s Club	\$1,850.00
2011 – 2019	William Garbarino	Friends of Angie Carpenter	\$1,350.00
2012 – 2014	William Garbarino	Friends of Andrew Garbarino	\$1,200.00
2009 – 2019	William Garbarino	Friends of Steven J. Flotteron	\$1,075.00
2009	William Garbarino	Friends of Tim Mazzei	\$1,000.00
2010 – 2016	William Garbarino	Friends of Al Graf	\$925.00
2017 – 2019	William Garbarino	Friends of Anthony Piccirillo	\$900.00
2008 – 2009	William Garbarino	21 st Century Republicans	\$835.00
2009 – 2019	William Garbarino	Friends of Tom Cilmi	\$700.00
2013 – 2017	William Garbarino	Islip Town Conservative Executive Committee	\$625.00
2012 – 2018	William Garbarino	Boyle for Senate	\$575.00
204	William Garbarino	Astorino for Congress	\$500.00
2013	William Garbarino	Suffolk County Republican Committee – The Chairman’s Club	\$500.00
2011	William Garbarino	Carpenter for the County	\$500.00
2009 – 2011	William Garbarino	Friends of Tom O’Hara	\$485.00
2009 – 2017	William Garbarino	Friends of Trish Bergin	\$480.00
2006	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Pamela Greene	\$400.00
2015	William Garbarino	Friends of Mary Calamia	\$400.00
2008	William Garbarino	United Citizens Committee	\$350.00
2009 – 2015	William Garbarino	Suffolk County Republican Women	\$350.00
2011 – 2013	William Garbarino	Friends of Anthony Musumeci	\$320.00
2002 – 2008	William Garbarino	Friends of Phil Goglas	\$300.00
2000	William Garbarino	Friends of Peter Fox Cohalan	\$300.00
2012	William Garbarino	Friends of Manny Troche	\$275.00
2012 – 2014	William Garbarino	Friends of Alexis Weik	\$275.00
2010	William Garbarino	Friends of Philip Goglas	\$275.00
2009	William Garbarino	Lazio 2010 Inc	\$250.00
2000	William Garbarino	Caesar Trunzo	\$250.00
2014	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Judge Phil Goglas	\$250.00
2010	William Garbarino	Zeldin for Senate	\$250.00
2007	William Garbarino	Friends of John Schettino	\$225.00
2012 – 2013	William Garbarino	Friends of Anthony Senft	\$225.00
2018	William Garbarino	Gajdos for Supreme Court	\$200.00
2015	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Robert L. Cicale District Court Judge	\$200.00
2017	William Garbarino	Graf for Sheriff	\$200.00
2016	William Garbarino	Independence Party Chairman’s Club	\$200.00
2017	William Garbarino	Friends of Douglas E. King	\$200.00
2019	William Garbarino	Friends of Mike LiPetri	\$200.00
2018	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Garrett Swenson	\$200.00
2014	William Garbarino	Friends of Victoria Serpa	\$200.00
2017	William Garbarino	Friends of Jim O’Connor	\$200.00
2014	William Garbarino	Friends of Pierce F. Cohalan	\$200.00

2009	William Garbarino	Friends of Matt Silecchia	\$200.00
2013	William Garbarino	Friends of John Halverson	\$200.00
2008	William Garbarino	Friends of John Bugler	\$200.00
2015	William Garbarino	Hughes for Family Court 2015	\$150.00
2009	William Garbarino	Committee to Re-Elect Judge Steven Lotto	\$150.00
2010	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Judge Stephen Behar to the County Court	\$150.00
2015	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Anthony S. Senft Jr	\$125.00
2015	William Garbarino	Elect John Schiettino District Court Judge	\$125.00
2014	William Garbarino	Friends of Neil Foley	\$125.00
2011	William Garbarino	Suffolk County Republican Committee Housekeeping Acct	\$125.00
2009	William Garbarino	Committee to Re-Elect Judge Patricia Filberto	\$125.00
2009	William Garbarino	Committee to Re-Elect Judge Stephen M Behar	\$125.00
2012	William Garbarino	Friends of Tom Croci	\$125.00
2018	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Mary Kate Mullen	\$125.00
2002	William Garbarino	Friends of Kathy Brand, Inc	\$100.00
2007	William Garbarino	Re-Elect Judge Crowley Committee	\$100.00
2011	William Garbarino	John Fried for Ossining Town Justice	\$100.00
2018	William Garbarino	Friends of Doug Smith	\$100.00
2013	William Garbarino	Suffolk County Republican Committee Campaign Account	\$100.00
2019	William Garbarino	Friends of Maria Vidal	\$100.00
2010	William Garbarino	Friends of Phil Boyle	\$100.00
2006	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Richard Hoffmann Family Court Judge	\$100.00
2011	William Garbarino	Friends of Olga Hopkins Murray	\$100.00
2004	William Garbarino	Friends of Eileen Peters	\$100.00
2017	William Garbarino	Committee to Elect Judge David A. Morris	\$100.00
2013	William Garbarino	Friends of Gloria Fried	\$100.00
2006	William Garbarino	Friends of Bill Faulk	\$100.00
2007	William Garbarino	Committee to Re-Elect Judge Bill Burke	\$100.00
2011	William Garbarino	Friends of David Morris	\$100.00
2017	William Garbarino	Friends of Ray Perini	\$100.00
2019	William Garbarino	Committee to Re-Elect Karen M. Wilutis District Court Judge	\$100.00
2004	William Garbarino	Friends of Tony Giordano	\$100.00
2007	William Garbarino	Clara Datre Supervisor	\$85.00
2013	William Garbarino	Friends of Andrew Raia	\$75.00
2009	William Garbarino	Citizens for Cameron Alden	\$75.00
2018	William Garbarino	Republican Majority Committee	\$75.00
2000	William Garbarino	Friends of Tom Sarsfield	\$50.00
2011	William Garbarino	Friends of John Cochrane	\$35.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS			\$27,140.00

[New York State Board of Elections, Campaign Finance Disclosure, accessed [5/15/20](#)]

Personal Finance

In 2020, Garbarino had an estimated net worth of between -\$8,982 and \$318,999.

According to Garbarino's federal personal financial disclosures, his 2019 annual unearned income was between \$201.00 and \$1,000.00. Garbarino also earned \$25,384.62 in salary from the New York State Assembly. However, in 2018, Garbarino earned \$108,498.37 from the State of New York. Garbarino's assets totaled between \$91,018 and \$369,000. Garbarino had \$50,001 to \$100,000 in liabilities.

NOTE: For detailed descriptions of Garbarino's personal financial disclosures by year, see Appendix I – Personal Financial Disclosures.

Garbarino's Federal Personal Financial Disclosure Summary

NOTE: For detailed descriptions of Garbarino's personal financial disclosures by year, see Appendix I – Personal Financial Disclosures.

Andrew Garbarino PFD Toplines							
Year	Earned Income	Asset Value		Unearned Income		Liabilities	
		MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
2019	\$44,234.36	\$91,018.00	\$369,000.00	\$201.00	\$1,000.00	\$50,001.00	\$100,000.00
2018	\$177,790	\$91,018.00	\$369,000.00	\$201.00	\$1,000.00	\$50,001.00	\$100,000.00

[Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

Garbarino's State Personal Financial Disclosure Summary

NOTE: For detailed descriptions of Garbarino's personal financial disclosures by year, see Appendix I – Personal Financial Disclosures.

Andrew Garbarino State PFD Toplines						
Year	Disclosure Of Client Income		Disclosure Of Earned Income		Disclosure Of Holdings	
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
2018	\$20,000	\$80,000	\$25,000	\$70,000	\$25,000	\$75,000
2017	\$10,000	\$40,000	\$25,000	\$70,000	\$34,000	\$110,000
2016	\$10,000	\$40,000	\$25,000	\$70,000	\$34,000	\$110,000
2015	N/A	N/A	\$20,000	\$50,000	\$34,000	\$110,000
2014	N/A	N/A	\$20,000	\$50,000	\$34,000	\$110,000
2013	N/A	N/A	\$20,000	\$50,000	\$27,000	\$85,000
2012	N/A	N/A	\$20,000	\$50,000	\$11,000	\$70,000

[Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Annual Statement Of Financial Disclosure, [5/15/19](#); Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Annual Statement Of Financial Disclosure, filed on [5/15/18](#); Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Annual Statement Of Financial Disclosure, filed on [5/15/17](#); Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Annual Statement Of Financial Disclosure, filed on [5/16/16](#); Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Annual Statement Of Financial Disclosure, filed on [5/13/15](#); Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Annual Statement Of Financial Disclosure, filed on [5/13/14](#); Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Annual Statement Of Financial Disclosure, filed on [5/13/13](#)]

Taxpayer Funded Salaries

2013-2020: Garbarino Earned \$611,384 In Salary As A Member Of The New York State Assembly

When Garbarino first took office in Congress, he earned \$85,442 as a member of the New York State Assembly salary.

Today, Garbarino earns a salary of \$104,211, an increase of \$18,769.

Over his 7 years in the Assembly, Garbarino had earned a total of \$611,384 in taxpayer-funded salary.

Year	New York State Assembly Salary
October 2012 – March 2013	\$23,653.81
April 2013 – September 2013	\$44,422.99
October 2013 – March 2014	41,019.31
April 2014 – September 2014	\$44,076.85
October 2014 – March 2015	\$44,423.15
April 2015 – September 2015	\$44,076.85
October 2015 – March 2016	\$44,423.15
April 2016 – September 2016	\$44,076.85
October 2016 – March 2017	\$44,423.15
April 2017 – September 2017	\$44,076.85
October 2017 – March 2018	\$44,423.15
April 2018 – September 2018	\$44,076.85
October 2018 – March 2019	\$49,211.66
April 2019 – September 2019	\$55,000.01
TOTAL	\$611,384.63

[New York State Assembly, Expenditure Reports, [2019 Q1](#), [2019 Q2](#), [2018 Q1](#), [2018 Q2](#), [2017 Q1](#), [2017 Q2](#), [2016 Q1](#), [2016 Q2](#), [2015 Q1](#), [2015 Q2](#), [2014 Q1](#), [2014 Q2](#), [2013 Q1](#), [2013 Q2](#)]

Garbarino Had Not Voted On A Pay Raise

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Garbarino Was Not Eligible For A Taxpayer Funded Pension From New York

According to the Office of the New York State Comptroller, “Tier 1: You are eligible for a service retirement benefit at age 55 with at least five years of legislative service and five years of additional creditable service, or after 20 years of service as a Senator or Member of the Assembly, regardless of your age. Tier 2: You are eligible for a

service retirement benefit at age 55 with at least 10 years of legislative service, or after 20 years of service as a Senator or Member of the Assembly, regardless of your age.”

As of May 2020, Garbarino had served a total of 7 years in the New York State Assembly and was 36 years old, meaning he was not eligible for a New York State pension. [Office of the New York State Comptroller, accessed [5/27/20](#)]

Political Career

This section provides an overview of Garbarino's political career, from 2012 to 2020

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino was elected to serve in the New York State Assembly in 2012 and has won each re-election bid since then*
- ✓ *Throughout his career in the New York State Assembly, Garbarino received an average rating of 73.3% from the Conservative Party of New York and a 67.2% rating from the American Conservative Union*
- ✓ *Garbarino was the ranking minority member of the Insurance Committee and a member of the Codes, Health, Higher Education, and Racing and Wagering Committees*
- ✓ *2020: The NRCC named Garbarino to their Young Guns program as an "On the Radar" candidate*
 - ✓ *Garbarino planned to host a virtual fundraiser with Representative Steve Scalise*
 - ✓ *Garbarino met with Representatives Pete King and Lee Zeldin to discuss his campaign and stated that Representative King's endorsement meant the most to him*
- ✓ *2018: Newsday did not endorse Garbarino for the state assembly for the first time since 2012*
- ✓ *Garbarino considered runs for New York State Senate and Islip Town Board, but he was not chosen by local leaders to be the candidate*
- ✓ *Garbarino contributed a total of \$750 to Zeldin for Congress and contributed \$2,950 to state level candidates and Republican committees*
- ✓ *Following his announcement to run for Congress, Garbarino pledged to finish out his term in the New York State Assembly*

Partisanship

2014: Garbarino Stood With Party Leaders In Urging Governor Cuomo To Apologize For Saying Conservatives Had "No Place" In New York

2014: Garbarino Stood With Party Leaders, Urging Governor Cuomo To Apologize For Saying Conservatives Had "No Place" In New York. "Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) today joined with Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb and State GOP Chairman Ed Cox in calling for Gov. Cuomo to issue a formal apology to the many conservatives he offended by saying they 'have no place in our state.' 'Right now, our state needs our leaders to put aside ideological differences and work together,' said Garbarino. 'How can we expect this to be done when the leader of our great state feels that certain people have no place here?' 'As the governor is today proposing a budget with a cost exceeding \$130 billion, it is evident that we are in need of fiscally conservative ideals perhaps more than ever before,' added Garbarino. 'I hope the governor's divisive comments do not foreshadow the way he plans to govern this year. Many New Yorkers continue to struggle with the immense and ever-growing tax burdens, and businesses continue to flee for greener pastures. I know I speak for many conservatives when I say that we are prepared to work together to make our state the best place to live, work, raise a family and start a business.'" [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [1/21/14](#)]

Conservative Group Interest Ratings

Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 73.3% From The Conservative Party Of New York

2019: Garbarino Received A 80% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Received A 70% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2017: Garbarino Received A 72% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2016: Garbarino Received A 75% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2015: Garbarino Received A 76% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2014: Garbarino Received A 60% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2013: Garbarino Received A 80% Rating From The Conservative Party Of New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 67.2% From The American Conservative Union

2017: Garbarino Received A 79% Rating From The American Conservative Union. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2017: Garbarino Received A 68% Rating From The American Conservative Union. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2016: Garbarino Received A 63% Rating From The American Conservative Union. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2016: Garbarino Received A 57% Rating From The American Conservative Union. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2015: Garbarino Received A 69% Rating From The American Conservative Union. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Attendance Record

Garbarino Voting Attendance Record			
Time Period	Votes Eligible	Missed Votes	Percent
2019 – 2020 Session	1397	48	3.44%
2017 – 2018 Session	2268	92	4.10%
2015 – 2016 Session	2221	44	1.98%
2013 – 2014 Session	2285	7	0.31%
Total:	8171	191	2.34%

Committees

Note: Committees and subcommittees listed in italics represent chairmanships.

New York State Assembly	
Years	Committees
2019 – 2020	<i>Insurance (Ranking Minority Member)</i>
	Health
	Codes
	Higher Education
	Racing and Wagering
2017 – 2018	Codes
	Health
	Insurance
	Higher Education
	Racing and Wagering
2015 – 2016	Codes
	Health
	Banks
	Environmental Conservation
	Higher Education
	Racing and Wagering
2013 – 2014	Banks
	Economic Development, Job Creation, Commerce and Industry
	Environmental Conservation
	Higher Education
	Racing and Wagering

[Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Campaigns

Election History

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino Electoral History				
Year	Office	Candidates	Results	Garbarino Margin
2018	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	56.8%	+16.8%
		Thomas Murray (D)	39.9%	
2016	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	58.7%	+29.6%
		Nickolas Gambini (D)	29.1%	
2014	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	63.9%	+35.8%
		Deborah Pfeiffer (D)	28.1%	
2012	State Assembly (NY-07)	Andrew Garbarino (R)	50.2%	+12.0%
		Christopher Bodkin (D)	38.2%	

[New York State Board of Elections, [11/6/12](#); [11/4/14](#); [11/8/16](#); [11/6/18](#)]

Awards

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2020 Congressional Election

Garbarino Released Ad Titled "Fight For Long Island" Where He Said He Would Fight The "AOC And De Blasio Liberals In Congress"

VIDOE: June 2020: Garbarino Released An Ad Titled "Fight For Long Island." [0:00] "I'm Andrew Garbarino. I grew up here on Long Island and I'm running for Pete King's seat for Congress. I'm proud to be supported by Congressman King and Lee Zeldin. I'm a conservative who thinks China's been getting away with murder and gangs like MS-13 should be put away. My opponent, Mike LiPetri, was a Democrat and worked for Bill De Blasio. And he doesn't support term limits, I do. I'm Andrew Garbarino and I approve this message because I'll fight the AOC and De Blasio liberals in Congress. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, YouTube, [6/9/20](#)]

Garbarino Posted A Video Criticizing His Primary Opponent For Not Doing His Job In Albany

VIDEO: Andrew Garbarino Criticized His Primary Opponent For Not Doing His Job In Albany. [0:00] It's day 2 in Albany, we're up here trying to reopen New York State. Sorry I have to talk about politics at this time but my opponent is accusing me of being a no-show politician who lines his pockets. Well, I'm up in Albany while Mike LiPietri is at home raising money from his parents basement. The self-anointed 'people's champion' should be in New York doing the people's work. I don't understand Mike, you shouldn't go an try to get new job until you've already done the one you have now. Peter King knows that, Lee Zeldin knows that, that's why they're in Washington, DC doing their job, that's why I'm in Albany doing our job. Get back to work, Mike." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/28/20](#)]

This Video Was Taken During The COVID-19 Pandemic And Garbarino Was Not Wearing A Mask.



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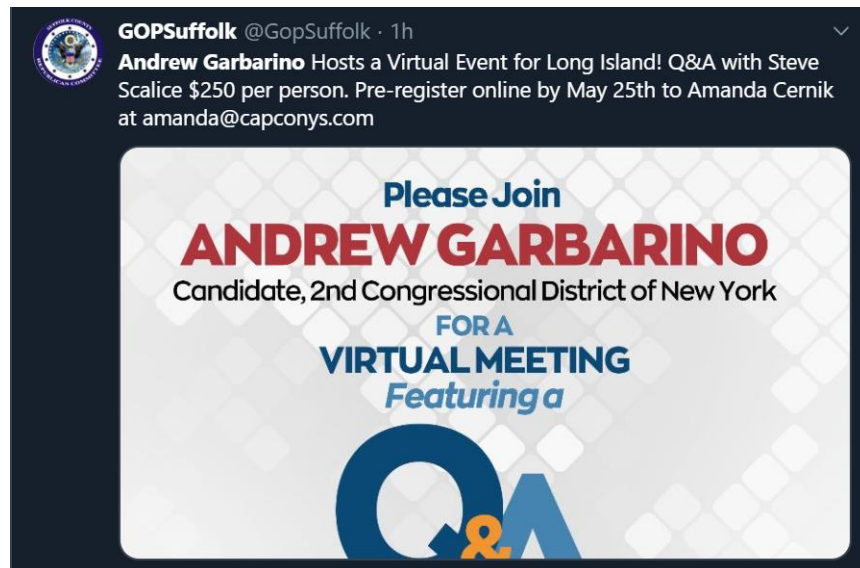
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[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/28/20](#)]

Garbarino Hosted A Virtual Fundraising Event With Representative Steve Scalise

Garbarino Hosted A Virtual Fundraising Event With Representatives Steve Scalise. “Andrew Garbarino Hosts a Virtual Event for Long Island! Q&A with Steve Scalise \$250 per person. Pre-register online by May 25th to Amanda Cernik at amanda@capconys.com” [GOP Suffolk, Twitter, [5/21/20](#)]



[GOP Suffolk, Twitter, [5/21/20](#)]

If Elected, Garbarino Said He Would Like To Serve On The Transportation And Infrastructure, Financial Services, Or The Energy And Commerce Committee In Congress

VIDEO: If Elected, Garbarino Said He Would Like To Serve On The Transportation And Infrastructure Committee In Congress. “[8:32] You know, you don’t serve on as many committees when you go down to DC. There’s Transportation and Infrastructure, that would be a big one. Out infrastructure, on Long Island, is crumbling. I mean, I was on the expressway the other day and I can’t believe how many potholes I hit. So focusing on

infrastructure, getting some federal money, not to mention, the electrical grid is in terrible shape. The sewers, whether you have them or you don't, are all in bad shape. We're polluting, a lot of it is polluting, the Great South Bay, so, upgrading infrastructure so we can save the South Bay is another thing." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Said He Would Also Like To Serve On The Financial Services Or The Energy And Commerce Committees. "[9:27] Another committee I would serve on, you know there's Financial Services. Financial Services, New York State—New York City—is the federal financial capital of the world. So, we have tons of people that work in insurance, that work in banks, that handle all those issues, that live right on Long Island, that live in my district. So, I feel like being on that committee would be very helpful because I'd be able to help the people I represent. There's a couple other committees I'm trying to think—Energy and Commerce is another one, that deals with health care. If I could get on that committee...so those are probably the three priority committees I'd like to sit on." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

Garbarino Touted His Legislative Experience And Said, "I'm Gonna Hit The Ground Running In DC"

VIDEO: Garbarino Touted His Legislative Experience And Said, "I'm Gonna Hit The Ground Running In DC." "[7:08] My ability to develop relationships, my ability to help people, my experience over the past 8 years in the legislature up in Albany, my knowledge on the issues, I'm gonna hit the ground running in DC, I'm not starting off in DC with not experience, or vert little experience in the legislature, I'm gonna know issues like that back of my hand, I already have. A lot that goes up in the state also affects federal, between health care, between insurance, between banks, all this stuff, I've already have a background in, and I'm gonna start the ground running. And I'm gonna be able to help people, the type of person I am, I get things done. I'm gonna get things done, no matter how they get done, I'm gonna get them done." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

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The NRCC Named Garbarino To Their Young Guns Program As An "On The Radar" Candidate. "The National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC) has announced today they have added Andrew Garbarino to their Young Guns program as an 'On the Radar' candidate in his race for Congress. 'I am proud to have earned the early recognition by the NRCC for the strong campaign we are putting together on the ground to keep NY-02 in Republican hands,' Garbarino said. 'This is one of the most pivotal races in the country and it is important we are unified going into Election Day this November.'" [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, [4/28/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Was Proud To Be Recognized By The NRCC. "I am proud to have earned the early recognition by the National Republican Congressional Committee for the strong campaign we are putting together on the ground to keep NY-02 in Republican hands. This is one of the most pivotal races in the country and it is important we are unified going into Election Day this November." Note, there is no sound on the video. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/28/20](#)]

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[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/19/20](#)]

Garbarino Attended A North Levittown Island Trees Republican Club Fundraiser

Garbarino Attended A North Levittown Island Tress Republican Club Fundraiser. “On my way home from Albany last night, I was able to stop by the North Levittown / Island Trees Republican Club Pizza and Politics Fundraiser! It was great to spend time with voters and volunteers. Thank you for having me!” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/12/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/12/20](#)]

March 2020: Garbarino Spoke At The Massapequa Park Republican Club's Monthly Meeting

March 2020: Garbarino Spoke At The Massapequa Park Republican Club's Monthly Meeting. “Last night, I was grateful for the opportunity to speak at the Massapequa Park Republican Club's monthly meeting. I gave a

quick campaign update, and talked about what some of my priorities will be as our next Congressman – restoring the SALT deduction, standing with Law Enforcement, continuing the fight against MS-13, supporting our military & veterans, and protecting Long Island’s environment & waterways. Afterwards, I stuck around to chat and enjoy a delicious spread of corned beef, coffee, and dessert!” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/5/20](#)]



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Garbarino Vowed To Be An Independent Fighter For His Constituents. ““Of the many endorsements I have received, this one clearly means the most to me,’ Garbarino said. ‘Peter King is a giant in the congress and running to succeed him is truly a humbling experience. Knowing that I have his endorsement is an overwhelming affirmation of my decision to make this run. I pledge to the people of the Second Congressional District that I will always endeavor to emulate Peter King as an independent fighter for your best interests.’” [Levittown Tribune, 2/26/20]

Garbarino Met With Representative Pete King To Discuss Policy In NY-02

Garbarino Met With Representative Pete King To Discuss Policy In NY-02. “Excellent policy meeting today with New York State Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino regarding key issues affecting the 2nd Congressional District including MS-13 and the disastrous ‘No Bail’ law. Assemblyman Garbarino fully supports the outstanding efforts against MS-13 by the Trump Administration, the FBI, Homeland Security, ICE and the Nassau and Suffolk Police. This evil gang must be crushed. Similarly the ‘No Bail’ legislation passed by Albany Democrats and signed by the Governor must be amended and corrected. Dangerous criminals cannot be immediately put back on the streets. Hardworking law abiding citizens must be protected and the Men and Women in Blue must be protected. Andrew Garbarino is a candidate to succeed me in Congress and I strongly endorse and support him.” [Pete King, Facebook, [2/21/20](#)]



[Pete King, Facebook, [2/21/20](#)]

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Garbarino Thought The Democratic Party Was Out Of Touch With Long Island. “He also said that, having served in Albany for seven years, he wholeheartedly agreed with Langworthy’s assessment of the Democratic Party being out of touch with suburban areas like Long Island. ‘I know this district because I have lived and worked here my entire life,’ Garbarino said. ‘My family has been involved with the community and the founding of many small local businesses for more than 80 years. As a local Main Street businessman, a parishioner of St. Lawrence Church in Sayville and a proud member of the Sayville Rotary Club, I know the hard-working people of this district. My interest in serving in Congress is to fight for their best interests.’” [Levittown Tribune, 2/19/20]

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[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [2/14/20](#)]

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Suffolk County Republican Chairman Supported Garbarino's Campaign

Suffolk County Republican Chairman Approved Of Garbarino's Campaign. “King's seat spans Suffolk and Nassau counties. Garbarino got his candidacy's blessing from Suffolk Republican chairman Jesse Garcia and Nassau Republican chairman Joseph Cairo. The 2nd CD includes the townships of Hempstead, Oyster Bay, Babylon and Islip.” [Suffolk County News, 2/6/20]

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Russ Schrieffer—A Longtime Republican Political Strategist—Served As Garbarino's Campaign Consultant

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Schrieffer Was A Long Time Republican Political Strategist Who Worked Dozens Of Republican Politicians, Including George H.W. Bush, George W. Bush, And Mitt Romney. “Veteran political strategist Russ Schrieffer has been shaping winning campaign messages for more than three decades. He's held key roles in seven

presidential campaigns, including the campaigns of President George H.W. Bush, President George W. Bush, and Mitt Romney, and has helped guide dozens of Representatives, Senators, and Governors to office. [...] A partial list of his additional candidates includes: Governor Chris Christie, Governor Asa Hutchinson, Governor Mary Fallin, Governor Bill Weld, Governor Paul Cellucci, Governor Tom Ridge, Governor Bob Riley, Senator Dan Coats, Senator Johnny Isakson, Senator Richard Lugar, Senator John Cornyn, and Senator Roy Blunt. Russ started his career in politics working as a Legislative Assistant, Press Secretary, and Chief of Staff on Capitol Hill, and managing campaigns at the NRCC and the NRSC.” [Strategic Partners Media, accessed [5/27/20](#)]

Garbarino Spoke To Prominent New York Republicans—Like Lee Zeldin—When Deciding To Run

Garbarino Spoke To Prominent New York Republicans—Like Lee Zeldin—When Deciding To Run. “I woke up on Veterans Day when Peter King announced his retirement, and had all these text messages and phone calls saying, 'you should look at this.' Also, political consultant Mike Dawidziak was asked that day who could be possible replacements and he named Legis. Tom Cilmi, state Sen. Phil Boyle and me. I like to do my research and weigh the pros and cons. One of the things you have to do is raise money. So I called the people who supported me for my first assembly run and they all said, 'you have to do it.' I'm comfortable and in a safe seat right now, but it's not always about being comfortable. The risks include not running for assembly re-election if I'm a nominee. [Congressman] Lee Zeldin called me one Saturday and I had a 40-minute conversation with him. He was in a safe seat in the Senate and took the risk of running for Congress.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

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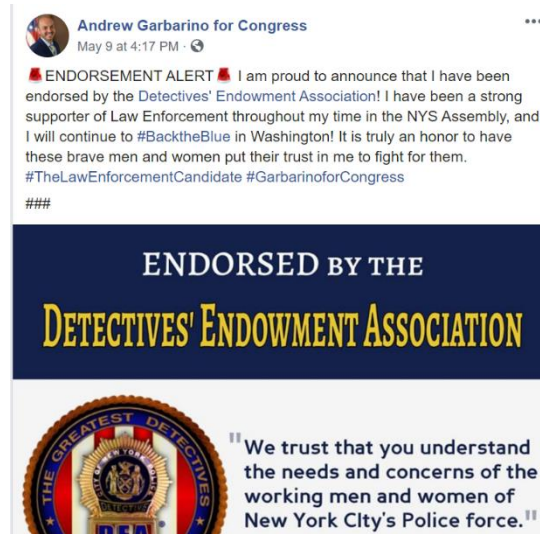
Endorsements

The Police Benevolent Association Of New York State Endorsed Garbarino. “🚒NEW ENDORSEMENT🚒 I am proud to have the endorsement of the Police Benevolent Association of New York State! I will continue to stand strong with Law Enforcement and #BacktheBlue in the face of radical calls to ‘Defund the Police.’ #GarbarinoForCongress #TheLawEnforcementCandidate ###” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/8/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/8/20](#)]

The Detectives' Endowment Association Endorsed Garbarino. “🚒ENDORSEMENT ALERT🚒 I am proud to announce that I have been endorsed by the Detectives' Endowment Association! I have been a strong supporter of Law Enforcement throughout my time in the NYS Assembly, and I will continue to #BacktheBlue in Washington! It is truly an honor to have these brave men and women put their trust in me to fight for them. #TheLawEnforcementCandidate #GarbarinoforCongress” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/9/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/9/20](#)]

Suffolk County Superior Officers Association Endorsed Garbarino. “👮ENDORSEMENT ALERT👮 I'm honored to announce that I have been endorsed by the Suffolk County Superior Officers Association! I have always been a proud supporter our brave men and women in Law Enforcement, and I will continue to have their back in Washington. While some prioritize the needs of criminals, I remain proud to #BacktheBlue and stand for public safety. Thank you, SOA, for putting your trust in me — I won't let you down! #GarbarinoforCongress #TheLawEnforcementCandidate #####” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/16/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/16/20](#)]

May 2020: The U.S. Chamber Of Commerce Endorsed Garbarino. “In the latest sign of the high-stakes race in New York’s 2nd Congressional District, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce is swooping in to endorse. It’s the first downstate New York congressional endorsement for the chamber this cycle — though more in the Empire State are expected this week. As with other establishment groups and figures, the chamber went with Andrew Garbarino over his State Assembly colleague and Republican primary opponent Michael LiPetri. ‘As we take on this pandemic and work to not just reopen our economy, but return to growth, and expanded opportunities for all Americans, we need leaders like Andrew Garbarino who have a proven track record of legislating responsibly and standing up for good policies,’ said U.S. Chamber chief executive Thomas J. Donohue in a statement exclusive to The Point on Wednesday. Garbarino also gets a U.S. Chamber PAC check, according to a spokesman.” [U.S. Chamber of Commerce, [5/6/20](#)]

The New York State Public Employees Federation Endorsed Garbarino. “I am proud to announce that I have been endorsed by the New York State Public Employees Federation (PEF). It is an honor to have the support of the hardworking men and women of this strong union, including the nurses and healthcare professionals on the front line fighting the spread of COVID-19. In Congress, I will continue to stand up for our working men and women.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/20/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/20/20](#)]

Representative Steve Scalise Endorsed Garbarino. “House Republican Whip Steve Scalise announced today his endorsement of Andrew Garbarino in his bid for Congress in NY-02. ‘I am excited to endorse Andrew Garbarino in his run for Congress. Peter King has been a great friend of mine since I came to Congress, and I don’t take lightly his endorsement of the candidate who hopes to fill his shoes,’ Rep. Steve Scalise said. ‘Andrew is a third-generation Long Islander who has fought for his home and community in the New York State Assembly since 2013. Andrew understands what it takes to deliver results for Long Island, and I have no doubt he will bring that fight to Congress in November.’” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, [3/24/20](#)]

March 2020: Republican House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy Endorsed Garbarino. “House Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy announced today his endorsement of Andrew Garbarino in his bid for Congress in NY-02. ‘I am proud to endorse Andrew Garbarino in his run for Congress. Andrew has fought for Long Island in Albany and I know he will do the same in Washington,’ Rep. Kevin McCarthy said. ‘Andrew’s family goes back three generations in Long Island, running businesses and helping improve their community. In Albany, Andrew has fought to lower taxes, improve our economy and push back against the liberal Albany machine. I have no doubt he

will bring that fight to Washington and continue his work on behalf of Long Islanders come November.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, [3/18/20](#)]

March 2020: Garbarino Was Endorsed By All Members Of The New York Republican Congressional Delegation. “The New York State Republican Congressional delegation announces today their unified endorsement of Andrew Garbarino for Congress in NY-02. List of endorsers: Rep. Lee Zeldin (NY-01); Rep. Pete King (NY-02); Rep. Elise Stefanik (NY-21); Rep. Tom Reed (NY-23); Rep. John Katko (NY-24).” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, [3/11/20](#)]

February 2020: New York Young Republican Club Endorsed Garbarino. “I’m very proud to receive the endorsement of The New York Young Republican Club! ‘As a lifelong resident of Sayville and a fourth-term Assemblyman, Andrew has advocated for policies that improve the lives of New Yorkers by creating opportunities for job growth, reducing the cost and burdens faced by families and entrepreneurs, and improving education and restoring its funding, among others. Andrew’s leadership roles – serving on several committees within the State Assembly including Insurance, Codes, Health, and Higher Education – and background in law (J.D., Hofstra Law) further demonstrates his ability to navigate complex political landscapes for the benefit of his constituents. At a time when Democrats are particularly out of touch with the best interests of suburban citizens, Andrew’s combined dedication and experience will serve Washington well.’” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [2/27/20](#)]



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New York Republican Chairman Endorsed Garbarino. “New York Republican Chairman Nick Langworthy today endorsed Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino, the Party’s official designee, in New York’s Second Congressional District. Garbarino is running in an open seat to replace retiring Congressman Peter King (R—Seaford).” [Levittown Tribune, 2/19/20]

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2018 New York State Assembly Election

Endorsements

Newsday Did Not Endorse Garbarino. "There are many issues on which Republican incumbent Andrew R. Garbarino and Democrat Thomas E. Murray III agree. Both are passionate about extending sewers in their South Shore district and making it easier for homeowners to upgrade septic systems. But Murray, 31, an environmental attorney from Bayport, has a clear edge when it comes to ethics. While Garbarino backs term limits on leadership positions, Murray is pushing a full package of reforms, including eliminating outside income for legislators, instituting public campaign financing and forming an independent body to monitor Albany lawmakers. Murray also backs congestion pricing, and an exemption on bonding to let school districts finance rooftop solar panels. Garbarino, 34, of Bayport, has been a solid legislator, but Murray makes a strong case that as a member of the majority party, he'll be able to get more done. Newsday endorses Murray." [Newsday, 10/18/18]

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2017 Islip Town Board

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Garbarino Was Not Chosen By The Local GOP To Run For Islip Town Board. “For the two open spots on the Islip Town Board, 22 people were screened by the GOP, including Garbarino's son, state Assemb. Andrew Garbarino of Sayville, who was not chosen to run for local office. ‘After we looked at all the candidates, we decided that it was for the good of the organization, for the party and for the community that we decided James would be a good fit for the town board at this time,’ Bill Garbarino said in a phone interview. ‘Andrew is doing good in Albany and in his district, and he will stay there at this time.’” [Newsday, 6/2/17]

2017: Garbarino Was Screened For A Seat On The Islip Town Board

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Garbarino’s Father—The Islip GOP Chairman—Said He Did Not Play A Role In Garbarino’s Decision To Screen For The Seat. “While Garbarino's father William Garbarino is Islip GOP chairman, the lawmaker said his father may be reluctant to see him leave his state career. The elder Garbarino said he played no role in his son's decision to screen, and said he will leave the decision on the selection to the town GOP committee. ‘I only play a role in case of a tie,’ he said.” [Newsday, 5/1/17]

2016 New York State Assembly Election

Endorsements

2016: Garbarino Was Endorsed By Newsday. “Republican Andrew Garbarino, 32, of Sayville, is a steady advocate for ethics reform in Albany as he runs for a third term. [...] Newsday endorses Garbarino.” [Newsday, 10/17/16]

Garbarino Was Endorsed By New York State United Teachers—The State’s Largest Teachers’ Union. “The state's largest teachers union has announced that it will back Democrats Todd Kaminsky and Adam Haber against their Republican challengers in two of Long Island's most competitive State Senate races in November. The New York State United Teachers announced its endorsements Thursday for Congress and the state legislature. The full list of Long Island candidates endorsed by the union include: [...] 7th District: Andrew Garbarino.” [Newsday, 8/13/16]

2014 New York State Assembly Election

Endorsements

Garbarino Was Endorsed By Newsday. “Garbarino's learning curve has been impressive and his future is bright. Newsday endorses Garbarino.” [Newsday, 10/23/14]

2012 New York State Assembly Election

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Endorsements

Garbarino Was Endorsed by Newsday. “Both candidates are qualified and thoughtful. However, Garbarino, who has the energy of a reformer and an impressive understanding of how to make Albany responsive to his district, is more appealing. Newsday endorses Garbarino.” [Newsday, 10/24/12]

Garbarino Was Endorsed By New York Law Enforcement Organizations. “Andrew Garbarino is proud to announce his recent endorsements from NYC PBA, SC PBA, SC Det. Investigators PBA, SC Sup. Officers Assn., SC Police Conf., SC Det. Assn., SC Probation Officers Assn., and SC Correction Officers Assn. Thank you all for the support!” [Garbarino for Assembly 2012, Facebook, [10/24/12](#)]



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Personal Political Donations

Garbarino Contributed \$750 To Lee Zeldin

Andrew Garbarino Federal Contributions				
Date	Contributor Name	Occupation	Committee Name	Total Contributions
2/16/16	Andrew Garbarino	New York State	Zeldin for Congress	\$250.00
12/17/13	Andrew Garbarino	New York State	Zeldin for Congress	\$500.00

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	\$750.00

[FEC, Individual Contributions, accessed [5/20/20](#)]

Garbarino Contributed \$2,950 To State Level Candidates And Committees

Andrew Garbarino State Contributions			
Date	Contributor Name	Committee Name	Total Contributions
10/25/18	Andrew Garbarino	Gajdos for Supreme Court	\$500.00
7/10/18	Andrew Garbarino	Republican Assembly Campaign Committee	\$100.00
7/9/18	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Andy Goodell	\$20.00
8/2/17	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Ed Wehrheim	\$55.00
5/11/17	Andrew Garbarino	Nicole for New York City	\$200.00
4/3/17	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Andy Goodell	\$20.00
8/3/16	Andrew Garbarino	Republican Assembly Campaign Committee	\$50.00
7/27/15	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Mary Calamia	\$35.00
8/1/14	Andrew Garbarino	Republican Assembly Campaign Committee	\$100.00
5/17/14	Andrew Garbarino	Suffolk County Republican Women	\$75.00
4/7/14	Andrew Garbarino	Great South Bay Republican Club PAC	\$45.00
2/27/14	Andrew Garbarino	Town of Islip Republican Committee	\$100.00
9/24/13	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Angie Carpenter	\$150.00
7/22/13	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Tom Cilmi	\$100.00
7/9/13	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Anthony Senft	\$150.00
4/29/13	Andrew Garbarino	Great South Bay Republican Club PAC	\$100.00
3/28/13	Andrew Garbarino	Suffolk County Republican Committee Campaign	\$100.00
3/1/13	Andrew Garbarino	Town of Islip Republican Committee	\$100.00
2/11/13	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Tom Cilmi	\$200.00
3/14/12	Andrew Garbarino	Islip Town Conservative Executive Committee	\$125.00
8/31/11	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Tom Croci	\$75.00
3/17/11	Andrew Garbarino	Committee to Re-Elect Surrogate Judge Czygier	\$500.00
8/6/09	Andrew Garbarino	Friends of Matt Silecchia	\$50.00
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS			\$2,950.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [5/20/20](#)]

Legislative Timeline

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Garbarino Was A Part Of The New York Conference Of Italian-American State Legislators

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National Council Of Insurance Legislators

Garbarino Was Heavily Involved In The National Council Of Insurance Legislators

Garbarino Was A Member Of The Executive Committee Of The National Council Of Insurance Legislators. “Assemblyman Garbarino has also been heavily involved in the work of the National Council of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL), where he is a member of the executive committee. [...] At NCOIL, he is the Vice Chair of the Committee on Articles of Organization and Bylaws Revision and sits on the Committees on Joint State-Federal

Relations and International Insurance Issues, Life Insurance and Financial Planning, and Property-Casualty Insurance.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [5/12/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Was The Vice Chair Of The Life Insurance And Financial Planning Committee. “NCOIL President Matt Lehman, state Representative from Indiana, announced the lineup of Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs for 2020. The NCOIL Chairs and Vice-Chairs are: Life Insurance & Financial Planning Chair: Asw. Maggie Carlton (NV) Vice Chair: Asm. Andrew Garbarino (NY).” [Workers Compensation, [1/8/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Sat On The State Federal Relations Committee. [National Council of State Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Sat On The Property-Casualty Insurance Committee. [National Council of State Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Sat On The Joint State-Federal Relations And International Insurance Issues Committee. [National Council of State Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Sat On The Health Insurance And Long-Term Care Issues Committee. [National Council of Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Sat On The Financial Services And Multi-Line Issues Committee. [National Council of Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Was The Vice Chair Of The Articles Of Incorporation And Bylaws Revision Committee. “LA Senator Dan ‘Blade’ Morrish, NCOIL President, announced the lineup of Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs for 2019. ‘This bipartisan, bicameral group represents countless years of experience in insurance and financial services public policy’ said Morrish. ‘I am confident they will do a commendable job representing NCOIL and leading these committees throughout the year at our three meetings and many interim committee calls.’ The NCOIL Chairs and Vice Chairs are: Articles of Incorporation & Bylaws Revision: Chair: Rep. Deborah Ferguson, AR Vice Chair: Asm. Andrew Garbarino, NY.” [National Committee of Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

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NCOIL Opposed Efforts To Repeal The McCarran-Ferguson Act’s Limited Antitrust Exemption For Health Insurers. “Congress is devising healthcare overhauls with far-reaching implications—and NCOIL is committed to ensuring that any reform maintains strong consumer protections. Congress is considering repeal of the McCarran-Ferguson Act’s limited antitrust exemption for health and other insurers—an exemption that promotes competition and allows smaller and more regional carriers to compete effectively with larger companies. The Feds also have looked at everything from interstate health insurance sales and small business health plans (SBHPs) to an optional federal charter (OFC) and an Office of Insurance Information (OII).” [National Council of Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/12/20](#)]

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Corporate Partners Included Health Insurance Giants Like Cigna, BlueCross BlueShield, CVS Health, Eli Lilly, Merck, And Pfizer. [National Council of Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/29/20](#)]

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The Purpose Of The Bill Was The Provide Options And Address Limitations Of The Current Methods To Transfer Blocks Of Insurance. “The purpose of the Model is ‘to provide options to address the significant limitations in the current methods available to insurers to transfer or assume blocks of insurance business in an efficient and cost-effective manner that provides needed legal finality for such transfers in order to provide for improved operational and capital efficiency for insurance companies, stimulates the economy by attracting segments of the insurance industry to the state, make this state an attractive home jurisdiction for insurance companies, encourages economic growth and increased investment in the financial services sector and increases the availability of quality insurance industry jobs in this state.’” [Insurance News Network, [4/20/20](#)]

The Model Included Requirement’s That IBT Applicants Notify Notable Parties. “Highlights of the Model include requirements that the IBT applicant notify interested parties such as: the chief insurance regulator in each jurisdiction in which the applicant holds or has ever held a certificate of authority, and in which policies that are part of the subject business were issued or policyholders currently reside; the National Conference of Insurance Guaranty Funds, the National Organization of Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Associations and all state insurance guaranty associations for the states in which the applicant holds or has ever held a certificate of authority, and in which policies that are part of the subject business were issued or policyholders currently reside; reinsurers of the applicant pursuant to the notice provisions of the reinsurance agreements applicable to the policies that are part of the subject business, or where an agreement has no provision for notice, by internationally recognized delivery service; all policyholders holding policies that are part of the subject business, at their last-known address as indicated by the records of the applicant or to the address to which premium notices or other policy documents are sent; and by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the state in which the applicant has its principal place of business and in such other publications that the Commissioner requires.” [Insurance News Network, [4/20/20](#)]

The Model Legislation Also Required The Insurance Business Transfer Plan To Contain A Report From An Independent Expert. “Importantly, the Insurance Business Transfer plan must also contain a report from an independent expert, selected by the Commissioner from a list of at least two nominees submitted jointly by the transferring insurer and the assuming insurer, to assist the Commissioner and the court in connection with their review of the proposed transaction. Should the Commissioner, in his or her sole discretion, reject the nominees, he or she may appoint the independent expert. The Model sets forth specific requirements for what the independent expert report must contain such as the independent expert’s opinion of the likely effects of the Insurance Business Transfer Plan on policyholders and claimants, distinguishing between transferring policyholders and claimants, policyholders and claimants of the transferring insurer whose policies will not be transferred, and policyholders and claimants of the assuming insurer.” [Insurance News Network, [4/20/20](#)]

The IBT Model Law Was Supported By Athene—A Life Insurance And Retirement Services Company

Athene Wrote An Email To Assemblyman Garbarino Expressing Their Support For The NCOIL IBT Law.

“We write to express our support for the NCOIL Insurance Business Transfer (IBT) model law that is currently under consideration. Like other restructuring mechanisms that have been managed and overseen by experienced regulators for decades, an IBT process will enable firms to operate more efficiently, better manage their capital, and improve solvency by encouraging and facilitating the flow of new capital to the industry, which ultimately will benefit consumers. [...] The NCOIL IBT model law will allow companies to manage their business more efficiently and effectively while still providing sufficient safeguards to protect the rights of policyholders. We appreciate the efforts of the NCOIL members to carefully consider the IBT model law over the past 15 months. We believe that this legislation will help to strengthen the insurance industry so that it can remain competitive and thrive in the global economy.” [National Council of Insurance Legislators, [3/5/20](#)]

Athene Was A Leading Retirements Services Company. “Athene Holding Ltd. and its subsidiaries (collectively, Athene) is a leading retirement services company that issues, reinsures and acquires retirement savings products designed for the increasing number of individuals and institutions seeking to fund retirement needs. Athene’s operating subsidiaries¹ issue and reinsure these retirement savings products. Athene was founded in 2009 by James Belardi, former President of SunAmerica Life Insurance Company and now CEO of Athene Holding Ltd., and Chip Gillis, former head of Bear Stearns’ Insurance Solutions Group, who served as CEO of Athene Life Re (ALRe) until his retirement in December 2019.” [Athene, accessed [5/12/20](#)]

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2020: The American Medical Association Sent A Letter To NCOIL Encouraging Policies To Expand Access To Telemedicine During The COVID-19 Pandemic. “AMA letter to National Governors Association (NGA) (PDF): Includes recommendation to expand access, coverage and reimbursement of telemedicine. Similar letters were sent to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and the National Council of Insurance Legislators.” [American Medical Association, [5/12/20](#)]

The Letter Encouraged State Policies To Promote Patients’ Immediate And Long Term Access To Their Physicians. “On behalf of the American Medical Association (AMA) and its physician and student members, I write to express our gratitude for policies being enacted across the country that promote access to health care for patients during the COVID-19 pandemic. As states move forward with additional policy changes related to COVID-19, I also urge all state legislators to consider the importance of guaranteeing that patients have access to their physicians both now, during this crisis, and in the future. State policymakers across the country have taken swift and important actions to promote access to care and continued coverage for patients in their states. For example, many states quickly guaranteed that costs associated with COVID-19 testing were covered by health insurers and that patients could obtain needed medications during this emergency by accessing early refills. The AMA is grateful for these and other decisive actions and urges all states to consider adopting similar policies.” [American Medical Association, [4/10/20](#)]

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Nationwide Insurance Urged NCOIL To Adapt Hands-Free Legislation For States Across The Country.

“The chief executive of major US auto insurer Nationwide has announced that the company is calling on state legislators to consider ‘hands-free’ laws to curb the growing problem of mobile phone-related distracted driving. Hands-free legislation permits drivers to only use hands-free mobile phone technology while driving – it is hoped that this measure would keep drivers’ attention on the road instead of their phones. [...] ‘We believe so strongly in hands-free legislation that we are also urging the National Council of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) to draft model legislation that other states can use for implementation across the country,’ the chief legal officer added.”

[Insurance Business, [2/12/20](#)]

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NCOIL Submitted Their Brief In A Case Urging The Court To Preserve States’ Abilities To Rein In Harmful Pharmaceutical Practices. “The U.S. Supreme Court received a flurry of briefs from health industry players and lawmakers who say the court should preserve states’ ability to rein in the harmful practices of pharmacy benefit managers like Express Scripts, CVS/Caremark, and OptumRX. The court is being urged to revive an Arkansas law that’s aimed at blocking PBMs from underpaying pharmacies for generic drugs. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit struck down the law in 2018, finding it preempted by the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act in a lawsuit filed by the Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, a trade group representing PBMs. [...] The Supreme Court on Monday received a dozen briefs from trade groups representing pharmacies, health industry players, insurance legislators, 46 state attorneys general, and other entities. Many briefs emphasized the importance of giving states the freedom to come up with legislative solutions designed to combat allegedly abusive practices by the PBM industry that threaten to put pharmacies out of business and reduce access to medicine and health care.” [Bloomberg Law, [3/3/20](#)]

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NCOIL Submitted An Amicus Brief To The Supreme Court Arguing That ERISA Should Be Reined In. “The National Council of Insurance Legislators, which said ERISA preemption ‘has already hampered much of the States’ ability to innovate’ and should be reined in by the Supreme Court.” [Bloomberg Law, [3/3/20](#)]

Garbarino Met With Members Of The Allstate Employee Forum

Garbarino Met With Members Of The Allstate Employee Forum. “This afternoon I had the privilege to speak and answer questions at the Allstate Employee Forum. We primarily discussed issues relevant to the insurance industry, but also touched on topics which impact our local communities. All in all it was a great conversation, and I am thankful to have had the opportunity to meet so many employees!” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, Facebook, [12/2/19](#)]



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NCOIL Adopted Model Legislation For Short Term Limited Duration Insurance—Which Was Deemed “Junk” Insurance By New York State

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NCOIL Adopted Model Legislation For Short Term Limited Duration Insurance. “This Act shall be known as the ‘[State] Short Term Limited Duration Insurance Model Act.’ The purpose of this Act is to establish standards for the regulation of short term limited duration insurance plans that may be sold in [State]. [...] (a) An insurer may require an applicant for coverage under a short term insurance plan to specify, before issuance of the short term insurance plan, the number of renewals the applicant elects. (b) After issuance of a short term insurance plan, the insurer may not require underwriting of the short term insurance plan until: (1) all renewal periods elected under subsection (a) have ended; and (2) the covered individual renews the short term insurance plan beyond the periods described in subdivision (1).” [National Council of Insurance Legislators, [5/6/19](#)]

Short Term Limited Duration Insurance Were Labeled “Junk Health Insurance Plans” By New York’s DFS Secretary

New York DFS Secretary: Short Term Limited Duration Insurance Is “Nothing More Than A Ploy To Convince Americans To Buy Junk Insurance. “In response to recent news reports regarding the increased sale of limited duration health insurance plans, some marketed as ‘Trumpcare’ plans, DFS Superintendent of Financial Services Linda A. Lacewell issued the following statement reminding New Yorkers that such plans are prohibited for sale in New York State: ‘We know that so-called Trumpcare - or however else these short-term plans are marketed – is nothing more than a ploy to convince Americans to buy junk insurance. Here in New York State we have said clearly and repeatedly that these plans are prohibited for sale in the Empire State. These plans often fail to cover basic services and end up making health insurance more costly for consumers, and the fact that such junk insurance is allowed for sale anywhere in the US is an unfortunate product of the current federal administration’s continual dismantling of basic protections for Americans seeking quality and affordable healthcare. New York State will continue to put consumers first and stand guard against those that seek to undermine the protections guaranteed by our laws by selling short-term plans or limited benefit policies which fail to comply with New York State mandates.’” [New York State Department of Financial Services, [10/2/19](#)]

The CEO Of NCOIL Had Prior Experience As An Insurance Executive And Worked Under Republican Governor Chris Christie

Thomas Considine Was The CEO Of NCOIL

2016: Thomas Considine Was Named The CEO Of NCOIL. “The National Conference of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) established the new position of Chief Executive Officer and named Considine to it effective January 1, 2016.” [National Council of Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

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“Thomas B. Considine is a proven insurance & healthcare c-suite executive, as well as a former NJ state financial services & managed care commissioner with a broad understanding of issues from the business, legal and regulatory perspectives. [...] He joined Meadowlands following a successful tenure at MagnaCare, a regional health plan where he served as Chief Operating Officer (COO). While at MagnaCare, he also instilled a culture of accountability and improved performance management across the entire organization that prepared the company for sale to a major investment bank at a remarkable return to the prior ownership group. [...] Prior to his service to New Jersey, Considine spent 17 years at MetLife in positions of increasing responsibility. At the time he departed to join the NJ Cabinet, he served as Vice President & Government Relations Counsel responsible for state government relations and public policy throughout the US.” [National Council of Insurance Legislators, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

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Garbarino Received \$20,425 From The Insurance Industry

2012 – 2020: Garbarino Received \$20,425.00 From The Insurance Industry. Throughout his career, Garbarino has received a total of \$17,175.00 from the non-health insurance industry and \$3,250.00 from the health insurance industry. [New York State Board of Elections, accessed [5/13/20](#)]

NOTE: A spreadsheet outlining Garbarino’s Assembly campaign finance data is located on the DCCC Research drive

Professional Career

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Since 2010, Garbarino has practiced real estate law at his father’s law firm, The Law Offices of William R. Garbarino*
 - ✓ *Garbarino often represented local businesses and development agencies to the Islip Town Planning Board*
 - ✓ *Garbarino received campaign contributions from of his clients—including \$6,700 from Brinkman’s Hardware and \$600 from National Grid Voluntary NYS PAC*
- ✓ *Similarly, William Garbarino also represented clients to the Islip Town Planning Board and handled many landlord and tenant cases*
 - ✓ *William Garbarino represented clients ranging from apartment buildings to the Town of Islip Housing Authority*
 - ✓ *Notably, William Garbarino once represented Caesar Figoni, who was indicted on 32 counts of grand larceny, extortion, and rent gouging for threatening seniors in Section 8 apartments*
- ✓ *Garbarino was Counsel to the Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation*
 - ✓ *The foundation provided scholarships to students in the Sayville area*
 - ✓ *William Garbarino was the chairman of the foundation*

✓ *Garbarino was admitted to the New York State Bar in 2010*

Law Offices Of William R. Garbarino

Garbarino Worked At His Father's Local Law Firm—The Law Offices Of William R. Garbarino

2020: Garbarino Worked At His Father's Local Law Firm. “The Garbarino family goes back in this area three generations. We’ve owned small businesses from Bayshore to Patchogue. My grandfather and great uncle owned local grocery stores, my uncle - the local deli, and my dad - the local law firm, where I currently work.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

William Garbarino Ran The Law Offices Of William R. Garbarino

William Garbarino Was An Attorney At The Law Offices Of William R. Garbarino. [Law Offices of William R. Garbarino, accessed [5/15/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Said There Was “No Conflict” With His Job In The Assembly And As A Lawyer In His District

Garbarino Said There Was “No Conflict” With His Job In The Assembly And As A Lawyer In His District. “‘There is no conflict,’ Andrew Garbarino said of his dual role as a lawyer for the proposed development and a public official. ‘This application does not deal with New York State or any of its agencies.’” [Newsday, 9/25/18]

Garbarino Represented Kelly Development, A Group Looking To Buy Outlaw Acres Farm To Build Senior-Owned Homes

2018: Garbarino Was An Attorney For Kelly Development. “Kelly Development attorney Andrew Garbarino also confirmed that the developers are in contract to purchase Outlaw Acres. Garbarino is a New York State assemblyman whose district includes the horse farm property. Garbarino also is the son of Islip Republican Chairman William Garbarino.” [Newsday, 9/25/18]

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Garbarino Confirmed That Developers Were Looking To Buy Outlaw Acres Farm To Build Senior-Owned Homes. “Owners of a Bayport horse farm are in contract with a developer who wants to convert the property into a complex of senior-owned homes, Islip officials said, but neighbors say the proposal would add traffic to an already busy street near two schools. [...] Records show Michael Bulzomi and Rita Gambino purchased the Outlaw Acres property in 1995. Outlaw Acres, according to its website, is a business that offers horses for sale and riding lessons. Kelly Development attorney Andrew Garbarino also confirmed that the developers are in contract to purchase Outlaw Acres. Garbarino is a New York State assemblyman whose district includes the horse farm property. Garbarino also is the son of Islip Republican Chairman William Garbarino.” [Newsday, 9/25/18]

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Garbarino Was An Attorney For Brinkmann Hardware And Helped Them Move Into A New Building

2017: Garbarino Was An Attorney For Brinkmann Hardware And Helped Them Move Into A New Building. “The long-awaited new Brinkmann building, a visual evolution in Sayville since two parcels on Railroad Avenue were first purchased in December 2006, then a third one two years later, opened July 31. The 22, 000-

square-foot building that spans two floors offers 70, 000 brand new items including paint and wallpaper, but it's also a cutting-edge green environmental wonder with 404 solar fields on the roof and a geothermal heating and cooling system, making it the second net-zero-certified facility in New York State. [...] Some longtime staffers go back at least 20 years. They include Sayville High School students who worked there through several semesters, then college, and even in one case, law school like Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R, C, I-Bayport). The attorney for the new building was Garbarino. 'We paid for his law degree,' joked Ben." [Suffolk County News, 8/24/17]

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Garbarino Worked At Brinkmann Hardware While He Was In High School. "Garbarino began working for the Brinkmanns during his junior year at Sayville High School. 'I had no clue about hardware when I first started,' he recalled. 'I cleaned bathrooms, swept the floors.' Garbarino wound up running the Blue Point Brinkmann's on the weekends and the Sayville store on holidays during law school." [Suffolk County News, 8/24/17]

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2013: The Planning Board Asked Brinkmann's To Reconsider The Scope Of Their Plans. "A longtime downtown business owner will have to wait a bit longer to move to another section of the hamlet. At last week's planning board meeting, an application for a change of zone ended in a reserved decision to reconsider the scope of the plans. The applicant, Sayville 226 LLC, requested the zone change for the property located on the west side of Railroad Avenue, 179 feet north of Swayze Street. Three parcels, which are now zoned Business District and Residence B District would need to be changed to all Business District in order to construct a new retail building there. Site plan modifications were also requested with the application." [Suffolk County News, 10/31/13]

Garbarino Served As The Attorney For Brinkmann's Application. "The existing structures on the properties, which are currently considered blighted, would be demolished for this project. Andrew Garbarino, the attorney for the applicant, noted that the new building would provide 16, 000 square feet of retail space on the first floor and a little over 3, 000 square feet of office space on the second floor. He said it would be a vast improvement over what presently exists. And he said that the project is consistent with the town's comprehensive downtown development plans." [Suffolk County News, 10/31/13]

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2014 – 2019: Garbarino Received \$6,750 In Campaign Contributions From Brinkman Hardware Company

May 2014: Brinkman Hardware Corporation Contributed \$1,000 To Garbarino's Assembly Campaign. [New York State Board of Elections, Friends of Andrew Garbarino, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

September 2014: Brinkman Hardware Corporation Contributed \$200 To Garbarino's Assembly Campaign. [New York State Board of Elections, Friends of Andrew Garbarino, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

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Garbarino Represented National Grid On Their Bid To Build A Warehouse

Garbarino Represented National Grid On Their Bid To Build A Warehouse. "Sayville attorney Andrew Garbarino represented National Grid on their bid to build a warehouse on their property on the south side of North Clinton Avenue in Bay Shore, approximately 319 feet east of Ackerson Street. The applicant is seeking a parking determination as well as overall front yard landscaping relaxations, buffer relaxations and permission to locate overhead doors within the front yard, in connection with the construction of a building for vehicle storage and a welding shop." [Islip Bulletin, 12/8/16]

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The President Of The Chamber Of Commerce Of The Greater Bay Shore Was Concerned About The Warehouse. "Garbarino noted that after working with the planning board, there seemed to be no opposition to the plans. However, board member Joe DeVincent noted that he had received a letter dated that day from Donna Periconi, president of the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Bay Shore, indicating that there were concerns, and she asked the board to reconsider the application. DeVincent noted that according to the letter, the current planned color for the building and other aesthetic details were considered unacceptable." [Islip Bulletin, 12/8/16]

Garbarino Worked With The Planning Board To Get The Plan Approved

Garbarino Worked With The Planning Board To Get The Plan Approved. "Garbarino noted that the proposed building would be similar to another National Grid building close by. 'We believe we've done everything we could and worked very hard with the planning board, and they are comfortable with it,' he added. Still, he noted that the applicant would be willing to talk about changes to the current plans." [Islip Bulletin, 12/8/16]

2014 – 2019: Garbarino Received \$600 In Campaign Contributions From National Grid Voluntary NYS PAC

July 2019: National Grid Voluntary NYS PAC Contributed \$500 To Garbarino's Assembly Campaign. [New York State Board of Elections, Friends of Andrew Garbarino, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

April 2014: National Grid Voluntary NYS PAC Contributed \$100 To Garbarino's Assembly Campaign. [New York State Board of Elections, Friends of Andrew Garbarino, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Garbarino Represented The Defendants In Two Foreclosure Cases

2016: Garbarino Represented Kurt Widmaier In The Foreclosure Case Of Mid-Island Mortgage Corp Vs Kurt Widmaier. Andrew Garbarino represented defendant Kurt Widmaier Esq in the E-RES Foreclosure FSC Eligible case of Mid-Island Mortgage Corp vs. Kurt Widmaier. [Suffolk Supreme Court, 0067946/ 2014, [10/5/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Represented Lori Neazer In The Foreclosure Case Of Federal National Mortgage Vs Lori Neazer. Andrew Garbarino represented defendant Lori Neazer in the E-RES Foreclosure FSC Eligible case of Federal National Mortgage vs. Lori Neazer. [Suffolk Supreme Court, 0602572/2015, [7/21/15](#)]

Garbarino Focused On Real Estate Law

Garbarino Was A Real Estate Attorney. “Garbarino, 32, of Sayville, is a real estate attorney running for his third term representing the South Shore of Islip town and East Patchogue.” [Long Island Press, 11/7/16]

William Garbarino—Andrew’s Father—Represented Clients To The Islip Town Planning Board

William Garbarino Represented A Client Who Wanted To Build Apartment Buildings

2016: William Garbarino Represented A Client To The Town Planning Board Who Wanted To Change Zones To Build Apartment Buildings. “At the Islip Town Planning Board meeting on Thursday, June 2, the board reviewed three applications for proposed developments - two in Bay Shore and one in East Islip. Ultimately, the board reserved decision on each item in order to further review their respective details and impacts. [...] The next application requested a change of zone from General Service D District to Downtown Development District (DDD) in order to construct 20 apartments on a vacant site located at 161 East Main Street (approximately 120 feet north of East Main Street) in Bay Shore. William Garbarino - the applicant's Sayville-based attorney - stated that a proposal was previously approved on the site for a medical office building. ‘The building was to be a two-story building on the same footprint we're proposing,’ said Garbarino. ‘We're [now] proposing a four-story building with 20 units varying in size from 750 to 860 square feet. ‘The use that is proposed is needed in the area,’ added Garbarino. ‘We have very attractive elevations. Out of 40 [required] spaces, we're providing 33, but when you look at the size of the units you're not going to have people with a lot of cars.’” [Islip Bulletin, 6/16/16]

Residents Opposed Construction Of The Proposed Apartment Building. “A few nearby residents then came forward to argue that the proposed building did not fit within the surrounding area. ‘This site is not appropriate for this parcel,’ said one resident who lives next door to the property on First Avenue. ‘It's on a one-way congested street with no parking To put a building with that many people on a one-way street where children play isn't appropriate. ‘It's true that this area needs development, but this is not [a fit] for the neighborhood,’ she added. Another nearby resident living on East Main Street echoed similar sentiments, noting that a four-story building would ‘dwarf’ other buildings in the area and pose a threat to the safety of pedestrians and children on First Avenue.’” [Islip Bulletin, 6/16/16]

William Garbarino Represented Homeowners Seeking Modifications On Deed Covenants And Restrictions

2015: William Garbarino Represented Homeowners Seeking Modifications On Deed Covenants And Restrictions To The Islip Town Planning Board. “Attorney William Garbarino presented an application filed by homeowners Maria and Philip DeSimone for their property on the southeast corner of River Road and Woodhollow Road (South St.) in Great River. The applicant was seeking modification of deed covenants and restrictions on a two-family home they had purchased two years ago. However, since the building is not owner occupied, when they attempted to renew their permit they were told that these covenants and restrictions were in place. ‘They were told by the town that it was a legal two-family house,’ said Garbarino, who added that the new restrictions were recently added. ‘This property has been used as a two-family for 35 years. But, there was a covenant that was missed. This is a big hardship for these people,’ he said.” [Islip Bulletin, 4/16/15]

William Garbarino Represented Clients In Front Of The Islip Town Planning Board Seeking A Change Of Zone For His Property

2014: William Garbarino Represented A Client In Front Of The Islip Town Planning Board Seeking A Change Of Zone For His Property. “At last Thursday's Islip Planning Board meeting, the owner of 95 Hiddink St. in Sayville, John Lorenzo, requested a change of zone for his property from Residence CAA District to General Service T District in order to operate a business on the premises. The applicant was also seeking a modification of deed covenants and restrictions, as well as site plan modification. The property is located on the north side of Hiddink St., 454.40 feet east of Lincoln Ave. William Garbarino, attorney for the applicant, said the building that was constructed in 1910 as a single family residence has gone through zone changes over the years. In 1995, it was changed to a two family dwelling. The current owner would like to use 400 square feet of space for his office. Garbarino said that the request was in keeping with other uses in the area that include other offices and retail businesses. ‘It's kept well, not a blight on the community,’ Garbarino added. ‘This application has merit.’” [Suffolk County News, 11/6/14]

William Garbarino Represented NFR Properties’ Request For A Deed Modification

2013: William Garbarino Represented NFR Properties’ Request For A Deed Modification To The Islip Town Planning Board. “In other planning board decisions: A reserved decision was rendered for the applicant NFR Properties that requested deed modifications to a triangular parcel on the northwest corner of Sunrise Highway and West Third Street in West Islip. Attorney William Garbarino representing the applicant, said that the restrictions on the property would need to be lifted in order to allow the sale and rental of vehicles.” [Islip Bulletin, 9/19/13]

William Garbarino Represented Caesar Figoni—Who Was Indicted On 32 Counts Of Grand Larceny, Extortion, And Rent Gouging

2002: William Garbarino Represented Caesar Figoni—Who Was Indicted On 32 Counts Of Grand Larceny, Extortion, And Rent Gouging. “The buyer, Caesar Figoni, was indicted in 1987 on 32 counts of grand larceny, extortion and rent gouging for threatening 16 seniors in Section 8 apartments with eviction or nonrenewal of their leases if they failed to pay a total of more than \$9,000 in extra rent. The seniors were bilked of \$15 to \$50 a month over their normal rent, which under the federal program was supposed to amount to 30 percent of their income, according to the indictment. Figoni pleaded guilty a year later to a reduced charge of petty larceny and agreed to pay \$125,000 to 86 low-income tenants and to perform 280 hours of community service. [...] Figoni's attorney, William Garbarino, did not return calls for comment.” [Newsday, 5/30/02]

William Garbarino Represented The Plaintiffs In Six Active Landlord And Tenant Cases

2020: William Garbarino Represented The Plaintiffs, Town Of Islip Affordable Housing Corporation, In Five Active Cases

March 2020: William Garbarino Represented Town Of Islip Affordable Housing In A Landlord And Tenant Case Against Peter Leo. On March 9, 2020, William Garbarino was listed as the attorney for the plaintiffs in the case of Town Of Islip Affordable Housing Corp vs. Peter Leo. Garbarino represented the Town of Islip Affordable Housing Corp and the case was still active as of May 18, 2020. [New York State Unified Court System, LT-000404-20/IS, [3/9/20](#)]

March 2020: William Garbarino Represented Town Of Islip Affordable Housing In A Landlord And Tenant Case Against Christopher Billeci. On March 6, 2020, William Garbarino was listed as the attorney for the plaintiffs in the case of Town Of Islip Affordable Housing Corp vs. Christopher Billeci. Garbarino represented the Town of Islip Affordable Housing Corp and the case was still active as of May 18, 2020. [New York State Unified Court System, LT-000402-20/IS, [3/6/20](#)]

March 2020: William Garbarino Represented Town Of Islip Affordable Housing In A Landlord And Tenant Case Against Violet Burrell. On March 6, 2020, William Garbarino was listed as the attorney for the plaintiffs in the case of Town Of Islip Affordable Housing Corp vs. Violet Burrell. Garbarino represented the Town of Islip Affordable Housing Corp and the case was still active as of May 18, 2020. [New York State Unified Court System, LT-000403-20/IS, [3/6/20](#)]

February 2020: William Garbarino Represented Town Of Islip Affordable Housing In A Landlord And Tenant Case Against Robert Keller. On February 7, 2020, William Garbarino was listed as the attorney for the plaintiffs in the case of Town Of Islip Affordable Housing Corp vs. Robert Keller. Garbarino represented the Town of Islip Affordable Housing Corp and the case was still active as of May 18, 2020. [New York State Unified Court System, LT-0002390-20/IS, [2/7/20](#)]

February 2020: William Garbarino Represented Town Of Islip Affordable Housing In A Landlord And Tenant Case Against Alvin Booker. On February 7, 2020, William Garbarino was listed as the attorney for the plaintiffs in the case of Town Of Islip Affordable Housing Corp vs. Alvin Booker. Garbarino represented the Town of Islip Affordable Housing Corp and the case was still active as of May 18, 2020. [New York State Unified Court System, LT-000241-20/IS, [2/7/20](#)]

2020: William Garbarino Represented NR LLC In A Landlord And Tenant Case

February 2020: William Garbarino Represented NR LLC In A Landlord And Tenant Case Against Miriam Gonzalez. On February 10, 2020, William Garbarino was listed as the attorney for the plaintiffs in the case of NR LLC, vs. Miriam Gonzalez. Garbarino represented NR LLC and the case was still active as of May 18, 2020. [New York State Unified Court System, LT-000244029/IS, [2/10/20](#)]

William Garbarino Represented The Plaintiffs In Three Real Property Cases

2019: William Garbarino Represented Himself In The Real Property Case Of William Garbarino Vs. Joseph Waldman. Garbarino represented was the attorney for himself in the E-Filed Other Real Property case of William R. Garbarino vs. Joseph Waldman. [Suffolk Supreme Court, 0616673/2018, [4/9/19](#)]

2019: William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff John Tamuccio In The Real Property Case John Tamuccio Vs Donald C Welch. William Garbarino was the attorney for plaintiff John Tamuccio in the E-Filed Other Real Property case of John Tamuccio vs. Donald C. Welch Jr. [Suffolk Supreme Court, 0623499/2018, [4/2/19](#)]

2019: William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Susan Garcia In The Real Property Case Susan Garcia Vs Joseph Turner. William Garbarino was the attorney for plaintiff Susan Garcia in the E-Filed Other Real Property case of Susan Garcia vs. Joseph Turner. [Suffolk Supreme Court, 0601779/ 2019, [2/20/19](#)]

William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Clare Rose Inc In A Contract Case

2020: William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Clare Rose Inc In A Contract Case Clare Rose Inc Vs Port Jess Brewing Company. William Garbarino represented plaintiffs Clare Rose Inc in the E-Filed Contract Case Claire Rose, Inc vs. Port Jess Brewing Company LLC. [Suffolk Supreme Court, Case No. 062059/2019, [1/30/20](#)]

William Garbarino PACER Cases

William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff RAM Associates LLC In A Civil Case

2012: William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff RAM Associates LLC In A Civil Case Against Travelers Property Causality Company Of America. William Garbarino represented plaintiffs in the case RAM Associates

LLC v. Travelers Property Casualty Company of America. The case was filed on March 15, 2012 and terminated on September 27, 2013. [New York Eastern District, Case No. 2:2012cv01293, 3/15/12]

William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Hope For The Future Ministry, Inc In A Civil Case

2011: William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Hope For The Future Ministry, Inc In A Civil Case Against The Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company. William Garbarino represented plaintiff Hope for the Future Ministry, Inc in the case Hope for the Future Ministry, Inc v. Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company. The case was filed on September 9, 2011 and closed on April 20, 2012. [New York Eastern District Court, Case No. 2:201cv04359, 9/9/11]

William Garbarino Represented Defendant Robert Bannon In A Civil Case Of CSC Holdings V. Mastando

2000: William Garbarino Represented Defendant Robert Bannon In Civil Case Of CSC Holdings, Inc V. Mastando, Et Al. William Garbarino was listed as an attorney for Robert Bannon, a defendant in the civil case of CSC Holdings, Inc. V. Mastando, Et Al. Bannon was terminated from the case on June 29, 2001. The case was filed on June 16, 2000 and was terminated on November 1, 2002. [New York Eastern District Court, Case No. 0:2000cv03556, 6/16/00]

William Garbarino Represented The Town Of Islip Housing Authority In Two Civil Lawsuits

1996: William Garbarino Represented Defendants Town Of Islip Housing Authority In A Civil Lawsuit. William Garbarino represented the Town of Islip Housing Authority in the civil case of Lamacchia, et al v. Town of Islip Housing. The case was filed on March 13, 1006 and was terminated on July 9, 1996. [New York Eastern District Court, Case No. 9:1996cv001142, 3/19/96]

1996: William Garbarino Represented Petitioners Town Of Islip Housing Authority In A Civil Lawsuit. William Garbarino represented the petitioners in the case of Town of Islip Housing Authority v. LaMacchia, et al. The case was filed on March 19, 1996 and closed on July 9, 1996. [New York Eastern District Court, Case No. 9:1996cv01238, 3/19/96]

William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Rose Spice, Inc In A Civil Lawsuit

1995: William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Rose Spice, Inc In The Civil Case Of Rose Spice, Inc V. Nationwide Merchandise Corp. William Garbarino represented plaintiff Rose Spice, Inc in the civil case of Rose Spice, Inc V. Nationwide Merchandise Corp, et al. The case was filed on January 26, 1995 and closed on January 16, 1997. [New York Eastern District Court, Case No. 9:1995cv00377, 1/26/95]

William Garbarino Represented Cross Claimant And Defendant Yacht “Wavemaker” In A Civil Lawsuit

1994: William Garbarino Represented Cross Claimant And Defendant Yacht “Wavemaker” In A Civil Case. William Garbarino represented cross claimant and defendant Yacht “Wavemaker” in the civil case of Key Bank of L.I. v. Yacht Wavemaker. The case was filed on March 14, 1994 and was closed on May 30, 1997. [New York Eastern District Court, Case No. 0:1994cv01133, 3/14/94]

William Garbarino Represented Defendant Finest Carpet Workroom Inc In A Civil Enforcement Of Employee Benefits Case

1992: William Garbarino Represented Defendant Finest Carpet Workroom Inc In A Civil Enforcement Of Employee Benefits Case. William Garbarino represented defendant Finest Carpet Workroom Inc. the case Hetckop , et al v. The Finest Carpet. The case was a 29:1132 E.R.I.S.A.: Civil Enforcement of Employee Benefits. The plaintiffs included The New York City District Council of Carpenters Welfare Fund, Pension Fund, Vacation

Fund, Annuity Fund, Apprenticeship, Journeyman Retraining, Education & Industry Fund, and Supplemental Fund and they demanded \$5,000 in the case. The case was filed on June 12, 1992 and was terminated on January 28, 1994. [New York Southern District Court, Case No. 1:1992cv04316, 6/12/92]

William Garbarino Represented Finest Carpet Workroom Inc In A Bankruptcy Case Filed By R Three Investors

1992: William Garbarino Represented Finest Carpet Workroom Inc In A Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Case Filed By R Three Investors. William Garbarino represented Finest Carpet Workroom Inc, a creditor in a chapter 11 Bankruptcy case filed by R Three Investors. The case was filed on the March 20, 1992 and closed on February 20, 2001. [New York Eastern Bankruptcy Court, Case No. 1:1992bk12405, 3/20/92]

William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Elsa Pfeifer In A Case Against Aetna Life Insurance

1990: William Garbarino Represented Plaintiff Elsa Pfeifer In A Civil Case Against Aetna Life Insurance. William Garbarino represented Elsa C. Pfeifer in the case of Pfeifer, et al v. Aetna Life. The case was filed on the December 13, 1990 and closed on October 2, 1991. [New York Eastern District Court, Case No. 0:1990cv04284, 12/13/90]

Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation

Garbarino Was Counsel To A Foundation That Provided Scholarships

Garbarino Was Counsel For The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation. “Garbarino is counsel for the Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation, which awards over \$25,000 per year in local scholarships to high school students.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

William R. Garbarino Was The Chairman Of The Foundation

2018: William R. Garbarino Was Listed As The Chairman Of The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation. See instructions				
(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
WILLIAM R GARBARINO 40 MAIN STREET SAYVILLE, NY 11782	CHAIRMAN 0 50	0	0	0

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

The Foundation Was Registered At The Address Of William R. Garbarino’s Law Office

2018: The Foundation Was Registered At William R. Garbarino’s Law Office. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

For calendar year 2018, or tax year beginning 01-01-2018

Name of foundation
CAPTAIN MERRILL H MASIN AND GRAHAM D
MASIN FOUNDATION LTD

Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
C/O W R GARBARINO ESQ 40 MAIN ST

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
SAYVILLE, NY 11782

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Was Registered As A Private Foundation And Was Tax Exempt Since 2010

Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Was A Private Foundation And Tax Exempt Since 2010. “CAPTAIN MERRILL H MASIN AND GRAHAM D MASIN FOUNDATION LTD SAYVILLE, NY 11782-0000 | TAX-EXEMPT SINCE AUG. 2010.” [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Howard T. Masin Established The Scholarship Foundation**Howard T. Masin Established A Scholarship Foundation For Sayville Students**

Howard T. Masin Established A Scholarship Foundation For Sayville Students. “Howard Masin, 94, of Sayville , has died Mr. Masin was born in Astoria and moved to the Czech community in the Sayville -Bohemia area, where he remained a lifelong resident. He graduated from Sayville High School in 1933 and worked as the mail deliveryman for South Sayville until his retirement. Mr. Masin was a U. S. Navy veteran of World War II and was a member of the American Legion Smith Wever Post 651. He was active in the early years of the Wet Pants Sailing Association and was a life member of the Community Ambulance Company. He also established a scholarship for Sayville students.” [Suffolk County News, [5/21/09](#)]

The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Was The Only Contributor To The Foundation

2018: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Did Not Contribute To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/18](#)]

2017: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Did Not Contribute To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/17](#)]

2016: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Contributed \$6,510 To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/16](#)]

2015: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Contributed \$35,085 To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/15](#)]

2014: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Contributed \$321,327 To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/14](#)]

2013: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Contributed \$20,000 To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/13](#)]

2012: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Contributed \$20,000 To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/12](#)]

2011: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Contributed \$20,000 To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/11](#)]

2010: The Estate Of Howard T. Masin Contributed \$520,907 To The Foundation. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/13](#)]

The Foundation Was Named After Howard Masin's Deceased Sons, Captain Merrill Masin And Graham Masin

Captain Merrill Masin Was A Captain In The U.S. Airforce And Died During The Vietnam War

Merrill Howard Masin Reached The Rank Of Captain In The U.S. Airforce. [Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Merrill Howard Masin, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

1972: Captain Merrill Masin Died In Combat In Ba Xugen. "On August 12, 1972, a U.S. Air Force Lockheed C-130E Hercules (#62-1853) from the 50th Tactical Airlift Squadron was climbing out of Soc Trang Airfield in Ba Xuyen Province, RVN, when it crashed after being hit by hostile ground fire. The Hercules aircraft was fired on immediately after the takeoff in the pre-dawn darkness. The plane was at about 500 feet when hit by small arms, causing it to go out of control and crash in a field. Thirty of forty-four personnel on board were killed including fourteen Americans. [...] The lost crew included aircraft commander MAJ Jerry D. Vance, co-pilot CAPT Timmie J. Ward, student pilots CAPT Terry Kohler and CAPT Merrill H. Masin..." [Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Merrill Howard Masin, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

1945: Captain Masin Was Born In Sayville, New York. [Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Merrill Howard Masin, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

An Island In Suffolk County Was Named In Honor Of Captain Merrill H. Masin

An Island In Suffolk County Was Named In Honor Of Captain Merrill H. Masin. "CAPTAIN MERRILL H. MASIN ISLAND, Brown's River: Merrill H. Masin was born November 26, 1945, grew up in Sayville and was a 1964 graduate of Sayville High School and a 1968 graduate of the State University at Stony Brook. He served for one year as a fighter pilot in Vietnam and then returned to the United States for training as a transport pilot; thereafter, he was posted to Taiwan and had but one trip to go as a student pilot before qualifying as an air commander when he was killed with six other Americans in a plane crash as it was taking off from Soc Trang, Vietnam on August 12, 1972. His body was repatriated and buried in Union Cemetery; his pet Spitz puppy, Sukie, was also repatriated and harbored by the Masin family. Merrill H. Masin was the recipient of the Purple Heart, National Defense Service Medal, Air Medal (with two Oak Clusters), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and the New York State Conspicuous Service Medal. Chris Bodkin has noted that he, Merrill and other friends used to play on the Island as children, 'almost lived there in summers'. On November 10, 1998, owned by Suffolk County, it was dedicated in his memory as Captain Merrill H. Masin Island." [Sayville Library, Public Buildings, Parks, and Memorials, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

Graham D. Masin Was A Lifelong Resident Of Sayville And A Dispatcher For The Sayville Community Ambulance

Graham D. Masin Was A Lifelong Resident Of Sayville And A Dispatcher For The Sayville Community Ambulance. "Graham D. Masin, 61, a lifelong resident of Sayville, died on April 21. He was a dispatcher for The Sayville Community Ambulance for many years and was retired from the town of Islip. Mr. Masin was an avid

sailor and had a strong interest in vintage cars. Mr. Masin is survived by his father, Howard, of Sayville. He was predeceased by his brother, Captain Merrill Masin in 1972 and by his mother, Lorraine, in 1993.” [Suffolk County News, [4/29/04](#)]

990 Filings

2018 Filings

2018: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$44,247 In Revenue.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

2018: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$48,985 In Total Expenses

And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

2018: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$943,651 In Total Assets And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

2018: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$40,250 On Scholarship

Grants. The foundation gave \$8,000 to Bayport Blue Point Schools, \$8,000 to Connetquot Schools, \$250 to Sayville High School, and \$24,000 to Sayville School District. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

2018: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$375.00 On Legal Fees.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, accessed [5/18/20](#)]

2017 Filings

2017: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$58,682 In Revenue.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/17](#)]

2017: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$46,791 In Total Expenses

And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/17](#)]

2017: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$943,651 In Total Assets

And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/17](#)]

2017: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$38,250 On Scholarship

Grants. The foundation gave \$7,000 to Bayport Blue Point Schools, \$7,000 to Connetquot Schools, \$250 to Sayville High School, and \$24,000 to Sayville School District. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/17](#)]

2017: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$325.00 On Legal Fees.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/17](#)]

2016 Filings

2016: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$55,160 In Revenue.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/16](#)]

2016: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$47,661 In Total Expenses

And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/16](#)]

2016: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$875,506 In Total Assets And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/16](#)]

2016: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$38,250 On Scholarship Grants. The foundation gave \$7,000 to Bayport Blue Point Schools, \$7,000 to Connetquot Schools, \$250 to Sayville High School, and \$24,000 to Sayville School District. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/16](#)]

2016: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$325.00 On Legal Fees. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/16](#)]

2015 Filings

2015: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$63,324 In Revenue. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/15](#)]

2015: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$50,496 In Total Expenses And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/15](#)]

2015: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$859,908 In Total Assets And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/15](#)]

2015: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$40,250 On Scholarship Grants. The foundation gave \$7,000 to Bayport Blue Point Schools, \$7,000 to Connetquot Schools, \$250 to Sayville High School, and \$26,000 to Sayville School District. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/15](#)]

2015: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$325.00 On Legal Fees. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/15](#)]

2014 Filings

2014: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$368,358 In Revenue. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/14](#)]

2014: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$32,758 In Total Expenses And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/14](#)]

2014: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$914,949 In Total Assets And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/14](#)]

2014: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$25,250 On Scholarship Grants. The foundation gave \$2,500 to Bayport Blue Point Schools, \$2,500 to Connetquot Schools, and \$20,250 to Sayville School District. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/14](#)]

2014: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$450.00 On Legal Fees. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/14](#)]

2013 Filings

2013: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$51,403 In Revenue.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/13](#)]

2013: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$26,868 In Total Expenses

And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/13](#)]

2013: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$613,588 In Total Assets

And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/13](#)]

2013: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$20,250 On Scholarship

Grants. The foundation gave \$2,500 to Bayport Blue Point Schools, \$2,500 to Connetquot Schools, and \$15,250 to Sayville Public Schools. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/13](#)]

2013: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$450.00 On Legal Fees.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/13](#)]

2012 Filings

2012: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$40,519 In Revenue.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/12](#)]

2012: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$22,877 In Total Expenses

And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/12](#)]

2012: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$556,645 In Total Assets

And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/12](#)]

2012: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$15,500 On Scholarship

Grants. The foundation gave \$2,500 to Bayport Blue Point Schools, \$2,500 to Connetquot Schools, and \$10,500 to Sayville Public Schools. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/12](#)]

2012: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$785 On Legal Fees.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/12](#)]

2011 Filings

2011: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$39,696 In Revenue.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/11](#)]

2011: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$10,474 In Total Expenses

And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/11](#)]

2011: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$506,850 In Total Assets

And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/11](#)]

2011: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$5,250 On Scholarship

Grants. The foundation gave \$5,250 to Sayville Public Schools. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/11](#)]

2011: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$250 On Legal Fees.

[ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/11](#)]

2010 Filings

2010: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$521,544 In Revenue. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/10](#)]

2010: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$10,887 In Total Expenses And Disbursements. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/10](#)]

2010: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Totaled \$510,657 In Total Assets And \$0 In Total Liabilities. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/10](#)]

2010: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$0 On Scholarship Grants. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/10](#)]

2010: The Captain Merrill H. Masin And Graham D. Masin Foundation Spent \$9,599 On Legal Fees. [ProPublica, Captain Merrill H Masin and Graham D Masin Foundation, [12/31/10](#)]

Garbarino Was Admitted To The New York Bar In 2010

2010: Garbarino Was Admitted To The New York Bar

2010: Garbarino Was Admitted To The New York Bar. Garbarino was admitted to the New York Bar on February 24, 2010 and had no record of a disciplinary history. [New York State Unified Court System, Registration Number 4765186, accessed [5/15/20](#)]

Relationships

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino had close ties to New York Congressional Republicans Lee Zeldin and Pete King*
 - ✓ *Garbarino said he was convinced to run for King's seat by Zeldin*
- ✓ *William Garbarino—Andrew Garbarino's father—was the Islip Republican Party Chairman*
 - ✓ *William Garbarino previously served as the vice chair of the party*
- ✓ *The former Islip Republican Party Chairman's son served as Garbarino's Chief of Staff in the Assembly*
 - ✓ *Frank A. Tantone was the Islip Republican Party Chairman and his son, Frank J. Tantone, served as Garbarino's Chief of Staff*
 - ✓ *Tantone led a GOP faction in Islip that revived the party*
- ✓ *Garbarino was the "scion of a prominent GOP family" and was credited with revitalizing the Islip GOP*
- ✓ *2018: Garbarino's Chief of Staff, Jarett Gandolfo, served on the Islip Town Community Development Agency*

Lee Zeldin

Garbarino Said He Always Wanted To Be A Congressman But Was On The Fence About Running Until He Was Convinced By Representative Lee Zeldin

VIDEO: Garbarino: "I Always Wanted To Be A Congressman." "[4:49] Why am I running? It's funny when Peter King announced he wasn't going to run; I didn't want to run at first. I always wanted to be a congressman, I went to school in DC, but when he announced I didn't wanna run. I said to myself, I am in the Assembly, I'm a ranking Republican on the Insurance Committee, I'm on this National Legislative Insurance board, I'm helping people. I've made good friends, good connections with people up in Albany. When a constituent calls my office, I can help them. I can help them with their liquor authority problem, I can help them with their Medicaid issue, I can help them with the Department of State, I can help them with their state ed issues." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Was Convinced To Run By Congressman Lee Zeldin. "[5:54] At first, I didn't want to do it, I was struggling with the idea. I was thinking, 'Can I do this? Should I do this? I'm in a good spot.' And it was actually Congressman Zeldin, he called me up and said, 'what are you thinking, are you gonna do it are you not gonna do it?' and I told him this, I said, 'Lee, I'm not sure. I'm in a good spot in Albany, I like what I'm doing, I'm helping people... I was in a good place and I wanted to continue doing that.' Lee told me, he said, 'You know Andrew, when I ran back in 2014, I was in a good spot in Albany, I was helping people, I was getting bills passed, I was doing really good things.' [...] He was doing all these good things, and you know what he said to me? 'I went to DC and I'm doing good things here. He goes, "Yes, Andrew, you might be doing good things in Albany, but you can do good things here, you can do it at a bigger level, and help more people.' So, when he said that to me that was really, that made me do it." [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

Garbarino Spoke To Prominent New York Republicans—Like Lee Zeldin—When Deciding To Run

Garbarino Spoke To Prominent New York Republicans—Like Lee Zeldin—When Deciding To Run. “I woke up on Veterans Day when Peter King announced his retirement, and had all these text messages and phone calls saying, 'you should look at this.' Also, political consultant Mike Dawidziak was asked that day who could be possible replacements and he named Legis. Tom Cilmi, state Sen. Phil Boyle and me. I like to do my research and weigh the pros and cons. One of the things you have to do is raise money. So I called the people who supported me for my first assembly run and they all said, 'you have to do it.' I'm comfortable and in a safe seat right now, but it's not always about being comfortable. The risks include not running for assembly re-election if I'm a nominee. [Congressman] Lee Zeldin called me one Saturday and I had a 40-minute conversation with him. He was in a safe seat in the Senate and took the risk of running for Congress.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

2012: Garbarino Spoke At A Campaign Kick-Off Rally For Lee Zeldin’s State Senate Campaign

2012: Garbarino Spoke At A Campaign Kick-Off Rally For Lee Zeldin’s State Senate Campaign. “NYS Assembly Candidate Andrew Garbarino speaking at Senator Lee Zeldin's Campain Kick-off Rally.” [Garbarino for Assembly 2012, Facebook, [9/12/12](#)]



[Garbarino for Assembly 2012, Facebook, [9/12/12](#)]

Pete King

Garbarino Met With Representative Pete King To Discuss Policy In NY-02

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Republican Party

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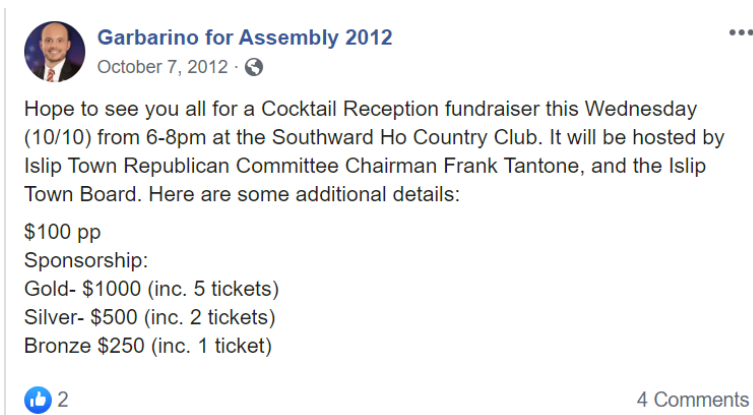
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Ties To Local Government

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Donald Trump

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino said he would work with President Trump to continue economic growth
- ✓ Garbarino pledged to support the conservative leadership of Donald Trump and Mike Pence
- ✓ In 2016, Garbarino praised Donald Trump in his re-election speech to the state Assembly
 - ✓ Garbarino: “Donald Trump is going to be the next President and it's going to be huge”

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and supporters. Thank you everyone and have a great night. Donald Trump is going to be the next President and it's going to be huge.” [Suffolk County News, 11/10/16]

Issues

Abortion & Women's Health Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against protecting a woman's right to an abortion*
 - ✓ *Additionally, he criticized other women's equality bills that were tied to a "late-term abortion expansion" bill*
 - ✓ *Garbarino voted against the Reproductive Health Act four times, which codified Roe v. Wade and expanded access to abortion*
- ✓ *Garbarino repeatedly voted against expanding access to contraception*
 - ✓ *He voted against the Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act—which provided insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraception—five times*
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- ✓ *Garbarino voted against requiring health insurance policies to cover in-vitro fertilization*
- ✓ *In 2019, Garbarino received a 33% rating from Planned Parenthood Empire State*

Abortion

Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act, Which Expanded Access To Abortion

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00240, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00240, [1/22/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00021, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00021, [1/15/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01748, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01748, [3/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01748, “Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01748, [1/17/17](#)]

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2016: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting A Woman’s Right To An Abortion. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06221, “§ 4166 provides that the state shall not deny a woman's right to obtain an abortion as established by the United States Supreme Court in the decision Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973). This bill codifies the alignment of State law with existing federal law. In Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the United State Supreme Court ruled that the United States Constitution protects a woman's right to have an abortion prior to fetal viability or when necessary to protect the health and life of the woman. Although current State law does not have all of these protections, this has, in fact and in law, been the law in New York for over forty years; this proposal would not change or alter existing State and federal laws that permit a health care provider or institutions from refraining from providing an abortion for religious or moral beliefs. This bill would not expand the class of individuals who could perform abortions, nor would it alter the current long-standing criminal ban on partial birth abortion. The bill simply codifies the reproductive rights that women in New York have had since Roe.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 50. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06221, [6/7/16](#)]

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Contraception Access

Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act, Which Required Insurers To Provide Cost-Free Contraception Coverage, Five Times

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00585, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00585, [1/14/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09957, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09957, [3/13/18](#)]

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2016: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08135B, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08135B, [1/25/16](#)]

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stealthing as sexual assault or rape. Paulin also put in a bill to define stealthing as ‘sexual misconduct.’” [New York Post, [10/24/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Private Rights Of Action For Unconsented Removal Of A Sexually Protective Device Twice

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Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Access To Emergency Contraception

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Reproductive Rights

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Policies To Cover In-Vitro Fertilization

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02646A, “An act to amend the insurance law, in relation to insurance coverage of in vitro fertilization and other fertility preservation treatments. To require health insurance policies to provide coverage for in-vitro fertilization.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 19 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02646, [5/16/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Making It Unlawful To Provide Valuable Compensation For Human Egg Donations

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Making It Unlawful To Provide Valuable Consideration For Human Egg Donations. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07669, “Makes it unlawful to provide valuable consideration for the donation of human eggs for scientific research.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07669, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Human Cloning

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Human Cloning. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06632, “Creates the human cloning prohibition act which makes it unlawful for any person or entity, public or private, to intentionally or knowingly perform or attempt to perform human cloning; defines terms; makes exceptions; imposes penalties for violations.” The bill was passed by the Health Committee by a vote of 16 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06632, [5/1/18](#)]

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Agriculture & Food Access Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino flip-flopped on the creation of a Food Safety and Inspection Advisory Board*
 - ✓ *He voted for the bill during his first term in office in 2013, but later voted against the creation of the board in 2014 and 2019*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against ensuring liquor licenses were consistent with the public interest*
- ✓ *In 2014, Garbarino was named to the New York Farm Bureau's "Circle of Friends"*

Food Safety

Garbarino Voted Against The Creation Of An Advisory Board On Food Safety And Inspection

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Creation Of An Advisory Board On Food Safety And Inspection Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05387, "Requires the creation of a thirteen member advisory board within the department of agriculture and markets on food safety and inspection programs; such board is to advise, counsel and confer with the commissioner of agriculture and markets on matters dealing with enforcement of laws and regulations regarding food safety and protection and shall make recommendations regarding any necessary statutory or regulatory changes." The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05387, [6/18/19](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Creation Of An Advisory Board On Markets And Food Safety. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04125, "Requires the creation of a nine member advisory board within the department of agriculture and markets on food safety and inspection programs; such board is to advise, counsel and confer with the commissioner of agriculture and markets on matters dealing with enforcement of laws and regulations regarding food safety and protection and shall make recommendations regarding any necessary statutory or regulatory changes." The bill passed by a vote of 120 – 16. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04125, [3/24/14](#)]

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Liquor Licenses

Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring That Liquor Licenses Were Consistent With Public Interest Factors. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07462, "Ensures that the provisions governing liquor licenses are consistent with respect to public interest factors." The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07462, [6/18/19](#)]

New York Farm Bureau

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Budget Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino opposed a majority of the FY 2021 state budget
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against increased education funding, lowered prescription drug prices, stricter gun and domestic violence laws, and increased environmental protections
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against increasing workers' benefits—including paid sick leave and unemployment benefits—amidst the COVID-19 pandemic
 - ✓ Garbarino proposed an amendment to the state budget to include the Small Business Emergency Recovery Act of 2020, but the amendment did not pass
 - ✓ Garbarino wanted the budget to outline a plan to “reduce the bloated costs of Medicaid”
- ✓ Garbarino opposed the full FY 2020 state budget
 - ✓ Garbarino: “This may be the worst negotiated budget that I have ever seen”
 - ✓ The budget cut taxes on the middle class, required universal background checks on gun purchases, ended cash bail in most cases, protected workers' rights, and codified the ACA into state law
- ✓ Garbarino voted for the majority of the FY 2018 state budget
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against a \$25.8 billion education investment and an affordable housing program
- ✓ Garbarino voted against a majority of the FY 2017 state budget
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against increased benefits for workers, increased infrastructure funding, increased environmental protections, and investments to fight the opioid crisis
- ✓ Garbarino voted against a majority of the FY 2016 budget
 - ✓ Garbarino voted against increased education funding, \$5.4 billion investment into the economy, and increased environmental protections
- ✓ In the FY 2014 state budget, Garbarino voted against raising the minimum wage but said the budget contained initiatives that would benefit Long Island
- ✓ Garbarino: “Policy doesn't need to be in the budget”
- ✓ Garbarino supported withholding the Governor's salary if a budget was not passed

Garbarino Opposed The Majority Of The 2021 Budget

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget For 2020 – 2021. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07506B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 76 – 66. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07506B, [4/3/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted For The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07500C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07500C, [4/3/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07501, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07501, [4/3/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07505B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year; relates to extending the effectiveness of certain provisions of law relating to various criminal justice and public safety programs (Part A).” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07505B, [4/2/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07508, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 81 – 60. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07508, [4/2/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07503C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid to Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. AS07503C, [4/2/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07504C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07504C, [4/1/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Major Components Of Legislation Necessary To Implement The State Fiscal Plan. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07509B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation which are necessary to implement the state fiscal plan for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year; extends provisions related to the financial institution data match system for state tax collection purposes.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07509B, [4/1/20](#)]

Garbarino Previously Filed A Motion To Amend The Bill, But The Motion Failed. Garbarino filed a motion to amend Bill No. S07509B, but the motion failed by a vote of 53 – 88. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07509B, [4/1/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding

The Budget Prevented Cuts To Education And Each District’s Foundation Aid Funding Remained The Same. “The federal CARES Act provided much needed support to the state’s education budget, and my colleagues and I were able to use these funds to prevent education funding cuts in the FY 2020-2021 NYS Budget. Every school district’s Foundation Aid funding is the same as it was last year.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Stopped Abusive And Deceptive Practices From Student Loan Debt Relief Companies.

“Governor Cuomo has championed financial assistance and debt relief for New York students, establishing the Get on Your Feet Loan Forgiveness Program—the nation's only state-sponsored need-based loan forgiveness program and enacting regulations prescribing standards of conduct for student loan servicing companies. However, additional protections are needed to protect New Yorkers from student debt relief companies that have had a poor record of serving their customers. These companies typically charge student loan borrowers substantial upfront fees and promise to assist them with consolidating multiple student loans into a single loan or alternative repayment arrangements. Borrowers, however, can often achieve the same results through free government programs. The Budget includes legislation setting standards for the student loan debt relief industry in New York.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Workers’ Benefits—including Paid Sick Leave And Unemployment

Amidst The COVID-19 Pandemic, The Budget Adopted Paid Sick Leave Policy, Increased Unemployment Funding, And Prevented Proposed Medicaid Cuts. “We also adopted a paid sick leave policy for all workers with minimal impact on small businesses, increased funding for unemployment insurance, and partially rolled-back proposed Medicaid cuts. [...] \$1.05 billion increased funding for Unemployment Insurance (UI), and ensuring all New York employees have between five to seven days (40 to 56 hours, respectively) of sick leave. [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Added \$200 Million Towards Child Care Development Block Grant To Help Families Affected By The Pandemic. “The state budget also addressed the many community members who are struggling due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, with \$200 million in additional support through the Child Care Development Block Grant to assist families affected by the public health emergency.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Approved Paid Sick Leave Policy For Large And Medium-Sized Employers. “Most workers in New York will soon be entitled to paid sick leave as part of the budget deal. Cuomo and lawmakers approved a measure requiring large employers (100 or more employees) to provide up to 56 hours of paid leave a year for workers who become ill or injured or have to care for a sick family member. Medium-sized employers (4 to 99 employees) will have to provide up to 40 hours. And those with fewer than four employees will have to provide up to 40 hours of unpaid sick leave. Workers will accrue one hour of sick leave per 30 hours worked. The new requirements take effect in 2021.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Required Workers On Private Projects Receiving Public Subsidies To Be Paid The Prevailing Wage. “Requires that workers on private projects receiving a significant public subsidy will be paid a prevailing wage. Private projects larger than \$5 million where at least 30 percent of construction expenses are supported by public grants, tax credits, or certain other incentives will be required to pay prevailing wage, extending important worker protections to even more components of New York's largest-in-the-nation building program.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Lowering Prescription Drug Prices

The Budget Capped Out-Of-Pocket Expenses For Insulin At \$100. “The state budget also caps the out-of-pocket expenses for a 30 day supply of insulin at \$100.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Included A Plan To Lower Prescription Drugs. “The FY 2021 Enacted Budget includes a three-part plan to lower prescription drug costs for all New Yorkers. The Budget caps insulin co-payments at \$100 per month for insured patients to help address the rising cost of insulin that has resulted in diabetes patients rationing, skipping doses and not filling prescriptions. Finally, the Enacted Budget establishes a commission of experts to study the feasibility and benefits of a Canadian drug importation program and submit a plan to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for review.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Strengthening Gun Laws

The Budget Closed The Out-Of-State Gun Loophole. “The FY 2021 Enacted Budget includes legislation to prohibit individuals from obtaining a gun license who commit serious offenses out-of-state that would disqualify them from obtaining a gun license if committed in New York. This will provide greater consistency in New York's licensing scheme and ensure individuals who are prohibited from purchasing a firearm are not able to do so. The Enacted Budget also includes legislation to require all state and local law enforcement agencies in the state to opt in to the ATF's crime gun trace data sharing program and submit crime guns recovered through the ATF's eTrace system. Additionally, the Enacted Budget includes legislation to amend the Mental Hygiene Law to allow New York to share reports of individuals who are a danger to themselves or others with other states.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

The Budget Strengthened Domestic Violence Laws

The Budget Strengthened Domestic Violence Laws And Kept Guns Out Of The Hands Of Abusers. “Domestic Violence laws were strengthened in the state budget by empowering law enforcement to seize weapons for at least 48 hours when responding to domestic violence incidents. Law enforcement will be authorized to seize firearms that are in plain view when conducting a lawful search in responding to a domestic violence incident. Additional measures to keep guns out of the hands of domestic abusers include ensuring District Attorneys follow current practices and Court Clerks promptly provide information on misdemeanor domestic violence convictions to the State Department of Criminal Justice Services to ensure these offenses are easier to identify on a criminal record for gun background checks.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Amending Campaign Finance Laws

The Budget Approved A New System For Public Campaign Financing. “A state commission last year crafted and approved a new system for public campaign financing in New York, in which donations of \$250 or less to a state-level political candidate are matched with public funds at a 6-to-1 rate. But a court invalidated the plan earlier this year, arguing the Legislature didn't have the authority to allow the commission to put such a system in place. That changed in this year's budget, when lawmakers and Cuomo put the commission's plan into law. Now, the plan will take effect after the 2022 elections.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Dropped Maximum Contribution Limits For Candidates. “Candidates will have to meet certain fundraising thresholds to qualify. The maximum contribution limits for candidates will also drop to \$18,000 for statewide candidates, down from about \$70,000 now.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Environmental Protections

The Budget Approved A \$3 Billion Environmental Bond Act. “In his original budget proposal in January, Cuomo said he wanted to seek voter approval to borrow \$3 billion to fund environmental upgrades in New York, including green infrastructure upgrades and anti-flooding projects. That proposal made it through to the final budget agreement. But it gives Cuomo's budget director the ability to pull it back if it would interfere with the state's ability to obtain financing for other capital projects or the state can't otherwise get access to the markets to issue the bonds. Unless Cuomo pulls it back, the bond act will appear on the ballot this November.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Bond Funded Flood Mitigation And Wildland Restoration Efforts. “State lawmakers approved a \$3 billion environmental bond fund for flood mitigation and wildland restoration efforts – a headline issue for Cuomo at his January State of the State address – was included in new budget legislation submitted Wednesday afternoon.” [City & State, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Placed A Ban On Fracking. “In late 2014, Cuomo's administration first banned high-volume hydraulic fracturing, the technique used to help free natural gas from underground shale formations. But the state's ban was administrative, meaning it was implemented by the Department of Environmental Conservation and could be overturned by a future governor. That's no longer the case: Now the ban will be in state law, meaning it would require the governor and the Legislature to overturn it in the future.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

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However, Garbarino’s Amendment Failed To Pass. “Unfortunately, this relief package was promptly voted down by the Democratic Majority in the Assembly.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, Facebook, [4/2/20](#)]



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Garbarino: “The Budget Should Address Coronavirus Recovery, Not Bad Policy”

Garbarino: “The Budget Should Address Coronavirus Recovery, Not Bad Policy.” “We are two days away from the state budget deadline, and yet there still is no deal. It really should be simple — we must pass a significantly conservative budget considering the state is facing reduced income from this health crisis. The governor and legislative leader should put aside the temptation to insert policy in this budget or protect spending for their pet projects. We must pass a budget that keeps government operational and makes working-class New Yorkers and small businesses the priority to help them recover from coronavirus and its many impacts.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/30/20](#)]

Garbarino: New York Must Pass Bare Budget That Supports Those Impacted By COVID-19 Outbreak.

“Like always, the budget is not the place for policy, especially in these difficult and trying times that New Yorkers are facing. To insert bad policy, like the governor has hinted at in the past few days, would be a complete disservice to the residents in our state who are scared and struggling. We should be investing our time in passing a budget that keeps our government operational and managing the COVID-19 health crisis. We must ensure that regular critical services continue for the people of New York who need it the most, and we must stand by the people and small businesses negatively impacted by the outbreak. Let’s put aside politics and do our jobs to serve the people of our state well.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/24/20](#)]

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Garbarino Called For \$6 Million In Restorations To Veterans’ Programs In Budget. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) joined veterans and his Assembly Minority colleagues in calling for the restoration of \$6 million being cut by the governor in the state budget which funds critical veterans services. This figure includes a \$4 million cut to the Joseph P. Dwyer peer counseling program. ‘Every year we have to fight with the governor to restore critical funding to veterans’ programs and services,’ said Garbarino. ‘Veterans have a variety of needs and I have a growing concern for the increasing rate of veteran suicides. The \$6 million we want restored invests in our veterans to provide counseling, services to aid in the transition to civilian life and workforce, and more. Considering how much our veterans have sacrificed for us, we should be there for them.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/25/20](#)]

Garbarino: Long Islanders Deserve Fair Share Of Investment In Budget

Garbarino: Long Islanders Deserve Fair Share Of Investment In Budget. “Our state is facing a \$6.1 billion budget deficit, and New York must carefully decide on how it will make up the gap. The governor laid out plans for Medicaid and state school aid restructuring, and I await further details to know how these proposals will affect our communities. While I welcome a new Medicaid Redesign Team to find roughly \$2.5 billion in savings in the program, I want to make sure that our nursing homes and hospitals aren’t harmed from any cuts. Further still, I am concerned that the governor’s new state school aid plan may hurt Long Island school districts, which have always deserved more aid from the state than received. Long Islanders pay an exorbitant amount in taxes, only to have it bankroll New York City initiatives and projects. Long Island must receive its fair share of investment.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [1/21/20](#)]

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Garbarino Wanted The Budget To Outline A Plan To “reduce The Bloated Costs Of Medicaid.” “Listening to the governor’s State of the State address, I heard him outline an agenda which New Yorkers simply cannot afford, especially when we are facing a \$6 billion budget deficit. I didn’t hear a clear plan on how to reduce the bloated costs of Medicaid, which comprises the bulk of the deficit. He calls his agenda robust and aggressive, but I heard nothing significant to stop the hemorrhage of New York residents leaving the state for better opportunities.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [1/8/20](#)]

FY 2020 Budget

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EDITORIAL: Garbarino: “This May Be The Worst Negotiated Budget That I Have Ever Seen.” “This may be the worst negotiated budget that I have ever seen. The budget provided no checks on the governor on his pet project spending, thinly veiled as economic development spending. [...] The cherry on top of this disappointing budget was the Democrats approving a substantial raise for the governor, making him the highest paid governor in the country.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Editorial, 4/11/19]

EDITORIAL: Garbarino Accused Democrats Of “Outlandish” Spending. “All of these second-rate policies passed throughout the night without the scrutiny of the public or press, and finished as the sun was rising. New Yorkers deserve a far more transparent and dynamic budget that actually meets the needs of its taxpayers. The resulting budget is a disservice to the people who are paying the bill of the governor’s and the Democrats’ outlandish and shortsighted spending.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Op-Ed, 4/11/19]

EDITORIAL: Garbarino Criticized Libraries’ Loss Of Funding. “Libraries, which benefit all residents, are also facing stagnant funding, and this year had their capital improvement budget cut by \$20 million.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Op-Ed, 4/11/19]

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Garbarino Voted Against The Budget Proposal And “5.7 Billion In Tax Increases.” “Today, I voted against the Assembly Majority’s budget proposal and \$5.7 billion in tax increases. Taxpaying Long Islanders simply cannot

afford what the Assembly Majority is proposing, which mostly benefits New York City interests. The final budget must be fair to all New Yorkers and must be affordable.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/13/19](#)]

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“Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) is offering a plan which focuses on middle-class tax relief and invests in communities in the budget. Garbarino’s plan is in stark contrast to the out-of-touch agenda of the Assembly Majority in the Legislature who are proposing to decriminalize prostitution, legalize recreational marijuana and offer free healthcare to illegal immigrants. ‘While the Assembly Majority are worried about which vice to legalize next – prostitution or pot, I am most concerned with helping out hardworking families and bringing jobs back to our state,’ said Garbarino.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The FY 2020 Budget

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01507C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01507C, [4/1/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01504D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01504, [4/1/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Legislative And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01501A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01501A, [4/1/19](#)]

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02006C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02006, [3/31/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02003D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 125 – 23. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02003D, [3/31/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01505C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 56. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01505C, [3/31/19](#)]

The Budget Cut Taxes On The Middle Class And Made The 2 Percent Cap On Local Property Tax Increases Permanent

Long Island Advance: The Budget Made The “Popular 2 Percent Cap On Local Property Tax Increases Permanent,” And Lowered Taxes For Those Making Between \$40,000 And \$150,000. “In addition, the budget wants to make the popular 2 percent cap on local property tax increases permanent and—as a result of the federal tax reform that limits deductions for state and local taxes to \$10,000—lower taxes for those making between \$40,000 and \$150,000 from 6.85 percent to about 5.5 percent.” [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

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The Budget Legalized Recreational Marijuana, Banned Plastic Bags, Required Universal Background Checks For Gun Purchases, And Strengthened Penalties For Those Possessing Illegal Firearms. “Gov. Andrew Cuomo’s budget, which costs \$176 billion, is rather ambitious. It looks to legalize recreational marijuana, ban plastic bags, require universal background checks for gun purchases, and strengthen penalties for those possessing illegal firearms.” [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

The Budget Funded Infrastructure Projects And Changed The Way The State Distributes Aid And Incentives For Municipalities

The Budget Put \$150 Billion Towards Infrastructure Projects Across The State. “The budget also hopes to see \$150 billion put towards infrastructure projects across the state within a five-year period.” [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

Budget Also Changed The Way The State Distributes Aid And Incentives For Municipalities Funding To Over 90 Percent Of Towns And Villages Throughout The State. “The budget could also change how the state distributes aid and incentives for municipalities funding to over 90 percent of towns and villages throughout the state.” [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Criminal Justice Reform

The Budget Ended Cash Bail For At Least 80% Of Arrests. “The package includes ending cash bail in most cases, except for some violent felonies. Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, D-Bronx, said it would end cash bail for at least 80 percent of all arrests in New York. The problem, critics said, is that having cash bail made it difficult for those arrested to get out of jail as they await the adjudication of their cases.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

Advocacy Groups Called The Changes “Transformational.” “While cash bail will not be abolished entirely, as some had wanted, it will end for all but certain violent felonies. Mr. Cuomo’s office estimated that 90 percent of people charged with a crime would no longer be jailed before trial. Prosecutors will also be forced to reveal possibly exculpatory evidence to the defense far earlier in the discovery process, and speedy trials will be guaranteed. These are all major victories for advocacy groups and public defenders, who have noted that New York’s discovery laws had previously ranked fourth worst in the nation. Rebecca Brown, director of policy at the Innocence Project, called Sunday’s package ‘transformational.’” [New York Times, [3/31/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Codifying New York’s ACA Exchange Into State Law And Addressing The Opioid Crisis

The Budget Codified New York's ACA Exchange Into State Law. "Fearing the federal repeal of so-called Obamacare, New York plans to codify its state health exchange into law. So even if the federal government goes ahead with its repeal threat, New York would still have its New York State of Health, which serves more than 4.7 million residents." [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Access To Drugs To Fight The Opioid Epidemic. "Expands Access to Buprenorphine: Buprenorphine is an important advance in Medication Assisted Treatment, which, like methadone and injectable naltrexone, is used in combination with counseling as appropriate to help people reach and sustain recovery from Opioid Use Disorder. To expand use of buprenorphine, Governor Cuomo will direct the Department of Health to require all hospitals statewide to develop protocols for their Emergency Departments to address Opioid Use Disorder based on the standard of care for treatment or referral for treatment. The Enacted Budget also prohibits health plans from requiring prior authorization for Medication Assisted Treatment." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Made Substance Use Disorder Treatment More Accessible. "The Enacted Budget makes treatment more accessible and affordable by requiring minimum coverage standards of health plans; prohibiting the denial of medically necessary treatment; prohibiting multiple co-payments per day and requiring behavioral health co-payments to be equal to primary care co-payments. These changes eliminate administrative and cost burdens that can stand in the way of treatment for New Yorkers struggling with addiction." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Election Reform

The Budget Mandated Three Hours Of Paid Time Off For All New Yorkers On Election Day And Implemented Online Voter Registration. "The budget adds to changes made earlier this year. They include mandating three hours of paid time off for all New Yorkers to vote on Election Day; enacting online voter registration, expanding upstate voting hours to begin at 6 a.m. instead of noon." [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding

The Budget Increased Education Funding. "An increase of over \$1 billion in school aid will bring total school aid to a record \$27.9 billion, with over 70% of the increased funding going to poorer districts. In addition, new reporting requirements will address imbalances in the distribution of resources by prioritizing funding at the individual school level in order to advance a more transparent, equitable education system." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Universal Pre-Kindergarten And After School Care. "The Budget includes an additional \$15 million investment in prekindergarten to expand high-quality half-day and full-day prekindergarten instruction for 3,000 three- and four-year-old children in high-need school districts, serving a total of more than 123,000 students. [...] In order to ensure that every child who needs a safe place to go after school is provided one, the Enacted Budget includes an additional \$10 million to create 6,250 new after school slots in high-need communities across the state. This additional funding will prioritize areas with high levels of gang involvement, and will focus on serving homeless students and other students who may not have a safe place to go after school. The creation of the additional slots will bring the total number of students served to 80,000." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Higher Education

The Budget Also Increased Higher Education Funding. "The Enacted Budget provides a \$208 million increase in funding for higher education in New York, bringing total support to nearly \$7.7 billion - an increase of \$1.7 billion or 28% since FY 2012. This investment includes \$1.2 billion for strategic programs to make college more

affordable and encourage the best and brightest students to build their future in New York.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Protected Student Loan Borrowers. “The Enacted Budget includes sweeping protections by licensing companies servicing student loans held by New Yorkers and requiring that they meet standards consistent with the laws and regulations governing other significant lending products. The new statute will also ensure that no student loan servicers can mislead a borrower or engage in any predatory act or practice, misapply payments, provide credit reporting agencies with inaccurate information, or any other practices that may harm the borrower.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Legal Services To Immigrant Communities

The Budget Provided Legal Services To New York’s Immigrant Communities. “The enacted budget provides \$10 million to support the expansion of the first-in-the-nation Liberty Defense Project. Established in 2017, the Liberty Defense Project has provided more than 25,000 vital legal services to immigrants and communities targeted by harsh federal immigration policies. The LDP expansion includes Project Golden Door, which will provide crucial services to immigrant children and families in New York, and a Regional Rapid Response program to quickly respond with effective legal services on the ground, including in response to targeted raids and arbitrary arrests by ICE. These enhancements build on the network of services currently being provided by current LDP partners and create more uniform legal coverage for immigrants across the state, particularly in under-served communities.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Millionaire’s Tax And Phasing In Middle Class Tax Cuts

The Budget Phased-In Middle Class Tax Cuts. “The Budget supports the phase-in of the middle class tax cuts. Under these reforms, rates will continue to drop to 5.5% and 6% when the cuts are fully phased in - an up to 20% cut in income tax rates for the middle class - and produce a projected \$4.2 billion in annual savings for six million filers by 2025. As the new rates phase in, they will be the State's lowest middle-class tax rates in more than 70 years.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded The Millionaire’s Tax. “To protect the progress that has been made in enhancing progressivity and ensuring tax fairness for New York's middle-class, a five-year extension of the current tax rate on millionaires will preserve an estimated \$4 billion in the first year of the extension, and increase annually thereafter. Revenue from the millionaire's tax will provide revenue that would otherwise be unavailable to make vital investments in education and infrastructure to secure New York's future economic prosperity.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Implemented A Permanent Property Tax Cap. “Cuomo vowed to not agree to a budget without making the tax cap, first approved in 2011, permanent. He got his wish. The cap will be made permanent: It limits the growth in property taxes to 2 percent or lower each year, depending on the rate of inflation.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Measures To Protect Workers’ Rights

The Budget Launched A \$175 Million Workforce Initiative. “The Enacted Budget supports a \$175 million investment and a new Consolidated Funding Application for workforce investments that will support strategic regional efforts that meet businesses' short-term workforce needs, improve regional talent pipelines, expand apprenticeships, and address the long-term needs of growing industries — with a particular focus on emerging fields with growing demand for jobs like clean energy, health technology, and computer science. These funds will also support efforts to improve the economic security of women, youth, and other populations that face significant barriers to career advancement.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Protections For Public Sector Unions. “The Enacted Budget provides new safeguards for public sector unions and goes further by extending Janus protections to all local governments in New York and guaranteeing the right to organize and collectively bargain.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Accessed To Medical Providers For Injured Workers. “To increase the number and types of medical professionals that care for injured workers, lowering the anticipated cost and duration of care and better serving workers injured on the job, the Budget adds three new types of medical professionals as care providers under the workers compensation system: nurse practitioners, acupuncturists, and licensed clinical social workers. Permitting licensed certified social workers and psychiatric nurse practitioners to treat workers will significantly increase mental health resources, providing desperately needed resources to a vulnerable population. It also removes a barrier to treatment options faced by injured workers suffering with opioid dependency and other mental health conditions.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Measures To Protect Women

The Budget Invested In Initiatives To Combat Maternal Mortality. “As part of Governor Cuomo's Women's Agenda, the Budget includes an \$8 million investment over two years to fund initiatives to combat Maternal mortality, including a comprehensive education and training program to reduce implicit racial bias in health care institutions statewide; expansion of Community Health Worker (CHW) programs in key communities across the state; an innovative data warehouse to provide near real-time information on maternal mortality and morbidity; and a Board of experts within the Department of Health to conduct a multidisciplinary analysis to review each and every maternal death in the New York State and to develop actionable recommendations to improve care and management.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Protections For Sex Trafficking Victims. “Expands Rape Shield Protections for Sex Trafficking Victims: Rape shield laws providing crucial protection to victims of sexual violence from having their own sexual histories used against them when they seek justice in a court of law. This year's budget expands these protections to victims of sex trafficking crimes.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Offered A Budget Plan That Lowered The Corporate Tax Rate And Eliminated Business Regulations

Garbarino Claimed He Offered A Budget Plan To Prioritize Middle Class Families And Communities, While The “Assembly Majority Are Worried About Which Vice To Legalize Next – Prostitution Or Pot.”

“Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) is offering a plan which focuses on middle-class tax relief and invests in communities in the budget. [...] ‘While the Assembly Majority are worried about which vice to legalize next – prostitution or pot, I am most concerned with helping out hardworking families and bringing jobs back to our state,’ said Garbarino. ‘In my budget priorities, I am putting middle-class families and our communities first. Let’s get back to the basics of reducing our costs, investing where it matters and providing tax relief to families throughout the state and Long Island who need it.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Supported Reducing The Corporate Tax Rate. “The act would provide a 15 percent personal income tax exemption and reduce the job-killing corporate tax from 6.5 percent to 2.5 percent. It would additionally create tax credits for new hires and provide tuition assistance to employees.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To “Eliminate Business Regulations.” “It would also create a panel to eliminate business regulations.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino's Budget Priorities Were Making The Two-Percent Tax Cap Permanent, Tuition Assistance Programs, Municipal Funding And Tax Relief For Small Businesses

Garbarino Wanted To Make The Two-Percent Tax Cap Permanent. “The following are proposed by Garbarino as absolute priorities in the state budget: Making the two-percent tax cap permanent – With the Real Property Tax Cap set to expire in June 2020, it’s time that Albany makes the promise to homeowners to make the cap permanent. This has been one of the cited reasons more than one million residents have left New York over the past 10 years.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To Increase The Tuition Assistance Program And Student Loan Relief. “Increase investment in the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) and increase the income eligibility to include more families in need. Enact as part of the budget the Affordable College for All Initiative to alleviate student debt.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To Help Local Communities With Mandate Relief And Aid And Incentives To Municipalities Funding. “Municipalities have been the hardest hit by Albany policies. Unfunded mandates are the policies passed in Albany that do not provide funding, which shifts the costs to local government. The state must assume more of the responsibility for these costly programs. Further, Garbarino is pushing for the restoration of Aid and Incentives to Municipalities (AIM) funding which helps villages and towns make ends meet.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To Invest In Infrastructure And Libraries. “Increase investment in the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) by \$100 million per year over the next five years. Increase library funding by \$5 million by ending the governor’s wasteful vanity projects.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Supported Providing Tax Relief For Small Businesses. “Include the Small Business Full Employment Act, which would provide needed tax and regulation relief to assist small businesses.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

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Garbarino Supported New York Fully Realizing The Promise Of \$4.2 Billion In Middle-Class Tax Cuts By 2024-25. “Ensuring that Albany doesn’t turn its back on fully realizing the promise of \$4.2 billion in middle-class tax cuts by 2024-25. Tax relief for middle-class and struggling families is crucial to keep the economic engine churning in New York.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

2016: Gov. Cuomo And The NY State Legislature Agreed To Tax Cut As Part Of A Broad \$156 Billion Budget Deal. “Six million middle class New Yorkers will get a \$4 billion a year income tax cut under the state budget deal announced Thursday night, but they’ll have to wait until 2018 to start benefiting. [...] Cuomo said the leaders of the state Legislature have agreed to the tax cut as part of a broad \$156 billion budget deal. Lawmakers are expected to begin voting tonight on the tax cut, a minimum wage hike, a 6.5 percent increase in school funding. Beginning in 2018, when existing tax cuts are set to expire, the tax rates will be lowered, Cuomo said.” [Post Standard, [4/1/16](#)]

Cuomo Said The Tax Rates Would Save New Yorkers “4.2 Billion By 2025.” ““These new lower tax rates will save middle class New Yorkers nearly \$6.6 billion in just the first four years, with annual savings reaching \$4.2 billion by 2025,” Cuomo said. “As the new rates phase in, they will be the state’s lowest middle class tax rates in more than 70 years. When the tax cuts begin, they will benefit 4.4 million filers, growing to 6 million filers when fully phased in.” [Post Standard, [4/1/16](#)]

Garbarino Criticized Governor Cuomo's Proposed Assistance And Initiatives For Municipalities Budget Cuts

Garbarino Criticized Governor's Cuomo's Proposed Assistance And Initiatives For Municipalities Budget Cuts. "Brookhaven Town, Patchogue Village and Bellport are reeling over Gov. Andrew Cuomo's proposed Assistance and Initiatives for Municipalities (AIM) budget cuts, which will affect all Nassau and Suffolk towns as well as most villages. If it goes through, Brookhaven will lose \$1.8 million, Patchogue Village's projected loss is \$92, 000 and Bellport Village will have to grapple with an approximate \$17, 000 hit. Islip Town is also in the mix with a \$1.7 million hit. [...] 'Islip is losing \$1, 797, 900; Brookhaven is losing \$1, 808, 932,' said Republican Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino whose district bridges Islip and Brookhaven. 'Every municipality that got money every year is losing it. It's (Cuomo's) way of saying, "now you don't need that much money." I can't wait for the local government committee meetings; I'm sure (Sen. Monica Martinez) will work together with us on this. We'll get from the local municipalities what services will be cut.'" [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

Garbarino Said The Cuts Would Cost Suffolk County \$7.2 Million Per Year

EDITORIAL: Garbarino Said The Cuts Would Cost Suffolk County \$7.2 Million Per Year. "The state should be investing in its local communities, but the state Democrats have shown they care mostly for the needs of New York City. Aid and Incentives to Municipalities funding was cut from the state budget and placed as an unfunded mandate on the local counties. This unfunded mandate will cost Suffolk County an estimated \$7.2 million a year." [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Editorial, 4/11/19]

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2018: Garbarino Said He Was "Less Enthusiastic" About The 2019 Budget. "NEW YORK-State lawmakers worked through the night on March 30, making last minute changes to the budget ahead of the April 1 deadline. Just before 4 a.m., members of the assembly approved the \$168 billion spending plan ahead of the holiday weekend. [...] The budget sets the state's environmental protection fund at an all time high of \$300 million. Cuomo plans to continue his \$2.5 billion clean water initiative statewide and pledged \$65 million to fight algal blooms in upstate lakes. However, Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville), said he was less enthusiastic about this year's budget. 'It wasn't anything to write home about,' he said. He added that he would have liked to see municipalities get money for road repairs and money specifically targeted for sewers. 'I'm happy there are no tax increases at all and that school aid went up,' he added, but said he was disappointed there was 'Nothing in the budget for school safety.'" [Islip Bulletin, 4/12/18]

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The Budget Included Key Items Such As Increased Education Funding And New Sexual Harassment Measures. "Education The 2019 budget calls for an additional \$1 billion in spending in K-12 education, bringing the total to \$26.7 billion. \$7.6 billion is set aside for higher education. The increase also includes a mandated expansion for school-breakfast programs statewide. [...] Sexual Harassment New sexual-harassment measures are included in the budget, in light of the #MeToo movement unfolding nationwide. 'The silence has been deafening on this issue,' Cuomo said, noting that sexual harassment is 'rampant' in every industry. Now, companies bidding for state contracts will be required to have written harassment policies that all employees are trained on. It would also ban nondisclosure agreements, unless requested by a victim. Rape kits, typically stored for 30 days, will now be kept on file for 20 years. 'We haven't been keeping rape kits long enough to really have a database that we can then go back to,' Cuomo said. The legislation closes a loophole and bans sexual contact between police and those in custody, Cuomo said, citing concerns over consent. Cuomo referred to the measures as the nation's most 'aggressive,' anti sexual harassment agenda." [Islip Bulletin, 4/12/18]

FY 2019 Budget

Garbarino Voted For The Majority Of The 2019 FY Budget

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07500D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07500D, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07507, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07507, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07501, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 119 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No S07501, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07504D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 123 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No .S07504D, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07503D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07503D, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A09595D, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 21. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09505D, [3/29/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A09506B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09506, [3/29/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09508C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09508, [3/29/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Continued Environmental Protections

The Budget Continued The Clean Water Infrastructure Act. “The FY 2019 Budget continues the State's historic multi-year \$2.5 billion investment in drinking water and wastewater infrastructure and source water protection actions that will protect the environment and enhance communities' health and wellness.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/18](#)]

The Budget Renewed The Environmental Protection Fund. “The Budget continues EPF funding at \$300 million, the highest level of funding in the program's history.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/18](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A \$175 Million Workforce Initiative

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Garbarino Rejected The Budget Proposal From The Assembly Majority, Saying The Plan Would Increase Taxes By \$2 Billion. “I voted in the best interests of Long Island residents by voting against the troubling budget proposal from Assembly Majority. Their plan would increase taxes by almost \$2 billion while inexplicably hoarding \$535 million for undesignated purposes and reduce property tax relief for homeowners. Their focus in this budget is obviously not in the best interest of taxpayers, especially those in my district.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/14/18](#)]

Garbarino Called For More Accountability In The Governor’s Budget

Garbarino Called For More Accountability In The Governor’s Budget. “After hearing the governor’s state budget proposal, it’s important to reiterate that every dollar of the taxpayer’s money must show a return on investment for the residents of the state. I am not convinced that every area where the governor would like to spend money and has in the past has been the best option for Long Islanders. Waste and ineffective programs plague state budgets every year and drain investment where we need it most. We don’t need to spend hundreds of millions on advertising as the governor has, blindly hand over \$1.6 billion to the grossly mismanaged MTA as the governor proposes, or earmark millions for any other pet project that does not take into account any measures of accountability or results. New York taxpayers deserve to know where every penny of theirs went and if it was worth it in the first place. If the governor’s programs cannot meet these standards this kind of spending must be cut.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [1/16/18](#)]

FY 2018 Budget

Garbarino Voted For The Majority Of The FY 2018 Bill

2017: Garbarino Voted For The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A0300D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03000, [4/8/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02001, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02001, [4/7/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A03004D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 25. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03004D, [4/7/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02003D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02003D, [4/6/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Majority Of The State Health And Mental Health Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02007B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental health budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02007B, [4/5/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02005C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02005C, [4/5/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02006C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 125 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02006C, [4/5/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02008C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02008, [4/5/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A \$25.8 Billion Investment In Education

The Budget Invested \$25.8 Billion In Education. “Investing Record \$25.8 Billion in Education
The FY 2018 Budget continues the progress made to strengthen educational outcomes and increase access to high-quality learning across New York State. It increases Education Aid by \$1.1 billion, including a \$700 million increase in Foundation Aid, bringing the new Education Aid total to \$25.8 billion or an increase of 4.4 percent. Under Governor Cuomo, education aid has increased by \$6.2 billion, or 32 percent, over six years.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

The Budget Included A \$800 Million Investment Into Pre-Kindergarten. “The Budget includes an over \$800 million investment in prekindergarten to expand high-quality half-day and full-day prekindergarten for three- and four-year-old children in high-need school districts.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

The Budget Increased Funding For Community Schools. “The Budget provides \$150 million—an increase of \$50 million—to support the continued transformation of high-need schools into community hubs. This funding supports services that are unique to each school’s individual needs, including before-and-after school programs, summer learning activities, medical and dental care, and other social services.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

The Budget Increased Funding For The Empire State After School Program. “The FY 2018 Budget increases the state’s after-school investment with \$35 million in new funding for public after-school programs in the state’s 16 Empire State Poverty Reduction Initiative (ESPRI) as well as in communities in the state with high rates of child poverty. This new funding will create an additional 22,000 spots for students in after-school programs.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget.

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Garbarino Voted Against The Affordable New York Housing Programs

The Budget Enacted The Affordable New York Housing Program. “Under the FY 2018 Budget, developers of new residential projects with 300 units or more in certain areas of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens would be eligible for a full property tax abatement for 35 years if the project creates a specific number of affordable rental units and meets newly established minimum construction wage requirements. The units must remain affordable for 40 years. For all other affordable developments in New York City, the period of affordability and abatement eligibility would be tied to the number of affordable units. This new program will create an estimated 2,500 new units of affordable housing per year.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

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Garbarino Stated There Were “Few Items In The Budget” He Could Support. “No one expects the budget to be an easy process, however, the ever-increasing addition of politically-charged policy and secretive budget negotiations insisted upon by the governor has complicated the entire process to the point that the budget is weeks late. There are few items in the budget which I can support. I reject how the budget was approached and its failure to serve the needs of Long Islanders.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [4/8/17](#)]

Garbarino Opposed The Budget Because It Failed To Reform Workers Compensation And Provide Relief To Small Businesses

Garbarino Opposed The Budget Because It Failed To Reform Workers Compensation And Provide Relief To Small Businesses. “This budget does nothing to provide relief to small businesses and it does not go far enough to reform Workers Compensation, which is hurting job-creators. It puts further burden on our local municipalities and does not provide our fair share of school aid. It is clear, the legislature has allowed itself to be distracted by controversial and divisive policies such as ‘raise the age’ and free college tuition instead of remaining focused on what is needed most. New Yorkers, especially the communities and constituents I represent on Long Island, deserve relief and more transparency in how their hard-earned dollars will be spent by the governor.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [4/8/17](#)]

Garbarino Supported Some Measures In The Budget, Including School Aid, Clean Water Infrastructure, And Reverting Back To The Older STAR Program—But Still Voted Against The Proposal

Garbarino Said He Could “Stand Behind” Some Measures In The Budget, Including School Aid, Clean Water Infrastructure, And The Older STAR Program. “The Assembly Majority today outlined their vision of the budget, which included some measures I can stand behind. These proposal include increases to school aid, clean water infrastructure measures and some increases in aid to maintain local roads, accountability measures in economic development programs, and reverting property tax savings back to the older STAR Program, which has worked well for many homeowners.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/15/17](#)]

However, Garbarino Voted Against These Measures Because Operating Costs Would Increase

Garbarino Said The Measures Would Benefit His District, But He Voted Against Them Because Operating Costs Would Increase. “These measures are great for my district, however, I voted against their proposal due to other troubling reasons. Under the Assembly Majority plan, spending on operating costs alone would increase by nearly \$3 billion, well over the spending cap. Their budget has been peppered with a politically-charged agenda, which includes policies such as the DREAM Act that would provide free college tuition to illegal immigrants. Also, the so-called ‘raise the age’ bill would make it more difficult to hold individuals accountable for violent crimes. Their priorities are out of step with the many hardworking families on Long Island. Worst yet, they propose more than \$7 billion in tax increases, while doing little to control spending. There is more ahead in the negotiation process of the budget, but we need the legislative leaders to keep in mind a balance of priorities where spending is kept in check in favor of providing relief to taxpayers. We also need to make sure investment is well balanced throughout all regions of the state, not just those that are politically expedient to the governor and the Assembly Majority.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/15/17](#)]

FY 2017 Budget

Garbarino Voted Against A Majority Of The FY 2017 State Budget

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06401A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 120 – 21. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06401A, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09000D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09000D, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted For The Aids To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06403D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 13. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06403D, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06404D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06404D, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06406C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06406C, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09008C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 113 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09008C, [3/31/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09007C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09007C, [3/31/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09005C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09005C, [3/31/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Benefits For Workers

The Budget Increased The Minimum Wage In Central New York. “The State Department of Labor projects 98,698 workers in Central New York will experience higher pay as a result of the \$15 minimum wage, reinvesting an estimated \$632.5 million in the region's economy.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

The Budget Included 12 Weeks Paid Family Leave For Workers In Central New York. “The State Department of Labor projects 245,817 private sector workers in Central New York will become eligible for 12 weeks of paid family leave.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06406C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06406C, [4/1/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against \$27 Billion For Roads And Bridges

The Budget Included \$27 Billion For Roads And Bridges. “The \$27 billion for roads and bridges includes: \$21.1 billion for capital improvement of highways, bridges, rail, aviation infrastructure, non-MTA transit, and DOT facilities throughout the state. This includes the launch of three new initiatives – BRIDGE NY, PAVE NY, and the Extreme Weather Infrastructure Hardening Program to further improve conditions on state and local roads and bridges, as well as provide resiliency to roadways that are particularly susceptible to weather events. It also includes \$4 billion for capital investment for a sixth year, and \$2 billion in Thruway Stabilization funding that will support capital improvements on the entire Thruway system and the New New York Bridge, allowing the Authority to freeze tolls on the system until at least 2020.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09008C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 113 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09008C, [3/31/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Environmental Protections

The Budget Included \$300 Million For Environmental Protection Fund. “The Budget includes appropriations of \$300 million for the EPF, the highest level of funding in the program's history and an increase of \$123 million from FY 2016. The increase will provide record funding for stewardship, agriculture programs, invasive species prevention and eradication, water quality improvement, municipal recycling and an aggressive environmental justice agenda. Further, this funding level will establish new programs to help communities adapt to climate change through resiliency planning and capital projects, and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions outside of the power sector.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

The Budget Increased Funding For The Water Infrastructure Improvement Act. “The Water Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2015 provides grants to municipalities for critical drinking water and wastewater system improvements. This year's budget increases the act's funding from the \$200 million approved in 2015, to \$350 million. Grants provided through the act will help local governments advance approximately \$2 billion in local

drinking water and waste water infrastructure investments while creating an estimated 33,000 construction jobs.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Investing In The Fight Against The Opioid And Heroin Crisis

The Budget Invested \$25 Million In The Office Of Alcoholism And Substance Abuse Services To Combat The Heroin And Opioid Crisis. “The budget invests \$25 million in the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services to combat the heroin/opiate crisis, increasing spending from \$141 million in FY 2016 to \$166 million in FY 2017 (a \$51 million increase since FY 2014). Funding will be directed to increase access for prevention, treatment and recovery support services for individuals impacted by heroin, opiate and other substance use disorders.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

The Budget Included An Initiative That Required Managed Care Organizations To Implement Prior Authorization For Opioid Refills. “Additionally, to further combat opioid abuse, the budget includes an initiative that will require managed care organizations to implement prior authorization for opioid refills exceeding four prescriptions in 30 days. The initiative will exclude patients with cancer, sickle cell disease or receiving hospice care.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09007C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09007C, [3/31/16](#)]

FY 2016 Budget

Garbarino Voted Against A Majority Of The FY 2016 State Budget

2015: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02004C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02004C, [4/1/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02000C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02000C, [3/31/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02006B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the education, labor and family assistance budget for state fiscal year 2015 – 2016.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 55. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02006B, [3/31/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted For The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02001A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 138 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02001A, [3/31/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted For The State Public Protections And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A03005B, the State Public Protections and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 140 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03005B, [3/30/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A03003, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 139 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03003, [3/30/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03008B, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03008B, [3/30/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding

The Budget Increased Education Funding To \$23.5 Billion. “New York’s education system is set to implement some of its most dramatic and fundamental reforms in years through the Education Transformation Act. The Budget includes the Governor’s proposal for an increase of \$1.3 billion in state education support to take education funding to its highest level ever – \$23.5 billion.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Included Student Loan Relief. “The Budget includes student loan support that is designed to help eligible New York State residents who graduate from college and continue to live in the state to pay nothing on their student loans for the first two years out of school. For graduates earning less than \$50,000 per year, the Get on Your Feet program will supplement the federal Pay As You Earn (PAYE) income-based loan repayment program. The amount a participant will benefit is based on the amount owed and their adjusted gross income. The program is estimated to assist 7,100 graduates in its first year and more than 24,000 participants annually by 2019-20.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Included \$110 Million To Strengthen Programs At New York’s Public Colleges. “Launch another \$110 Million Round of NYSUNY2020 and NYCUNY2020. SUNY2020 and CUNY2020 are challenge grant programs designed to simultaneously strengthen academic programs at the State’s public colleges and universities while spurring economic growth at specific campuses and in nearby communities. The programs provide incentive for capital development on and around SUNY and CUNY campuses. The Budget includes \$110 million to continue these programs.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02006B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the education, labor and family assistance budget for state fiscal year 2015 – 2016.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 55. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02006B, [3/31/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A \$5.4 Billion Investment Into New York’s Economy

The Budget Invested \$1.3 Billion In New York State Thruway System. “The Budget invests \$1.3 billion in the New York State Thruway system to keep tolls down while also implementing critical repairs and maintenance initiatives, and supporting the construction of the Tappan Zee Bridge and alternative transit options.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Ensured High-Speed Broadband Access By The End Of 2018. “Governor Cuomo set an ambitious goal to ensure every New Yorker has access to high-speed broadband service by the end of 2018. In order to accomplish this, the Budget includes \$500 million to launch a statewide broadband program that leverages at least an additional \$500 million in private resources to create the New NY Broadband Program. The program will incentivize private sector providers to expand high-speed broadband access in underserved and unserved

communities. This is the largest and most ambitious state investment in universal broadband deployment in the country.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Included Funding For New Metro-North Stations And Extended Access To Penn Station. “The Budget includes support for four new Metro-North stations in the Bronx – Co-op City, Morris Park, Parkchester, and Hunts Point – to extend rail access to over 93,000 residents living near the stations. The project will also serve one of the largest concentrations of medical facilities in the United States at the Morris Park station. The cost of the new line and stations are less than \$1 billion, with the State investing \$250 million of that funding.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Invested \$150 Million For Economic Development On Long Island. “The Budget includes \$150 million to support transformative economic development and infrastructure projects on Long Island. Projects will be reviewed, evaluated and approved by Empire State Development. The State’s investment will catalyze private investment, spurring significant economic development and job creation to help strengthen local communities and their economies.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03008B, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03008B, [3/30/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Funding For Environmental Protection Fund

The Budget Increased Investment In The Environmental Protection Fund. “The enacted budget raises the Environmental Protection Fund to \$177 million dollars, an increase of 32 percent since Governor Cuomo took office. The \$15 million increase will support increases in fourteen categories, including land conservation, stewardship, and invasive species control and prevention. The increase includes a new sub-allocation for capacity grants to State Parks friends’ groups.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03008B, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03008B, [3/30/15](#)]

FY 2015 Budget

Garbarino Voted For A Majority Of The FY 2015 State Budget

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06358D, the State Health and Mental Hygiene Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 113 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06358D, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06353E, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 131 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06353E, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06354E, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06354E, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06356D, the Education, Labor, Housing and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 124 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06356D, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Legislative And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06351A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislative and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06351, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08550E, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08550E, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06357D, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2014-2015 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06357, [3/31/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing New Crimes For Violating Public Trust

The Budget Established New Crimes For Violating Public Trust. “The Budget includes legislation that would create a series of new crimes for violating the public trust.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established Bribery of a Public Servant As A Crime. “The Budget includes legislation to give prosecutors better tools to convict offenders. Under current state law, a prosecutor has to prove that there was a corrupt agreement or understanding between the person paying the bribe and the person receiving the bribe in order to seek the maximum penalty available against the bribe giver. Under the new law, the prosecutor would not be required to prove that the bribe giver shared a corrupt intent with the bribe receiver, but only that the bribe giver intended to bribe the receiver and did in fact offer a benefit to the public official. Bribe giving and bribe receiving penalties would also be increased, lowering the threshold for a Class C felony for both bribe giving and bribe receiving from \$10,000 to \$5,000, the amount of money used to bribe, and creating a new class B Felony when a bribe is for \$100,000 or more.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established Corrupting the Government As A Crime. “The Budget includes legislation to hold accountable anyone whether or not they are a public official who is found to have engaged in schemes to defraud the state or local government, and enhances penalties for all offenders convicted of defrauding the government through the crime of Corrupting the Government. Under the new law, a public servant or anybody acting in concert with a public servant who engages in a course of conduct to defraud a state or local government would be guilty of a crime ranging from the fourth degree (class E felony) to the first degree (class B felony), depending on the amount defrauded.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against New Penalties For Public Corruption

The Budget Established New Penalties For Public Corruption. “The Budget includes legislation to create higher penalties where state or local government property is stolen. This means an offender would face a higher penalty if

the act was committed against the government. The sentence would be one level higher than for the underlying offense. A defendant, depending on the amount of property wrongfully taken, could be a guilty of a class B felony.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established A Lifetime Ban From Government If Convicted Of Public Corruption. “The new class of felony public corruption crimes would impose additional penalties, apart from jail sentences and criminal fines, including: Permanently barring all those convicted of public corruption felonies from holding any elected or civil office, serving as a registered lobbyist, or doing business with the state, including through any organization they run. Barring individuals from bidding on or obtaining state contracts. Giving judges the option of requiring payment of up to three times the amount of the profit or gain made from an illegal transaction.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Campaign Finance Reforms

The Budget Provided Matching Funds For Political Campaigns. “The Budget legislation puts in place New York States first-ever program to provide matching funds for a political campaign thereby reducing the influence of money in politics. This comprehensive program will be initiated immediately on a pilot basis to be in effect for the 2014 Comptrollers race and will be modeled after New York City’s successful 6:1 matching funds program.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established An Independent Enforcement Unit At The Board Of Elections. “The State Board of Elections ineffective structure, consisting of four commissioners who are evenly appointed by each major party, leads to gridlock and rarely produces any serious investigations of election law violations. The Budget legislation creates a new, independent enforcement division headed by a chief enforcement counsel, who is appointed outside of the Board to a 5-year term, vested with authority to investigate violations of the Election Law. It would also create a compliance unit that would make complying with the Election Laws reporting requirements a priority and help ensure a transparent system of election finance reporting.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established New Disclosure Requirements For Political Donations. “Current law requires disclosure every six months to a year or, in some cases, never, of independent political expenditures. The Budget legislation plugs this loophole-laden law to increase transparency by mandating more frequent reporting of these expenditures and the sources of the contributions that make them possible, and amends the law to expand the definition of the kinds of communications that warrant such increased reporting to better reflect the reality of how politics is played today.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

Garbarino Said The Budget Was An “Overall Victory For The Hardworking Families And Schools Of Suffolk County”

Garbarino Said The Budget Was An “Overall Victory For The Hardworking Families And Schools Of Suffolk County.” “Sadly, effective mandate relief was the most pressing issue for our local municipalities in this year’s budget, and we failed to even address it. Local property taxes across the state continue to skyrocket as the result of costly and unfunded state-mandated programs and services. We had an opportunity to address this problem and improve the financial stability of our local municipalities, but we failed to do so. Despite some of its shortcomings, this budget was an overall victory for the hardworking families and schools of Suffolk County. If

you have any specific questions about what was included in the budget, please reach out to my Albany office at (518)-455-4611.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [4/1/14](#)]

FY 2014 Budget

Garbarino Voted For Half Of The FY 2014 State Budget

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02606D, the State Health and Mental Hygiene Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02606D, [3/28/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted For The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02608D, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02608D, [3/28/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor, Housing, And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02607D, the Education, Labor, Housing, and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02607D, [3/28/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted For The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02605D, “Enacts major components of legislation into law that are necessary to implement the public protection and general government budget for the 2013-2014 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02605D, [3/28/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding And Expanded Education Programs

The Budget Included Increased Funding For Education. “The Budget reflects New York State's focus on creating a world-class education system that will fully prepare all of New York's students to compete in the 21st Century economy. To accomplish the goal, the Budget includes an increase of nearly \$1 billion in school aid. (4.9%).” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/29/13](#)]

The Budget Expanded Pre-Kindergarten Programs. “Recognizing that quality early education is critical for long-term success and that children who attend full-day pre-k often outperform their peers, the Budget provides a \$25 million additional investment for pre-kindergarten with an emphasis on high quality, full-day pre-k. Funding is targeted toward higher need students in lower wealth school districts via a competitive process.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/29/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor, Housing, And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02607D, the Education, Labor, Housing, and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02607D, [3/28/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Raising The Minimum Wage

The Budget Increased The Minimum Wage. “Recognizing that New York's minimum wage is unlivable and that 19 other states have higher minimum wages than New York, the Budget raises the minimum wage from \$7.25/hour to \$9.00/hour over three years, beginning with \$8.00 by the end of 2013, \$8.75 by the end of 2014, and \$9.00 by the end of 2015.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/29/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor, Housing, And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02607D, the Education, Labor, Housing, and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02607D, [3/28/13](#)]

Garbarino Said The Budget Contained Many Initiatives That Benefitted Long Island

Garbarino Said The Budget Contained Many Initiatives That Benefitted Long Island—Including Education Funding, Municipalities Funding, And Disaster Relief Funding. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) voted in support of a budget that contains many initiatives that will greatly benefit Long Island. ‘I am extremely proud that our hard work over the past few weeks helped to restore \$121 million in funding for Long Island schools. Our education system on Long Island has done an outstanding job preparing our children for a successful future and the restoration of this funding will ensure that we can continue to educate and prepare our future leaders for the challenges ahead of them. In addition to the restored aid for our public schools, the enacted budget has also set aside \$4.5 million in new funding for nonpublic school safety equipment, allocates \$950 million to the Tuition Assistance Program for our college students and increases library funding by 5 percent. These initiatives will ensure that our children will have every opportunity to achieve their goals and become future community leaders. The budget also provided for \$715 million in Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) for all municipalities, which includes \$21.9 million in aid for Suffolk County. This funding will help revitalize our local municipalities and preserve Long Island as a great place to live and raise a family. I am also excited that the budget contains \$20 billion for the federal share of costs resulting from Superstorm Sandy. This federal funding is crucial to the rebuilding and revitalization efforts here on Long Island. This aid, coupled with the strength, cooperation and determination of our communities, will help us rebuild Long Island stronger than it ever was.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/28/13](#)]

Budgets & Funding

Garbarino: “Policy Doesn’t Need To Be In The Budget”

Garbarino: “Policy Doesn’t Need To Be In The Budget.” “April 10, nine days after it was anticipated, New York State's \$153.1 billion budget for 2017-2018 was finally passed. While there are still concerns about the spending, local lawmakers seem generally pleased with the result. Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R-District 7) said the negotiation process in Albany, which ran from March 27 through April 9, was exhausting. ‘The budget was late and then they did an extension that was full of the Governor's pet projects,’ he said, noting that the extension was 1, 800 pages long. ‘Our staff had to go through it and it was full of stuff that really didn't have to go in.’ Garbarino said policy items, such as free college tuition and raising the age of criminal responsibility to age 18, slowed down the whole process. ‘Policy doesn't need to be in the budget,’ he said. ‘And a lot of the policy I didn't like.’” [Islip Bulletin, 4/20/17]

Garbarino Criticized Unfunded Mandates

Garbarino Criticized Unfunded Mandates. “Overturning unfunded state mandates, such as requirements that school districts must purchase supplies from approved sources, is among the issues Garbarino would like to tackle. Garbarino said schools are required to purchase scientific calculators through the state, which he said costs more money than it would to buy them at a local retailer. ‘The state puts all these mandates on all these school districts and municipalities,’ he said. ‘They say they have to do all these things, but they don't give them the money to pay for them.’ Loosening regulations on small business is another priority. ‘There's a lot of regulations and fees that make it hard for new businesses to start up,’ he said. ‘If you have all these roadblocks up for businesses, no one's going to start them. You're hurting one of the biggest parts of the economy.’” [Newsday, 11/4/12]

Government Spending

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Garbarino Introduced A Bill To Create The Strongest Rules On Oversight On Economic Development Programs And Lump-Sum State Spending To Help End Bid Rigging. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino

(R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) is urging for the passage of his bill, A.5657-A, which would create the strongest rules on oversight on economic development programs and lump-sum state spending to help end bid rigging in the state. [...] ‘How many corruption scandals will it take for the legislature to adopt real reforms concerning how this state does business? It is mystifying that economic development programs and large, lump-sum spending continues in New York without any significant oversight or accountability,’ said Garbarino. ‘The Assembly must act before the end of the legislative session to put in place some real accountability measures, now. Governor, I know you said our work was ‘done’ but this is one of the biggest reforms we can make now.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [6/7/17](#)]

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Government Shutdowns

Garbarino Supported Withholding The Governor’s Salary After The April First Budget Deadline Until A State Budget Was Passed

Garbarino Sponsored A. 04802, Which Related To Withholding The Governor’s Salary After the April First Budget Deadline Until A State Budget Was Passed. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

Consumer Issues & Regulations

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against instituting net neutrality three times*
- ✓ *Garbarino repeatedly voted to protect the interests of insurance companies over consumers*
 - ✓ *He voted against prohibiting the cancellation of automobile insurance due to a complaint five times*
 - ✓ *He voted against the New York Automobile Fraud and Premium Reduction Act*
 - ✓ *He voted against prohibiting motor vehicle insurers from discrimination based on education or occupation*
 - ✓ *He voted against reducing insurance rates for certain motor vehicles*
 - ✓ *He voted against prohibiting discrimination in the issuance of homeowner's insurance twice*
- ✓ *Garbarino consistently voted against increasing regulations on motor vehicle dealers*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted to protect big corporations—voting against a measure to increase fines on corporations that break the law*
- ✓ *Garbarino wanted to eliminate unnecessary business mandates*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the Consumer Credit Fairness Act twice*
 - ✓ *He also voted against enhancing the effectiveness of New York's Consumer Protection law*

Internet Privacy

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Instituting Net Neutrality

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Internet Service Neutrality. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02432, “Relates to instituting internet service neutrality; provides the public service commission with jurisdiction over monitoring broadband internet service providers; requires a certification for internet service neutrality in certain state contracts.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02432, [6/4/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Internet Service Neutrality. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08882C, “Relates to instituting internet service neutrality; provides the public service commission with jurisdiction over monitoring broadband internet service providers; requires a certification for internet service neutrality in certain state contracts.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08882C, [6/19/18](#)]

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jurisdiction over monitoring broadband internet service providers; requires a certification for internet service neutrality in certain state contracts.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08882C, [4/17/18](#)]

Insurance Industry

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2020: Garbarino Called On The NYS Department Of Financial Services To Quickly Approve Auto Insurance Rate Reductions. “As the Ranking Member of the Assembly Insurance Committee, this week I stood with Chairman Kevin Cahill to call on the NYS Department of Financial Services to quickly approve auto insurance rate reductions and bring relief to New Yorkers. There are many people who could use these rebates right now when they aren’t working. Here is a great article from the Times Union on the topic. ‘Garbarino noted that auto rates went up on Long Island following Superstorm Sandy since the cost was based on the area’s overall experience, known as community rating. “Now, with cars in garages, the Long Island Expressway nearly empty, our businesses reduced to a trickle and everyone who can is staying home, it is time to recognize this experience and reduce the rates,” he said.’” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/29/20](#)]



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Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellation Of Auto Insurance Due To A Complaint Five Times

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellation Of Automobile Insurance As A Result Of A Dispute. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00086, “Prohibits cancellation, non-renewal or conditioning renewal of automobile insurance of a policyholder solely as a result of a dispute or a complaint pending against the insurer.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00086, [5/21/19](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellation Of Automobile Insurance Of A Policyholder As A Result Of A Dispute Or A Complaint With The Insurer. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00635, “Prohibits cancellation, non-renewal or conditioning renewal of automobile insurance of a policyholder solely as a result of a

dispute or a complaint pending against the insurer.” The bill was passed by a vote of 101 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00635, [6/20/17](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellations Or Non-Renewals Of Automobile Insurance Of A Policyholder As A Result Of A Dispute Or Claim Pending Against The Insurer. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03696B, “Prohibits cancellation, non-renewal or conditioning renewal of automobile insurance of a policyholder solely as a result of a dispute or a complaint pending against the insurer.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03696B, [6/10/14](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against The New York Automobile Insurance Fraud And Premium Reduction Act

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Automobile Insurance Fraud And Premium Reduction Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03911, “Enacts the New York automobile insurance fraud and premium reduction act; provides that this act is aimed at reducing insurance fraud and thus lowering the cost of insurance premiums; provides a provision for compensation to a person that reports insurance fraud to the authorities; further provides that this act also increases the penalty for insurance fraud; appropriates \$3,100,000 therefor.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03911, [5/30/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Motor Vehicle Insurers From Discriminating Based On Education Or Occupation

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Motor Vehicle Insurers From Discriminating Based On Education Or Occupation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06834, “Prohibits motor vehicle insurers from discriminating based on education or occupation.” The bill was passed by a vote of 103 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06834, [6/2/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Motor Vehicle Insurers From Discriminating Based On Education Or Occupation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09935, “Prohibits motor vehicle insurers from discriminating based on education or occupation.” The bill passed by a vote of 107 – 27. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09935, [6/19/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding The Description Of Insurance Claim Settlement Practices

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding The Description Of Unfair Insurance Claim Settlement Practices. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01307, “Expands the description of unfair insurance claim settlement practices.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01307, [3/3/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Risk Insurance For For-Hire Motor Vehicles

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Risk Insurance For For-Hire Motor Vehicles. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09761, “Provides that every authorized insurer that issues or issues for delivery in this state a policy of commercial risk insurance insuring against losses or liabilities arising out of the ownership, operation, or use of a motor vehicle, shall establish a group fleet policy insuring against the losses or liabilities arising out of the ownership of motor vehicles engaged in the business of carrying or transporting passengers for-hire, having a

seating capacity of not less than eight passengers.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09761, [3/3/20](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Reducing Insurance Rates For Certain Motor Vehicles

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Reducing Insurance Rates For Certain Motor Vehicles In Committee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09763A, “Authorizes an association representing motor vehicles engaged in the business of carrying or transporting passengers for-hire, having a seating capacity of not less than eight passengers, to create and implement a comprehensive educational program designed to advance for-hire motor vehicle safety and provide such training; allows for a reduction in rates of certain commercial risk insurance premiums for motor vehicles upon completion of such course; authorizes the superintendent of financial services to promulgate any necessary rules and regulations; makes related provisions.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 16 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09763A, [3/3/20](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination In The Issuance Of Homeowner’s Insurance

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination In The Issuance Of Homeowner’s Insurance Policies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02377, “Prohibits discrimination in the issuance of homeowner's insurance policies based upon the subject property's location or age of structures contained thereon; makes various provisions clarifying prohibition on refusal to issue or renew certain policies including homeowner's fire and extended coverage based solely on geographical location.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02377, [1/28/20](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination In The Issuance Of Homeowner’s Insurance Policies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00308, “Prohibits discrimination in the issuance of homeowner's insurance policies based upon the subject property's location or age of structures contained thereon; makes various provisions clarifying prohibition on refusal to issue or renew certain policies including homeowner's fire and extended coverage based solely on geographical location.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00308, [1/10/17](#)]

Telecommunications Industry

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Telephone Companies To Allow Victims Of Domestic Violence To Be Released From A Family Phone Plan Without Penalty

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Wireless Telephone Companies To Allow Victims Of Domestic Violence To Be Released From A Family Account Without Penalty. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00946A, “Requires wireless telephone companies that offer shared or family plans to allow victims of domestic violence to be released from the account without penalty in instances of domestic violence.” The bill passed by a vote of 132 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00946A, [5/9/17](#)]

Garbarino Later Voted In Favor Of The Bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00946A, [5/8/18](#)]

Consumer Protection

Garbarino Voted Against The Consumer Credit Fairness, Which Curbed Abusive Debt Collection Lawsuits, Act Twice

The Consumer Credit Fairness Act Aimed To Curb Abusive Debt Collection Lawsuits

The Consumer Credit Fairness Act Aimed To Curb Abusive Debt Collection Lawsuits. “The Empire Justice Center strongly supports the Consumer Credit Fairness Act (CCFA), A.6909 (Weinstein)/S.4827 (Thomas) which proposes a series of changes to New York’s Civil Practice Law and Rules designed to curb the abusive debt collection lawsuits that have become an epidemic in New York State. Hundreds of thousands of debt collection lawsuits are filed against low and moderate income New Yorkers every year. Most of these lawsuits are brought by third-party debt buyers, companies that buy portfolios of old, defaulted debts from original creditors for pennies on the dollar. These lawsuits are fraught with problems which the CCFA addresses.” [Empire Justice Center, [6/14/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Consumer Credit Fairness Act Twice

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Consumer Credit Fairness Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06909B, “Enacts the ‘consumer credit fairness act’; establishes a 3 year statute of limitations for commencement of a cause of action arising out of a consumer credit transaction where the defendant is a purchaser, borrower or debtor; establishes a notice of lawsuit which must be mailed to the defendant in such a cause of action; establishes certain requirements for the complaint in such an action; provides for arbitration of such actions.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06909B, [6/13/19](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Consumer Credit Fairness Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09053, “Enacts the ‘consumer credit fairness act’; establishes a 3 year statute of limitations for commencement of a cause of action arising out of a consumer credit transaction where the defendant is a purchaser, borrower or debtor; establishes a notice of lawsuit which must be mailed to the defendant in such a cause of action; establishes certain requirements for the complaint in such an action; provides for arbitration of such actions; requires debt collectors to send consumers a written notice of their rights under state law along with their initial debt collection correspondence; such notice would contain information such as who and when a principal creditor may contact a debtor about the debt owed as well as the fact that a principal creditor cannot disclose information affecting a consumer debtor’s reputation for creditworthiness if the principal creditor knows or has reason to know such information is false; applies to consumer rather than commercial debts.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09053, [5/28/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Enhancing The Effectiveness Of New York’s Consumer Protection Law

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enhancing The Effectiveness Of New York’s Consumer Protection Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09785, “An act to amend the general business law, in relation to consumer protection from unfair or deceptive acts or practices. The purpose of this bill is to enhance the effectiveness of New York’s Consumer Protection Law and deter the use of unfair or deceptive acts or practices.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. AA09785, [4/17/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Financial Institutions To Notify Customers Of A Charging Fee On Account Inactivity

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Financial Institutions To Notify Customers Of A Charging Fee On Account Inactivity. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09140, “Requires financial institutions to notify a customer thirty days prior to charging a fee based on account inactivity; requires such notice to include a telephone number and the full contact information of a representative of the financial institution responsible for resolving any matter relating to the fee.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09140, [2/25/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Financial Institutions To Notify Customers Of A Charging Fee On Account Inactivity. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07740, “Requires financial institutions to notify a customer thirty days prior to charging a fee based on account inactivity; requires such notice to include a telephone number and the full contact information of a representative of the financial institution responsible for resolving any matter relating to the fee.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07740, [4/17/18](#)]

Business Regulations

Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Provided Punishment For Fraud Related To Minority And Women Owned Businesses

2020: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Provided Punishment For Fraud Related To Minority And Women Business Enterprises. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08414, “Relates to minority and women business enterprises; extends the provisions of article 15-a of the executive law; provides for punishment for fraud related to minority and women business enterprises (Part).” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08414, [6/19/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Regulations On Motor Vehicle Dealers

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Motor Vehicle Dealers to Search For Recalls Prior To Selling A Used Car. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05194, “Requires motor vehicle dealers to search for recalls and make certain repairs prior to selling a used motor vehicle.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05194, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Motor Vehicle Dealers To Search For Recalls Prior To Selling A Used Motor Vehicle. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05194, “Requires motor vehicle dealers to search for recalls and make certain repairs prior to selling a used motor vehicle.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05194, [6/4/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Mandating Motor Vehicle Testing Following A Collision That Resulted In Injury Or Death. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07306, “Mandates testing in the event of a motor vehicle collision resulting in injury or death.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 29. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07306, [3/5/18](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Motor Vehicle Dealers To Search For Recalls Prior To Selling A Used Motor Vehicle. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06522B, “Requires motor vehicle dealers to search for recalls prior to selling a used motor vehicle and requires the dealer to either make the required repairs or to notify the purchaser, in writing, of the recall.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06522B, [6/20/13](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Fines Imposed On Corporations For Offenses Defined In Penal Law

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increases Fines Imposed On Corporations For Offenses Defined Within Penal Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00187, “Increases the fines imposed on a corporation for an offense defined within the penal law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00187, [5/21/19](#)]

Garbarino Stated He Wanted To Eliminate Unnecessary Business Mandates

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Interest Group Ratings

Garbarino Received An Average 52% Rating From The Business Council Of New York State

2017 – 2018: Garbarino Received A 52% Rating From The Business Council Of New York State. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2015 – 2016: Garbarino Received A 78% Rating From The Business Council Of New York State. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2014: Garbarino Received A 79% Rating From The Business Council Of New York State. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2013: Garbarino Received A 91% Rating From The Business Council Of New York State. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Garbarino Received Average Rating Of 95% From The National Federation Of Independent Business

2015 – 2016: Garbarino Received A 100% Rating From The National Federation Of Independent Business. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2013 – 2014: Garbarino Received A 91% Rating From National Federation Of Independent Business-New York. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Crime & Public Safety Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino voted to protect the practice of racial and ethnic profiling by police officers four times
- ✓ Garbarino wanted to increase funding for law enforcement—specifically to fight MS-13
- ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against measures that aimed to keep the public safe from law enforcement misconduct
 - ✓ He voted against releasing police disciplinary records to the public and voted against the Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act in committee
 - ✓ He voted against measures that prohibited police officers from carrying a weapon without completing a training course
 - ✓ He voted against developing child-sensitive arrest policies
 - ✓ He voted against allowing New Yorkers to record law enforcement activity
 - ✓ He voted against requiring law enforcement officers to report incidents where they discharged their weapons
 - ✓ He voted against improving police officer training and background tests
- ✓ Garbarino was a staunch opposer of New York's bail reform law, which released people charged with misdemeanors and non-violent felonies without cash bail
 - ✓ Garbarino called it a "terrible bill"
 - ✓ The bill was one of the most progressive bail reform bills ever passed, but public support of the bill dropped when NYPD released figures showing a spike in crime (though, these figures have been disputed)
- ✓ Garbarino voted against criminalizing the unlawful possession and trafficking of fentanyl, voted against increasing penalties for methamphetamine manufactures, and voted against criminalizing the illegal transport of opioids
 - ✓ However, Garbarino claimed he pushed for tougher sentences for those convicted of dealing drugs
- ✓ Garbarino voted against numerous bills that aimed to strengthen protections for victims of child abuse, human trafficking, sexual assault, and domestic violence
- ✓ Garbarino voted against prohibiting the use of segregated confinements for juveniles and those with disabilities
- ✓ Garbarino voted against prohibiting torture and improper treatment of prisoners by health professionals

Law Enforcement Reform

Garbarino Voted Against The Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act In Committee, Which Criminalized The Use Of Chokeholds By Law Enforcement, But Later Voted For The Bill

The Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act Criminalized The Use Of Chokeholds By Law Enforcement

The Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act Criminalized The Use Of Chokeholds By Law Enforcement. “The New York State Assembly on Monday passed the Eric Garner Anti-Chokehold Act. The act passed both houses of the New York State Legislature and Governor Andrew Cuomo has indicated he will sign it into law. Named for Eric Garner, who was killed in 2014 after being placed in a chokehold by an NYPD officer, the bill criminalizes the use of chokeholds that result in injury or death. The use of chokeholds by the NYPD had already been banned in 1993. [...] The bill would make it so that a police officer who injures or kills somebody through the use of ‘a chokehold or similar restraint’ can be charged with a class C felony, punishable by up to 15 years in prison.” [CBS News, [6/8/20](#)]

In Committee, Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Crime For The Use Of Aggravated Strangulation By Police Officers

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Crime For The Use Of Aggravated Strangulation By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06144, “Establishes the crime of aggravated strangulation for police officers or peace officers where such officer commits the crime of criminal obstruction or breathing or blood circulation, or uses a chokehold or similar restraint, and causes serious physical injury or death.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06144, [6/8/20](#)]

However, Garbarino Later Voted For The Bill On The Floor Vote

2020: Garbarino Voted To Establish A Crime For The Use Of Aggravated Strangulation By Police Officers. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A06144, “Establishes the crime of aggravated strangulation for police officers or peace officers where such officer commits the crime of criminal obstruction or breathing or blood circulation, or uses a chokehold or similar restraint, and causes serious physical injury or death.” The bill passed the Assembly by a vote of 139 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06144, [6/8/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public

New York Law Makers Voted To Repeal State Law 50-A To Make Police Disciplinary Records Available To The Public

New York Law Makers Voted To Repeal State Law 50-A To Make Police Disciplinary Records Available To The Public. “As mass civil unrest over police brutality against African-Americans engulfs the nation, New York lawmakers took action Tuesday by voting to repeal 50-a, a state law used by police departments to shield disciplinary records. The Democrat-led Legislature approved the long-stalled reform of the statute — which is routinely used to keep the public from learning about police misconduct and disciplinary actions taken against officers — in response to protests sparked by the death of George Floyd, a black Minnesota man who was killed when a white police officer knelt on his neck for nearly nine minutes.” [New York Daily News, [6/9/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public Twice

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10611, “Rpld 50-a, Civ Rts L; amd 86, 87 & 89, Pub Off L. Relates to the disclosure of law enforcement

disciplinary records.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10611, [6/8/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Releasing Police Disciplinary Records To The Public. “The bill passed along party lines in the Senate, 40-22, with all Republicans voting against the measure. The Assembly approved the measure 101-43 Tuesday evening, also along party lines.” [New York Daily News, [6/9/20](#)]

Garbarino: “Last Night I Voted NO On The Completely Misguided Repeal Of §50-A”

Garbarino: “Last Night I Voted NO On The Completely Misguided Repeal Of §50-A.” “Last night I voted NO on the completely misguided repeal of §50-a. By repealing §50-a, a police officer’s personnel files will be released to the public – even unsubstantiated or unfounded complaints. These are complaints that aren’t proven to be true, but they’re going to be released and they’re going to tarnish an officer’s name. I have no doubt that this will be abused and will unfairly put targets on the backs of police officers. It is a sad day for law enforcement in the State of New York. ###” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]



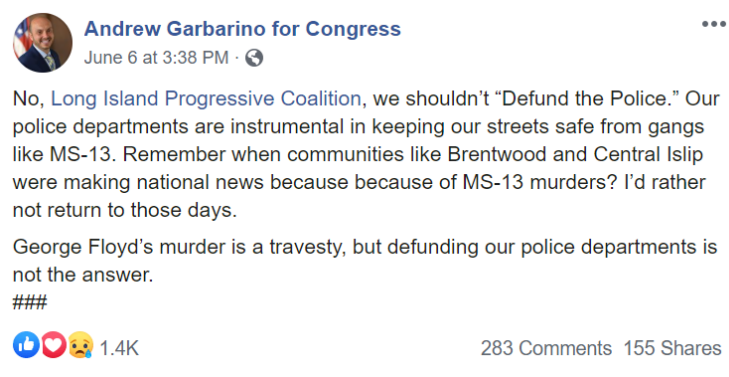
[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino Opposed Repealing §50-A. “[0:00] Derek Chauvin is a murderer and he’ll pay for what he did, this is already the law in Minneapolis and it didn’t stop the death of George Floyd. I don’t understand the remedy that is being sought here. This legislation is going to release unsubstantiated, unfounded complaints against law enforcement officers. These are complaints that haven’t been proved to be true but they are going to be released and they are going to tarnish an officer’s name. In the Senate and the Assembly here, in this house, we have an ethics committee. We have an ethics committee that oversees complaints that are against us. Those are only released when they are substantiated. The ethics committee, they hear the files and they hear complaints, those aren’t released. We don’t release complaints against us, when they are not substantiated. They are only released when they are substantiated. Education law says that unfounded complaints against teachers are expunged from their record. I don’t know what we’re doing here today by allowing unsubstantiated complaints to be released.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]

VIDEO: Garbarino: I Know A Lot Of Police Officers, Fireman, And Correctional Officers And “They Don’t Have An Evil Or Racist Bone In Their Body.” “[1:20] I don’t know who this helps. It’s going to put targets on the backs of police officers. I know a lot of police officers, I know a lot of fireman, I know a lot of corrections officers they don’t have an evil or racist bone in their body. But this will unfairly out targets on their backs and for that reason I cannot support it and I’m voting in the negative.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Efforts To “Defund The Police”

2020: Garbarino Opposed Efforts To “Defund The Police.” “No, Long Island Progressive Coalition, we shouldn’t “Defund the Police.” Our police departments are instrumental in keeping our streets safe from gangs like MS-13. Remember when communities like Brentwood and Central Islip were making national news because of MS-13 murders? I’d rather not return to those days. George Floyd’s murder is a travesty, but defunding our police departments is not the answer.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/6/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/6/20](#)]

Garbarino Said That Mayor DeBlasio Needed To Support Police Officers During Black Lives Matter Protests

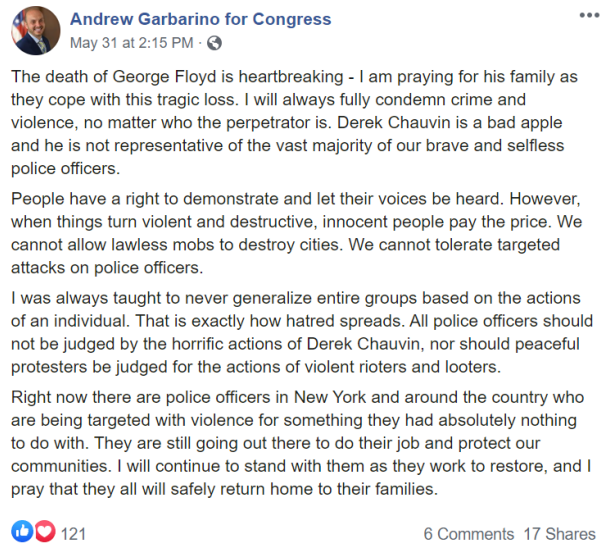
During Mass Black Lives Matter Protests, Garbarino Said Mayor DeBlasio Needed To Support Police Officers. “Mayor DeBlasio’s feckless leadership is a disgrace. New York City is burning and the brave officers of the NYPD are being hung out to dry. Mayor DeBlasio needs to step up and actually support the officers who are putting their lives on the line trying to restore law and order to the city. Again, George Floyd’s death is truly tragic, and the actions of the officers involved have received near universal condemnation. The right to peacefully protest must always be protected. However, peaceful demonstrations for justice have been completely hijacked by an angry mob. The violence and destruction taking place on the streets of New York isn’t justice for ANYONE. The NYPD deserves so much better. The people of New York deserve so much better. Mayor DeBlasio, either take control of your city or let someone else do it.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/2/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [6/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Criticized Black Lives Matter Protests For Turning “Violent” And Said “Right Now There Are Officers In New York...Who Are Being Targeted With Violence For Something They Had Absolutely Nothing To Do With”

Garbarino: “Right Now There Are Officers In New York...Who Are Being Targeted With Violence For Something They Had Absolutely Nothing To Do With.” “The death of George Floyd is heartbreaking - I am praying for his family as they cope with this tragic loss. I will always fully condemn crime and violence, no matter who the perpetrator is. Derek Chauvin is a bad apple and he is not representative of the vast majority of our brave and selfless police officers. People have a right to demonstrate and let their voices be heard. However, when things turn violent and destructive, innocent people pay the price. We cannot allow lawless mobs to destroy cities. We cannot tolerate targeted attacks on police officers. I was always taught to never generalize entire groups based on the actions of an individual. That is exactly how hatred spreads. All police officers should not be judged by the horrific actions of Derek Chauvin, nor should peaceful protesters be judged for the actions of violent rioters and looters. Right now there are police officers in New York and around the country who are being targeted with violence for something they had absolutely nothing to do with. They are still going out there to do their job and protect our communities. I will continue to stand with them as they work to restore, and I pray that they all will safely return home to their families.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/31/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/31/20](#)]

Garbarino Pledged To Advocate For More Funding For First Responders

2020: Garbarino Pledged To Advocate For More Funding For First Responders. “I have a proven track record of pushing for policies that protect our communities - such as repealing bail reform to keep dangerous criminals off our streets. I’ve always supported New York’s finest, and I will continue to do so in Congress by advocating for more funding to help first responders keep our district safe. #GarbarinoForNY” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/13/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/13/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling Four Times

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04879, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04879, [6/12/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04879, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04879, [2/14/17](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police From Using Racial And Ethnic Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03949, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03949, [6/2/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police Officers From Using Racial Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02941, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02941, [6/11/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Measure To Prohibit Police Officers From Carrying A Weapon Without Completing A Training Course

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police Officers From Carrying A Firearm Unless They Complete A Training Course. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05178A, “Relates to prohibiting police officers from carrying or using a firearm during any phase of the officer's official duties unless the officer has satisfactorily completed a course of training that meets or exceeds the minimum standards established by the municipal police training council.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05178A, [6/17/19](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against A Measure That Prohibited Police Officers From Carrying A Weapon Without Completing A Training Course. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10686, “Relates to prohibiting police officers from carrying or using a weapon during any phase of the officer's official duties unless the officer has satisfactorily completed a course of training that meets or exceeds the minimum standards established by the municipal police training council.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10686, [6/17/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring CPR Training For Police Officers

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Biennial CPR Training For Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04974, “Establishes Briana's law requiring biennial CPR training for police officers.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04974, [6/11/13](#)]

However, Garbarino Voted For The Bill In 2014

2014: Garbarino Voted For Requiring Biennial CPR Training For Police Officers. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A04974, “Establishes Briana's law requiring biennial CPR training for police officers.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04974, [2/11/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Developing Child-Sensitive Arrest Policies

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Developing Child-Sensitive Arrest Policies And Procedures. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01507, “Directs the superintendent of state police to develop and institute child-sensitive arrest policies and procedures for instances where police are arresting an individual who is a parent, guardian or other person legally charged with the care or custody of a child.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01507, [3/14/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent In The Event A Child Is Arrested

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent Of Guardian In The Event A Child Is Arrested. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03159, “Relates to the issuance of arrest warrants and appearance tickets upon a youth; provides for the police officer to immediately notify the parent or other person legally responsible for the care of such youth with whom the youth is domiciled that the youth has been arrested; provides further that the police officer need not notify the parent or other person legally responsible when such youth is not also a juvenile offender and the notification would endanger the health and safety of such youth.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03159, [6/11/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent Of Guardian In The Event A Child Is Arrested. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03545A, “Relates to the issuance of arrest warrants and appearance tickets upon a youth; provides for the police officer to immediately notify the parent or other person legally responsible for the care of such youth with whom the youth is domiciled that the youth has been arrested; provides further that the police officer need not notify the parent or other person legally responsible when such youth is not also a juvenile offender and the notification would endanger the health and safety of such youth.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03545A, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement To Provides Attention To The Medical And Mental Health Needs Of Detainees

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement To Provide Attention To The Medical And Mental Health Needs Of A Detainee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08226, “Provides that when a person is under arrest or otherwise in custody of a police officer, peace officer or other law enforcement representative or entity, such officer, representative or entity shall have a duty to provide attention to the medical and mental health needs of such person.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08226A, [6/11/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Police Training Council To Develop Policies Regarding Internet Technology

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Police Training Council To Develop Policies Regarding Internet Technology To Perpetuate Crimes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01348, “Requires the municipal police training council to develop policies and procedures regarding the use of internet technology and the use of such technology to perpetuate harassment or other crimes.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01348, [5/30/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Right Of New Yorkers To Record Law Enforcement Activities

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Right Of New Yorkers To Record Law Enforcement Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A1360A, “The purpose of this legislation is to unambiguously affirm, by statutory enactment, the right of New Yorkers to record, with expressed exceptions, the actions of persons acting under the color of law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01360A, [4/30/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The Right Of New Yorkers To Records Police Activity.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02448, “Relates to recording certain law enforcement activities; provides that a person not under arrest or in the custody of a law enforcement official has the right to record police activity and to maintain custody and control of that recording and of any property or instruments used by that person to record police activities, however, a person in custody or under arrest does not, by that status alone, forfeit such right to record.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02448, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement Officers To Report An Incident Where They Discharged Their Weapon**2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement Officers Who Discharge Their Weapon With A Bullet To Report The Incident.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00927A, “Requires a law enforcement officer or peace officer who discharges his or her weapon under circumstances where a person could be struck by a bullet to immediately report the incident to his or her superiors.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00927A, [2/11/19](#)]

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03574, “Requires a law enforcement officer or peace officer who discharges his or her weapon under circumstances where a person could be struck by a bullet to immediately report the incident to his or her superiors.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03574, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Division Of Criminal Justice To Report The Number Of Untested Sexual Offense Evidence Kits

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Division Of Criminal Justice Services To Report The Number Of Untested Sexual Offense Evidence Kits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04801, “Directs the Division of Criminal Justice Services to report the number of untested sexual offense evidence collection kits (rape kits) being stored by law enforcement agencies to the Governor and to the Legislature.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04801, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Improved Police Officers Training And Background Tests

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Improved Police Officer Training And Background Tests. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10614, “To amend the Executive Law and the General Municipal Law to provide for improved police officer training and hiring by expanding the law enforcement agencies eligible for accreditation by the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council, requiring annual firearms and other weapons training for police officers, and mandating that all police agencies conduct a fingerprint based background check on applicants being considered for employment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10614, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Did Not Respond To A Survey About Police Misconduct

Garbarino Did Not Respond To A Survey About Police Misconduct. “Nassau County District Attorney Kathleen Rice and 17 other state and local elected officials called for increased oversight of law enforcement in response to a Newsday survey on police misconduct. [...] More than half of the 82 officials surveyed either chose not to comment or declined to participate, including Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo, Senate co-leader Dean Skelos (R-Rockville Centre), Nassau County Executive Edward Mangano, Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone and Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota. [...] Newsday released the survey results yesterday with the newspaper's investigation into officer misconduct and 50-a, the police privacy law that allows agencies to shield misconduct investigations from the public. Newsday's story found that dozens of officers had unlawfully shot

people, falsified police reports, lied to investigators or committed other serious acts of misconduct yet kept their jobs or were allowed to retire. [...] DID NOT ANSWER: [...] R-Assemb. Andrew Garbarino.” [Newsday, 12/20/13]

Gangs

Garbarino Wanted More Funding For Long Island Law Enforcement To Fight MS-13

Garbarino Wanted More Funding For Long Island Law Enforcement To Fight MS-13. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) is calling on the Legislature to include funding to support local Long Island communities in their efforts to combat the influence of MS-13. [...] ‘I appreciate that the proposed budget contains allocation for staff at the state police to help manage and combat the MS-13 gang, but we can do better. The governor’s proposal does not do enough in the area of equipping, training and supporting local law enforcement to help contain and eliminate the reach of this insidious gang on Long Island,’ said Garbarino. ‘MS-13 and other gangs have made our communities feel less safe. They target the young and vulnerable for recruitment. An effective plan to weaken MS-13’s influence will require cooperation between local, state, and federal authorities, as well as school districts.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/1/18](#)]

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Garbarino Criticized The Budget Proposal For Granting \$8 Million To State Police, But None Of Local Law Enforcement, To Address MS-13 Gang Prevention. “The governor’s budget proposes \$8 million in funding for the state police to address MS-13 gang prevention. It does not, however, have any funding for local municipalities to help support local law enforcement in gang prevention. Garbarino is asking his colleagues to consider funding to be specifically earmarked for Long Island law enforcement to fight the MS-13 gang.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Supported The Criminal Street Gang Act, Which Defined What Gangs Were So Police Could “Better Prosecute, Track And Combat Gang Street Crime”

Garbarino Supported The Criminal Street Gang Act, Which Defined What Gangs Were So Police Could “Better Prosecute, Track And Combat Gang Street Crime.” “Gang violence has shaken communities in Suffolk County and throughout our state. It’s time that our laws toughen up on this kind of crime as it has taken lives and targeted children for recruitment. New York’s laws need to clearly define what gangs are, so we can better prosecute, track and combat gang street crime. Today, the senate has passed a bill that would do just that, and now it’s the assembly’s turn. Let’s get the Criminal Street Gang Act out of committee and on the floor for a vote now.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/8/17](#)]

The Bill Would Fight Gang Activity With A “Holistic” Approach. “As politicians and elected officials debate how to end the gang violence that’s rattled Long Island, the New York State Senate has passed a bill to fight gang activity with what it calls a ‘holistic’ approach. The bill includes measures to lengthen prison terms for felonies committed during gang activity, create a gang-prevention curriculum in schools and provide funding for non-profit community outreach to stop gang recruitment. [...] The bill also legally defines criminal street gangs for the first time in New York’s penal statutes. It says a ‘criminal street gang’ is ‘two or more individuals identified by a common name, sign, dress, symbols, tattoos or other markings’ that engage in a ‘pattern of criminal street gang activity.’ [WSHU Public Radio, [5/9/17](#)]

The Bill Died After Passing The Senate In A Bipartisan Manner 52-11. [New York State Senate, Senate Bill S2410A, accessed [1/23/20](#)]

Criminal Justice Reform

2020: Garbarino Called For The Repeal Of The Bail Reform Law

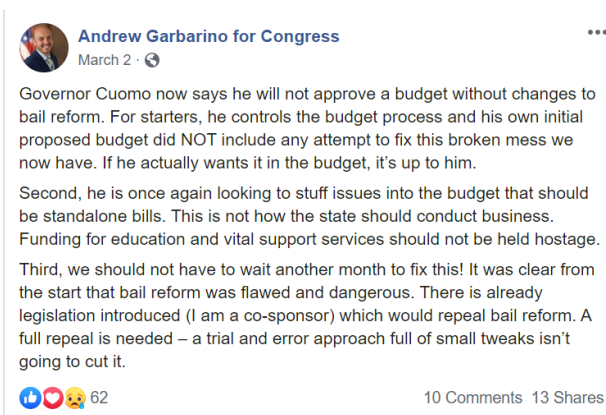
Garbarino: “Bail Reform Was A Terrible, Terrible Bill”

VIDEO: Garbarino: “Bail Reform Was A Terrible, Terrible Bill.” “[15:49] I did not vote for bail reform. Bail reform was a terrible, terrible, bill as we all saw, not just for letting criminals out of jail but it put a lot of pressure on the District Attorney’s office, the local municipalities, the towns, on discovery. I’m a lawyer so it’s something that I know and I saw the devastation that it did and luckily there was some fixes in the budget but it didn’t go far enough, because you’re just seeing it now all the... you know, you heard the stories. Bank robbers would rob a bank, get arrested, leave, and go rob another bank. It was insanity and we need to fix it and we need to repeal it, it’s gotta be full repeal and start back over from scratch, just to make sure it’s done. They tried to fix it in the budget, they tried to do something to say, ‘we fixed it,’ it’s not fixed. Once this all goes down, you’re gonna start hearing stories again, once COVID is no longer in the news, you’re gonna hear stories again about all these criminals being arrested, let out, and committing the same crimes.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

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“Governor Cuomo now says he will not approve a budget without changes to bail reform. For starters, he controls the budget process and his own initial proposed budget did NOT include any attempt to fix this broken mess we now have. If he actually wants it in the budget, it’s up to him. Second, he is once again looking to stuff issues into the budget that should be standalone bills. This is not how the state should conduct business. Funding for education and vital support services should not be held hostage. Third, we should not have to wait another month to fix this! It was clear from the start that bail reform was flawed and dangerous. There is already legislation introduced (I am a co-sponsor) which would repeal bail reform. A full repeal is needed – a trial and error approach full of small tweaks isn’t going to cut it.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/2/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Supported The Repeal Of The Bail Reform Law Because It Allowed “Dangerous And Serious Criminals To Be Released”

2020: Garbarino Called For The Repeal Of The Bail Reform Law Because It Allowed “Dangerous And Serious Criminals To Be Released.”

“Today in a Joint Legislative Budget Hearing on Public Protection, Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) called for the repeal of the bail reform law to be included as part of budget negotiations. Since its enactment, the law has required hundreds of dangerous and serial criminals to be

released shortly after their arrest. In many cases, these perpetrators were arrested again soon after for another crime. [...] ‘New York must repeal bail reform now. It is disappointing to the public that there are no concessions on correcting the troubling law, even though there is a clear outcry from the public to repeal it,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Codes. ‘People are tired and, honestly, worried that dangerous perpetrators have been released after committing awful and repeated crimes. Bail reform is creating a crisis. New York must fix it now.’ [...] Garbarino is committed to a full repeal. His legislation, A.8855, would repeal the bail reform law in its entirety.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/12/20](#)]

Garbarino Sponsored Legislation That Would Repeal Bail Reform

Garbarino Sponsored Legislation That Would Repeal Bail Reform. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville), Suffolk County Sheriff Errol D. Toulon, Jr., other law enforcement, district attorneys and state legislators from around the state held a rally in the State Capitol calling for the full repeal of bail reform. In January, the Assemblyman unveiled legislation (A.8855) he sponsors to repeal bail reform forced through the Legislature by the Assembly and Senate Majority last year.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/4/20](#)]

Garbarino: “This Dangerous Policy Is Putting Our Communities At Risk”

Garbarino: “This Dangerous Policy Is Putting Our Communities At Risk.” “This case is a prime example of why I voted against the so called bail reforms put forward by Democrats in the Legislature. This dangerous policy is putting our communities at risk, even Democrat District Attorney David Sores agrees: ‘We’ve been painted as fear mongers, and what you’ve observed today in court is the new reality. This is what the new criminal justice system in New York will be moving forward.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, Facebook, [1/2/20](#)]



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Garbarino Supported Amendments To The Bail Reform Bill That Would Give Justices Discretion To Hold Drug Traffickers

Garbarino Supported Amendments To The Bail Reform Bill That Would Give Justices Discretion To Hold Drug Traffickers. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) joined Assemblyman Ed Ra (R,C,I-Franklin Square) and other legislative colleagues to call for amendments to recent criminal justice reforms to give justices discretion to hold dangerous drug traffickers from pre-trial release. The recent bail reforms have now required mandatory release of those who committed drug trafficking Class A felonies. ‘We must allow our judges to make wise and careful decisions during the arraignments of dangerous drug traffickers,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Codes. ‘These drug traffickers are bringing deadly drugs into our communities, creating

significant problems with heroin and opioid addiction, and it is taking lives. Our judges should be able to hold these individuals who are profiting on others' suffering.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [6/12/19](#)]

2019: New York Passed A Progressive Bail Reform Package, But Public Support Of The Bill Plummeted When NYPD Released Numbers Showing A Crime Spike In The State, Even Though These Numbers Were Disputed

2019: New York Passed A Progressive Bail Reform Package, But NYPD Released Numbers Showing A Crime Spike In The State. “One of the most high-profile tests of bail reform, in New York state, sparked a political backlash and sent advocates into damage-control mode. In 2019, the New York legislature passed one of the most progressive bail-reform packages in the United States, abolishing bail for many misdemeanors and nonviolent crimes. Soon after the law went into effect, in January 2020, the New York Police Department released figures showing a spike in crime, and pointed the finger at the new, looser bail rules.” [Marshall Project, [4/23/20](#)]

Although The Crime Figures Were Disputed, Public Support Of The Reform Dropped From 55% To 37%. “The crime figures have been disputed, but tabloid headlines and anti-reform voices in law enforcement jumped at the chance to fan the flames, and the new bail policies instantly lost popularity. The percentage of New Yorkers saying the changes would be good for the state dropped from 55 percent last year to 37 percent in January. Prominent politicians, including Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Mayor Bill de Blasio, backed a new bill to roll back many of the changes, which passed April 3.” [Marshall Project, [4/23/20](#)]

However, Critics Accused NYPD Of Lying About The Data Spike, With Other Research Showing A Sharp Decline In New Criminal Cases

However, The Legal Aid Society And Various Public Defenders Accused The NYPD Of Lying About The Data. “The Legal Aid Society, The Bronx Defenders, New York County Defender Services, Brooklyn Defender Services and Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem released an analysis of data obtained from the New York State Office of Court Administration (OCA) that shows a sharp decline in the number of new criminal cases throughout the city in the first two months of 2020, as compared with the same period last year, reports the New York Post. These numbers starkly contradict claims by the NYPD that crime has risen since the new bail law went into effect on January 1. Rather, the court figures suggest that crime has continued to plummet. This is in line with a decade-long trend in which crime has declined steadily each year since 2010.” [Legal Aid Society, [3/4/20](#)]

New York City Defender Organizations: “It Is Easy For Them [NYPD] To Generate And Then Use Statistics To Promote A Self-Interested Agenda. “‘Since the NYPD controls how, when, and where they arrest people and what they charge an arrested person with, it is easy for them to generate and then use statistics to promote a self-interested agenda,’ reads a joint statement from New York City Defender organizations. ‘The court case numbers are a more objective measure because each docket represents an instance in which a person has actually been accused of a crime and charged in court. Charged cases often face some degree of scrutiny from prosecutors and judges, and thus weed out entirely unfounded charges associated with initial arrests.’” [Legal Aid Society, [3/4/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Opposed A Criminal Justice Reform Bill That Automatically Released People Charged With Most Misdemeanors And Nonviolent Felonies Without Making Them Post Cash Bail

Garbarino Criticized New Criminal Justice Reforms. “The following press release was distributed Dec. 31, 2019, on behalf of the New York State Legislature’s Long Island Republican delegation. [...] GOP lawmakers and law enforcement demand common sense changes to the flawed criminal justice laws taking full effect tomorrow [Jan. 1, 2020] [...] ‘It has become clear that the criminal justice reforms set to take effect are deeply flawed and flat out reckless, just as many of us had warned. As public officials, we cannot stand idly by while public safety is put at risk,’ said Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino.” [On Sachem, [1/1/20](#)]

The Reforms Would Limit The Number Of People In Jail Solely For Not Being Able To Afford To Pay Bail. “On Wednesday, New York joined a growing number of states that have restricted the money bail system to limit the number of people who are in jail solely because they can’t afford to pay their way out. While not as sweeping as some other states’ reforms, the new law automatically releases people charged with most misdemeanors and nonviolent felonies without making them post cash bail. Prior to the passage of the law, low-level defendants were routinely held in jail simply because they could not afford bail, not because their release posed a risk to society.” [Slate, [1/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Said The Bill Was “Dangerous”

Garbarino Said The Bill Was “Dangerous.” “Worse yet, he completely ignored the troubling problems our communities are facing with the new bail reforms. This new law puts victims, our communities and law enforcement in a dangerous situation where revictimization can occur and new victims are created. This is not a partisan issue; it is a matter where district attorneys and law enforcement, from both sides of the aisle, are calling out the bail reforms as dangerous and in need of correction. This must be our first action this year.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [1/8/20](#)]

FACTCHECK: The Bail Reform Bill Allowed Cash Bail For All Violent Felonies And Certain Nonviolent Felonies, Including Sex Offenses

FACTCHECK: The Bail Reform Bill Allowed Cash Bail For All Violent Felonies And Certain Nonviolent Felonies, Including Sex Offenses. “The original bail reform law allowed cash bail for almost all violent felonies and certain nonviolent felonies, such as sex offenses and witness tampering. The revisions added additional crimes and circumstances to this category. They include second-degree burglary where an individual is charged with entering the living area of a home, certain sex trafficking offenses, and promoting an obscene sexual performance of a child. They also include some crimes involving assault, including vehicular assault, and all charges alleged to have caused the death of a person.” [Brennan Center for Justice, [4/16/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino “Vehemently Opposed” Governor Cuomo’s Pardon Of “Pedophiles And Rapists”

Garbarino “Vehemently Opposed” By Governor Cuomo’s Pardon Of “Pedophiles And Rapists.”

“Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) is vehemently opposed to Gov. Cuomo’s pardons for thousands of felons in the state, which include at least 77 sexual predators such as pedophiles and rapists. The pardons would restore privileges, including the right to vote, once the criminals are released or paroled. ‘Cuomo’s priorities are entirely out of step with the many hardworking families and communities throughout our state. His policy to pardon the worst of the worst criminals, rapists and pedophiles, is beyond comprehension,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Codes. ‘This sends a message to victims that what they experienced doesn’t matter and that violent perpetrators will be rewarded for their crimes. I encourage everyone to urge the governor to abandon this ill-advised policy.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [7/23/18](#)]

Garbarino Supported Ramona’s Law, Which Would Extend The Maximum Time Scheduled Between Parole Hearings From Two To Five Years For Certain Violent Criminals

Garbarino Supported Ramona’s Law, Which Would Extend The Maximum Time Scheduled Between Parole Hearings From Two To Five Years For Criminals Who Have Committed Certain Violent Crimes.

“Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) is pushing for the passage of Ramona’s Law (A.6663), a bill which would extend the maximum time scheduled between parole hearings from two to five years for criminals who have committed certain violent crimes. ‘How can we ask victims of such heinous and violent crimes to relive these awful experiences every two years when their attacker may be up for release? New York must be a leader in helping victims become survivors and this means giving them the space and time to heal,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Codes. ‘New York must, and should, extend the time between parole hearings to up

to five years for the sake of victims and to keep the public safe from our most violent criminals.”
[Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/21/19](#)]

Garbarino Criticized Democrats For Relaxing Criminal Penalties

Op-Ed: Garbarino Criticized Democrats For Relaxing Criminal Penalties. “This budget prioritizes those who break our laws while it shortchanges direct-care workers in providing them a fair wage. [...] At the same time, the governor and Democrats in both houses relaxed penalties and jail sentences on criminals and placed more burdens on law enforcement, making the lives of our police officers much more difficult and dangerous.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Op-Ed, 4/11/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Automatic Expunction System For Certain Records—Including Marijuana Related Offenses

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Automatic Expunction System For Certain Records, Including Marijuana Related Arrests. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09878, “Relates to establishing an automatic expunction system for certain records including unconstitutional stops that occurred between January two thousand four and June two thousand twelve by the New York city police department that either resulted in the completion of a UF-250 form or a Form 61 complaint in which the SQF section was completed and led to arrests for either resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, criminal possession of a weapon, and offenses involving marihuana.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09878, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Raising The Criminal Responsibility Age To 18

Garbarino Opposed Raising The Criminal Responsibility Age To 18. “One policy he is particularly concerned with is the increased age of criminal responsibility to 18. In that case, Garbarino said, ‘Even if a person commits a murder one day before turning 18, the case is handled by family court judges who do not have training for murder cases. And the provision does not allow victims to find out what happens to the perpetrator.’” [Islip Bulletin, 4/20/17]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Raising The Age For Prosecution Of Certain Crimes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04876, “Relates to raising the age for prosecution of certain crimes; amends the definitions for juvenile delinquent, persons in need of supervision, infant and juvenile offender; creates a youth part for certain proceedings involving juvenile offenders; and establishes that no county jail be used for the confinement of persons under the age of eighteen.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04876, [2/14/17](#)]

Garbarino Thought Increasing The Age Of Criminal Responsibility Put The Rights Of Attackers Above Those Of The Victims

Garbarino Thought Such An Increase Said Attackers Had More Rights Than Their Victims. “‘How can anyone look a victim of a violent crime in the eye and tell them that their attacker has more rights than them? The Assembly Majority Raise the Age bill would fail to hold those who commit serious and violent crimes accountable for their actions, and victims would not see the justice they deserve,’ said Garbarino. ‘I proudly stand with the victims and survivors of violent crimes in our state and I reject this ill-advised legislation.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/14/17](#)]

Supporters Of The Bill Argued It Protected Young People From Future Marginalization And That Current Law Was Harmful And Particularly Affected African Americans And Latinos

Assemblymember Phil Ramos Argued Raising The Age Prevented Marginalization Of Young People On Account of Their Criminal Record. “MR. RAMOS: All right. Mr. Lentol, it – I – I believe that for those who really don’t care and want to see these people – these young people put in jail, what about society? Do we serve

society by taking some – a young person who did something stupid, who committed a – a crime where there wasn't serious physical injury, not part of a gang, not part of a criminal enterprise, but simply did something stupid. Do we serve society by marginalizing him with a criminal record that prevents that child from changing his life, from getting a better job?" [New York State Assembly, Full Raise the Age Debate, [4/8/17](#)]

Assemblymember Joseph R. Lentol Argued The Purpose Of The Bill Was To Make Sure Young People Would Not Lose Their Lives Over One Or Two Mistakes. "MR. LENTOL: Yes. We're not – we're not judges, we're legislators. And the question is really to try and get those cases that deserve to go to family court to go there, in order to help individual children who may have committed misbehavior that elevated itself into a crime, from a life of doom because they've been convicted of a crime. That's the purpose of this bill. It's not to coddle criminals. It's not to make sure that violent crimes are – go to the family court. That's not what this bill is. This bill is solely for the purpose of helping children that don't deserve to lose their lives over one or two mistakes." [New York State Assembly, Full Raise the Age Debate, [4/8/17](#)]

Assemblymember N. Nick Perry Argued Current Law Was Harmful To Young People, Particularly Those Who Were Black Or Latino. "Independent studies show that young people passing through the adult system are 34 percent more likely to be rearrested for violent and other crimes than youth retained in the youth system. These same studies show that children housed in adult prisons are twice as likely to be beaten by staff, and 50 percent more likely to be attacked with a weapon than children housed in youth facilities. Furthermore, children are 36 times more likely to commit suicide in an adult facility than a juvenile facility. [...] An even more alarming statistic – statistics to myself, as Chair of the Caucus, over 70 percent of 16- and 17-year-olds arrested are Black or Latino. And of those sentenced to incarceration, 80 percent are Black and Latino. Yes, the term 'vicious cycle' is often overused, but there's no other term – no other better term that can describe the foolish practice which we indulge in today, prosecuting children as adults. [New York State Assembly, Full Raise the Age Debate, [4/8/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Sealing Records Of Nonviolent And Non-Sexual Misdemeanor Offenses

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Sealing Records Of Certain Nonviolent Misdemeanors And Non-Sexual Misdemeanor Offenses. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02699A, "Permits the sealing of records of certain nonviolent misdemeanor or non-sexual misdemeanor criminal offenses; defines the term 'eligible misdemeanor'; excludes certain misdemeanor offenses as eligible misdemeanors for the purposes of conditional sealing; lists certain eligibility requirements for sealing; provides an order granting sealing under this section shall restore the individual concerned, in the contemplation of the laws, to the status such individual occupied before the arrest or institution of criminal proceedings for the crime that was the subject of the sealing." The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02699A, [6/15/15](#)]

Criminal Penalties & Evidence

Garbarino Voted Against Removing The Statute Of Limitations In Criminal Civil Actions Of Sexual Offenses Against A Minor

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Removing The Statute Of Limitations In Criminal And Civil Actions Of Sex Offenses Committed Against A Minor. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06507, "Removes the statute of limitations in criminal and civil actions involving sex offenses committed against a minor." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06507, [6/13/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Assault Penalties On Assaults Of Housing Employees

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Penalties On Assaults Of New York City Housing Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03965A, "Imposes increased penalties on assaults of certain New York city housing authority employees." The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03965, [6/19/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Excluding Possession Of A Condom As Evidence Of Prostitution In A Trial

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Excluding Possession Of A Condom As Evidence Of Prostitution In A Trial. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02736, “Provides that possession of a condom may not be received in evidence in any trial, hearing or proceeding as evidence of prostitution, patronizing a prostitute, promoting prostitution, permitting prostitution, maintaining a premises for prostitution, lewdness or assignation, or maintaining a bawdy house.” The bill passed by a vote of 80 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02736, [6/21/13](#)]

Drugs

Garbarino Supported Giving Justices Discretion To Hold Dangerous Drug Traffickers From Pre-Trial Release

Garbarino Supported Giving Justices Discretion To Hold Dangerous Drug Traffickers From Pre-Trial Release. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) joined Assemblyman Ed Ra (R,C,I-Franklin Square) and other legislative colleagues to call for amendments to recent criminal justice reforms to give justices discretion to hold dangerous drug traffickers from pre-trial release. The recent bail reforms have now required mandatory release of those who committed drug trafficking Class A felonies. ‘We must allow our judges to make wise and careful decisions during the arraignments of dangerous drug traffickers,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Codes. ‘These drug traffickers are bringing deadly drugs into our communities, creating significant problems with heroin and opioid addiction, and it is taking lives. Our judges should be able to hold these individuals who are profiting on others’ suffering.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [6/12/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Criminalizing The Unlawful Possession And Trafficking Of Fentanyl

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Criminalizing The Unlawful Possession And Trafficking Of Fentanyl. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06470, “The purpose of this legislation is so criminalize the unlawful possession of fentanyl or fentanyl analog. The bill adds a new section 220.79 to the Penal Law to create the crime of criminal possession of fentanyl or fentanyl analog, which is committed when a person traffics fentanyl, or any derivative thereof, by knowingly or intentionally manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, or possessing with intent to manufacture, distribute, dispense fentanyl or any derivate thereof. This crime is also committed by bringing into the state a net weight of more than 10 grams of fentanyl or any derivate thereof. This crime is a class E felony.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06470, [6/13/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Penalties For Methamphetamine Manufacturing

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Penalties For Methamphetamine Manufacturing. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A6300, “To amend the penal law, increasing the penalties for the criminal possession of methamphetamine manufacturing material and unlawful manufacture of methamphetamine.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06300, [6/13/19](#)]

Garbarino Pushed For Tougher Sentences For Those Convicted Of Dealing Drugs

Garbarino Pushed For Tougher Sentences For Those Convicted Of Dealing Drugs. “In order to combat the opioid crisis on Long Island, Garbarino believes there should be tougher sentences for those convicted of dealing hard drugs.” [Suffolk County News, 10/18/18]

Garbarino Voted Against Decriminalizing The Possession And Sale Of Hypodermic Needles

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Decriminalizing The Possession And Sale Of Hypodermic Needles. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01634, “Decriminalizes the possession and sale of hypodermic needles and syringes; regulates the sale of hypodermic needles and syringes.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01634, [5/7/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Criminalizing The Illegal Transport Of Opioids

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Criminalizing The Illegal Transport Of Opiates. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03295, “This bill would further criminalize the illegal transport of an opiate controlled substance when it is transported any distance greater than five miles within the state, or from one county to another county within the state.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03295, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Amending Penal Law To Contain A New Subdivision For A Small Marijuana Division

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Amending Penal Law To Contain A New Subdivision For Small Marijuana Division. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06716, “An act to amend the penal law, in relation to criminal possession of marihuana in the fifth degree The purpose of this bill is to keep New York safe by bringing fairness and consistency in the penalties administered to New Yorkers who possess small amounts of marihuana. [...] Section one of the bill would amend Penal Law § 221.10 to create a new subdivision and provide that possession of less than 15 grams of marihuana in a public place and open to public view is punishable in the same manner as private possession.” The bill passed by a vote 80 – 60. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06716, [5/29/13](#)]

Child Abuse**Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Standard Of Proof Of Abuse Of Mistreatment**

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Standard Of Proof Of Abuse Or Mistreatment. Garbarino voted against, “AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to the standard of proof for unfounded and indicated reports of abuse or maltreatment and the admissibility of reports of child abuse and maltreatment; and to amend the social services law and the family court act, in relation to the administration of the statewide central register of child abuse and maltreatment.” The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06427A, [6/21/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Crimes Of Assault On Children A Felony

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Crimes Of Assault On Children A Felony. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01575, “Establishes the crimes of assault on a child in the first degree and second degree and the crime of aggravated assault on a child; makes assaulting a child in the first degree a class B felony, assaulting a child in the second degree a class C felony and aggravated assault on a child an A-II felony.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01575, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Classifying The Intentional Murder Of A Child As First Degree Murder

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Classifying The Intentional Murder Of A Child As First Degree Murder. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03370A, “Provides that the intentional murder of a child under the age of twelve shall be a first degree murder offense.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03370A, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Age At Which Sexual Performance By A Child Becomes A Crime Of Anyone Using Or Authorizing

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Age At Which Sexual Performance By A Child Becomes A Crime Of Anyone Using Or Authorizing The Performance. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02253, “Increases from 16 to 18 years the age at which a sexual performance by a child becomes a crime on the part of anyone using, employing, authorizing, producing, directing or promoting any such sexual performance.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02253, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Age And Penalties At Which Sexual Performance By A Child Becomes A Crime Of Anyone Using Or Authorizing The Performance. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04315, “Increases the penalties for sexual performances by a child; increases age from 16 to 18 for application of existing sexual performance crimes; creates crimes of use of a child in a sexual performance in the first degree, promoting an obscene sexual performance by a child in the first degree, and promoting a sexual performance by a child in the first degree; provides for consecutive sentencing upon certain multiple convictions.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04315, [6/5/18](#)]

Human Trafficking**Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Would Vacate Convictions For Offenses Resulting From Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, And Compelling Prostitution**

2019: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Would Vacate Convictions For Offenses Resulting From Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, And Compelling Prostitution. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06983B, “Relates to proceedings to vacate convictions for offenses resulting from sex trafficking, labor trafficking and compelling prostitution and provides for confidentiality of records of such proceedings.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06983B, [6/18/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Strengthened Protections Of Sex And Labor Trafficking Victims

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Strengthening Protections For Victims Of Sex And Labor Trafficking. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A6983B, “An act to amend the criminal procedure law, in relation to vacating convictions for offenses resulting from sex trafficking, labor trafficking and compelling prostitution. To strengthen protections for victims of sex trafficking, labor trafficking, compelling prostitution, and trafficking in persons, who are convicted of a range of offenses as a result of that trafficking or compelling.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06983, [5/30/19](#)]

...However, Garbarino Previously Supported Protections For Women Who Became Sex Trafficking Victims

2015: Garbarino Co-Sponsored Legislation To Establish Greater Protections For Women Who Become Sex Trafficking Victims. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) passed legislation he co-sponsors to establish greater protections for women who become sex trafficking victims. [...] ‘The victims of sex trafficking need and deserve the protections this bill provides,’ said Garbarino. ‘Of course, the work is not yet done. There are several other women’s equality bills that need to be passed, and I’ll be working to get a vote on these bills as soon as possible.’ The comprehensive anti-sex trafficking legislation, numbered A00506, will enact tougher penalties for those who participate in the sex trafficking industry, establish legal protections and increase the quality of social services available for women who are abused in sex trafficking rings.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [3/17/15](#)]

Sexual Assault And Domestic Violence

Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Class E Felony For Gang Sexual Assault

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Class E Felony For Gang Sexual Assault. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05069, “Creates the class E felony of gang sexual assault, involving touching or removal of clothing with the aid of two or more people without the consent of the person; includes such felony and the class A misdemeanor of forcible touching within the definition of ‘sex offense’ for the purposes of the sex offender registration act.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05069, [6/5/18](#)]

Domestic Violence

Garbarino Voted Against Classifying Specified Crimes Against A Member Of The Same Family Or Household As Domestic Violence

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Classifying Specified Crimes Committed Against A Member Of The Same Family Or Household As Domestic Violence. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08842, “Provides that the commission of certain specified crimes which are committed against a member of the same family or household shall be punishable as domestic violence crimes and carry enhanced penalties.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08842, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Act Of Domestic Violence In Front Of Children As A Class E Felony

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Act Of Domestic Violence In Front Of Children As A Class E Felony. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08810, “Creates an automatic class E felony on the first offense for committing an act of domestic violence in the presence of children.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08810, [6/5/18](#)]

Cyber Crime

Garbarino Voted Against Amending New York Penal Law To Include Cyberbullying

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Amending New York Penal Law To Include Cyberbullying. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05052, “The New York State Penal Law is amended by adding a new section 270.40 to define bullying and cyberbullying. Any person who is eighteen years or older or an emancipated minor who violates this section shall be guilty if a misdemeanor, unless charged as a violation, at the discretion of the enforcing officer. Any unemancipated person under the age of eighteen who violates this section shall: (a) be guilty of a violation, punishable by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (b) be guilty of a violation, punishable by a fine exceeding two hundred dollars on their second offense, or (c) be guilty of a misdemeanor for each additional offense.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05052, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted against Establishing Cyberterrorism As A Class B Felony

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Cyberterrorism As A Class B Felony. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02765, “Relates to creating the crime of cyberterrorism and calculating damages caused by computer tampering; cyberterrorism shall be a class B felony.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02765, [6/5/18](#)]

Prisons

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring A Report Sent To Public Officials On Inmate Deaths

2019: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Would Require A Report On Deaths Of Inmates To Be Sent To Public Officials. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07182, “Requires a report on the death and circumstances of an inmate to be sent to the governor, the chairman of the assembly committee on correction and the chairman of the senate committee on crime victims, crime and correction.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07182, [2/13/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Segregated Confinement

Southern Poverty Law Center: “Solitary Confinement: Inhumane, Ineffective, And Wasteful”

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“Numerous studies have shown that solitary confinement harms a person’s mental and physical health, as well as the community to which the person eventually returns. People in solitary, in fact, attempt suicide at a much higher rate than those in the general population. What’s more, solitary is disproportionately used for people with mental illnesses, people of color, and people with disabilities.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

Solitary Confinement Did Not Improve Public Safety. “Solitary confinement does not improve public safety. Studies show that when people who have been in solitary return to their communities, they are more likely to commit crimes than those who were not subjected to it. Other states have recognized the wasteful and destructive nature of solitary confinement and have adopted more humane and less costly alternatives.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

Solitary Confinement Disproportionality Harmed Young People And People With Disabilities

Solitary Confinement Harmed Incarcerated Youth. “Research has shown that juveniles are less equipped to handle the stresses associated with solitary confinement than adults, putting them at greater risk of severe psychological damage. Placing juveniles in solitary confinement has been widely condemned by human rights organizations for this reason. Because young people are still developing both mentally and psychologically, traumatic experiences like solitary confinement can have profound impacts on their ability to rehabilitate. During adolescence and into a person’s mid-20s, the part of the brain responsible for cognitive processing is still developing. Isolation can damage these crucial developmental processes.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

Solitary Confinement Was Damaging To People With Disabilities. “Solitary confinement also can exacerbate disabilities, as individuals with physical disabilities typically have unique health care needs but may be denied regular access to medical care when in solitary confinement. Conditions of solitary confinement are especially harmful for people with sensory disabilities. Deaf and hard of hearing people make up a substantial portion of the state prison population – 13 to 20 percent of people in prison experience significant hearing loss. Such individuals might experience profound and heightened isolation in solitary confinement due not only to the sensory and social deprivation in solitary, but also because of their disabilities. Those who are deaf or hard of hearing may not be able to have even the informal conversations that others in solitary confinement may engage in by yelling. They also may have impaired language processing that can further diminish their access to adequate health care and other services which are already harder to access in solitary.” [Southern Poverty Law Center, [4/4/19](#)]

However, Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting The Use Of Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01905A, “Relates to segregated confinement; prohibits segregated confinement for certain persons. [...] Except as provided in paragraphs (d) [and], (e), (g) and (h) of this subdivision, as a measure of last resort, the superintendent of a state correctional facility, under supervision of the commissioner, or the sheriff of a local correctional facility may keep any inmate confined in a cell or room, apart from the accommodations provided for inmates who are participating in programs of the facility, for such minimal period as may be necessary for maintenance of order or discipline, but in any such case the following conditions shall be observed:(g) Segregated confinement is prohibited for the following inmates: (i) juveniles under the age of twenty-one;(ii) any person with a mental illness or a developmental disability as defined in section 1.03 of the mental hygiene law; and (iii) any person who has a permanent physical disability documented in his or her medical records that substantially limits one or more major life activities. For the purposes of this subdivision, ‘major life activities’ means functions such as walking, seeing, hearing and speaking.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01905A, [2/14/17](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01346B, “Relates to segregated confinement; prohibits segregated confinement for certain persons. [...] Except as provided in paragraphs (d) [and], (e), (g) and (h) of this subdivision, as a measure of last resort, the superintendent of a state correctional facility, under supervision of the commissioner, or the sheriff of a local correctional facility may keep any inmate confined in a cell or room, apart from the accommodations provided for inmates who are participating in programs of the facility, for such minimal period as may be necessary for maintenance of order or discipline, but in any such case the following conditions shall be observed:(g) Segregated confinement is prohibited for the following inmates: (i) juveniles under the age of twenty-one;(ii) any person with a mental illness or a developmental disability as defined in section 1.03 of the mental hygiene law; and (iii) any person who has a permanent physical disability documented in his or her medical records that substantially limits one or more major life activities. For the purposes of this subdivision, ‘major life activities’ means functions such as walking, seeing, hearing and speaking.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01346B, [6/15/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Restricting The Use Of Segregated Confinements And Creating Rehabilitative Confinement Options

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Restricting The Use Of Segregated Confinement And Creating Rehabilitative Confinement Options In Prison. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03080B, “Restricts the use of segregated confinement and creates alternative therapeutic and rehabilitative confinement options; limits the length of time a person may be in segregated confinement and excludes certain persons from being placed in segregated confinement.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03080B, [3/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Torture And Improper Treatment Of Prisoners By Health Professionals

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Torture And Improper Treatment Of Prisoners By Health Care Professionals. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01192, “Prohibits participation in torture and improper treatment of prisoners by health care professionals; prohibits a health care professional from engaging, assisting, planning the torture or improper treatment of a prisoner; requires health care professionals to report torture and improper treatment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01192, [5/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Torture And Improper Treatment Of Prisoners By Health Care Professionals. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01192, “Prohibits participation in torture and improper treatment of prisoners by health care professionals; prohibits a health care professional from engaging, assisting, planning the torture or improper treatment of a prisoner; requires health care professionals to report torture and improper treatment.” The bill passed the High Education Committee by a vote of 21 – 2 [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01192, [5/7/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Prisoners With A Notice Of Services Available To Them Upon Release

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Prisoners With A Notice Of Services Available To Them Upon Their Release. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01353, “Provides for notice by commissioner of correctional services of availability of medical, educational and other services, including alcohol and substance abuse treatment, to prisoners upon their release from state prison.” The bill passed by a vote of 112 – 21. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01353, [6/17/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Provided Information To Released Inmates About HIV Prevention

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Inmates, Upon Their Discharge, With Information About HIV Prevention. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03496, “Establishes the department of corrections and community supervision shall provide an inmate, upon his or her discharge, with educational information about the prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), instructions about how to obtain free HIV testing and referrals to community-based HIV prevention, education and counseling resources.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 16. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03496, [6/12/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Inmates, Upon Their Discharge, With Information About HIV Prevention. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03496, “Establishes the department of corrections and community supervision shall provide an inmate, upon his or her discharge, with educational information about the prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), instructions about how to obtain free HIV testing and referrals to community-based HIV prevention, education and counseling resources.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03496, [5/1/13](#)]

Interest Group Ratings

Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 100% From The New York Correctional Officers And Police Benevolent Association

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2018 – 2019: Garbarino Received A 0% Rating From The National Organization For The Reform Of Marijuana Laws

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Economic Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino supported adding a corporate Amazon location in New York*
 - ✓ *Amazon canceled the plan after they received harsh backlash from the community about the use of public subsidies to entice Amazon, the rising costs of living that would come with the location, and Amazon's anti-union policies*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the START-UP NY Program, which established tax benefits for businesses located in tax free New York areas*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against establishing regulations for sports betting and wagering*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported expanding casinos in New York*
 - ✓ *Garbarino voted against a commission to evaluate gambling by New Yorkers*
 - ✓ *Expanding casinos was bad for local economies and had a negative effect on property value*

Economy

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Garbarino Supported An Amazon Corporate Location In New York. “Amazon’s investment in New York would have brought thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in revenue to spur our economy and fund our children’s future. Instead, the Senate Majority picked partisan politics over the needs of real New Yorkers. As poll after poll showed, New Yorkers overwhelmingly wanted amazon here. Yet, Andrea Stewart-Cousins and Mike Gianaris disregarded jobs and money in favor of political grandstanding. Now their bluff has been called. Amazon is gone, and New Yorkers should know exactly who to blame for this missed opportunity.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/14/19](#)]

Amazon Canceled The Plan After They Received Backlash From Lawmakers, Activists, And Union Leaders

Amazon Canceled The Plan After They Received Backlash From Lawmakers, Activists, And Union Leaders. “Amazon on Thursday canceled its plans to build an expansive corporate campus in New York City after facing an unexpectedly fierce backlash from lawmakers, progressive activists and union leaders, who contended that a tech giant did not deserve nearly \$3 billion in government incentives. The decision was an abrupt turnabout by Amazon after a much-publicized search for a second headquarters, which had ended with its announcement in November that it would open two new sites — one in Queens, with more than 25,000 jobs, and another in Virginia.” [New York Times, [2/14/19](#)]

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Critics Of The Planned Headquarter Opposed The Use Of Public Subsidies Used To Entice Amazon, Gentrification, And Amazon’s Anti-Union Policies. “The agreement to lure Amazon to Long Island City, Queens, had stirred intense debate in New York about the use of public subsidies to entice wealthy companies, the

rising cost of living in gentrifying neighborhoods, and the city's very identity. [...] Not only progressive activists took issue with the Amazon deal: Michael R. Bloomberg, who championed New York City as a technology hub while mayor, questioned the incentive package earlier this month. [...] Over time, opposition to Amazon had spread from the specifics of the deal to the company's corporate practices. Elected officials and activists in New York drew attention to the company's anti-union stance and its work with federal immigration officials — positions unpopular with Democratic leaders across the country." [New York Times, [2/14/19](#)]

Garbarino Criticized Cuomo's "Failed Economic Development Schemes"

Garbarino Criticized Cuomo's "Failed Economic Development Schemes." "There is building bipartisan support to put in place strict transparency rules for large economic development spending. I am proud to have sponsored legislation which would do just that. I believe we need standards in place which would track dollars spent on economic development, measure the results of these investments, closely examine any conflicts of interest and put in place consequences for those who willfully ignore the law. My constituents have been paying entirely too much for Gov. Cuomo's failed economic development schemes and it's time to rein him in." [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [6/13/18](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The START-UP NY Program

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The START-UP NY Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A0813, "Establishes the START-UP NY program; establishes tax benefits for businesses located in tax free NY areas and employees of such businesses; provides penalties for fraud in such START-UP NY program; provides for START-UP NY program leases." The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08113, [6/21/13](#)]

Gaming Industry

Garbarino Voted Against Regulations For Sports Betting And Wagering

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Regulations For Sports Betting And Wagering. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06113C, "Provides for regulation of sports betting and mobile sports wagering; defines terms; implements a tax equivalent to eight and one-half percent of sports wagering gross revenue; requires reporting; provides for civil penalties for violations; makes related provisions." The bill passed the Racing and Wagering Committee by a vote of 8 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06113C, [5/29/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Commission To Evaluate Gambling By New Yorkers

2018: Garbarino Voted Against A Commission To Evaluate The Extent Of Gambling By New York Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05083, "Authorizes and directs the commissioner of the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services to commission a statewide evaluation regarding the extent of gambling by New York state residents." The bill passed by a vote of 124 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05083, [5/8/18](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing A Commission For A Statewide Evaluation Of Gambling By New York Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07055, "Authorizes and directs the commissioner of the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services to commission a statewide evaluation regarding the extent of gambling by New York state residents." The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07055, [5/28/15](#)]

Garbarino Supported Expanding Casinos

Garbarino Supported Expanding Casinos. “Garbarino, on the other hand, would expand casinos here to capture gambling revenue now flowing to Connecticut and New Jersey.” [Newsday, 10/24/12]

The Atlantic: “A Good Way To Wreck A Local Economy: Build Casinos”

The Atlantic: “A Good Way To Wreck A Local Economy: Build Casinos.” “Why so much building? Cities are authorizing more casinos for exactly the same reason that the existing casinos are losing business: the weak national economy. Casinos promise a new and easy flow of revenues to hard pressed local governments. The promise however comes increasingly hedged with fine print. [...] Yet the truly bad news about casinos is not found in the tax receipts. It’s found in the casinos’ economic and social impact on the towns that welcome them. [...] As casino expansion reaches its limits, the towns and cities that turned to gambling to escape their problems may discover that they have accepted a sucker’s bet: local economies that look worse than ever, local residents tempted into new forms of self-destructive behavior, and a dwindling flow of cash to show for it all.” [Atlantic, [8/7/14](#)]

The Impact Of Casinos On Property Value Was “Unambiguously Negative.” “The impact of casinos on neighboring property values is ‘unambiguously negative,’ according to the economists at the National Association of Realtors. Casinos don’t encourage non-gaming businesses to open nearby, because the people who most often visit casinos do not wander out to visit other shops and businesses. A casino is not like a movie theater or a sports stadium, offering a time-limited amusement. It is designed to be an all-absorbing environment that does not release its customers until they have exhausted their money.” [Atlantic, [8/7/14](#)]

Education Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino repeatedly voted against legislation aimed at lowering the cost of higher education, despite saying he wanted to make college affordable*
 - ✓ *He voted against the College Savings Incentives program and the Affordable College Education Scholarship Program*
 - ✓ *However, Garbarino wanted to increase the income eligibility cap of the Tuition Assistance Program*
- ✓ *Garbarino was a staunch opposer of Common Core and its emphasis on testing*
 - ✓ *Garbarino supported the APPLE Plan, which addressed deficiencies in the Common Core*
 - ✓ *Garbarino praised the Long Island Opt-Out Movement, which allowed parents to pull kids from standardized testing*
- ✓ *Garbarino wanted to eliminate the Gap Elimination Adjustment, a budget formula that lessened the amount of aid each school district received*
- ✓ *Garbarino opposed implementing universal Pre-K and voted against maintain kindergarten programs for districts that received funds for Pre-K programs*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against new rules for teacher evaluations that would tie teachers' ratings to students' scores on standardized tests*
- ✓ *Garbarino repeatedly voted against allowing students with diseases to use medical treatments in school*

College Affordability

Garbarino Voted Against Exempting Tuition Program Funds In The Calculation Of Public Assistance Benefits

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Exempting Funds In A Qualified Tuition Program In The Calculation Of Household Benefits For Public Assistance Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01089, "Exempts certain funds in a qualified tuition program in the calculation of household benefits under public assistance programs." The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01089, [6/20/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against An Appeals Process For Students Denied-In State Tuition

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring An Appeals Process For Students Denied In-State Tuition. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06977A, "Requires the establishment of an appeals process for students who are denied the state resident tuition rate at any public university or college." The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06977A, [6/20/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The College Savings Incentive Program

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The College Savings Incentive Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06121, “Relates to creating the college savings incentive program, which provides up to a 10% matching grant from the general fund to the beneficiary of a family tuition account.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06121, [5/14/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Affordable College Education Scholarship Program

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Affordable College Education Scholarship Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02853, “Creates the ‘affordable college education scholarship program’ within the state university system, including SUNY, CUNY and participating community colleges; provides a low tuition for eligible students selected based upon academic merit.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02853, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The Nursing Education Expansion Program

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The Nursing Education Expansion Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01970, “Establishes the nursing education expansion program, including faculty development program, capital facility program and the recruitment and promotion program; creates regents nursing shortage scholarships; provides for county matching awards for professional education in nursing; establishes the ‘nursing faculty development program fund’, the ‘nursing capital facilities program fund’, the ‘recruitment and promotion program fund’, and the ‘county match awards for professional education in nursing fund’; appropriates \$25,620,000 therefor.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01970, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Said He Voted Against Measures That Made College More Expensive

Op-Ed: Garbarino Said He Voted Against Measures That Made College More Expensive. “I also voted against efforts to make going to college that much more costly and out of reach for students in my district.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Op-Ed, 4/11/19]

Garbarino Criticized Democrats For Approving Free College Tuition For Illegal Immigrants While Failing To Expand The Tuition Aid Program

Op-Ed: Garbarino Criticized Democrats For Approving Free College Tuition For Illegal Immigrants While Failing To Expand The Tuition Aid Program. “The governor and the Democrats in the Senate and Assembly approved free college tuition for illegal immigrants while failing to expand eligibility of the Tuition Aid Program to include more middle-class families and students. In a time when the average New York state student is left with roughly \$32, 200 of college debt, it shows how out of touch Democrats are with the average Long Islander.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Op-Ed, 4/11/19]

Garbarino Wanted To Increase The Tuition Assistance Program And Student Loan Relief

Garbarino Wanted To Increase The Tuition Assistance Program And Student Loan Relief. “Increase investment in the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) and increase the income eligibility to include more families in need. Enact as part of the budget the Affordable College for All Initiative to alleviate student debt.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To Increase The Income Eligibility Cap Of TAP

Garbarino Wanted To Increase The Income Eligibility Cap Of TAP. “Garbarino supports increasing the income eligibility cap of the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), which currently excludes many middle-income families on Long Island. He also sponsors legislation which creates and increases tuition related tax credits (A.3478) and would make college related supplies tax deductible (A.4168).” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/19/19](#)]

Garbarino Criticized The Higher Education Committee For Voting Down A Bill That Would Increase The Income Cap On TAP

Garbarino Criticized The Higher Education Committee For Voting Down A Bill That Would Increase The Income Cap On TAP. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) criticized the State Assembly’s Higher Education Committee today after the committee’s Majority members voted down a bill that would have increased the maximum Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) funding to \$6,470 and increased the household threshold income cap for TAP from \$80,000 to \$100,000.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [5/10/16](#)]

Garbarino Said He Wanted To Make College More Affordable

Garbarino Said He Wanted To Make College More Affordable. “Garbarino, 32, of Sayville, is a real estate attorney running for his third term representing the South Shore of Islip town and East Patchogue. He sits on the energy, health and environmental conservation committees. He wants to make college more affordable and is pushing for more funding for drug rehabilitation to help combat the opioid epidemic.” [Long Island Press, 11/7/16]

Garbarino Helped Introduce A Series Of Bills To Alleviate College Debt

Garbarino Helped Introduce A Series Of Bills To Alleviate College Debt. “Today, I stood with my Assembly Minority Conference colleagues to present a series of bills designed to alleviate the crushing debt burdening thousands of students and middle-class families across New York. For decades, the price of a college education has skyrocketed, making the possibility of a college degree increasingly difficult for many. These bills, if enacted, would take the load off many of our recent grads who have found it incredibly difficult to pursue their careers with such crushing debt. Furthermore, without such intense debt, pursuing a higher education would be a more appealing endeavor for many potential students. As these bills make their way through the legislative process, I encourage my colleagues to improve the future of our students and vote ‘Yes.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

The Proposed Legislation Would Launch A “Learning For Work” Program Designed To Accelerate High Schoolers’ Career Readiness. “Launching a “Learning for Work” program in New York high schools, designed to accelerate career readiness by offering apprenticeships and enhanced professional degrees. The legislation creates a \$1,500 per apprentice tax credit for businesses which accept apprentices (A.8695).” [Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

The Proposed Legislation Would Require Colleges And Universities To Disclose Certain Financial Statistics To Students. [Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

The Proposed Legislation Would Create A student Loan Payment Tax Deduction. “Creating a Student Loan Payment Tax Deduction of up to \$4,000 for single filers; \$6,000 for head of household filers; and \$8,000 for married filers (A.8675).” [Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

The Proposed Legislation Would Endow A Scholarship Program To Attend A State Community College. “Endowing the Community College Merit and Mobility Scholarship Program, which offers the state’s top high school graduates \$1,000/year scholarships to attend a New York State community college (A.8691).” [Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

The Proposed Legislation Would Petition The Federal Government To Support Legislation Which Would Increase Available Options For Refinancing Federal Student Loan Debt. [Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

Additional Proposed Legislation Would Increase The Household Threshold Income Cap On Tuition Assistance. [Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

Additional Proposed Legislation Would Restore Graduate Programs As Programs Eligible For Approval under the State Tuition Assistance Program. [Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb, press release, [2/9/16](#)]

Garbarino Supported A Bill That Created Scholarships To Cover Education Costs For Children Of Deceased Military Men And Women

Garbarino Voted For Legislation That Would Provide Scholarships To Dependents Of Deceased Military Men And Women. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville), a member of the Assembly Committee on Higher Education, voted in favor of legislation which would provide SUNY and CUNY scholarships to dependents of military men and women who died during official duty.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [4/11/19](#)]

The Bill Was Rejected By The Assembly Majority. “The bill, which would create merit scholarships to cover the cost of tuition and room and board, was rejected by the Assembly Majority despite broad support even from Gov. Cuomo. ‘Serving our country comes with deep sacrifices on the part of those serving in the armed forces and their families. We must continually show our support by easing the burden on these families, and we had another opportunity through this legislation,’ said Garbarino. ‘If ever a parent is lost while they are serving their country, we must ensure that their children do not lose the opportunity for a better future. This bill would have made college attainable for the surviving children of fallen military men and women. It is hard to understand why the Assembly Majority would reject this when even the governor has publicly expressed his support for our legislation.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release [4/11/19](#)]

Garbarino Previously Voted Against A Bill That Provided Free Tuition Expenses For Surviving Dependents Of New York State Military Personnel Who Died In Duties

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Free Tuition Expenses For Surviving Dependents Of A New York State Military Personnel Who Died In Duties. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01737, “Provides free tuition expenses for SUNY or CUNY to surviving dependent family members of NYS military personnel who have died while performing official military duties.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01737, [4/4/17](#)]

Common Core

Garbarino Opposed Common Core

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2018: Garbarino: “It’s Not Good For The Kids Or The Teachers”

2018: Garbarino: “It’s Not Good For The Kids Or The Teachers. “When asked about Common Core, Garbarino said the Republican caucus in the Assembly was one of the first to speak out against the initiative,

adding that within the last four years or so, ‘many have come around to our way of thinking.’ ‘It’s not good for the kids or the teachers,’ Garbarino said, referring to the standardized tests. ‘When I went to high school, teachers were given the flexibility to teach the curriculum. Everything is so tied to tests [because of Common Core] now,’ he added. ‘This isn’t why teachers got into the profession.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/18/18]

Garbarino Criticized Common Core’s Emphasis On Testing

Garbarino Voted To Decouple Common Core Test Results In Teacher Evaluations And Prohibit The Inclusion Of Common Core Test Results In Students’ Permanent Record. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) recently voted to decouple Common Core test results from teacher and principal evaluations. Additionally, the measure prohibits the inclusion of Common Core test results from a student’s permanent record. ‘We all know that a few tests cannot adequately paint a picture of a child’s academic achievement and understanding over the course of the school year, and I don’t think it is wise to consider these test results when evaluating teachers and principals. I voted to ensure that we take a holistic and local approach to the evaluation of our educators,’ said Garbarino. ‘Ultimately, what we want are teachers who are not burnt out and are passionate about educating our children. I think this is the right step to return an excitement and love of learning back into the classroom.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/3/18](#)]

2015: Garbarino Opposed The Appointment Of A Common Core Supporter To The Board Of Regents

Garbarino Opposed The Appointment Of A Common Core Supporter To The Board Of Regents. “Garbarino also stated his concern about the Board of Regents appointing an individual who supports Common Core despite its botched implementation in New York State. He believes the nomination will only continue the status quo of wasted taxpayer dollars and ineffective policies.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/29/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Rejected An Education Budget Bill For Doubling Down On Common Core

2015: Garbarino Rejected An Education Budget Bill For Doubling Down On Common Core. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) today emphatically rejected an education budget bill that does not adequately fund Long Island schools and doubles down on the governor’s disastrous Common Core mandates. [...] ‘This budget takes the governor’s ill-conceived Common Core program and entrenches it even further. The teacher evaluations are based on Common Core testing that already has wreaked havoc in Long Island classrooms. There are absolutely no redeeming qualities to the governor’s education agenda.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [3/31/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Called For Common Core To Be Scaled Back

Garbarino Called For Common Core To Be Scaled Back. “The Common Core curriculum should be scaled back and school aid bolstered, he said, though he didn’t call for the abolishment of Common Core.” [Newsday, 11/2/14]

2014: Garbarino: “The Common Core Rollout Was A Complete Failure”

2014: Garbarino: “The Common Core Rollout Was A Complete Failure.” “He first remarked on the state’s controversial implementation of the Common Core curriculum over the past few years, asserting that teachers were not administered the proper training to implement the curriculum in classrooms, and called for increased funding to get them better prepared. ‘The Common Core rollout was a complete failure,’ said Garbarino. ‘The state initially got a great deal of money from the feds, but they didn’t use it like they were supposed to.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

Garbarino Supported The Achieving Pupil Preparedness And Launching Excellence (APPLE) Plan, Which Addressed Deficiencies In The Common Core System

Garbarino Supported The APPLE Plan

Garbarino Presented The APPLE Plan With The Assembly Minority Conference. “On Sunday, Jan. 23, 7th District Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino joined fellow members of the Assembly Minority Conference to present the Achieving Pupil Preparedness and Launching Excellence (APPLE) Plan - a series of proposed policy changes geared to improve the statewide education of children.” [Suffolk County News, 2/6/14]

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The APPLE Plan Addressed Deficiencies In The Common Core System. “A critical portion of the APPLE Plan deals with correction of issues associated with the recent adoption of the Common Core Standards, a federal initiative that details what K-12 students should know in both English and math at the conclusion of each grade. Compared with past criteria, the new baselines call for more critical, analytical reading comprehension and writing along with a more advanced application of mathematics. Its self-proclaimed mission is to establish consistent education to fully prepare American students for the future so that our nation's communities will be best positioned to compete successfully in the global economy.” [Suffolk County News, 2/6/14]

The APPLE Plan Eliminated Gap Elimination Adjustment Over Three Years

The APPLE Plan Eliminated Gap Eliminated Adjustment Over Three Years. “The APPLE Plan also calls for the elimination of the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) over three years. Since the 2009-10 school year, the state has deducted from each school district's state aid allocation to help fill its revenue shortfall. As a result, the state now owes districts varying amounts of money, putting greater pressure on the taxpayers to fill the void.” [Suffolk County News, 2/6/14]

Funding

Garbarino Wanted To Increase Funding For Education

Garbarino Wanted Education To Get More Funding. GARBARINO: “I'd also like to see education get more money.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Said The Unpaid Revenue To Schools In His District Were On Burden On Local Education Budgets

Garbarino Cited The Unpaid Revenue To Schools In His District As A Burden On Local Education Budgets. “Garbarino noted that the existing amount of unpaid revenue to schools in his 7th District is in the millions of dollars, and noted that the percentage of restored funds greatly pales in comparison to big city schools like Buffalo, Rochester, and Syracuse (see chart). ‘This is one of the greatest burdens our local districts are facing when coming up with budgets,’ said Garbarino. ‘The formula has changed so much that a large portion of the restored funding is going to big city schools. The full elimination of the GEA will get back to where we were three years ago and relieve the pressure on local taxpayers.’” [Suffolk County News, 2/6/14]

2019: Garbarino Criticized Governor Cuomo's School Aid Proposal

2019: Garbarino Criticized Governor Cuomo's School Aid Proposal—Which Had The Lowest Increase In 7 Years. “‘Show me the money!’ was the theme of a regional educators' conference in Middle Island on Saturday, where a succession of state lawmakers - Democrats and Republicans alike - blasted Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo's

latest school-aid proposal as the lowest increase in seven years. Those lawmakers, however, were short on details of just how much additional school funding they might be able to provide for the coming 2019-20 school year. The governor's budget division has said revenues from New Yorkers' personal income taxes are down \$500 million from last year's projections as of December. [...] 'Two of my districts are losing money - they're not getting more,' said Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville), referring to the local impact of the governor's proposal on East Islip and Connetquot. 'These are probably the worst budget numbers I've seen.'" [Newsday, 2/3/19]

Garbarino Stated He Worked To Increase State Aid For Local School Districts

Garbarino Stated He Worked To Increase State Aid For Local School Districts. "Garbarino said he has worked to increase state aid on behalf of local school districts. In fact, due to that increase in funding, some districts such as Sayville were actually able to cut taxes last year." [Long Island Advance, 11/3/16]

Garbarino Was Critical Of The Smart Schools Bond Act, Which Authorized \$2 Billion To Finance Improved Education Technology And Infrastructure To Improve Education For Students

Garbarino Opposed The Smart Schools Bond Act. "Garbarino also offered his take on the Smart Schools Bond Act, which would authorize the sale of up to \$2 billion to statewide districts with the intention of affording improved access to technology and connectivity in school districts statewide. Critics of the measure are unhappy with what they say is a colored history of excessive bonding by Long Island districts that could cause increased financial strain in the long run. 'I don't understand how you bond money for 30 years when the technology you're buying is only going to be good for two,' said Garbarino. 'You don't take out that kind of loan on a car when it's only good for five years or so. It doesn't make sense.'" [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

Governor Cuomo Argued That Act Would Modernize Outdated Classrooms

Governor Cuomo Argued It Would Modernize Outdated Classrooms And Equip Students With Skills Necessary For The 21st Century Economy. "The investments authorized today will help ensure safety, modernize classrooms across New York, and equip students with the skills they need to thrive in the global economy. 'The Smart Schools Bond Act is playing a critical role in ensuring school safety and modernizing outdated classrooms,' Governor Cuomo said. 'This funding expands educational opportunity and provides students with the skills and technology they need to succeed in the 21st century economy.'" [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [3/6/19](#)]

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2009: The Gap Elimination Adjustment Was First Implemented As A Deduction From School Districts' State Aid Allocation. Since the 2009-10 school year, the state has deducted from each school district's state aid allocation an amount now known as the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) to help the state fill its revenue shortfall." [New York State School Boards Association, GEA Issue Brief, accessed [1/23/20](#)]

2016: The State Budget Ended The Gap Elimination Adjustment. "The old way of doing business in Albany cost Erie County schools a staggering \$420 million in state aid since 2009. Under the Gap Elimination Adjustment, every school district in New York lost funding, based on a formula created by the state. This was implemented in order to balance New York's budget, which had a \$10 billion gap. However, that is no longer the case. After a rough few years for educators, the State Legislature got rid of the GEA. 'We're whole again,' said Dennis Kane, the Superintendent with Cheektowaga Central Schools." [WKBW, [4/7/16](#)]

Garbarino: "Every Single Legislator On Long Island Wants The GEA To Go Away"

Garbarino: "Every Single Legislator On Long Island Wants The GEA To Go Away." "Every single legislator on Long Island wants the GEA to go away," said Garbarino. "The big problem is getting the governor on board. The goal is to continue to advocate in order to get some of our money back so that school districts won't have to continue to rely on high property taxes." [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

Garbarino Said The Distribution Of Education Funding Was Unfair To Long Island

Garbarino Said The Distribution Of Education Funding Was Unfair To Long Island. "In response to Governor Cuomo's 2013-2014 Executive Budget proposal to redistribute school aid away from Long Island schools and redirect the funding to other districts, Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) and other members of the Long Island Assembly Minority Delegation have taken a stand. Garbarino and his colleagues launched a petition at <http://bit.ly/LISchools> urging Governor Cuomo to give Long Island students their fair share of school aid. Under the governor's current proposal, Long Island students would receive an average of \$66 in new funding per student, far below the statewide average of \$119 and the New York City average of \$129 per student. 'Long Island's students are second to none, and we cannot afford to gamble with their future,' said Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville). 'The governor's distribution of school aid is simply unacceptable, and I believe that if we all band together, our voice will be heard and our children will get their fair share.'" [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [1/30/13](#)]

Garbarino Supported Eliminating Administrative Layers To Cut School Costs

Garbarino Supported Eliminating Administrative Layers To Cut School Costs. "In education, Garbarino would look to cut costs, including mandates that schools say inflate their budgets each year. He needs more study on this issue to find better ideas on which mandates in particular could best meet the chopping block. Garbarino would encourage schools to eliminate some administrative layers, and he favors evaluating teachers, but not releasing the results to the public." [Newsday, 10/24/12]

Pre-K

Garbarino Voted Against Maintaining Kindergarten Programs For School Districts That Received Funds For Pre-Kindergarten Programs

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Maintaining Kindergarten Programs For School Districts That Received Funds For Pre-Kindergarten Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10101, "Relates to maintaining kindergarten programs when school districts are receiving state funds to operate pre-kindergarten programs." The bill passed by a vote of 122 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10101, [6/19/14](#)]

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2014: Garbarino Said Universal Pre-K Was A “Great Idea” But Opposed Its Implementation. “On the other hand, I was disappointed to see that many aspects of the budget were focused solely on New York City. Universal pre-K, while a great idea, is not being implemented properly, with over \$300 million in funding given to New York City and only \$40 million to the rest of the state.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [4/1/14](#)]

Long Island Opt-Out Movement**Garbarino Praised The Long Island Opt-Out Movement, That Allowed Parents To Pull Kids From Testing**

Garbarino Praised The Long Island Opt-Out Movement, That Allowed Parents To Pull Kids From Testing. “Garbarino commended the Long Island opt-out movement, where parents have pulled their children from the ELA and mathematics tests for grades three through eight due to what many see as the high-stakes consequences associated with them.” [Suffolk County News, 10/18/18]

K-12 Education**Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Age-Appropriate Sex Education Grant Program**

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Age-Appropriate Sex Education Grant Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02705, “Establishes an age-appropriate sex education grant program through the department of health conducted by an eligible applicant; authorizes the commissioner to determine certain topics of instruction and makes provisions for the application of grants.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02705, [2/14/17](#)]

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Garbarino Complained Of A Lack Of Transparency With Education Decisions. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R, C, I-Sayville) weighed in on Tuesday’s unanimous vote by the Board of Regents to appoint former Hillsborough County, Florida Superintendent MaryEllen Elia as the new State Commissioner of Education. Elia, a Western New York native, was elected to the position following a series of meetings shrouded in secrecy by the Board of Regents without review from state legislators. ‘As with nearly every education decision that’s been made in Gov. Cuomo’s administration, the Legislature and the people of New York didn’t have any say. Education in New York has been a mess, and I’m deeply disappointed in the lack of transparency in this process,’ Garbarino said.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/29/15](#)]

Garbarino Was One Of 14 Long Island Legislators To Vote Against New Rules For Teacher Evaluations That Tied Student Scores To Teacher Ratings

2015: Garbarino Was One Of 14 Long Island Legislators To Vote Against New Rules For Teacher Evaluations That Tied Student Scores To Teacher Ratings. “Legislators say they’ve been getting an earful since approving controversial new rules for teacher evaluations and tenure. Take Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville), for instance. ‘I’m getting calls from everyone. I’m getting emails from everyone,’ Garbarino said Thursday, less than 48 hours after the vote. ‘And at the gym this morning, a woman started yelling at me ‘til I told her I voted no.’ ‘Then she thanked me.’ Garbarino was one of 14 of Long Island’s 31 state legislators who voted against the evaluations, which officials say will more firmly tie teachers’ ratings to students’ scores on standardized tests. The plan was pushed by Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo as part of the state budget.” [Newsday, 4/6/15]

2019: New York Lawmakers Ended The Mandate Tying Teacher Evaluations To Test Scores

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Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Students With Diseases To Use Medical Treatments In School

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Epinephrine Auto-Injectors In Schools

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Epinephrine Auto- Injectors In Schools And Teacher Training Of Epi-Pens. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A0582, “Requires epinephrine auto-injectors in schools; requires training in the administration of epi-pens where a student is reasonably believed to be suffering from anaphylaxis.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 22 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01582, [5/23/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Students With Respiratory Diseases To Use Medical Treatments In School

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Students With Respiratory Diseases To Use Medical Treatments In School. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09334B, “This bill allows students diagnosed with asthma or another respiratory disease that requires inhaler treatment, allergies and diabetes to use medical treatments in school.” The bill passed by a vote of 122 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09334B, [6/18/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Masters-In-Education Teacher Incentive Scholarship Program To Allow Students To Choose Their Academic Program

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Masters-In-Education Teacher Incentive Scholarship Program To Allow Students To Choose Their Academic Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09602, “This bill will align the Masters-in-Education Teacher Incentive Scholarship Program with other state scholarship programs allowing students to choose the college or university with the academic program and approach that benefits them most.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09602, [5/1/18](#)]

Election Law & Campaign Finance Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino opposed restricting corporate interference in political campaigns*
- ✓ *Garbarino opposed publicly funded elections and opposed publishing local campaign contribution limits*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against enacting an agreement to elect the President of the United State by a national popular votes*
- ✓ *Garbarino repeatedly voted against early voting measures and voting rights that would make it easier to vote in the state of New York*
 - ✓ *He voted against expanding early and absentee voting measures*
 - ✓ *He voted against enacting online voter registration*
 - ✓ *He voted against extending voting hours in Dutchess County*
 - ✓ *He voted against allowing people who will be 18 years old at the time of the general election to vote in the primary*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against race-related voting protections, that made sure the right to vote was not abridged on the basis of race*

Campaign Finance

Garbarino Opposed Restricting Corporate Interference In Campaigns

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Restricting Corporations From Intervening In Political Campaigns.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04347 which, “Restricts certain corporations from participating or intervening in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.” The bill passed by a vote of 145 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04347, [6/18/19](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Publicly Funded Elections

Op-Ed: Garbarino Opposed Publicly Funded Elections. “The budget provided no checks on the governor on his pet project spending, thinly veiled as economic development spending. It also forced ‘publicly funded’ elections on taxpayers, which could cost up to \$100 million per year to bankroll politicians’ campaigns with your tax dollar - funds which could be much better used to invest in areas of more pressing need.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Op-Ed, 4/11/19]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The 2014 Fair Elections Act, Which Provided Partial Public Financing Of Certain Elections. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04980E, “Enacts the ‘2014 fair elections act’; relates to providing for optional partial public financing of certain election campaigns in this state; relates to identification of the source of certain political contributions.” The bill passed by a vote of 88 – 50. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04980E, [5/7/13](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Publishing Local Campaign Contribution Limits

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Publishing Local Campaign Contribution Limits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09922, “Relates to publishing local campaign contribution limits. [...] A board of elections, as defined in subdivision twenty-six of 4 section 1-104 of this chapter, shall calculate and publish on its 5 website, on or before the fifteenth day of April, all contribution 6 limits established pursuant to this section for the county, town, city 7 and village offices on the ballot in that year, and within the same time 8 period provide such calculated contribution limits to the state board of 9 elections in the format required by such board.” The bill passed 140 – 1, and Garbarino was the only “no” vote. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09922, [5/7/18](#)]

Electoral College

Garbarino Voted Against Enacting An Agreement To Elect The President By A National Popular Vote

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting An Agreement To Elect The President By A National Popular Vote. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03149, “Enacts the agreement among the states to elect the president by national popular vote; creates a compact between the states and the District of Columbia; defines terms.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03149, [3/25/14](#)]

Voting Rights

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Measures To Expand Early Voting

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Early Voting Provisions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01102, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the tenth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill was passed by a vote of 89 – 55. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01102, [1/14/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Removing A Requirement That Registration Be Completed 10 Days Prior To Election Day. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01048, “Amends the constitution to delete the requirement that registration for purposes of voting be completed at least ten days before election day and provides that laws be made to adequately safeguard against deception in the exercise of the right of suffrage.” The bill was passed by a vote of 104 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01048, [1/14/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against An Early Voting Provision. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09608, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the eighth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09608, [4/17/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Absentee Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04920, “Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subdivision 2 of section 8-400 of the election law, paragraph (c) as amended by chapter 321 of the laws of 1988 and paragraph (d) as separately amended by chapters 97 and 104 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows: (c) All applications must be [mailed to] received by the board of elections [not] no later than the [seventh] day before the election for which a ballot is first requested [or delivered to such board not later than the day before such election].” The bill passed by a vote of 112 – 24. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04920, [3/20/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Early Voting Provision. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08582B, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the eighth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second

day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08582B, [6/16/16](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Early Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00689, “The purpose of this bill is to establish early voting in primary, general and special elections in the State of New York.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00689, [2/11/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Absentee Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01880, “This bill offers technical amendments to make laws relating to ballots concurrent with current practices. It repeals a section of election law relating to the use of pasters (labels to replace someone on an already printed ballot). It also amends the laws relating to the use of absentee ballots so that the board of elections may receive applications for absentee ballots up to the day before an election.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 13. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01880, [1/23/14](#)]

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2013: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Early Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00689, “The purpose of this bill is to establish early voting in primary, general and special elections in the State of New York.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00689, [4/30/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Implementing Online Voter Registration

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act Of 2018, Which Established Online Voter Registration. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05382A, “Enacts the ‘Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act of 2018’; relates to establishing the electronic personal voter registration process; provides for online voter registration.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05382A, [4/17/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act Of 2018, Which Established Online Voter Registration. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05382A, “Enacts the ‘Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act of 2018’; relates to establishing the electronic personal voter registration process; provides for online voter registration.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05382A, [5/15/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Race-Related Voting Protections

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Pre-Clearance Of Voting-Related Regulations To Ensure The Right To Vote Was Not Abridged On The Basis Of Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05925, “To ensure that the right of citizens who reside in New York to vote is not denied or abridged on account of race, color, or language minority status through the enforcement of a voting-related regulation, procedure or policy that is enacted or administered after the effective date of this section, the following voting-related regulations, and policies shall be subject to pre-clearance by the attorney general pursuant to this title.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05925, [3/20/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Voting Rights, Times, And Information To Voters

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Voters With Information About The State's Closed Primary

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Voters With Information About New York's Closed Primary System. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05735, "Provides voters with a warning about New York's closed primary system on voter registration forms." The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05735, [6/19/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Voting Hours In Dutchess County

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Hours Of Voting In Dutchess County. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A0806, "Extends hours for voting in Dutchess county from 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm to 6:00 am - 9:00 pm." The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08086, [6/15/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Election To Vote In The Primary

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Presidential Election, Vote In The Primary When They Are 17 Years Old. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03549, "Amends the constitution to allow a person who will be 18 years old at the time of a presidential election to vote in the presidential primary election if he or she is 17 years of age at the time of the presidential primary election." The bill was passed by a vote of 94 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03549, [5/17/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Presidential Election, Vote In The Primary When They Are 17 Years Old. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00504, "Amends the constitution to allow a person who will be 18 years old at the time of a presidential election to vote in the presidential primary election if he or she is 17 years of age at the time of the presidential primary election." The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00504, [3/30/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Board Of Elections To Transfer Registration Information For A Voter Who Moves

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Board Of Elections To Transfer Registration And Enrollment Of Voter Information If The Voter Moves Within The State. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03411, "Provides that the board of elections shall transfer a registration and enrollment of a voter to wherever they move in the state, even if the voter moves to a new county." The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03411, [5/17/17](#)]

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Energy Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against prohibiting hydraulic fracking*
 - ✓ *Additionally, he repeatedly voted against prohibiting non-disclosure agreements in settlements of hydraulic fracturing actions with evidence of a threat to public health*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against requiring gas corporations to file annual safety reports twice*
- ✓ *Garbarino stated that Long Island should have received money to pay off the Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant when banks received huge payoffs for debts*
 - ✓ *The plant closed in 1989 and the state assumed its debt*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported privatizing the Long Island Power Authority*
 - ✓ *The privatization of LIPA was halted after a report showed that privatizing the power authority would not lower costs and would bring about significant risks to the community*

Oil & Gas

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Hydraulic Fracturing

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibited Horizontal Drilling And High-Volume Hydraulic Fracturing. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09678, “Prohibits horizontal drilling and high-volume hydraulic fracturing.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09678, [3/3/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Non -Disclosure Agreements In Settlements Of Hydraulic Fracturing Actions With Evidence Of Threat To Public Health

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Non-Disclosure Agreements In Settlements Of Hydraulic Fracturing Actions With Evidence Of Threat To Public Health. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01219, “Prohibits inclusion of non-disclosure agreements in settlements of hydraulic fracturing actions when there is evidence of threat to public health or safety.” The bill was passed by the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01219, [4/30/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Non-Disclosure Agreements In Settlements Of Hydraulic Fracturing Actions With Evidence Of Threat To Public Health. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04134, “Prohibits inclusion of non-disclosure agreements in settlements of hydraulic fracturing actions when there is evidence of threat to public health or safety.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04134, [5/14/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Gas Corporations To File Annual Safety Reports

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Gas Corporations To File Annual Gas Safety Reports. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00714, “Relates to requiring gas corporations to file annual gas safety reports.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00714, [3/12/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Gas Corporations To File Annual Gas Safety Reports. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10004, “Relates to requiring gas corporations to file annual gas safety reports.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10004, [3/20/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Suspending Permits For Drilling Wells For Gas Extraction

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Suspending Permits For Drilling Wells For Gas Extraction. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05424B, “Suspends the issuance of permits for drilling wells for natural gas extraction in certain areas.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05424B, [6/16/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Suspending Permits For Drilling Wells For Gas Extraction. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05424B, “Suspends the issuance of permits for drilling wells for natural gas extraction in certain areas.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05424B, [3/6/13](#)]

Shorham Nuclear Power Plant

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Garbarino Said Long Island Should Have Received Money To Pay Off The Shorham Nuclear Power Plant. “What'd he'd like to see less paid out is the cost of Long Island's power. ‘We're paying high prices because we're still paying for Shorham,’ he said. Garbarino noted that when the banks received huge payoffs for debt, Long Island should have been able to also receive money to pay off the defunct Shorham Nuclear Power Plant. He added that lower power costs could come from the state's energy superhighway, which is bringing low cost upstate power downstate. ‘The plan ... stops at Westchester, but it needs to expand to Long Island,’ he noted. ‘[The costs] are getting out of control here.’” [Long Island Advance, 10/25/12]

1989: The Plant Closed And The State Assumed Its Debt

The Plant Eventually Closed And The State Assumed Its Debt. “In 1989, LILCO agreed to permanently close the plant, in exchange for the state's assuming the plant's \$6 billion debt [...] By 1994, the plant's decommissioning had been completed, at a cost of \$181.5 million. The LIPA estimates that it will take until 2026, for ratepayers to pay off the remaining \$1 billion debt.” [Center For Land Use Interpretation, accessed [1/23/20](#)]

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Constructed 1973-1984, Shoreham Nuclear Power Plant Faced Increasing Costs And Public Opposition. “Between assorted cost overruns and countless construction delays, the plant's originally estimated cost of \$65 million swelled to \$5.5 billion [...] During the plant's protracted construction which lasted from 1973 until 1984, numerous safety, regulatory, design, construction, and financial malfeasance issues arose. Meanwhile, the protests continued to grow, culminating in a demonstration involving an estimated 15,000 people, which was sparked by the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant mishap, which had occurred two months prior.” [Center For Land Use Interpretation, accessed [1/23/20](#)]

Long Island Power Authority

Garbarino Supported A Freeze On Electric Rates But Wondered What Would Happen To The Plant After Three Years

Governor Cuomo Proposed Restructuring The Long Island Power Authority, Including Refinancing Debt And Freezing Electric Rates For Three Years

Governor Cuomo Proposed Restructuring The Long Island Power Authority, Including Refinancing Debt And Freezing Electric Rates For Three Years. “Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo sent state legislators a draft proposal yesterday for restructuring the Long Island Power Authority, as he tried to gather support for his plan to give a New Jersey utility nearly complete control of the Island's electric grid. The plan would switch day-to-day control and planning to a private operator instead of LIPA, which would be reduced to a 20-employee financial holding company. It would also place PSEG under control of a state regulatory board, refinance LIPA's debt and freeze electric rates for three years.” [Newsday, 5/14/13]

Garbarino Questioned What Would Happen With The Power Authority After Three Years Have Gone By

Garbarino Questioned What Would Happen With The Power Authority After Three Years Have Gone By. “Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville) said the "rate freeze is nice," but asked "what happens after three years?" He said he wonders whether LIPA's debt - which accounts for about 10 percent of customers' bills - could spike future rates.” [Newsday, 5/14/13]

Garbarino Supported The Proposed Privatization Of The Long Island Power Authority

Garbarino Supported The Proposed Privatization Of The Long Island Power Authority. “The proposal to privatize the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) is a bold move aimed at reining in the mismanagement and lack of accountability that led to prolonged power outages after Hurricane Sandy. I look forward to hearing the community's response to this idea.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [1/9/13](#)]

2013: Governor Cuomo Backed Away From Privatizing The LIPA After A Report Challenged The Projected Cost Savings

2013: Governor Cuomo Backed Away From Privatizing The LIPA After A Report Challenged The Projected Costs Savings. The Cuomo administration backed away from months of pushing for the privatization of LIPA after the New York Power Authority and an outside consultant in May challenged the projected cost savings, according to state documents. Two confidential reports obtained by Newsday through Freedom of Information filings -- one by NYPA and the original by Lazard Ltd. that recommended privatization of the Long Island Power Authority -- shed light on the behind-the-scenes analyses that led the Cuomo administration to shift gears. In its 21-page report, NYPA said another consulting firm, Booz & Company, found that Lazard had overestimated the projected savings from privatization and failed to account for hundreds of millions of dollars in costs required to achieve those savings.” [Newsday, [8/17/13](#)]

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NYPA Found That Privatizing LIPA Would Carry “Significant Risks,” Including Ineligibility For Federal Reimbursement For Storm Damage. “NYPA, after initially defending privatization, eventually found it ‘carries with it some significant risks,’ including that LIPA would no longer be eligible for federal reimbursement for storm damage, its report said. LIPA expects to receive 90 percent federal reimbursement for the \$800 million-plus tab of superstorm Sandy costs. One Cuomo official said the administration believed the loss of federal reimbursement for storm damage ‘was too significant to ignore.’” [Newsday, [8/17/13](#)]

Environmental Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the Well Water and Water Supply Education Act twice, which would inform the public about the hazards of private water supplies*
 - ✓ *Garbarino also voted against the Private Well Testing Act, which established standards for clean drinking water*
- ✓ *Garbarino pledged to protect Fire Island and the Great South Bay and said he was committed to being an advocate for the environment*
 - ✓ *However, in 2018, Garbarino voted against expanding protection of freshwater wetlands in New York*
- ✓ *The American Lung Association gave Suffolk County an “F” rating for air quality*
- ✓ *Garbarino repeatedly voted against establishing an Environmental Justice Advisory Group*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the New York State Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act five times*
 - ✓ *The bill set standards for climate change, created a renewable energy program, and set standards for labor and worker protections*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the New York State Healthy and Green Procurement Act, which aimed to reduce the use of toxic chemicals*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against setting greenhouse gas limits and reporting systems*

Water Protection

Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazards Of Private Water Supplies

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazard Of Private Water Supplies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01194, “Creates the well water and water supply education act; requires the department of health to establish and maintain a public education program on the potential hazards of private water supplies; requires home inspectors, licensed real estate agents and brokers to provide private water supply education materials to prospective buyers of property where such property is serviced by a private water supply and contact information for relevant local health organizations.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01194, [1/29/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazard Of Private Water Supplies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00310, “Creates the well water and water supply education act; requires the department of health to establish and maintain a public education program on the potential hazards of private water supplies; requires home inspectors, licensed real estate agents and brokers to provide private water supply education materials to prospective buyers of property where such property

is serviced by a private water supply.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00310, [1/17/17](#)]

Garbarino Pledged To Protect Fire Island And The Great South Bay

Garbarino Stated He Has Advocated For The Great South Bay. “Ever since I first got involved in our state’s government, I have advocated for the Great South Bay. We’ve made progress on protecting our beautiful environment -- working with residents and elected officials from across Long Island to expand sewage systems throughout the district and to clean up all of our waterways -- but there’s more to be done. I will continue to fight for our district’s quality of life, to protect Long Island’s aquifer and our drinking water, and to give our communities a voice in Congress. #GarbarinoForNY” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [3/17/20](#)]



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Garbarino Pledged To Protect Fire Island And The Great South Bay. “Also, I grew up going to Fire Island, so making sure the Fire Island National Seashore is protected and the Great South Bay is cleaner through water quality, I would think you could get money there from the infrastructure bill, or it might be a separate one.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Protections Of Freshwater Wetlands

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Protections Of Freshwater Wetlands. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02468, “An act to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to enforcement of the freshwater wetland law. To expand the protection of freshwater wetlands by conforming enforcement provisions to those applicable to tidal wetlands.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02468, [4/23/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Private Well Testing Act—Which Established Standards For Clean Drinking Water

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Private Well Testing Act, That Established Standards For Clean Drinking Water. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01040, “Enacts the ‘private well testing act’; authorizes the department of health to promulgate rules and regulations to establish standards for the testing of drinking water from privately owned wells.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01040, [4/23/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Healthy And Green Procurement Act, Which Aimed To Reduce The Use Of Toxic Chemicals

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Healthy And Green Procurement Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06046, “Enacts the ‘New York state healthy and green procurement act’. [...] As New York moves into the twenty-first century the state should serve as a role model for practices that will create and maintain a healthy environment and vibrant economy. The manufacture use and disposal of commodities and technologies, the construction of buildings and the provision of services utilizing toxic chemicals may have adverse impacts on public health and the environment. Persistent, bioaccumulative toxic chemicals, such as mercury, lead, dioxin and poly brominated diphenyl ethers, are toxic in small amounts, remain in the environment for long periods of time, and build to dangerous levels in humans, fish and other animals; and this group of pollutants known as persistent bioaccumulative toxic chemicals (PBT) pose risks to public health and the environment through their ability to cause cancer, birth defects and endocrine disruption. Such chemicals have polluted hundreds of water bodies, fish and waterfowl in the state.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06046, [5/5/14](#)]

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Air Protections

The American Lung Association Gave Suffolk County An “F” Rating For Air Quality

The American Lung Association Gave Suffolk County An “F” Rating For Air Quality. “The American Lung Association's report says that Suffolk County again received an F for air quality. Our high ozone levels are shown to contribute to increases in asthma, pulmonary disease, heart attacks and even premature deaths. Currently, 141, 000 Long Islanders have asthma, 56, 400 of whom are children.” [Long Island Advance, 5/17/18]

Environmental Justice

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Creating An Environmental Justice Advisory Group

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Permanent Environmental Justice Advisory Group. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02385, “Creates a permanent environmental justice advisory group; provides that the function of the group is to ensure that no group of people, including a racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic group, bears a disproportionate share of the negative environmental consequences resulting from industrial, municipal, and commercial operations or the execution of federal, state, local, and tribal programs and policies; empowers that advisory group to adopt a model environmental justice policy applicable to state agencies, and to monitor agencies on compliance with such policies; specifies responsibilities of state agencies; establishes an environmental justice interagency coordinating council.” The bill passed by a vote of 117 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02385, [6/20/19](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Permanent Environmental Justice Advisory Group. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02569, “Creates a permanent environmental justice advisory group; provides that the function of the group is to ensure that no group of people, including a racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic

group, bears a disproportionate share of the negative environmental consequences resulting from industrial, municipal, and commercial operations or the execution of federal, state, local, and tribal programs and policies; empowers that advisory group to adopt a model environmental justice policy applicable to state agencies, and to monitor agencies on compliance with such policies; specifies responsibilities of state agencies; establishes an environmental justice interagency coordinating council.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03569, [3/27/14](#)]

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Climate Change

Garbarino Opposed the New York State Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act Five Times

The Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act Set Critical Environmental Standards To Mitigate Climate Change

The Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act Set Critical Environmental Standards To Mitigate Climate Change. “Speaker Carl Heastie and Environmental Conservation Committee Chair Steve Englebright today announced Assembly passage of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, a comprehensive bill that sets critical environmental standards, including reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and increasing the use of renewable energy in order to address and mitigate the effects of climate change (A.8429, Englebright). ‘Climate change is already having adverse effects on communities here in New York, and if it continues unchecked, it will wreak havoc on our environment, our economy and on the everyday lives of New Yorkers,’ Speaker Heastie said. ‘As the administration in Washington rolls back environmental protections, the Assembly Majority will continue to lead the way in developing green energy alternatives and sustainable policies and practices.’” [New York State Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie, [6/20/19](#)]

The Act Set Greenhouse Gas Limits, Invested In Clean Energy, And Established A Climate Justice Working Group. “The Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act would require that the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) establish: Statewide greenhouse gas emissions limits by regulation, to reduce emissions 85 percent by 2050; Regulations to achieve statewide greenhouse gas emissions reductions; and A process ensuring that a minimum of 35 percent of investments from clean energy and energy efficiency funds are invested in disadvantaged communities. The legislation would also establish a Climate Justice Working Group, consisting of representatives from environmental justice communities, DEC and the Departments of Health and Labor. The working group would identify disadvantaged communities for the purposes of reducing co-pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions and the allocation of certain investments.” [New York State Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie, [6/20/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act 5 Times

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06599, “Enacts the New York state climate leadership and

community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06599, [6/20/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08270B, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08270B, [4/24/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08270B, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08270B, [4/24/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08270B, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08270B, [6/19/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10342, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10342, [6/1/16](#)]

Garbarino Stated He Was Committed To Being An Advocate For The Environment

Garbarino Committed To Being An Advocate For The Environment. “As a life-long Long Islander, I’ve seen the windfall of changes that have beset our beautiful landscape; but I’m going to fight to make sure our area remains a healthy place to live, work and raise a family. Whether it’s addressing the increasingly dangerous high levels of MTBE in our drinking water, protecting our beautiful beaches and bays from pollution, or making sure we have a properly-funded and structurally-sound sewer system, I promise to be an advocate and a voice in the Legislature for our environment,” Garbarino concluded.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [4/22/15](#)]

Garbarino Supported The Assembly Going Paperless

Garbarino Supported The Assembly Going Paperless To View And Vote On Legislation. “On Earth Day 2015, Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) and members of the state Assembly unveiled a new paperless system for viewing and voting on legislation. Last year, voters approved a constitutional amendment to allow for a paperless Legislature, enabling the state to place tablets on each member’s desk. ‘We vote on dozens of bills every week, and now, they all can be on our desk electronically. We will save taxpayers tens of thousands in printing costs and at least a few dozen trees,’ said Garbarino. ‘We’ve been waiting a long time for this, and I’m pleased to finally see this important, environmentally-friendly initiative come to fruition.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [4/22/15](#)]

Greenhouse Gas

Garbarino Voted Against Setting Greenhouse Gas Limits And Reporting Systems

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Setting Greenhouse Gas Limits And A Greenhouse Gas Reporting System.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06072, “Relates to global warming pollution control; establishes greenhouse gas limits and a greenhouse gas reporting system.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06072, [4/22/15](#)]

Interest Group Ratings

Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 65.9% From EPL-Environmental Advocates

2019: Garbarino Received A 72% Rating From EPL-Environmental Advocates. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Received A 84% Rating From EPL-Environmental Advocates. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2017: Garbarino Received A 74% Rating From EPL-Environmental Advocates. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2016: Garbarino Received A 62% Rating From EPL-Environmental Advocates. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2015: Garbarino Received A 48% Rating From EPL-Environmental Advocates. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2014: Garbarino Received A 58% Rating From EPL-Environmental Advocates. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2013: Garbarino Received A 63% Rating From EPL-Environmental Advocates. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 49% From The New York League Of Conservation Voters

2019: Garbarino Received A 44% Rating from The New York League Of Conservation Voters. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Received A 54% Rating from The New York League Of Conservation Voters. [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Equal Rights & Workplace Fairness

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino consistently voted against bills aimed at protecting marginalized groups from discrimination*
 - ✓ *He voted against prohibiting race discrimination on the basis of hairstyles*
 - ✓ *He voted against implementing increased protections for people who have been sexually harassed in the workplace*
 - ✓ *He voted against enacting penalties for discriminating, threatening, or retaliating against immigrant employees*
 - ✓ *He voted prohibiting discrimination based on reproductive decision making four times*
 - ✓ *He voted against prohibiting discrimination on the basis of gender identity or expression seven times*
- ✓ *Garbarino opposed the Women's Equality Act, which aimed to establish equal pay and end discrimination based on gender*
 - ✓ *Garbarino said there were "good pieces in the bill" but said supporters "made it into a political issue"*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the New York State Fair Pay Act seven times*
 - ✓ *He also repeatedly voted against similar bills that aimed to prohibit wage difference based on protected class status and a bill to eliminate pay disparities by sex, race, or national origin*
 - ✓ *However, during his first campaign for state Assembly, Garbarino said he supported equal pay for equal work*
 - ✓ *Women in New York made 87 cents for every dollar men made*

Racial Discrimination

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hairstyles

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hairstyles. Garbarino voted against a bill that, "Prohibits race discrimination based on natural hair or hairstyles; defines 'race' for certain specific purposes to include, but not be limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, and to include traits historically associated with race, including but not limited to, hair texture and protective hairstyles; and defines 'protective hairstyles' to include, but not be limited to, such hairstyles as braids, locks, and twists." The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 10. [New York State Assembly, [6/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hair Or Hairstyles. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A107797, "Prohibits race discrimination based on natural hair or hairstyles;

defines ‘race’ for certain specific purposes to include, but not be limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, and to include traits historically associated with race, including but not limited to, hair texture and protective hairstyles; and defines ‘protective hairstyles’ to include, but not be limited to, such hairstyles as braids, locks, and twists.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 19 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A107797, [6/19/19](#)]

Protections For Women

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Protections For People Who Have Been Sexually Harassed

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Protections For People Who Have Been Sexually Harassed.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08421, “Provides increased protections for protected classes and special protections for employees who have been sexually harassed; prohibits nondisclosure agreements related to discrimination; prohibits mandatory arbitration clauses related to discrimination; requires employers to provide employees notice of their sexual harassment prevention training program in writing in English and in employees’ primary languages; extends the statute of limitations for claims resulting from unlawful or discriminatory practices constituting sexual harassment to three years; requires review and update of the model sexual harassment prevention guidance document and sexual harassment prevention policy; and directs the commissioner of labor to conduct a study on strengthening sexual harassment prevention laws.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 20. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08421, [6/19/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Protections For Protected Classes And Special Protections For Employees Who Have Been Sexually Harassed. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08421, “Provides increased protections for protected classes and special protections for employees who have been sexually harassed; prohibits nondisclosure agreements related to discrimination; prohibits mandatory arbitration clauses related to discrimination; requires employers to provide employees notice of their sexual harassment prevention training program in writing in English and in employees’ primary languages; extends the statute of limitations for claims resulting from unlawful or discriminatory practices constituting sexual harassment to three years; requires review and update of the model sexual harassment prevention guidance document and sexual harassment prevention policy; and directs the commissioner of labor to conduct a study on strengthening sexual harassment prevention laws.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08421, [6/17/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Businesses From Changing Prices On The Basis Of Gender

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Businesses From Changing Prices On The Basis Of Gender.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00629A, “Prohibits any business from charging a price for goods on the basis of a person’s gender; civil penalties.” The bill passed by a vote of 131 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00629A, [6/11/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Reproductive Decision Making

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual’s Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00660, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual’s or a dependent’s reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00660, [1/22/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual’s Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00566, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual’s or a dependent’s reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00566, [3/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual's Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00566, "Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making." The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00566, [6/12/17](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual's Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01142A, "Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making." The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01142A, [6/16/15](#)]

...However, In 2014 Garbarino Voted To Prohibit Discrimination Based On Reproductive Health Decisions

2014: Garbarino Voted To Prohibit Discrimination Based On An Individual's Reproductive Health Decisions. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A08769A, "An act to amend the labor law, in relation to discrimination based on an employee's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making." The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 30. [New York State Employee, Bill No. A08769, [6/18/14](#)]

Immigrant Status Discrimination

Garbarino Voted Against Penalties For Discrimination Or Threatening Immigrant Employees

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting Penalties For Discriminating, Threatening, Or Retaliating Against Immigrant Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05791, "Establishes penalties for threatening, penalizing, or in any other manner discriminating or retaliating against any employee, including but not limited to contacting United States immigration authorities or otherwise threatening to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status." The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05791, [6/17/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Penalties For Threatening Or Retaliating Against An Employee By Contacting Immigration Authorities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05501, "Establishes penalties for threatening, penalizing, or in any other manner discriminating or retaliating against any employee, including but not limited to contacting United States immigration authorities or otherwise threatening to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05501, [4/9/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Including Immigration Status As A Category People Can Be Targeted For

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Including Immigration Status As A Category People Can Be Targeted For. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11173, "Expands the definition of hate crime to include immigration status as a category a person can be targeted for." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11173, [6/13/18](#)]

LGBT Discrimination

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01047, "Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines 'gender identity or expression' as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance,

behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01047, [1/15/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03358, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No A03358, [5/7/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03358, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No A03358, [3/27/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identity Or Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04558B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04558B, [5/9/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identity Or Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04558B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 52. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04558B, [6/2/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identity Of Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04226B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04226B, [6/10/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identity Of Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04226B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 51. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04226B, [4/30/13](#)]

Workplace Discrimination

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Action For Discriminatory Practices To Be Brought Within Three Years Of Dismissal

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Action For Discriminatory Practices To Be Brought Within Three Years Of Dismissal For Administrative Convenience. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03841, “Authorizes the institution of a suit in any court of competent jurisdiction alleging a violation of the human rights law for a period of three years after the dismissal of a complaint for administrative convenience by the division of human rights.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03841, [3/24/14](#)]

Equal Pay

In 2012, Garbarino Said He Supported Equal Pay For Equal Work...

2012: Garbarino Said He Supported Equal Pay For Equal Work. “He also believes women deserve the same pay for the same job. ‘You should be paid for the work you do and it doesn't matter if [you're] a man or a woman,’ he said.” [Long Island Advance, 10/25/12]

But In The Legislature, Garbarino Opposed The Women’s Equality Act, Claiming Supporters Made It A Political Issue

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Women’s Equality Act, Which Aim To Establish Equal Pay. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08070, “Establishes the ‘Women's Equality Act’; relates to prohibition of differential pay because of sex (part A); relates to unlawful discriminatory practices (part B); provides for attorney's credit discrimination (part C); relates to the unlawful discriminatory practice because of familial status (part D); relates to domestic violence victim status and lawful source of income (part E); relates to the duties of interpreters appointed by the courts in certain cases (part F); relates to establishing a pilot program for the filing of petitions for temporary orders of protection by electronic means and for issuance of such orders ex parte by audio-visual means (part G); relates to prostitution in a school zone; enacts the trafficking victims protection and justice act (part H); relates to reasonable accommodation (part I); and relates to access to reproductive services (part J).” The bill passed by a vote of 88 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08070, [1/27/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Women’s Equality Act, Which Aim To Establish Equal Pay. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08070, “Establishes the ‘Women's Equality Act’; relates to prohibition of differential pay because of sex (part A); relates to unlawful discriminatory practices (part B); provides for attorney's credit discrimination (part C); relates to the unlawful discriminatory practice because of familial status (part D); relates to domestic violence victim status and lawful source of income (part E); relates to the duties of interpreters appointed by the courts in certain cases (part F); relates to establishing a pilot program for the filing of petitions for temporary orders of protection by electronic means and for issuance of such orders ex parte by audio-visual means (part G); relates to prostitution in a school zone; enacts the trafficking victims protection and justice act (part H); relates to reasonable accommodation (part I); and relates to access to reproductive services (part J).” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08070, [6/20/13](#)]

Garbarino: “There Are A Lot Of Very Good Pieces In That Bill” But Supporters “Made It Into A Political Issue.” “Garbarino also offered his take on a few controversial measures within the State Assembly and Senate, including the Women's Equality Act, which consisted of a 10-point package that included addressing broader issues of harassment and discrimination against women both at home and in the workplace. However, it failed to pass this year due to one contentious point that would recodify state abortion law by transferring it from penal law to health law and administering greater protections for practicing doctors. ‘There are a lot of very good pieces in that bill, but [its supporters] made it into a political issue by refusing to adopt the other nine points without the abortion

measure,’ said Garbarino. ‘So instead of easing up and allowing nine measures to become law, we got nothing.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

The Bill Was Designed To End Discrimination And Inequality Based On Gender. “Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today, joined by members of the Womens Equality Coalition, introduced legislation designed to end discrimination and inequality based on gender and to restore New York as a leader in womens rights. If enacted by the Legislature, the Womens Equality Act will achieve pay equity, stop sexual harassment, prevent pregnancy discrimination in all workplaces, strengthen human trafficking laws and protections for domestic violence victims, end family status discrimination and protect a womans freedom of choice.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Achieved Pay Equity. “The bill would finally shatter the glass ceiling by eliminating the ability of employers to point to any other factor other than sex to justify pay disparities and instead require that their pay decisions be based on legitimate reasons. In addition, the legislation would protect an employee’s right to share wage information with other employees without being retaliated against, and increase damages to successful plaintiffs in pay equity discrimination cases. Currently, in New York, women earn 84% of what men earn, and over a lifetime will earn \$500,000 less than men. Jobs that are traditionally held by women pay significantly less than jobs predominately employing men. And, in New York, a woman working full time is paid, on average, \$42,113 per year, while a man is paid \$50,388 per year. In 2013, this is both inexcusable and absurd.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Aimed To Stop Sexual Harassment In All Workplaces. “The new law would ban sexual harassment in every workplace, regardless of the number of employees, so all workers are protected. Currently, New York State law only prohibits sexual harassment in workplaces with four or more employees. In 2011, women accounted for 75% of all sexual harassment complaints filed with the NYS Division of Human Rights and 83% of those filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Over 60% of New York State employers have less than four employees.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Protected Victims Of Domestic Violence. “The legislation creates a pilot program to allow domestic violence victims to seek temporary orders of protection through electronic means rather than having to appear in person. In addition, this bill would ensure that orders of protection are translated, when needed, and makes clear that a victim of domestic violence who has an order of protection against her abuser cannot be accused of violating her own order of protection. Currently, domestic violence victims face too many obstacles in securing much needed protection from their abusers. This bill would remove many of those obstacles, and ensure that domestic violence victims get the protection they need.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Strengthened Human Trafficking Laws. “This legislation would strengthen New York’s existing human trafficking laws. It would, in part, eliminate the requirement that coercion be proven in a sex trafficking prosecution when the victims of sex trafficking are minors. In addition, the bill would increase the penalties for trafficking and create an affirmative defense in prostitution prosecutions if the defendant was herself a sex trafficking victim. This bill seeks to address the massive underground trafficking industry by holding traffickers accountable, making prosecution and enforcement more effective, and giving greater protections to victims.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

The Bill Aimed To End Pregnancy Discrimination. “The legislation would create a specific protection that requires employers to provide reasonable accommodations for pregnant employees. The current protections for working, pregnant women are confusing and have been misinterpreted. Some pregnancies can result in medical conditions requiring reasonable accommodations in the workplace.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, press release, [6/4/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Bill. [New York State Assembly, [1/27/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Publishing A Study Reporting Wage Disparities

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Publishing A Study Reporting Public Employers' Wage Disparities By Gender And Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05069, "Directs the department of civil service to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender and race/ethnicity identification of the employees in the title." The bill passed by a vote of 110 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05069, [6/17/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Publish Public Employers' Wage Disparities By Gender And Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02549, "Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title." The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02549, [4/16/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Publish Public Employers' Wage Disparities By Gender And Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02549, "Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title." The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02549, [4/4/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study Pay Disparities In Public Employers' Wages. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05008, "Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title." The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05008A, [4/11/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study Pay Disparities In Public Employers' Wages. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05008, "Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title." The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05008A, [4/27/15](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Report Public Employers Wage Disparities By Gender, Race, And National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00881, "Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title." The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00881, [4/16/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04696, "Enacts the 'New York State fair pay act'; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages." The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04696, [4/16/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04696, "Enacts the 'New York State fair pay act'; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages." The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04696, [4/4/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06937, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill was passed by a vote of 91 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06937, [4/11/16](#)]

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2015: Garbarino Voted Against A Fair And Equal Pay State Policy. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01574A, “Implements state policy of fair and equal pay for equivalent value of work; provides that the principle of fair and equal pay for similar work and for equivalent value of work shall be followed in the classification and reclassification and the allocation and reallocation of positions and all positions having the same title shall be allocated the same salary grade.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01574A, [4/27/15](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Implementing A State Policy Of Fair And Equal Pay For Equivalent Work. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01729, “Implements state policy of fair and equal pay for equivalent value of work; provides that the principle of fair and equal pay for similar work and for equivalent value of work shall be followed in the classification and reclassification and the allocation and reallocation of positions and all positions having the same title shall be allocated the same salary grade.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01729A, [4/16/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05958, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05958, [4/16/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Wage Differentials Based On Protected Class Status

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Wage Differentials Based On Protected Class Status. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08093, “Prohibits wage differentials based on protected class status.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08093, [6/13/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00658, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00658, [4/16/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00658, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage

disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00658, [4/4/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Publish Public Employers’ Wage Disparities By Gender And Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02549, “Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02549, [4/4/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00437A, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00437A, [4/11/16](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Equal Pay Disclosure Data For State Contracts

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Equal Pay Disclosure Data For State Contracts. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A7169, “This bill will require state contractors to disclose data on employee compensation by gender, race, ethnicity, and other relevant data.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A7169, [5/30/19](#)]

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Women In New York Made 87 Cents For Every Dollar A Man Made. [National Women’s Law Center, accessed [5/26/20](#)]

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Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino stated that China must be held accountable for their “deception and recklessness” of the COVID-19 pandemic*
- ✓ *Garbarino wanted the New York State Assembly to hold hearings about the COVID-19 pandemic in New York*
 - ✓ *He was specifically interested in holding hearings to examine COVID-19 deaths in nursing homes*
 - ✓ *However, Garbarino voted against adopting special procedures for the state legislature during a state or national emergency*
- ✓ *Garbarino said there were things in the Democratic House Relief Bill that he did not like, but ultimately would have supported it*
- ✓ *Garbarino: “A lot of people have died because of this virus, but you know, we can’t stop everything”*
- ✓ *Garbarino sponsored legislation that would increase penalties for COVID-19 related fraud and price gauging*
 - ✓ *He also sponsored legislation that would waive state income taxes for out of state health care workers during the pandemic*
- ✓ *Garbarino: “Senator McConnell’s position that the federal government should leave devastated states to crumble is shameful”*
- ✓ *Garbarino called the New York Rising Community Reconstruction program, aimed at helping homeowners recover after Hurricane Sandy, a “joke”*

COVID – 19 Pandemic

NOTE: Any response to COVID-19 was ongoing as of the writing of this book. Please reach out to the DCCC Research department for an up-to-date analysis of Garbarino’s response to the crisis.

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Garbarino Wanted The State Assembly To Hold Hearings About The COVID-19 Pandemic In New York

VIDEO: Garbarino Wanted The State Assembly To Hold Hearings About The COVID-19 Pandemic In New York. “[13:22] But we need to do more to make sure this doesn’t happen again. Everyone is talking about a flare up; we need to know why this happened and how to stop it from happening again. So, one of the things I’m proposing, I sit on the Health Committee in Albany, and myself and the ranking member Kevin Byrne, last week sent a letter [...] to Chairman Gottfried, the chairman of the Health Committee. We asked, we said, we need to hold hearings. We understand that the Attorney General is gonna look into this, but the legislature is a separate arm of the government, it’s a different branch. We need to do our own investigation, we need to hear from the Department of Health, we need to hear from the people that run the nursing homes, we need to hear from the people that lived in the nursing homes, we need to hear from family members. We need to hear what happened.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

Garbarino Called For The Health Committee To Investigate Nursing Home Covid-19 Deaths

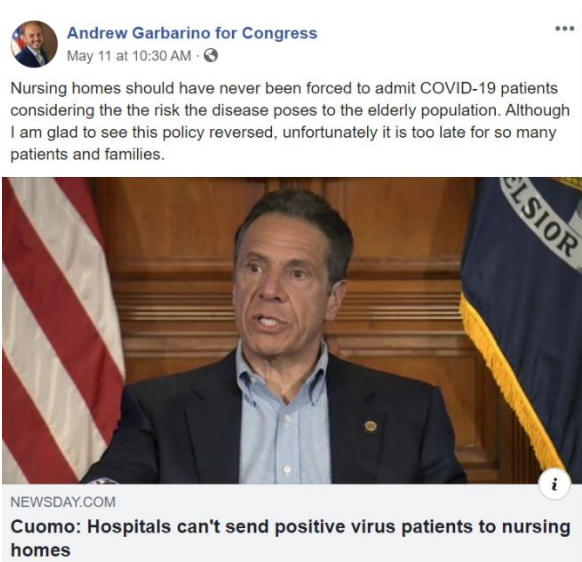
Garbarino Wanted To Hold Public Hearings To Examine What Took Place In New York’s Nursing Homes. “For several weeks, I have been calling for the legislature to exercise our powers and examine what took place in NY’s nursing homes. I’m glad to hear that Assemblyman Gottfried, Chairman of the Health Committee, has agreed that public hearings are necessary. There is now bipartisan support to forward with public hearings. Now it’s time to do our job. As a member of the Health Committee, I’m looking forward to getting some answers.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/13/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/13/20](#)]

Garbarino Called For The Health Committee To Investigate Nursing Home Covid-19 Deaths. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville), a member of the Assembly Committee on Health, is calling for the committee to exercise oversight to help discover what made New York nursing homes especially vulnerable to high COVID-19 death rates. He and his colleague, Assemblyman Kevin Byrne (R,C,Ref-Mahopac), who is the ranking Minority of the Assembly Health Committee, wrote Assemblyman Richard Gottfried, the committee chair calling for a hearing into the problems faced by nursing homes when managing the COVID-19 response. ‘Every day I receive calls from family members who are worried sick about their loved ones in nursing homes where the death rate has been devastatingly high. Our state health officials knew very well how dangerous the coronavirus is for the elderly, yet forced these facilities to take in COVID-19 patients even when they were still sick which introduced this lethal virus into a highly vulnerable population,’ said Garbarino. ‘It is not enough to say that the attorney general will take care of it or that the Department of Health will oversee this, the legislature needs to step in and provide oversight in the matter. This cannot happen again. We need to make sure our most vulnerable New Yorkers are protected.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [4/27/20](#)]

Garbarino: “Nursing Homes Should Have Never Been Forced To Admit COVID-19 Patients...” “Nursing homes should have never been forced to admit COVID-19 patients considering the risk the disease poses to the elderly population. Although I am glad to see this policy reversed, unfortunately it is too late for so many patients and families.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/11/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/11/20](#)]

Garbarino Said The \$3 Trillion Democratic House Relief Bill Included Things He Did Not Like, But He Ultimately Supported It

VIDEO: Garbarino Said The \$3 Trillion Democratic House Relief Bill Included Things He Did Not Like, But Understood Why Representative King Was Voting For It. “[6:50] So Nancy Pelosi is proposing this \$3 trillion, phase 3 bailout bill, or not bailout, but response bill, and it included money to local governments. I know Congressman King is voting for the bill today, I believe he said. This bill has a lot of things in it that nobody, Republicans definitely don’t like, I don’t like, but I understand why Congressman King is voting for it because it includes money to help the local governments. [...] So, if we can come in and get some money from the Feds and use it to avert those layoffs, I’m for it and I think that’s why Congressman King supports the bill.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

House Democrats Passed The Heroes Act, A \$3 Trillion Tax Cut And Spending Bill To Address COVID-19 Fallout

The Heroes Act Contained Funding For Local Governments, Direct Payments To Individuals, Funding For COVID-19 Testing, Increased Spending On Food Stamps, And Housing Support. “House Democrats on Friday passed a \$3 trillion tax cut and spending bill aimed at addressing the devastating economic fallout from the coronavirus outbreak by directing huge sums of money into all corners of the economy. [...] The 1,800-page legislation contains a large number of provisions: nearly \$1 trillion for state, local and tribal governments; another round of direct payments to individuals, up to \$6,000 per family, including to unauthorized immigrants; \$200 billion for hazard pay for essential workers; \$75 billion for coronavirus testing and tracing; increased spending on food stamps; \$175 billion in housing support; student loan forgiveness; and a new employee retention tax credit and extension of unemployment benefits.” [Washington Post, [5/15/20](#)]

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Representative Pete King Was The Only Republican To Support The Bill. “The sweeping legislation, dubbed the “Heroes Act, passed 208-199. Fourteen Democrats defected and opposed the bill, reflecting concerns voiced both by moderates and liberals in the House Democratic caucus about the bill’s content and the leadership-driven process that brought it to the floor. The bill won support from just one Republican: Rep. Peter T. King of New York.” [Washington Post, [5/15/20](#)]

Garbarino: “A Lot Of People Have Died Because Of This Virus, But You Know, We Can’t Stop Everything”

VIDEO: Garbarino: “A Lot Of People Have Died Because Of This Virus, But You Know, We Can’t Stop Everything.” “[6:20] A lot of people have died because of this virus, but you know, we can’t stop everything. We need to do things safely; we need to reopen. So that’s what I’m pushing right now and that’s what I’m going to continue to do.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

Garbarino: “We Gotta Stop With The Essential Versus Non Essential [Workers] And Focus More On Whether It [Reopening Businesses] Can Be Done Safely”

VIDEO: Garbarino: “We Gotta Stop With The Essential Versus Non Essential [Workers] And Focus More On Whether It [Reopening Businesses] Can Be Done Safely.” “[3:14] We’re trying to convince them, to move away from the essential versus the non-essential, because you talk to people they’re essential, anybody. The barber who needs to pay his mortgage, he’s essential. The guy who needs to feed his family, to them he’s essential. So, we gotta stop with the essential versus non-essential and focus more on whether it can be done safely. I think, you look at supermarkets now they’re packed—but people are inside them, they’re wearing their masks, they’re wearing their gloves, they’re staying, uh, social distancing. So, if we can do that at a supermarket, why can’t we do that at other stores?” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

Garbarino Introduced Legislation To Increase Penalties For Coronavirus-Related Fraud And Price Gauging

Garbarino Introduced Legislation To Increase Penalties For Coronavirus-Related Fraud And Price Gauging. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) introduced legislation which would increase penalties for fraud related to the coronavirus pandemic (A.10390) and price gouging for medical supplies (A.10410). He and Sen. Chris Jacobs (R,C,I-60th Senate District), who is the Senate sponsor, are looking to protect New Yorkers from scams and those who would take advantage of people during public health crises. ‘There are selfish individuals taking advantage of New Yorkers who are in crisis during this coronavirus outbreak, but Sen. Jacobs and I are seeking stiffer penalties for those who defraud people and extort those who need medical supplies,’ said Garbarino. ‘I know law enforcement has been receiving an uptick of complaints and others have called my office about cases of individuals trying to interfere with unemployment, federal stimulus payments and other aid. Everyone has now been made more vulnerable to these scams. These selfish, unlawful actions cannot be tolerated.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [5/12/20](#)]

Garbarino Introduced Legislation To Waive State Income Taxes For Out Of State Health Care Workers During The Pandemic

Garbarino Introduced Legislation To Waive State Income Taxes For Out Of State Health Care Workers During The Pandemic. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) and Sen. Phil Boyle (R-Bay Shore) will be introducing legislation that will waive New York state income taxes for healthcare workers, first responders, and other professionals who came from out of state to provide assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic. ‘Our frontline workers have been so critical at keeping our communities safe and New Yorkers healthy during the coronavirus pandemic response. We cannot thank them enough, but we would like to show our gratitude in a more tangible way by waiving their New York state income taxes,’ said Garbarino. ‘For every professional who came to New York to help and the others who have been here from the beginning, thank you. You are our heroes and we will fight for you as you fight for us.’ ‘These good Samaritans came to New York, literally risking their lives to protect us, during this global pandemic. It is ridiculous to now require them to pay our state income taxes which, of course, are probably higher than the income taxes in their home states,’ said Boyle. ‘These brave professionals came to New York state, the epicenter of this pandemic, to help save us. Despite any economic issues we now have

in Albany, requiring them to pay New York State income taxes is no way to treat our heroes.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [5/8/20](#)]

Garbarino: “Senator McConnell’s Position That The Federal Government Should Leave Devasted States To Crumble Is Shameful”

Garbarino: “Senator McConnell’s Position That The Federal Government Should Leave Devasted States To Crumble Is Shameful.” “I completely agree with Congressman Pete King here – Senator McConnell’s position that the federal government should leave devastated states to crumble is shameful. He is out of touch on this issue. Nassau and Suffolk have nearly 20 times more positive COVID-19 cases than the entire state of Kentucky. New York contributes so much to our country. When other states are in crisis, the people of our great state are quick to respond and send aid. Now, in our time of need, we are counting on the country to help us. The money we are spending in NY isn’t being wasted. It is being used to support our healthcare workers and first responders, who are putting their own health at risk in the fight against this invisible enemy.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/22/20](#)]



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Garbarino Applauded Republican Pete King And Democrat Mikie Sherrill For Forming A Bipartisan COVID-19 Regional Recovery Task Force

Garbarino Applauded Republican Pete King And Democrat Mikie Sherill For Forming A Bipartisan COVID-19 Regional Recovery Task Force. “I applaud Representatives Pete King and Mikie Sherrill for putting aside party labels to form the COVID-19 Regional Recovery Task Force. Bi-partisan cooperation will be critical in the weeks and months ahead to ensure that Americans can get back to work safely.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/22/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/22/20](#)]

Garbarino Criticized Senate Democrats For Blocking Aid Relief To Small Businesses

Garbarino Criticized Senate Democrats For Blocking Aid To Small Businesses. “This week, Senate Democrats blocked \$250 Billion in aid to Small Businesses...and for some reason Nancy Pelosi seems awfully happy about it. In an interview from her home in San Francisco, she congratulated Senate Democrats on stopping this critical funding. In reality, this is no ‘victory’ Democrats but rather a loss for small businesses — many of which may never be able to re-open as a result of this partisan obstruction. In this time of uncertainty and great financial distress, we MUST protect our small businesses. They are the heart and soul of communities across Long Island.”
[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/17/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/17/20](#)]

Senate Democrats Blocked The Proposal Because They Wanted To Push A More Expansive Stimulus Package That Included Funding For SNAP And Health Care Providers

Senate Democrats Blocked The Proposal Because They Wanted To Push A More Expansive Stimulus Package That Included Funding For Other Programs. “At first glance, it’s a surprising move, since Democrats support providing more funding to small businesses and workers experiencing severe economic trouble caused by the fallout of the coronavirus outbreak. But the answer is simple: Democrats want to use the leverage they have in Congress so that Republicans don’t just approve more money for small businesses while leaving out other programs that also desperately need more funding. This approach was evident Thursday when Senate Democrats blocked Majority Leader Mitch McConnell’s attempt to pass a standalone small-business funding bill via unanimous consent. Democratic leaders explained that the move was an opportunity to push for more expansive stimulus than Republicans have otherwise considered, a tactic they also used with the CARES Act.” [Vox, [4/9/20](#)]

Democrats Wanted The Small Business Money To Be Spread To Difference Programs—including Health Care Providers And SNAP. “For now, Republicans leaders want to keep this measure narrow, focused exclusively on giving a \$250 billion boost to the Paycheck Protection Program, an effort aimed at providing small businesses and nonprofits with forgivable loans. Democrats, meanwhile, think the small business money should be spread across a couple different programs, and want more funds added to the legislation including \$100 billion for health care providers, \$150 billion for states and cities, and more support for SNAP.” [Vox, [4/9/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Adopting Special Procedures For The State Legislature During A State Or National Emergency

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Adopting Special Temporary Procedures For The State Legislature During A State Or National Emergency. Garbarino voted against Bill No. E00854, “ADOPTING special temporary procedures during a declared state or national state of emergency. WHEREAS, The Rules of the Assembly were adopted on January 9, 2019, and, as last amended on January 13, 2020, remain in full force and effect, except that the current declared state or national emergency require such Assembly, in the exercise of its constitutional power and prerogative, to implement special temporary procedures permitting the consideration of legislation in an expedited fashion to meet the urgent needs of the people of the State of New York while confronting rapidly changing circumstances and public health concerns and directives; be it hereby. [...] during a period of declared state or national state of emergency, in the event a slow roll call is not requested, the yeas and nays on the final passage of a bill or any other question before the House shall be taken by a fast roll call and a member desiring to vote in the negative on such a roll call shall do so by entering a negative vote through the electronic voting system or in such other manner as may be prescribed by the Speaker.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00854, [3/30/20](#)]

Disaster Relief

Garbarino Said The New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program Was A “Joke”

Garbarino Said The New York Rising Community Reconstruction Programs Was A “Joke.” “In addition, Garbarino said that he would continue to advocate for residents who are still waiting to receive funding from Hurricane Sandy Relief programs such as the New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program. ‘The program has been a complete joke,’ said Garbarino. ‘There are people I represent from the South Shore and Fire Island who still haven’t gotten their money that was awarded to them, and I don’t even get calls returned to my office.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

Garbarino Also Called The Program “A Failure”

Garbarino Called The New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program “A Failure.” “Garbarino called the New York Rising program ‘a failure’ in helping homeowners recover from superstorm Sandy. ‘I get calls in my office every day from people who don’t get responses from the program, and they haven’t gotten their money,’ he said. ‘It’s frustrating.’ He said the program should be streamlined.” [Newsday, 11/2/14]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Facilities With Dialysis Services To Have An Alternate Power Source In Case Of Emergencies

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Facilities With Dialysis Services To Have An Alternate Generated Power Source In Case Of Emergencies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09374A, “Requires facilities offering dialysis services to have an alternate generated power source for use during a general power outage or disaster emergency.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09374A, [6/17/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Counties To Maintain A List Of People With Disabilities For The Purpose Of Evacuating

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Counties To Maintain A Confidential Registry Of People With Disabilities For The Purpose Of Evacuating And Sheltering. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08816A, “Requires counties to maintain a confidential registry of people of all ages with disabilities for the purpose of evacuating and sheltering such persons during disasters.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 38. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A08816A, [5/19/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Said The Best Bill The Legislature Passed Was The Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act

2013: Garbarino Said The Best Bill The Legislature Passed Was The Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act. “Best bill the Legislature passed in 2013? The Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act.” [City & State, 1/24/14]

State Of Emergency

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Standards For A Prompt Investigation And Settlement Of Claims Arising Out Of A State Of Emergency

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Standards For A Prompt Investigation And Settlement Of Claims Arising Out Of A State Emergency. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07097, “Establishes standards for the prompt investigation and settlement of claims arising out of states of emergency and disasters.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 4. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A07097, [5/30/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Standards For A Prompt Investigation And Settlement Of Claims Arising Out Of A State Emergency. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07097, “Establishes standards for the prompt investigation and settlement of claims arising out of states of emergency and disasters.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 6. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A07097, [5/21/19](#)]

Governance Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino filed a petition with the New York State Supreme Court to overturn a ban on state legislators earning outside income*
 - ✓ *A judge tossed out the ban on outside income—allowing New York legislators to make outside income*
 - ✓ *Garbarino supported the ruling saying it created a “citizen legislature,” but watchdog groups said the income ban prevented conflicts on interests*
 - ✓ *New York State legislators are among the highest paid legislators in the country, bringing in \$110,000 per year*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported term limits on majority and minority leaders in the Assembly*
 - ✓ *Garbarino wanted to enact 8-year term limits for legislative leaders and committee chairs*
 - ✓ *He supported the Public Officers Accountability Act, which included term limits, campaign finance reform, and tougher laws for corrupt officials*
- ✓ *Garbarino advocated for stronger oversight on economic development spending*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported the NY Procurement Integrity Act that would enact transparent and accountability reforms*
- ✓ *2015: Garbarino introduced 17 reform proposals that aimed to increase transparency and accountability in the Assembly*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported stripping corrupt public officials of taxpayer-funded pensions*
 - ✓ *He wanted to eliminate pensions for public employees who committed felonies connected to their job*

Outside Income

Garbarino Filed A Petition With The New York Supreme Court To Overturn A Ban On State Legislators Earning Outside Income

2019: Garbarino Filed A Petition With The New York Supreme Court To Overturn A Ban On State Legislators Earning Outside Income. “A group of New York State legislators has filed a petition in state Supreme Court in Albany seeking to overturn the New York State Compensation Committee’s near-total ban on state legislators earning outside income. The following legislators have petitioned the Court: Senators Tom O’Mara and Robert Ort, and Assemblymen Brian Kolb, William Barclay, Gary Finch, Andrew Garbarino, Andrew Goodell, Stephen Hawley, Brian Manktelow, Angelo Morinello, and Anthony Palumbo. They contend that the Legislature authorized the Compensation Committee to determine only whether a legislative salary increase was warranted and, if so, to set new compensation levels. The committee’s additional action implementing a near-total ban on a

legislator's ability to earn an outside, private-sector income falls beyond the Committee's purview and violates the state Constitution, the legislators argue. The petition requests the Court to annul actions 'that restrict a legislator's ability to maintain outside employment that requires a fiduciary duty to the employer or a client and to earn outside income greater than 15 percent of the legislator salary' and to declare these provisions 'invalid, unconstitutional, and unenforceable.'" [Spectator, 3/3/19]

A Judge Tossed Out The Ban On Outside Income, Allowing New York Legislators To Make Outside Money

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"A judge on Thursday tossed a ban on state legislators' ability to earn outside incomes. State Supreme Court Justice Richard Platkin ruled a special pay raise commission created by Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo and legislators had power only to change lawmakers' salaries but not to ban lawmakers from earning money from other sources." [Newsday, 8/30/19]

Garbarino Supported The Ruling, Saying It Created A "Citizen Legislature"

Garbarino Supported The Ruling, Saying It Created A "Citizen Legislature." "Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville), another one of the plaintiffs who has a law practice, said the state constitution envisioned a 'citizen legislature.' 'You want people from all walks of life. You want people who bring different perspectives,' Garbarino said." [Newsday, 8/30/19]

However, Watchdog Groups Supported The Income Ban, Saying It Would Prevent Conflicts Of Interests

Watchdog Groups Supported The Income Ban, Saying It Would Prevent Conflicts Of Interests. "Though it's likely to be appealed, it's a ruling that could have significant bearing on which legislators run for re-election in 2020. Elected officials and watchdog groups have said a ban on outside incomes could trigger a rash of retirements. Watchdog groups have supported an income ban, saying it would prevent conflicts of interest and reduce corruption." [Newsday, 8/30/19]

2018: Following A \$50,000 Pay Raise, New York State Assembly Members Were Some Of The Highest Paid Legislators In The Country

2018: Following A \$50,000 Pay Raise, New York State Assembly Members Were Some Of The Highest Paid Legislators In The Country. "State legislators in New York are poised to get a long, long-awaited pay raise — a \$50,000 boost that would make them the highest-paid state lawmakers in the country. But the salary increase, which was unanimously approved on Thursday by a special compensation commission, came with some important caveats. The commission voted to curtail lawmakers' outside income to 15 percent of their salary, after recent high-profile convictions tied to outside earnings. And it moved to eliminate many of the lucrative stipends to which lawmakers have been entitled in previous years, which sometimes have made up as much as half of their base pay." [New York Times, [12/6/18](#)]

New York State Legislators Made \$110,000 Per Year. "The commission's recommendations for state legislators, which are set to be issued in a formal report before Monday, have the force of law, according to a measure in this year's state budget, unless the Legislature and governor pass a statute to void it before Jan. 1. Absent that, the Legislature's pay will increase to \$110,000, up from \$79,500, in the New Year. It will climb \$10,000 each year after that until reaching \$130,000 in 2021." [New York Times, [12/6/18](#)]

Term Limits

Garbarino Supported Term Limits Of Majority And Minority Leaders In The Assembly

2020: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Number Of Terms Served By A Majority Or Minority Leader.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E0076, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed by a vote of 39 – 102. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00706, [1/28/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Number Of Terms A Minority Or Majority Leader Can Serve.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00819, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed by a vote of 35 – 95. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00819, [2/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Number Of Terms A Minority Or Majority Leader Can Serve.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00059, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed by a vote of 43 – 104. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00819, [1/30/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Terms Of The Minority And Majority Leaders In The Assembly.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00840, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 44 – 97. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00840, [1/12/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Terms Of The Minority And Majority Leaders In The Assembly.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00185, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 44 – 97. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00185, [3/9/15](#)]

Garbarino Supported Term Limits Of A Committee Chairperson**2020: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Term Of A Committee Chairperson.**

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00714, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 31 – 101. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00714, [1/28/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Term Of A Committee Chairperson.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00714, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 41 – 97. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00714, [1/22/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Terms Of A Committee Chairperson.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00827, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 36 – 94. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00827, [2/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Terms Of A Committee Chairperson.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00055, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 42 – 105. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00055, [1/30/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Term Of A Committee Chairperson.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00844, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 45 – 96. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00844, [1/12/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Term Of A Committee Chairperson.

Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00187, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 45 – 101. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00187, [3/9/15](#)]

Garbarino Supported The Public Officers Accountability Act

Garbarino Supported The Public Officers Accountability Act, Which Included Term Limits For Legislative Leaders And Committee Chairs, Campaign Finance Reforms, And Tougher Laws For Corrupt Officials.

“Garbarino is also a sponsor and advocate for other reform measures such as the Public Officers Accountability Act, legislation that would create some of the toughest ethics laws in the country if passed. The bill includes term limits for legislative leaders and committee chairs, campaign finance reforms, and tougher laws for corrupt officials.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [1/31/17](#)]

Garbarino Supported 8 Year Term Limits For Legislative Leaders And Committee Chairs

2016: Garbarino Supported 8 Year Term Limits For Legislative Leaders And Committee Chairs. “He favors eight-year term limits for legislative leaders and committee chairs.” [Newsday, 10/17/16]

Government Oversight**Garbarino Supported Stronger Oversight On Economic Development Spending**

Garbarino Supported Stronger Oversight On Economic Development Spending. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) is urging for the passage of his bill, A.5657-A, which would create the strongest rules on oversight on economic development programs and lump-sum state spending to help end bid rigging in the state. Over the past year or so, the state has been riled with scandals centered on bid rigging. Federal prosecutors brought charges against Alain E. Kaloyeros, former head at SUNY Polytechnic Institute, and Joseph Percoco, who took bribes in relation to projects related to the Buffalo Billion funding. ‘How many corruption scandals will it take for the legislature to adopt real reforms concerning how this state does business? It is mystifying that economic development programs and large, lump-sum spending continues in New York without any significant oversight or accountability,’ said Garbarino. ‘The Assembly must act before the end of the legislative session to put in place some real accountability measures, now. Governor, I know you said our work was ‘done’ but this is one of the biggest reforms we can make now.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [6/7/17](#)]

Garbarino’s Bill Addressed Issues Of Lump-Sum Spending And Bid Rigging

Garbarino’s Bill Addressed Issues Of Lump-Sum Spending And Bid Rigging. “Garbarino’s bill is the toughest legislation addressing the issue of lump-sum spending and bid rigging. It would accomplish the following: Create a three-person oversight committee, including the comptroller, the attorney general and the director of the Division of Budget; Require such spending to be clearly lined out and require a vote by the legislature; Ban those overseeing such funds from making political contributions; Extend oversight requirements on lump-sum funds spent by public authorities; Withhold salaries of the governor, agency commissioner and deputy commissioner for failures to submit reports required on lump-sum spending, such as START-UP NY; Prohibit the use of state-affiliated not-for-profits, such as Fort Schuyler and Fuller Road, unless permitted by law or authorized by the state comptroller; and Require lump-sum spending from SUNY Research Foundation to also be under the review of the three-person oversight committee.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [6/7/17](#)]

Garbarino Supported The NY Procurement Integrity Act That Would Enact Transparency And Accountability Reforms

Garbarino Supported The NY Procurement Integrity Act. “Although the budget may be passed, and despite what the governor may believe, there is still so much work to do in Albany. I specifically feel more needs to be accomplished in the area of ethics, which was a glaring omission from the enacted budget. Gov. Cuomo may believe our work in Albany is ‘done’ but we’re hardly done. New Yorkers want and deserve transparency in its government. There is a bill moving in the Senate that would enact transparency and accountability reforms within state procurement procedures. The Assembly should act now and move it to the floor for a vote. New Yorkers have been burned by scandal-plagued ‘economic development’ programs like the Buffalo Billion, SUNY Polytechnic

and other programs that lined the pockets of special interests using taxpayer dollars. We need to restore integrity and openness in our state government.” [Assembly Member Andrew R. Garbarino, [4/27/17](#)]

The NY Procurement Integrity Act Aimed To Enact Transparency And Accountability Reforms

The NY Procurement Integrity Act Aimed To Enact Transparency And Accountability Reforms. “In short the NY Procurement Integrity Act would: Restore the State Comptroller’s independent oversight of SUNY, CUNY, and Office of Governmental Services (OGS); Expand the Comptroller’s oversight of the procurement process to include contracts awarded by the SUNY Research Foundation in excess of \$1 million; Prohibit state contracting through state-affiliated not-for-profits, unless permitted explicitly in law; Toughen ethical requirements for state procurement officials and vendors. If these individuals violate these rules heavy penalties would be imposed; Standardize contracting processes for all state authorities spending state funds; and Create transparency at every point during a procurement process.” [Assembly Member Andrew R. Garbarino, [4/27/17](#)]

2015: Garbarino Introduced Seventeen Reform Proposals To Increase Transparency And Accountability In The Assembly

2015: Garbarino Introduced Seventeen Reform Proposals To Increase Transparency And Accountability In The Assembly. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) today joined a coalition of his Assembly colleagues to introduce a comprehensive package of 17 reform proposals designed to increase transparency and accountability in the Assembly. [...] ‘As a legislator, the corruption scandals that have rocked Albany recently are outrageous, and we must move quickly to reform our processes while we have the opportunity. We must focus on reforms that increase transparency and accountability in the Assembly and restore public trust in their representatives,’ said Garbarino.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [3/4/15](#)]

Garbarino Supported A Reform Package That Strengthened Legislative Oversight

Garbarino Supported A Reform Package That Strengthened Legislative Oversight. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) announced his support of the recently- passed Senate regulatory reform legislation and is urging the Assembly to do the same. ‘New York is the tax capital of the nation, and we will continue to push away jobs, cripple businesses, and increase the financial burden on our already over-taxed, hardworking families if significant reforms are not passed,’ said Garbarino. The Senate’s reform package includes strengthening legislative oversight of the regulatory process and alleviating the tremendous burden unfunded mandates put on our struggling local municipalities. ‘As much as we hear that New York is “Open for Business,” the truth is that until we pass meaningful reform New York will continue to lose our current businesses, and New Yorkers will be deterred from starting new businesses due to our unfriendly business climate,’ commented Garbarino.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [6/11/13](#)]

Garbarino Supported A Bill That Prevented Bills From Being Rushed To A Vote After Hours

Garbarino Supported A Bill That Stopped The Clock On Legislative Proceedings Between Midnight And Eight AM. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) recently attended a press conference in support of the New York State Government Transparency Act. This legislation would prevent bills from being rushed to a vote in the dark of night while New Yorkers are asleep. The New York State Government Transparency Act would stop the clock on legislative proceedings between the hours of midnight and 8 a.m. and limit Messages of Necessity except in the case of genuine emergencies. This bill would also require a 2/3 vote to take up any Message of Necessity.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/5/13](#)]

Garbarino Supported Stripping Corrupt Public Officials Of Taxpayer-Funded Pensions

2017: Garbarino Supported Stripping Corrupt Public Officials Of Taxpayer-Funded Pensions. “Today, Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) helped pass the Public Pension Forfeiture Bill, which calls for a public referendum to amend the state constitution to allow for publicly-funded pensions to be stripped from public officials who violate corruption laws. [...] ‘We must pass pension forfeiture now, so New Yorkers can finally weigh in on this referendum to allow pensions to be stripped from corrupt public officials,’ said Garbarino. ‘It’s pretty simple; those who violate the public’s trust should not be able to retire on the public’s dime. This is one of the ways to create real consequences for public corruption.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [1/31/17](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To Eliminate Pensions For Public Employees Who Committed Felonies Connected To Their Job

2016: Garbarino Wanted To Eliminate Pensions For Public Employees Who Committed Felonies Connected To Their Job. “Republican Andrew Garbarino, 32, of Sayville, is a steady advocate for ethics reform in Albany as he runs for a third term. Garbarino wanted to strip pensions from all public employees, not just top officials, if they commit felonies connected to their jobs.” [Newsday, 10/17/16]

Garbarino: “It’s Inexcusable That The People Of New York Will Be Forced To Pay The Pensions Of State Legislators Who Disregarded Their Responsibility To The State”

Garbarino: “It’s Inexcusable That The People Of New York Will Be Forced To Pay The Pensions Of State Legislators Who Disregarded Their Responsibility To The State.” “‘It’s inexcusable that the people of New York will be forced to pay the pensions of state legislators who disregarded their responsibility to the state,’ said Garbarino. ‘These individuals acted wrongfully and failed to uphold their duty, and there is no reason we should be rewarding them for their corruption. Funding the retirements of such crooked politicians should outrage every New Yorker.’ [...] ‘During session, I voted in favor of legislation that would strip these criminals of their pensions and put that money back into the hands of New Yorkers where it belongs. The Assembly Minority and I recognize that continuing to allow convicted legislators to collect taxpayer-funded pensions is criminal.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [8/8/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Criticized The Assembly Majority’s Pension Forfeiture Bill For Being Too Weak

2015: Garbarino Criticized The Assembly Majority’s Pension Forfeiture Bill For Being Too Weak. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) criticized the Assembly Majority’s version of the pension forfeiture bill that passed this week. Garbarino said that, although the Assembly Majority may laud this as corruption reform, the bill provides no incentive for corrupt legislators to behave ethically. ‘As public servants, we swore an oath to uphold the public trust, and the version that was passed yesterday is a step in the wrong direction. Corrupt officials have no place in New York State and do not deserve a retirement funded by the taxpayers,’ Garbarino said. ‘It is our duty to ensure the people’s trust and the legislation introduced by the Majority leads me to question their priorities.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [6/18/15](#)]

Financial Protections & Wall Street

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against requiring the assessment of banking institution's record of performance to be in writing*

Financial Institutions

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Assessment Of Banking Institution's Record Of Performance To Be In Writing

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Assessment Of Banking Institution's Record Of Performance To Be In Writing. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03227A, "Requires the assessment of a banking institution's record of performance to be in writing detailing the record of performance in helping to meet the credit needs of local communities." The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03227A, [6/19/20](#)]

Gun Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino supported background checks for AR-15s, but opposed various other background check measures—including universal background checks*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act, which was passed in the wake of the Sandy Hook school shooting*
 - ✓ *The act tightened gun restrictions and was one of the most comprehensive gun laws in the nation*
 - ✓ *The act included a tougher assault weapons ban, stronger regulations on ammunition, required statewide recertification of handguns and assault rifles, and required universal background checks*
 - ✓ *Garbarino specifically opposed the license recertification measure and said “only certain aspects” of the bill made sense*
 - ✓ *Garbarino received criticism for opposing the SAFE Act from local papers*
 - ✓ *The NRA also opposed the SAFE Act*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against adding rifles and shotguns to the list of weapons domestic abusers cannot possess*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against requiring safe storage of all firearms*
- ✓ *Garbarino opposed establishing a municipal buyback program*
- ✓ *Throughout his career, Garbarino received an average rating of 81.7% from the NRA*

Background Checks & Records

Garbarino Voted Against Granting Access To Law Enforcement To Records Of Firearm Applications

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Granting Access To Local And State Law Enforcement To Records Of Applications For Firearm Licenses. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06160, “Grants access to local and state law enforcement of records of applications for licenses of firearms.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06160, [6/20/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Background Checks For Employees Who Would Possess Of Transfer Firearms

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Background Checks For Employees Who Would Possess Or Transfer Firearms. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09068A, “Implements the effective background check act of 2018;

requires background checks for employees who would be authorized to possess or transfer firearms.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09068A, [6/18/18](#)]

Garbarino Supported Background Checks For AR-15s

Garbarino Supported Background Checks For AR-15s. “And I don't think there is anything wrong with background checks to buy an AR-15.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York SAFE ACT, Which Established Universal Background Checks

Garbarino Voted Against The NY Secure Ammunition And Firearms Enforcement Act (SAFE). Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02230, “Enacts the NY Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act of 2013.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02230, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Require Universal Background Checks. “Universal Background Checks - closing the private sales loophole: The legislation will require all gun transfers between private parties, except immediate family, to be conducted through a federal firearms licensee, subject to a subject to a federal National Instant Criminal Background Check.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

Illegal Guns

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Garbarino Said The “Real Problem” Was Illegal Guns And Used MS-13 As An Example. “The real problem is illegal guns. We saw that in Albany. Look at MS-13. They're getting around that [obtaining guns] illegally.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

SAFE Act

Garbarino Voted Against The Secure Ammunition And Firearms Enforcement Act, Which Was Passed By The State In The Wake Of The Sandy Hook School Shooting Tragedy

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Secure Ammunition And Firearms Enforcement Act, Which Was Passed By The State In The Wake Of The Sandy Hook School Shooting Tragedy In Newtown, Connecticut. “Garbarino also commented on why he voted against the Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act of 2013 - the divisive gun control law that was hastily passed by the state in the wake of the Sandy Hook school shooting tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut. His qualms included the fact that the bill only focused on registered guns without increasing penalties for illegally obtained guns, as well as the fact that police officers were not exempt from certain punishments. However, he noted that one of the positives was the portion that created a database of New Yorkers deemed too mentally unstable to carry firearms. ‘It was thrown together sloppily,’ said Garbarino. ‘They left out certain key parts and put in things that shouldn't have been in there. I don't think we even had 24 hours to read the bill.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/30/14]

Garbarino Voted Against The NY Secure Ammunition And Firearms Enforcement Act (SAFE). Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02230, “Enacts the NY Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act of 2013.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02230, [1/15/13](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Extending The SAFE Act License Recertification

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The SAFE Act License Recertification. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A9086, “To extend the SAFE Act pistol permit license recertification deadline from January 31, 2018 to January 31, 2019.” The bill passed Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A9086, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Thought “Only Certain Aspects” Of The Bill Made Sense

Garbarino Thought “Only Certain Aspects” Of The Bill Made Sense. “Garbarino said he voted against the NY SAFE Act and believes that only certain aspects of it make sense, such as background checks for those with previous convictions and mental health issues. However, he supports tougher penalties for people who own illegal guns.” [Long Island Advance, 11/3/16]

The SAFE Act Tightened Gun Restriction Measures To Provide The Most Comprehensive Gun Laws In The Nation

The SAFE Act Gave New York The Most Comprehensive Gun Laws In The Nation. “Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced legislation Monday, called the New York Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement Act of 2013 (NY SAFE ACT), to give New York State the most comprehensive gun laws in the nation, which will keep guns out of the hands of potentially dangerous mental health patients and ban high capacity magazines and assault weapons. This bill does not affect rifles and shotguns used by traditional sportsmen and hunters.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Included A Mental Health Alert. “Mental Health Alert: Under the legislation, mental health professionals will be required to report to local mental health officials when there is reason to believe a patient is likely to engage in conduct that will cause serious harm to themselves or others. This information will then be crosschecked against the new comprehensive, and regularly updated, gun registration database. If the patient possesses a gun, the license will be suspended and law enforcement will be authorized to remove the person’s firearm.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Included A Tougher Assault Weapons Ban. “Tougher assault weapons ban: The legislation outlines a stricter definition of assault weapons, and implements an immediate ban of defined assault weapons. Under the stricter definitions, semi-automatic pistols and rifles with detachable magazines and one military style feature will be considered assault weapons. Semi-automatic shotguns with one military style feature will also be considered assault weapons. Assault weapons possessed before the effective date must be registered within a year and recertified every five years. Owners of grandfathered assault weapons may only sell out of state or through an in-state federal firearms licensee. Under the legislation, the Bushmaster used in the Newtown, Connecticut shooting would be illegal.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Included Stronger Regulations On Ammunition. “Stronger regulations on ammunition: Under the legislation, New York will have the strongest ban on high capacity magazines in the country, with a limit on capacity of seven rounds, down from the current limit of 10. The legislation includes a ban on possession of pre-1994 high capacity magazines, and will require owners to sell the banned magazines out of state within one year. Existing 10 round magazines can be grandfathered in, but may only be loaded with seven rounds.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Make New York The First State To Track Ammo Purchases In Real Time. “To track high-volume ammunition purchasers, the legislation will make New York the first state in the nation to track ammo purchases in real time. All dealers in ammunition must be registered with the State Police, and each sale will require both a state background check and transmission of a record of the sale to State Police, so as to enable alerts of high volume purchases. Ammunition records will be purged within a year of submission. Dealers must report any loss of inventory. The legislation will also include a ban on direct internet sales of ammunition. Ammunition ordered over the internet must be delivered in a face-to-face transaction with a firearms dealer and the purchaser

will be subject to the state background check. The Aurora shooter reportedly amassed 6,000 rounds through direct online purchases.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Require Statewide Recertification Of Handguns And Assault Rifles. “Statewide recertification of handguns and assault rifles: The legislation will require individuals who own a handgun or an assault rifle to recertify their permit every five years through their county of residence. With this more accurate information, the state will establish an electronic gun permit database that may be run against other databases containing the names of people who would be disqualified from possessing firearms, including those with criminal convictions, involuntary commitments, and those subject to orders of protection, as well as death records.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Require Universal Background Checks. “Universal Background Checks - closing the private sales loophole: The legislation will require all gun transfers between private parties, except immediate family, to be conducted through a federal firearms licensee, subject to a subject to a federal National Instant Criminal Background Check.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Enact The Webster Provision, Which Would Categorize The Murder Of A First Responder Engaged In Work As A Class A-1 Felony. “Webster Provision: Under the legislation, murder of a first responder who is engaged in his or her duties would become a Class A-1 felony, with a mandatory penalty of life in prison without parole. This provision was created to honor the memory of Lt. Mike Chiapperini and Tomasz Kaczowka, who were victims of a fatal shooting in Webster, New York, on December 24, 2012.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Expand and Strengthen Kendra’s Law. “Extending and Strengthening Kendra’s Law: Kendra’s law will be extended for two years — through 2017 — and the period of mandatory outpatient treatment will be extended from six months to one year. In addition, a review will be required before a mentally ill inmate is released from state prison.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

Kendra’s Law Provided Assisted Outpatient Treatment For Certain People With Mental Illnesses Unlikely To Survive Safely In The Community Without Supervision. “In 1999, New York State Enacted Legislation that provides for assisted outpatient treatment for certain people with mental illness who, in view of their treatment history and present circumstances, are unlikely to survive safely in the community without supervision. This law is commonly referred to as “Kendra’s Law” and is set forth in §9.60 of the Mental Hygiene Law (MHL).” [New York State Office of Mental Health, [5/06](#)]

The Safe Act Would Protect Families By Requiring Judges To Order Surrender Of Weapons If Necessary. “Protecting Families: When a judge issues an order of protection and finds a substantial risk that the individual subjected to the order will use a gun against the person protected by the order, the judge is required to order the surrender of the weapon.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Require The Safe Storage Of Firearms In Certain Households. “Safe Storage: To better ensure that guns are kept inaccessible to those who are barred from possessing them, the legislation requires safe storage of firearms in households where individuals live who have been convicted of a crime, involuntarily committed, or are subject to an order of protection. Existing state law already requires that all guns sold at retail in the state be sold with a gun lock.” [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Increase The Penalty For Possessing A Firearm On School Grounds Or In A School Bus From A Misdemeanor To A Class E Felony. [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

The SAFE Act Would Establish Tougher Penalties For Illegal Gun Use And Measures To Help Combat Gang Violence. [Huffington Post, [1/15/13](#)]

Garbarino Was Criticized For His Vote On The SAFE Act

EDITORIAL HEADLINE: “Shame On Assemblyman Garbarino.” [Suffolk County News, Editorial, 1/24/13]

EDITORIAL: Garbarino Will “Hide Behind The Second Amendment.” “After 20 first-graders and six adults were each riddled by bullets from an assault rifle in Newtown, Connecticut; after multiple numbers of people were shot and killed from an assault rifle at a movie theatre in Aurora, Colo.; after a United States congresswoman, Gabrielle Giffords of Tucson, Ariz., was shot in the head and will never fully recover, and a member of her staff died in addition to a little girl; after the largest massacre of all of students and professors at Virginia Tech by an assault rifle and after a number of students and teachers were shot and killed by an assault rifle in Columbine, Colo., state Assemblyman Andrew R. Garbarino, Republican from the local 7th District, voted no in Albany against the broad gun control bill that was passed by both houses of the state Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Andrew Cuomo. [...] They'll hide behind the second amendment, but terrorism in any form will show them for what they really are.” [Suffolk County News, Editorial, 1/24/13]

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NRA Opposed The SAFE Act. “The National Rifle Association issued a statement attacking Cuomo, saying he ‘orchestrated a secretive end-run around the legislative and democratic process and passed sweeping anti-gun measures with no committee hearings and no public input’ and chalking it up to the governor’s ‘political aspirations.’” [Newsday, 1/16/13]

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Garbarino Criticized The SAFE Act’s Impact On Dayton T. Brown Inc, A Weapons Testing Center. “Dayton T. Brown Inc. has operated for six decades in Copiague, testing high-level weapons, armor and other equipment for the military, government agencies and private companies. Now, New York’s new gun law is threatening part of its business, state lawmakers say. At least one gun manufacturer says it won’t ship weapons to Dayton T. Brown because it doesn’t want to break New York’s recently enacted ban on ‘assault’ weapons, Long Island legislators say. Other suppliers have similar concerns. [...] ‘This is one of those unintended consequences of the SAFE act,’ said Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville), referring to the gun control law Cuomo pushed through in the wake of the Newtown, Conn., school massacre.” [Newsday, 6/3/13]

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Garbarino Sponsored Legislation To Make Testing Part Of The Weapons Manufacturing Process. “Currently, testing is not treated as part of the weapons manufacturing process under the law, said state Sen. Phil Boyle (R-Bay Shore), who is sponsoring a bill along with Garbarino to change that. Boyle said that currently if a representative of the weapons manufacturer is on-site at Dayton T. Brown, no violation of the gun law would occur. But manufacturers ‘don’t want to send someone down to sit around’ for weeks while testing is occurring, Boyle said.” [Newsday, 6/3/13]

Firearm Possession And Safety

Garbarino Voted For A Red Flag Law, Which Would Allow Police To Temporarily Confiscate Firearms From Potentially Dangerous Individuals

Garbarino Voted For The Red Flag Law, Which Would Allow Temporary Confiscation Of Firearms From Potentially Dangerous Individuals. “New York has passed some laws; some I supported, some I didn’t. I voted for the Red Flag bill. [It authorizes courts to issue a specific protection order allowing police to temporarily confiscate firearms from people deemed by a judge to be a danger to the public.] And I don’t think there is anything wrong

with background checks to buy an AR-15. The real problem is illegal guns. We saw that in Albany. Look at MS-13. They're getting around that [obtaining guns] illegally." [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Adding Rifles And Shotguns To The List Of Weapons Domestic Abusers Can Not Possess

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Rifles And Shotguns To The List Of Weapons Domestic Violence Offenders Can Not Possess. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S08121, "Relates to the possession of weapons by domestic violence offenders.[...] Suspension of firearms license and ineligibility for such a license upon issuance of temporary order of protection. Whenever a temporary order of protection is issued pursuant to subdivision one of section 530.12 or subdivision one of section 530.13 of this article:(a) the court shall suspend any such existing license possessed by the defendant, order the defendant ineligible for such a license and order the immediate surrender of any or all firearms, rifles and shotguns owned or possessed where the court receives information that gives the court good cause to believe that (i) the defendant has a prior conviction of any violent felony offense as defined in section 70.02 of the penal law;" The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S08121, [3/30/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Semiautomatic Pistol Manufacturers To Be Capable Of Microstamping Ammunition

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Semiautomatic Pistol Manufacturers To Be Capable Of Microstamping Ammunition. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05826A, "Requires semiautomatic pistols manufactured or delivered to any licensed dealer in this state to be capable of microstamping ammunition; establishes fines for violations of this requirement and provides for an affirmative defense if the dealer had a certification from the manufacturer." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05826A, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Youthful Offenders Convicted Of Certain Crimes To Possess a Firearm

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Youthful Offenders Convicted Of Certain Crimes To Possess A Firearm. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03391, "Prohibits individuals adjudicated as youthful offenders for any offense listed under article one hundred twenty-five of the penal law, from possessing firearms, rifles and shotguns." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03391, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Process To Grant Temporary Permits To Carry To Non-New York Residents

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Process To Grant Temporary Permits To Carry To Non-New York Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02817, "Creates a process for the issuance of a temporary permit to carry or possess a firearm for persons who are not residents of the state of New York; provides an affirmative defense to possession of a loaded firearm by certain persons and provides reciprocity for persons licensed in other states." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02817, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Removing The Maximum Age Limit For Firearms Instructions Exemptions

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Removing The Maximum Age Limit For Firearms Instructions Exemptions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09789, "Relates to removing the maximum age limit for firearms instruction

exemptions; removes upper age limits of sixteen and twenty-one.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09789, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Extreme Risk Protection Orders Prohibiting A Person From Purchasing A Firearm

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Extreme Risk Protection Orders Prohibiting A Person From Purchasing Firearms. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06994, “Establishes extreme risk protection orders as a court-issued order of protection prohibiting a person from purchasing, possessing or attempting to purchase or possess a firearm, rifle or shotgun and establishes procedures for the application, administration, and expiration or termination of such protection orders.” The bill passed by a vote of 84 – 52. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06994, [6/15/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Law Requiring Safe Storage For All Firearms

2015: Garbarino Voted Against A Law Requiring Safe Storage For All Firearms. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00053A, “Enacts ‘Nicholas's law’; requires the safe storage of rifles, shotguns, or firearms; repeals certain provisions of the penal law relating thereto.” The bill was passed by a vote of 81 – 66. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00053A, [6/16/15](#)]

Buyback Program

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Municipal Buyback Program

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Municipal Gun Buyback Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S0249, “Establishes the municipal gun buyback program by the division of state police for the voluntary return of guns; establishes the municipal gun buyback program fund to fund the program.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02449, [1/29/19](#)]

Interest Group Ratings

Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 81.7% From The National Rifle Association (NRA)

2018: Garbarino Received A 73% Rating From The National Rifle Association (NRA). [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2016: Garbarino Received A 93% Rating From The National Rifle Association (NRA). [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2012: Garbarino Received A 79% Rating From The National Rifle Association (NRA). [Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Received A 100% Rating From The New York State Rifle And Pistol Association

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Garbarino Received An Average Rating Of 95.5% From The New York Shooters Committee On Political Education

2016: Garbarino Received A 100% Rating From The New York Shooters Committee On Political Education.
[Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

2014: Garbarino Received A 91% Rating From The New York Shooters Committee On Political Education.
[Andrew Garbarino, VoteSmart, accessed [5/21/20](#)]

Health Care Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino voted against codifying New York's ACA exchange into state law
- ✓ Garbarino consistently voted against the New York Health Program—which provided comprehensive access to health insurance for New Yorkers
- ✓ Garbarino voted against extending eligibility under the basic health program to include immigrants
- ✓ Garbarino stated he was committed to ending the opioid crisis
 - ✓ Garbarino supported the use of Narcan to help combat the crisis and wanted to increase funding to help patients who have overdosed
 - ✓ However, he voted against requiring health insurance coverage for substance abuse disorders
- ✓ Garbarino supported legislation that required New York to take over the local share of Medicaid costs—even though critics said it would hurt Long Island
- ✓ Garbarino opposed single-payer health care system because it would eliminate jobs in the private health insurance sector
- ✓ Garbarino was concerned that the Child Victims Act—which expanded the window that victims of childhood sexual abuse could press charges against their attackers—would increase costs on the insurance industry
- ✓ Garbarino voted against requiring insurers to cover outpatient treatment for mental health treatment
- ✓ Garbarino voted against extending eligibility for the Child Health Insurance Plan to cover young adults
- ✓ Garbarino opposed the use of medical marijuana
 - ✓ He voted against adding coverage of medical marijuana to public insurance plans and opposed allowing the use of medical marijuana as an alternative to opioids
- ✓ Garbarino voted against requiring the county Health Commissioner to notify certain individuals of a public health emergency
- ✓ Garbarino voted against requiring children at daycares to be immunized against the flu
- ✓ In 2019, Garbarino voted against directing the Commissioner of Health to conduct a study on the number of emergency room beds in the state
- ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against a bill designed to restore fairness in the contracting process between health care providers and health care plans
- ✓ Garbarino voted against multiple bills designed to keep patients in health care facilities safe from abuse and sexual assault

Affordable Care Act (ACA)

Garbarino Voted Against Codifying New York's ACA Exchange Into State Law

Garbarino Opposed The FY 2020 State Budget

Garbarino Opposed The FY 2020 State Budget. “Officials confirmed that under New York State’s recently proposed 2019 budget, Islip Town stands to lose just under \$1.8 million in state aid. [...] New York State Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville) had the following to say regarding the cuts. ‘Every municipality that got money every year is losing it. It’s [Cuomo’s] way of saying, ‘now you don’t need that much money.’ I can’t wait for the local government committee meetings; I’m sure [Martinez] will work together with us on this. We’ll get from the local municipalities what services will be cut.’” [Long Island Advance, 1/24/19]

The Budget Codified New York's ACA Exchange Into State Law

The FY 2020 Budget Codified The ACA Into State Law. “Fearing the federal repeal of so-called Obamacare, New York plans to codify its state health exchange into law. So even if the federal government goes ahead with its repeal threat, New York would still have its New York State of Health, which serves more than 4.7 million residents.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

The New York State Health Benefit Exchange Was Created By The ACA And Covered Essential Benefits

The New York State Health Benefit Exchange Was Created By The ACA And Covered Essential Benefits. “New York State of Health is the official name of the New York State Health Plan Marketplace, also known as the New York State Health Benefit Exchange (NYSOH). The marketplace was created by the Affordable Care Act and is the place where New York’s individuals, families, and small businesses can shop for affordable health insurance. [...] Any NY health insurance plan sold through New York State Health Benefit Exchange will need to include coverage for medical services in the following 10 categories in accordance with the Affordable Care Act legislation: Ambulatory patient services, such as doctor’s visits and outpatient services; Emergency services; Hospitalization; Maternity and newborn care; Mental health and substance use disorder services, including behavioral health treatment; Prescription drugs; Rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices; Laboratory services; Preventive and wellness services and chronic disease management; Pediatric services, including oral and vision care. States will also play a role in determining which minimum essential benefits will be covered under the Affordable Care Act.” [New York Health Insurer, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

New York Health Program

Garbarino Consistently Voted Against The New York Health Program, Which Provided Comprehensive Access To Health Insurance For New Yorkers

The New York Health Act Would Establish A Single-Payer System That Covered All Medically Necessary Care

The New York Health Act Would Establish A Single-Payer System. “He has sponsored the New York Health Act in the Assembly since 1992. The Assembly has passed the bill, which would establish single-payer health care in New York, in the last four legislative sessions; now that the State Senate is also under Democratic control, it has a real opportunity to become law.” [Nation, [3/1/19](#)]

The New York Health Act Covered All New Yorkers And All Medically Necessary Care. “Each of us gets the healthcare we need through a just, equitable healthcare system that guarantees healthcare for every New York

resident as a fundamental human right, not just as a privilege. New York Health covers ALL medically necessary care, including medical, prescription, vision, dental, hearing, long-term care and support services, mental health and substance abuse treatment; and reproductive care. One comprehensive plan, freedom of provider choice, no more networks.” [Campaign for New York Health, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

New York Health Act Eliminated All Co-Pays, Deductibles, And Premiums. “New York Health pays for all covered services, giving it the power to eliminate waste and contain costs. No more co-pays, deductibles, or premiums! New York will actually save billions off current healthcare costs, and 90% of New Yorkers are expected to pay less than they currently do. New York Health is accountable only to the public. Doctors and nurses, not insurance companies, work with you to decide your care. This ensures that private profit never comes before public health.” [Campaign for New York Health, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against The New York Health Program

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05248, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05248, [2/28/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Establishment Of The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 46. [New York Assembly, Bill No A04738A, [6/14/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04738, [4/17/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04738, [3/13/18](#)]

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2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Health Plan. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05062A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 53. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05062A, [6/1/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05062A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 52. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05062A, [5/27/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Eligibility Under The Basic Health Program To Include Immigrants

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Eligibility Under The Basic Health Program To Include Immigrants. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10054, “An act to amend the social services law, in relation to eligibility under the basic health program. To extend eligibility under the Essential Plan to certain immigrant populations who are otherwise income eligible.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10054, [5/17/16](#)]

Opioid Crisis

Garbarino Hosted A Naloxone Training Session To Help Combat The Opioid Crisis

Garbarino Hosted A Naloxone Training Session To Help Combat The Opioid Crisis. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville), in partnership with Community Action for Social Justice (CASJ), will host a naloxone training on Wednesday, November 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Bay Shore-Brightwaters Library, 1 South Country Road, Brightwaters. All who pre-register are guaranteed a free naloxone kit. Register by calling 631-665-4350. ‘Opioid addiction has sadly impacted so many families and communities throughout Long Island. In the Assembly, we have been working on ways to come alongside those who need treatment, to provide support to communities, healthcare providers and law enforcement, and give tools to individuals to help save lives,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Health. ‘Naloxone is one of the most effective medications out there to save the life of someone who has overdosed on opioids. Equipping and training my constituents with this tool can ensure faster treatment to those who need it. I encourage everyone to attend this life-saving training.’ Naloxone is a life-saving and easy to administer nasal spray. The medication can reverse overdoses and increase the chances of survival from opioid overdoses.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, Facebook, [11/12/19](#)]

Garbarino Said The Opioid Crisis Was A “Disease That’s Affecting Everyone”

Garbarino Said The Opioid Crisis Was A “Disease That’s Affecting Everyone.” “The assemblyman called the opioid crisis a “disease that’s affecting everyone,” adding that more aid needs to be given to the victims. The number of beds at treatment facilities on Long Island should be increased, Garbarino added. He recalled an instance where a constituent told him about her son, who was suffering from drug addiction. The woman said that had her son not gotten a bed at a local treatment facility, he more than likely wouldn’t have stayed for treatment.” [Suffolk County News, 10/18/18]

Garbarino Supported The Use Of Narcan

Garbarino Supported The Use Of Narcan. “Garbarino also supports the use of Narcan. He recalled a Sayville Civic Association meeting where a police officer told him about two cases where overdose deaths were prevented by the medication. ‘It saves lives,’ Garbarino said. ‘You can’t just let [overdose victims] die.’” [Suffolk County News, 10/18/18]

Garbarino Voted Against Using Medical Marijuana To Combat Opioid Use

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Use Of Medical Marijuana To Substitute Opioids For Pain Management. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S08987A, “Relates to allowing for the use of medical marihuana as an alternative to opioids for pain management and substance use disorder.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 16. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S08987A, [6/20/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Opioid Use Disorder To A List Of Conditions Covered For Lawful Use Of Medical Marijuana. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09016, “Adds opioid use disorder to the list of

conditions covered for lawful medical use of marihuana.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 28. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09016, [6/6/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Coverage For Substance Abuse Disorders

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Insurers Providing Coverage Of Prescription Drugs For Opioid Addiction Must Also Provide Coverage Of Drugs For Substance Abuse Disorders. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04899, “Requires insurers providing coverage of prescription drugs for opioid addiction, to provide coverage of such prescription drugs prescribed for the treatment of substance abuse disorder.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04899C, [6/6/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Coverage For Substance Use Disorder Treatment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04731, “Requires health insurance coverage for substance use disorder treatment services.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04721, Bill No. A04721, [5/30/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Developing Guidelines For The Prescription Of Opioid Antagonists

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Health Commissioner To Develop Guidelines For The Prescription Of Opioid Antagonists. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10099, “Requires the commissioner of health to develop guidelines for the prescription of opioid antagonists.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 14 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10099, [6/5/18](#)]

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Garbarino Wanted To Increase Funding To Help Patients Who Overdosed. “Garbarino said more money has been put into the state budget to increase hospital stay for patients who have overdosed, required insurance companies to cover more issues related to addiction, and Albany has changed the procedure for dispensing opioid prescriptions. ‘But the state has to come up with the funding for more beds [for treatment],’ he added.” [Long Island Advance, 11/3/16]

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Garbarino Wanted More Funding For Drug Rehabilitation. “He wants to make college more affordable and is pushing for more funding for drug rehabilitation to help combat the opioid epidemic.” [Long Island Press, 11/7/16]

Garbarino Praised Steps Taken to Combat The Heroin Epidemic

Garbarino Praised The Senate And Governor For Taking Steps To Combat The Heroin Epidemic. “‘Today I commend the governor and Senate for joining us in bringing about additional funding and policy initiatives to address the crushing heroin epidemic in New York State,’ said Garbarino. ‘For months as the heroin crisis has swept the country with devastating force, the Assembly Minority has been across the state meeting with and talking to addicts as well as the families and friends of victims and these actions today are an indication of our diligent efforts. It’s difficult to believe that heroin has snuck its way into our schools and neighborhoods, but the unfortunate reality is that heroin addiction knows no bounds, and we must work not only as legislators but as a greater community to shut down this ugly drug.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/17/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Pharmacists To Offer Counseling And Referral Services For Injection Drug Abuse

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Pharmacists To Offer Counseling And Referral Services For Injection Drug Abuse. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10202, “Amends provisions for the sale and possession of hypodermic syringes and hypodermic needles; authorizes pharmacists to offer counseling and referral services for preventing injection drug abuse, drug treatment and other disease prevention, diagnosis and treatment.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10202, [5/25/16](#)]

Pharmaceuticals

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Telepharmacies

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Telepharmacies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04553, “Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04553, [5/14/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Telepharmacies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05091, “Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05091, [5/25/16](#)]

Medicaid

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Garbarino Criticized Medicaid And Said He Wanted To See More Seniors Covered. “And Medicaid is so bad right now. You want to make sure seniors are covered. There's got to be a way.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Supported Legislation That Required New York To Take Over The Local Share Of Medicaid Costs, Even Though Critics Said It Would Hurt Long Island

Garbarino Helped Introduce Legislation That Required New York To Take Over The Local Share Of Medicaid Costs, Which Were Among The Highest In The Country. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) and his Assembly Minority colleagues introduced legislation that would restructure the state’s Medicaid program, which is one of the costliest in the country. The legislation would require the state to take over the local share of Medicaid costs over a 10-year period for counties outside of New York City and over a 20-year period for 50 percent of New York City’s local share of Medicaid. [...] ‘Medicaid costs, padded by all the excessive mandated services by the state, have put great burdens on counties like Nassau and Long Island taxpayers. We simply cannot afford Medicaid unless serious changes are made,’ said Garbarino. ‘Our Medicaid restructuring plan would force the state to be responsible for its growth and to ensure it is running efficiently for those who do need its services and those who are paying for it. I think this plan is both fiscally smart and socially responsible.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [3/15/18](#)]

The Legislation Would Not Be Beneficial To All And Residents On Long Island And Other Suburbs Would Likely Benefit The Least. “Any plan to reduce or eliminate what local governments pay into New York’s Medicaid budget would inevitably create winners and losers. The Assembly Republicans’ version unveiled last month, is no exception. [...] Likely to come out behind are residents of Long Island and the downstate suburbs, where Medicaid costs are relatively low and state tax payments are relatively high.” [Empire Center, [4/19/18](#)]

The Proposed Legislation Did Not Include How The Takeover Would Be Financed. “Backers say they would finance the Medicaid takeover and other expenses by cutting costs elsewhere, including a 50% reduction in the film and TV production tax credit and elimination of the property tax rebate checks. However, those ideas are not included in the proposed legislation, would not cover the full cost of the proposed expenditures and could be implemented with or without a Medicaid takeover.” [Empire Center, [4/19/18](#)]

Garbarino Wanted The State To Assume Medicaid Costs

Garbarino Emphasized The Need For The State To Assume Medicaid Costs In A Budget Hearing.

“Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) at a recent Joint Legislative Budget Hearing on Health Care emphasized the need for the state to assume Medicaid costs, which burden local governments like Suffolk County. [...] ‘New York must carefully balance the health concerns of the public with fiscal responsibility. Over the years, New York has ignored this and grew our Medicaid program to one of the largest and most costly in the country. This expense has been passed on to our local governments and property taxpayers,’ said Garbarino, who sits on the Assembly Committee on Health.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/14/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04846, “Allows for speech, physical or occupational therapy under Medicaid beyond twenty visits where the provider of the therapy or services attests to the medical necessity of the additional visits.” The bill passed by the Health Committee by a vote of 21 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04846, [2/28/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07772, “Allows for speech, physical or occupational therapy under Medicaid beyond twenty visits where the provider of the therapy or services attests to the medical necessity of the additional visits.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 20 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07772, [5/23/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring Temporary Status Beneficiaries Received Medicaid Benefits If The Federal Government Ended The Program

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring That Temporary Status Beneficiaries Receive Medicaid Benefits If The Federal Government Ends The Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09594A, “Ensures that temporary protected status beneficiaries continue to receive Medicaid benefits if the federal government ends the program.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09594A, [4/24/18](#)]

Health Insurance Industry

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Provisions Related To Medical Malpractice Providers

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Provisions Related To Medical Malpractice Providers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06547, “Extends certain provisions related to medical malpractice providers.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06547, [6/21/19](#)]

Garbarino Was Concerned About Increased Costs On The Insurance Industry With The Child Victims Act

2019: The State Legislature Passed The Child Victims Act, That Included A Provision That Allowed Victims Of Childhood Sexual Abuse To Press Charges Against Their Attackers

The State Legislature Passed The Child Victims Act, That Included A Provision That Allowed Victims Of Childhood Sexual Abuse To Press Charges Against Their Attackers Within A One Year Window. “For now, however, one of the biggest issues facing the insurance industry is the passage of the Child Victims Act. One key provision of the law was a one-year ‘lookback window’ that opens on Aug. 14, which will allow victims of childhood sexual abuse to press charges against their attackers.” [City & State, 8/11/19]

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The Bill Increased Risk On The Insurance Agencies. “The new law pits insurers against organizations like the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York and the Boy Scouts of America, who want their insurance policies to cover the enormous financial liability that the new law creates for them. ‘The insurance industry itself is very, very much on its toes and they are going to react to an enhanced risk by evaluating that risk,’ state Senate Insurance Committee Chairman Neil Breslin said. ‘They’ll spread the risk, but it’ll cost more to insure.’” [City & State, 8/1/19]

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Garbarino Was Concerned That The Bill Would Increase Costs On The Insurance Industry. “This included gauging the impact of the ‘lookback window’ opened by the Child Victims Act. Like other issues, industry concerns centered less on the main thrust of the proposal and more on how they would increase costs on the industry – a top concern of GOP lawmakers as well. ‘Great ideas come with a cost,’ said Republican Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino, who sits on the Insurance Committee.” [City & State, 8/1/19]

Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Would Require Insurers To Cover Outpatient Treatment For Mental Health Treatments

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Policies To Cover Outpatient Treatment For Mental Health Treatments. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00670, “Requires blanket health insurance policies to provide coverage for outpatient treatment by mental health practitioners (mental health counsellors, marriage and family therapists, creative arts therapists and psychoanalysts) licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00670, [5/30/19](#)]

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2018: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Required Health Insurance Policies To Provide Coverage Of Outpatient Mental Health Treatment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02163, “Requires blanket health insurance policies to provide coverage for outpatient treatment by mental health practitioners (mental health counsellors, marriage and family therapists, creative arts therapists and psychoanalysts) licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02163, [6/20/18](#)]

Garbarino Opposed Single Payer Health Care System Because It Would Hurt The Private Health Insurance Sector

Garbarino Opposed Single Payer Because He Said It Would Eliminate Jobs In The Private Health Insurance Sector. “We’re having hearings on single-payer health care, which I’m against, because it would more than double the budget and it would mean tens of thousands of private health care insurance jobs eliminated.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Student Coverage For Up To Eighteen Months If They Are On Medical Leave

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Providing A Student Coverage For Up To Eighteen Months If They Are On Medical Leave From The School. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02421, “Provides that a student shall be eligible for up to eighteen months of coverage if such person is on medical leave from his or her school.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02421, [5/30/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Eligibility For Child Health Insurance Plan To Cover Young Adults

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Eligibility For Child Health Insurance Plan To Cover Young Adults. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08054A, “Extends eligibility for the child health insurance plan to young adults between the ages of 19 and 30 years of age.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08054A, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Definition Of Autism In Insurance Law

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Definition Of Autism For Education And Insurance Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01663C, “AN ACT to define the term ‘autism’ for the purposes of the education law and the mental hygiene law and the term ‘autism spectrum disorder’ for the purposes of the insurance law and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof.” The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01663C, [6/18/13](#)]

New York Required Every Insurance Policy To Provide Comprehensive Coverage For The Diagnosis And Treatment Of Autism Spectrum Disorder

New York Required Every Insurance Policy To Provide Comprehensive Coverage For The Diagnosis And Treatment Of Autism Spectrum Disorder. “New York Requires every policy which provides physician services, medical, major medical or similar comprehensive-type coverage to provide coverage for the screening, diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder. Coverage includes, therapeutic care, which is habilitative or nonrestorative, provided by a licensed or certified speech therapist.” [American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Freelancers Health Plan Demonstration Plan

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Freelancers Health Plan Demonstration Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06519, “Creates the freelancers health plan demonstration program; provides that such program would be a self-funded plan maintained by an association for the purpose of providing medical, surgical, or hospital services to independent workers; provides for an expiration of December 31, 2014.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06519, [6/17/13](#)]

Health Advocacy Issues

Garbarino Drafted A Resolution To Make May 2013 ROHHAD Awareness Month

Garbarino Drafted A Resolution To Make May 2013 “ROHHAD Awareness” Month. “In her honor, Marisa Carney, 7, of Bayport, and her family, including dad Bill, left, visited the State Assembly, which passed a resolution yesterday declaring May 2013 ROHHAD Awareness Month. Marisa suffers from the rare and incurable childhood disorder that causes breathing problems and rapid weight gain. Suffolk Assemb. Andrew Garbarino, right, and Al Graf drafted the resolution.” [Newsday, 5/1/13]

Garbarino Supported Legislation To Help Firefighters Cover Medical Costs

Garbarino Sponsored The Volunteer Firefighter Gap Coverage Cancer Disability Benefits Act, Which Would Create A Funding pool To Help With Healthcare Costs For Firefighters With Cancer. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) is pleased with the unanimous passage of the Volunteer Firefighter Gap Coverage Cancer Disability Benefits Act A.711-B in the Assembly, a bill which the assemblyman sponsored. [...] ‘Our volunteer firefighters do so much to save the lives of people in our communities every day. New York needs to be there for them when life becomes tough,’ said Garbarino. ‘Firefighting not only poses great immediate risks, but threats such as cancer become an issue, due to long-term exposure of chemicals and carcinogenic particulates. This is just one of the many ways we can show our gratitude and thanks.’ [...] The bill, when signed into law, would create a funding pool to help with the costs of care for volunteer firefighters who develop certain types of cancers known to be related to their work. The coverage would apply to partial and full disability, as well as assist families who lose a loved one to such cancers.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [6/20/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted For Several Bills To Give More Agency And Accessibility To Those With Disabilities

Garbarino Voted To Approve Several Pieces Of Legislation Aimed At Giving More Agency And Accessibility To Those With Disabilities. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) voted to approve several pieces of legislation aimed at giving more agency and accessibility to those with disabilities. The bills were voted on as part of Legislative Disability Day in the Capitol, which serves to celebrate those with disabilities and bring attention to their needs. ‘When we have the opportunities to support those with disabilities, I will gladly stand with them and vote for legislation to help improve accessibility and their rights,’ said Garbarino. ‘Today we voted to improve employment and home accessibility, along with many other facets of life. New York is an inclusive state and I am proud to help move our state further into that positive direction.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/29/19](#)]

A. 163 Improved Voter Access. “Requires the state board of elections to create a system to allow a copy of the candidate and contest information contained on each ballot style submitted by each county board of elections to be accessible to the public via web.” [New York State Assembly, accessed [1/15/20](#)]

A. 7251 Extended A Requirement College Textbooks And Materials Be Made Available Digitally Into 2022. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/29/19](#)]

A. 1092 Waived The State’s Immunity To Liabilities From Federal Laws Relating To Disabled Individuals. “Waives the state’s sovereign immunity to liability for violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, and the Family and Medical Leave Act; also waives the immunity of all instrumentalities and political subdivisions of the state.” [New York State Assembly, accessed [1/15/20](#)]

A. 2493 Created A Pilot Program Providing A Tax Credit To Individuals To Retrofit And Modify Dwellings To Accommodate Those With Mobility Limitations And The Aging. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/29/19](#)]

A. 7475 Established A Small Business Tax Credit For The Employment Of Disabled Persons. [New York State Assembly, accessed [1/15/20](#)]

A. 4737 Established An Office For Disabled Individuals To Advocate For Disabled Individuals. “Establishes the office of the advocate for people with disabilities to advocate on behalf of persons with disabilities and assure that persons with disabilities are afforded the opportunity to exercise all of the rights and responsibilities accorded to citizens of the state of New York.” [New York State Assembly, accessed [1/15/20](#)]

A. 7492 Ensured Coverage From Medicaid For Complex Rehabilitation Technology For Patients With Complex Medical Needs. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/29/19](#)]

Garbarino Praised Cuomo For Signing Legislation To Restore \$90 Million In Funding For People With Developmental Disabilities

Garbarino Praised Cuomo For Signing Legislation To Restore \$90 Million In Funding For People With Developmental Disabilities. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) applauded Gov. Cuomo, who recently signed legislation that restores \$90 million in funding for people with developmental disabilities that was cut from the original 2013-2014 budget. [...] ‘I am very pleased that this much-needed funding has been restored,’ said Garbarino. ‘Our commitment to this valuable population is necessary, as these are among the most vulnerable citizens in our state. The restored funds are crucial to ensuring safety and quality of life for the developmentally disabled. I am hopeful that this legislation will lead to new ideas and programs to improve conditions in New York for people with developmental disabilities.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [10/7/13](#)]

Medical Marijuana

Garbarino Voted Against Adding Coverage Of Medical Marijuana To Public Insurance Plans

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Coverage Of Medical Marijuana To Public Insurance Plans.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02824, “An act to amend the public health law and the social services law, in relation to health coverage for medical marihuana To add coverage of medical marijuana to public insurance programs and clarify that it may be covered by private insurance.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 24 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02824, [1/22/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Medical Marijuana Use As Part Of A Patient’s Treatment

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Medical Marijuana Use As Part Of A Patient’s Treatment.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07467A, “Provides that medical marihuana may be used as part of the treatment of a patient's condition and removes the ‘serious’ designation of such condition; provides that a practitioner be authorized to prescribe controlled substances in the state and removes the requirement that a physician prescribe such medical marihuana; increases the supply amount of marihuana from thirty to sixty days; allows a designated caregiver facility or designated caregiver facility employee to possess, acquire, deliver, transfer, transport or administer medical marihuana; requires the commissioner of health to establish a medical marihuana research license; establishes a medical marihuana research program; requires the registration of designated caregiver facilities; authorizes the commissioner of health to approve and permit one or more independent laboratories to test medical marihuana; increases the number of dispensing sites of a registered organization from four to eight; and makes related provisions.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 22 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07467A, [5/21/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Use Of Medical Marijuana As An Alternate To Opioids**2018: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Use Of Medical Marijuana As An Alternate To Opioids.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11011B, “Relates to allowing for the use of medical marihuana as an alternative to opioids for pain management and substance use disorder.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11011B, [6/11/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Use Of Medical Marijuana As An Alternate To Opioids.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11011B, “Relates to allowing for the use of medical marihuana as an alternative to opioids for pain management and substance use disorder.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 25 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11011B, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Adding Opioid Use Disorder As A Condition Covered By Medical Marijuana**2018: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Opioid Use Disorder As A Condition Covered By Medical Marijuana.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09016, “Adds opioid use disorder to the list of conditions covered for lawful medical use of marihuana.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09016, [1/23/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Medical Marijuana To Treat Chronic Pain

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Medical Marijuana To Treat Chronic Pain. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09514, “Authorizes the use of medical marihuana for severe chronic pain not associated with another listed condition.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 21 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09514, [5/23/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Legalizing Medical Marijuana

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Legalizing Medical Marijuana. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06357E, “Relates to the medical use of marihuana; legalizes the possession, manufacture, use, delivery, transport or administration of medical marihuana by a designated caregiver for a certified medical use; prescribes procedures for such possession, acquisition, etc. including certification of patients by their practitioner, and that, in the practitioner's professional judgment, the patient would receive therapeutic or palliative benefit from use of medical marihuana.” The bill was passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A06357E, [5/27/14](#)]

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...However, He Later Voted For A More Restrictive Proposal

Garbarino Voted Against A Medical Marijuana Proposal But Later Supported A More Restrictive Proposal.

“More than 20 Assembly members who voted ‘no’ in May on a bill to create a medical marijuana program voted ‘yes’ Friday on a more restrictive proposal. Six were Long Island Republicans: Brian Curran of Lynbrook, Andrew Garbarino of Sayville, Al Graf of Holbrook, David McDonough of Merrick, Anthony Palumbo of New Suffolk and Joseph Saladino of Massapequa.” [Newsday, 6/23/14]

2014: Garbarino Later Voted To Legalize Medical Marijuana. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A06357E, “Relates to the medical use of marihuana; legalizes the possession, manufacture, use, delivery, transport or administration of medical marihuana by a designated caregiver for a certified medical use; prescribes procedures for such possession, acquisition, etc. including certification of patients by their practitioner, and that, in the practitioner's professional judgment, the patient would receive therapeutic or palliative benefit from use of medical marihuana.” The bill was passed by a vote of 117 – 13. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A06357E, [6/20/14](#)]

Public Health

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The County Health Commissioner To Notify Individuals Of A Public Health Emergency

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The County Health Commissioner To Notify Certain Individuals Of Emergencies Creating A Risk To Public Health And Safety. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02885, “Requires the county health commissioner to notify certain individuals in the event of an emergency creating an imminent risk to public health and safety.” The bill passed the health committee by a vote of 18 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02885, [2/4/20](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The County Health Commissioner to Notify Individuals Of A Public Health Emergency. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00187, “Requires the county health commissioner to notify certain individuals in the event of an emergency creating an imminent risk to public health and safety.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00187, [3/4/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Children At Daycare To Be Immunized Against The Flu

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Children At A Day Care Center To Be Immunized Against The Flu. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01230A, “This bill would require any child entering a licensed and registered child daycare home, program, or facility to be immunized with adequate doses against influenza virus.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01230, [5/16/17](#)]

Patients’ Rights

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting The Release Of Personal Medical Records Without Authorization From The Individual

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting The Release Of Personal Medical Records Without Authorization From The Individual. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05355, “Prohibits the release of personal medical records or information without a warrant or express written authorization of the individual; prohibits the condition of the consent of release for an application.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05355, [6/5/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring A Doctor To Obtain Informed Consent From A Patient Before Prescribing Psychiatric Drugs

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring A Doctor To Obtain Informed Consent From A Patient Before Prescribing Psychiatric Drugs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02217, “Requires a doctor to obtain the informed consent of patients prior to prescribing psychiatric drugs notifying the patients of possible adverse effects of the drug.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02217, [5/14/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring A Doctor To Obtain Informed Consent From A Patient Before Prescribing Psychiatric Drugs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02214, “Requires a doctor to obtain the informed consent of patients prior to prescribing psychiatric drugs notifying the patients of possible adverse effects of the drug.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02214, [5/25/16](#)]

Health Care Facilities & Workers

Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Commissioner Of Health To Conduct A Study Related To The Number Of Emergency Room Beds In The State

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Commissioner Of Health To Conduct A Study Relating To The Number Of Emergency Room Beds In The State. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06832, “Directs the commissioner of health to conduct a study relating to the number of emergency room beds in the state and to make recommendations on the minimum number of emergency rooms required per capita and the maximum distance patients shall be expected to travel to access emergency room services.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06832, [6/13/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Bill Designed To Restore Fairness In The Contracting Process Between Health Care Providers And Health Care Plans

2019: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill Designed To Restore Fairness In The Contracting Process Between Health Care Providers And Health Care Plans. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02393, “An act to amend the public health law, in relation to requirements for collective negotiations by health care providers with certain health benefit plans. This bill is designed to restore fairness in the contracting process between physicians and large managed care plans by allowing doctors to join together to negotiate contract provisions. This legislation would not authorize strikes of health benefit plans by physicians.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 19 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02393, [5/7/19](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill Designed To Restore Fairness In The Contracting Process Between Health Care Providers And Health Care Plans. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04472, “This bill is designed to restore fairness in the contracting process between physicians and large managed care plans by allowing doctors to join together to negotiate contract provisions. This legislation would not authorize strikes of health benefit plans by physicians.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 21 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04472, [2/14/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Criminal History Background Checks For Maintenance Employees In Residential Health Facilities

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Criminal History Background Checks For Maintenance Employees In Adults And Residential Health Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04304, “An act to amend the social services law and the public health law, in relation to criminal history records of maintenance employees in adult residential health and assisted living facilities. To provide criminal history background checks

of supportive maintenance employees in adult and residential health facilities and assisted living facilities, similar to checks completed on nursing home employees.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04304, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Care Facilities To Report Sexual Offense Incidents To The Department Of Health And Education

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Care Facilities To Report Sexual Offense Incidents To The Department Of Health And Education. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05474, “Requires health care facilities to report incidents of a sexual offense to the departments of health and education.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05474, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Nursing Shortage Correction Act

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Nursing Shortage Correction Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04491, “Enacts the New York state nursing shortage correction act; establishes the New York state nursing recruitment incentive and retention program; defines terms; provides for tuition benefits and the reimbursement of student loans if a person is a registered and licensed nurse; provides that SUNY and CUNY shall pay for a person's education if such person signs a contract stating that he or she shall work in New York state as a registered nurse; makes related provisions; establishes the New York state nursing recruitment incentive and retention account.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04491, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Hospital-Sponsored Off Campus Emergency Departments

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Hospital-Sponsored Off Campus Emergency Departments. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02437A, “Establishes hospital-sponsored off campus emergency departments as a ‘hospital’ and sets out specific standards for operations, staffing and capacity requirements.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02437, [6/15/17](#)]

Garbarino Called For The Passage Of A Bill That Would Require Human Service Workers To Report Suspected Abuse Of Vulnerable Individuals

Garbarino Called For The Passage Of A Bill That Would Require Human Services Workers To Report Suspected Abuse Of Vulnerable Individuals In The Care Of The State. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I,Ref-Sayville) is joining Michael and Lisa Carey and a group of bi-partisan legislators to call for passage of A.6830, a bill that would require human services workers to report suspected abuse and unexplained injuries of vulnerable individuals in the care of the state by calling 9-1-1 and the district attorney’s office. [...] ‘Vulnerable New Yorkers are targets of abuse each day by heartless individuals and it goes unreported. Such was the case of young Jonathan Carey, who at 13 lost his life due to abuse inflicted by one of his caregivers,’ said Garbarino, who is one of the bill sponsors. ‘The New York Legislature must stop stalling on this bill and bring reform and some justice to the Carey family and any others suffering from abuse today.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [6/6/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Reimbursements For Municipalities To Maintain Low Costs At Community Hospitals

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Reimbursements For Municipalities To Maintain Low Costs At Community Hospitals. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02392, “An act to amend the public health law, in relation to providing reimbursement to municipalities for certain services. The purpose of the bill is to continue to enable counties without community hospitals to provide efficient low cost clinical health care at an affordable price

and to receive reimbursement under Title 6 that counties with hospitals receive for emergency room care.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 16 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02392, [6/14/16](#)]

End Of Life Care

Garbarino Voted Against Amending Health NY To Include Hospice Coverage

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Amending Health NY To Include Hospice Coverage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02420, “Currently the HEALTHY NY insurance coverage does not have a hospice benefit. This legislation would allow patients and families to access end-of-life care that hospice provides. Many sick or terminally ill patients/or their families will seek care through their local emergency departments, thus driving up costs significantly. Hospice services provide the tools necessary to keep patients in their own homes without repeated hospitalizations.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02420, [5/30/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Medically Competent, Terminally Ill Patients From Self Administering Medication To Hasten Their Death

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Medically Competent, Terminally Ill Patients From Self Administering Medication To Hasten Their Death. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10059, “To provide that a mentally competent, terminally ill patient may request medication to be self-administered for the purpose of hastening the patient's death provided the requirements set forth in the act are met, and to provide certain protection and immunities to health care providers and other persons, including a physician who prescribes medication in compliance with the provisions of the article to the terminally ill patient to be self-administered by the patient.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 14 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10059, [5/23/16](#)]

Housing Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against a landmark bill to protect tenants and provide affordable housing*
 - ✓ *The bill dramatically reduced rent increases allowed on rent-controlled apartments*
 - ✓ *Garbarino said the bill was “close to insanity” because it would dissuade landlords from making improvements to their properties*
- ✓ *In 2015, Garbarino called for a new foreclosure process to remedy the number of “zombie homes”*
 - ✓ *However, in 2019, he voted against the Zombie Property Remediation Act of 2019*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against multiple bills that aimed to protect tenants from harmful landlord practices*
 - ✓ *He voted against requiring landlords to mitigate damages if a tenant breaks a lease*
 - ✓ *He voted against establishing harassment of rent-regulated tenants as a crime three times*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against multiple bills that aimed to regulate and control landlord pricing practices*

Affordable Housing

Garbarino Voted Against The Private Housing Finance Law

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Private Housing Finance Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04133, “AN ACT to amend the private housing finance law, in relation to the aggregate annual income of low income persons or families eligible for accommodations in a company project.” The bill passed by a vote of 137 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04133, [6/11/19](#)]

Garbarino Said A Landmark Bill To Protect Tenants And Provide Affordable Housing Was “Close To Insanity”

Garbarino Voted Against The Housing Stability And Tenant Protection Act

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The “Housing Stability And Tenant Protection Act Of 2019.” Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06458, “Enacts the ‘Housing Stability and Tenant Protection act of 2019’; extends and makes certain provisions of law permanent relating to rent control and rent stabilization (Part A); repeals provisions of law relating to rent increases after vacancy of housing accommodations (Part B); relates to vacancy of certain housing accommodations (Part C); relates to vacancies in certain housing accommodations and repeals various provisions of law relating to vacancy decontrol (Part D); relates to regulation of rents (Part E); relates to investigation of rent overcharge complaints (Part F); establishes the ‘statewide tenant protection act of 2019’; expands rent and eviction protections statewide (Part G); relates to rent adjustments and prohibition of fuel pass-along charges (Part H); relates to recovery of certain housing accommodations (Part I); relates to not-for-profits use of certain residential dwellings (Part J); relates to the temporary increase in rent in certain cases (Part K); enacts the ‘rent regulation reporting act of 2019’ (Part L); enacts the ‘statewide housing security and tenant protection act of

2019' (Part M); relates to conversions to cooperative or condominium ownership in New York city (Part N); and relates to the duties and responsibilities of manufactured home park owners and residents (Part O)." The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06458, [6/14/19](#)]

2019: New York State Legislature Passed A Landmark Law To Protect Tenants And Expand Affordable Housing

2019: New York State Legislature Passed A Landmark Law To Protect Tenants And Expand Affordable Housing. "A landmark law to protect tenants statewide and foster affordable housing was passed by the State Legislature Friday and signed into law by Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo. [...] The bill passed 36-26 along party lines in the Democratic-led Senate and 95-41 in the Assembly soon after. It is an extension of the rent law, which was due to expire Saturday. Assemb. Jeffrey Dinowitz (D-Bronx) said his bill is a major win for tenants after an erosion of tenant rights in past legislation led by the former Republican majority of the Senate since the 1990s." [Newsday, 6/15/19]

The Law Dramatically Reduced Rent Increases Allowed On Rent-Controlled Apartments

The Law Dramatically Reduced Rent Increases Allowed On Rent-Controlled Apartments. "The law dramatically reduces the rent increases that can be imposed on tenants in rent-controlled apartments and places more mandates on landlords to make repairs and improvements without increasing rents. For the first time, the law also may apply to communities throughout the state with a shortage of apartments and mobile homes. The bill is a departure from past extensions and revisions of the state rent law that governs the real estate industry, which has long been a major lobbying force and a top campaign contributor. The previous Republican Senate majority had secured repeated protections for landlords, who operate under a limited profit margin when they have rent-controlled apartments. Republicans had argued the best way to provide affordable housing was to make it more profitable for developers, with greater latitude to evict and avoid bad tenants." [Newsday, 6/15/19]

Garbarino Said The Bill Was "Close To Insanity"

Garbarino Said The Bill Was "Close To Insanity." "Republicans, however, warned that it will dissuade landlords from making improvements to their properties while stifling the development of sorely needed affordable housing because the profit incentive will be capped. 'This is close to insanity,' said Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville). 'Landowners are losing the right to their properties!'" [Newsday, 6/15/19]

Garbarino Questioned The State Foreclosure Process, After Reports That It Led To "Zombie Homes"

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Zombie Property Remediation Act Of 2019

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The "Zombie Property Remediation Act Of 2019." Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05079A, "Enacts the 'zombie property remediation act of 2019'. AN ACT to amend the real property actions and proceedings law, in relation to authorizing municipalities to compel mortgagees either to complete a mortgage foreclosure proceeding pursuant to article 13 of the real property actions and proceedings law or to issue a certificate of discharge of the mortgage for any property which has been certified abandoned pursuant to section 1971 of the real property actions and proceedings law." [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05079A, [6/20/19](#)]

2015: However, He Previously Called For A New State Foreclosure Process To Remedy The Number Of "Zombie Homes"

Garbarino Called For A New State Foreclosure Process To Remedy The Number Of “Zombie Homes” The Current Process Created. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) recently questioned the long-standing foreclosure process in New York following news that Long Island leads the state in ‘zombie’ homes. [...] ‘The number of zombie homes on Long Island is concerning, and we need to find solutions immediately,’ said Garbarino. ‘Suffolk County has a vastly disproportionate number of ‘zombie’ homes, and it is negatively affecting our communities. New York has left these areas trapped in a web of red tape, unable to move forward with the foreclosure process. Between municipal expenses to maintain these homes and depreciated home values, we are witnessing costs upwards of nearly \$300 million. We cannot stand by and watch when we know our current policy has been ineffective; a new strategy is needed.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [6/16/15](#)]

Zombie Homes Were Abandoned And Deteriorating Homes Often Resulting From Owners Falling Behind On Mortgage Payments. “As a result of the crisis, as Fox 5 New York reported, there are at least 2,000 abandoned and deteriorated homes in the foreclosure process across New York City—particularly in neighborhoods in Central Brooklyn, Southeast Queens, northern Staten Island, and parts of the Bronx—according to the city’s Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD). These properties, which HPD calls ‘zombie homes,’ often fall into disrepair when owners fall behind on mortgage payments. Aside from being neighborhood ‘eyesores,’ these properties often attract squatters, and can become overrun with rodents and trash.” [New York City Housing Preservation & Development, [11/25/19](#)]

Homeowner Issues

Garbarino Voted Against Reforming Statutory Short Form Powers Of Attorney For Estate Planning

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Reforming Statutory Short Form Powers Of Attorney For Financial And Estate Planning. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05630, “Reforms the statutory short form and other powers of attorney for purposes of financial and estate planning.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05630, [6/20/19](#)]

Garbarino Supported Legislation Providing Appeal Of Disputes Between Shareholders And Boards Of Directors Of Residential Cooperative Corporations

Garbarino Sponsored A. 04843, Which Provided For The Appeal Of Disputes Between Shareholders And Boards Of Directors Of Residential Cooperative Corporations. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

Garbarino Criticized A Fee Imposed On Homeowners Purchasing Or Selling A House Or Refinancing A Mortgage

Op-Ed: Garbarino Criticized A Fee Imposed On Homeowners Purchasing Or Selling A House Or Refinancing A Mortgage. “Furthermore, the governor and the Democrats in the Senate and Assembly legalized a fee on Suffolk County homeowners which is imposed on the purchasing or selling of a home or refinancing a mortgage, and will cost a homeowner up to \$1, 000.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Op-Ed, 4/11/19]

Landlord & Tenant Issues

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Landlords To Mitigate Damages If A Tenant Breaks A Lease

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Landlords To Mitigate Damages If A Tenant Breaks The Terms Of The Lease. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01973A, “Requires landlords to mitigate damages if a tenant

vacates a premises in violation of the terms of the lease.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01973A, [5/8/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Landlords To Mitigate Damages If A Tenant Breaks A Lease.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06967, “Requires landlords to mitigate damages if a tenant vacates a premises in violation of the terms of the lease.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06967, [5/15/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Harassment Of A Renter As A Crime

The Bill Protected Rent-Regulated Tenants From Landlord Harassment

The Bill Protected Rent-Regulated Tenants From Landlord Harassment. “There’s a new law that protects tenants from landlord harassment. Meet law A.6188/S.2605. On December 3, Governor Andrew Cuomo signed into law Attorney general Letitia James’ program bill that protects rent-regulated tenants from landlord harassment. The law prevents landlords “from creating unsafe, disruptive, or uninhabitable conditions in order to force tenants out of their homes,” the law states. As per the new law, a landlord who engages in behavior such as creating unsafe conditions as an attempt to take out rent-regulated tenants from apartments can now be charged with a Class A misdemeanor. If landlords do it for more than one tenant, then they could be charged with a Class A felony.” [Bklyner, [12/4/19](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Protecting Rent-Regulated Tenants From Harassment

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Harassment Of A Renter As A Crime. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06188, “Relates to harassment of a rent regulated tenant; establishes the crimes of harassment of a rent regulated tenant in the first and second degree.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06188, [3/26/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Harassment Of A Rent Tenant A Crime. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06188, “Relates to harassment of a rent regulated tenant; establishes the crimes of harassment of a rent regulated tenant in the first and second degree.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06188, [3/5/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Harassment Of A Renter As A Crime. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07992A, “Relates to harassment of a rent regulated tenant; establishes the crimes of harassment of a rent regulated tenant in the first and second degree.” The bill passed by a vote of 107 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07992A, [5/14/18](#)]

Landlord Pricing Practices

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Department Of Financial Services To Make Recommendations About Lending Practices To Landlords. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03275B, “Directs the department of financial services to study, evaluate and make recommendations concerning lending practices by financial institutions to landlords acquiring property that includes small business and/or rent-regulated tenants; requires a report on the department's findings and recommendations for legislative action within eighteen months.” The bill passed by a vote of 120 – 28. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03275B, [6/18/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Landlords From Charging Tenants Applications Fees Greater Than The Costs Of A Credit Check. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03325, “Allows landlords to charge potential tenants application fees no greater than the actual cost of a credit check or related services paid to a third party by the landlord, and in no event shall such fee exceed \$30.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03325, [6/11/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Tolling The Four Year Statute Of Limitations On Rent Overcharges.

Garbarino voted against bill No. A09816, “Tolls the four year statute of limitations look back period on rent overcharges where the owner of a housing accommodation acts in a wrongful or fraudulent manner.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09816, [5/15/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Owners From Adjusting Preferential Rent Upon A Lease

Renewal. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06285, “Prohibits an owner from adjusting the amount of preferential rent, rent charged and paid by the tenant which is less than the legal regulated rent for the housing accommodation, upon the renewal of a lease; only allows the owner to make such adjustments upon a vacancy which is not the result of the failure of the owner to maintain a habitable residence.” The bill was passed by a vote of 94 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06285, [5/14/18](#)]

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2016: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Owners From Adjusting Preferential Rent To Tenants

Renewing A Lease. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03809A, “Prohibits an owner from adjusting the amount of preferential rent, rent charged and paid by the tenant which is less than the legal regulated rent for the housing accommodation, upon the renewal of a lease; only allows the owner to make such adjustments upon a vacancy which is not the result of the failure of the owner to maintain a habitable residence.” The bill was passed by a vote of 90 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03909A, [6/9/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Law Related To Rent Regulations Until June 2015.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05997, “Relates to rent control; extends various provisions of law relating to rent regulations until and including June 23, 2015.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05997, [6/18/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Landlord’s Ability To Take Possession Of Units. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05177, “Relates to recovery of certain housing accommodations by a landlord; limits a landlord's ability to take possession of units for their own primary residence; permits recovery of only one unit, and restricts such ability if the tenant has occupied the apartment for twenty or more years.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05177, [5/13/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Rent Increases After The Vacancy Of A Housing Accommodation.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05178, “Limits the amount of rent increase after the vacancy of a housing accommodation.” The bill passed by a vote of 84 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05178, [5/13/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Declaring Housing Emergencies For Rental Housing Accommodations Located In Limited-Profit Housing Companies.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04051, “Provides for the declaration of housing emergencies for rental housing accommodations located in buildings owned by certain limited-profit housing companies.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04051, [5/12/14](#)]

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2013: Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Rent Increases After The Vacancy Of A Housing Accommodation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05178, “Limits the amount of rent increase after the vacancy of a housing accommodation.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 50. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05178, [6/13/13](#)]

Garbarino Sponsored A Change.org Petition To Eliminate “Pet Rent”

Garbarino Sponsored A Change.org Petition To Eliminate “Pet Rent.” “Pets are important in our lives. They reduce stress and add to the safety of our communities. For a landlord to charge an extra monthly fee PER PET, should be illegal. All they need is a security deposit to cover any damages that may occur in an apartment, to be forfeited by the human being that signed the lease! My cat cannot get a job or be responsible for the condition of an apartment, it is ridiculous to charge it rent, let alone the sizable, NON REFUNDABLE deposit that most landlords also require. Legislators, please fight for lifestyle equality. Please outlaw these insane policies.” [Make ‘Pet Rent’ Illegal Petition, Change.org, accessed [5/27/20](#)]

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Immigration & Border Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the New York DREAM Act ten times*
 - ✓ *The New York DREAM Act provided and expanded educational opportunities to the children of immigrants*
 - ✓ *Garbarino opposed a proposal to tie funding for the Tuition Assistant Program to the passage of the DREAM Act*
- ✓ *Garbarino called the DREAM Act's inclusion in the state budget a "politically-charged agenda"*

DACA, DAPA & The DREAM Act

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against The New York DREAM Act, Which Provided Educational Opportunities To Children Of Immigrants

The New York DREAM Act Advanced Educational Opportunities To Children Of Immigrants

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Jose Peralta New York State DREAM Act, Which Would Advance Educational Opportunities To Children Of Immigrants. “The education law is amended by adding a new section 609-a to read as follows: § 609-a. New York DREAM fund commission. 1. (a) There shall be created a New York DREAM fund commission which shall be committed to advancing the educational opportunities of the children of immigrants.” [New York State Assembly, [1/23/19](#)]

The DREAM Act Opened The Doors Of Higher Education Opportunities. “The Senator José Peralta New York State DREAM Act gives undocumented and other students access to New York State-administered grants and scholarships that support their higher education costs. The DREAM Act opens the doors of higher education to thousands of students, providing access to the new Excelsior Scholarship, the Tuition Assistance Program, as well as other state-administered scholarships that were not previously available to them.” [New York State Higher Education Services Corporation, accessed [5/26/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The DREAM Act 10 Times

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01250, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01250, [1/23/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09605A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No A09605, [2/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09605A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends

eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 14 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09605A, [2/5/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03039, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 51. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03039, [2/6/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03039, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03039, [1/31/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04311A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04411A, [6/6/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04311A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04411A, [2/26/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09640, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 84 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09640, [6/2/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02597, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02597, [2/25/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02597, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02597, [5/21/13](#)]

Garbarino Opposed A Proposal To Tie Funding For The Tuition Assistant Program To The Passage Of The DREAM Act

2015: Garbarino Opposed A Proposal To Tie Funding For The Tuition Assistant Program To The Passage Of The DREAM Act. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R, C, I-Sayville) today panned a proposal to tie funding for the state’s Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) to passage of the highly controversial DREAM Act, which provides college grants to undocumented immigrants. This ill-conceived proposal introduced by the governor jeopardizes the college tuition aid of hardworking students in favor of undocumented immigrants. Garbarino is completely against this proposal and is working with his colleagues to make sure that college tuition aid is not threatened in the state budget. [...] Our children should come before the agenda of those who are undocumented.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/25/15](#)]

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"Their budget has been peppered with a politically-charged agenda, which includes policies such as the DREAM Act that would provide free college tuition to illegal immigrants." [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [1/16/17](#)]

Infrastructure & Transportation Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino called for a \$150 million increase in funding to the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program*
- ✓ *In 2018, Garbarino announced \$3 million for the Patchogue Village train station in order to decrease train noises*
- ✓ *Garbarino pushed to include MacArthur Airport in the Start-Up NY Program, which would make the area a tax free zone*
 - ✓ *Garbarino argued that the airport should be an economic driver for Long Island*
- ✓ *In 2019, Garbarino criticized the removal of the Extreme Winter Recovery Act from the budget*
 - ✓ *The Act aimed to repair roads and bridges from winter damage*
- ✓ *Garbarino pushed for sewers near the Great South Bay and was a longtime advocate for sewer installation*
- ✓ *Garbarino criticized the New York MTA for wanting to raise prices for Long Islanders*
- ✓ *In 2016, Garbarino pressured the New York State Department of Transportation to prioritize roadwork on Route 112*

Funding

2019: Garbarino Supported Congress' Infrastructure Bill

2019: Garbarino Supported Congress' Infrastructure Bill. “One thing Congress has been trying to pass is the infrastructure bill. On infrastructure, the Long Island Expressway, with its potholes, could use a lot of help. People say this is a national politics bill, that you can't pass anything that affects local. But the LIE affects quality of life.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

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Garbarino Called For \$150 Million Increase In Funding To The Consolidated Local Street And Highway Improvement Program. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) joined local highway superintendents calling for a \$150 million increase in funding to the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) for a total of \$588 million in the 2019-20 budget. Additionally, they are fighting for the restoration of \$65 million for the extreme winter recovery fund. ‘The state must invest in local roads and bridges to keep our roadways safe for motorists and pedestrians throughout Long Island,’ said Garbarino. ‘The reliability of our infrastructure impacts safety, emergency service’s response, economic development and overall quality of life in our communities. We must remain committed to support the good work of our local highway departments in maintaining and repairing our roads.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [3/6/19](#)]

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“Earlier this week, Assemb. Dean Murray (R, C, I-East Patchogue), Andrew Garbarino (R, C, I-Sayville) and Senate majority leader John Flanagan (R, C, I-East Northport) announced a total of \$3 million had been awarded to the Patchogue Village train station through a state capital investment project to quell idling train noise. [...]

According to Murray, noise complaints and other quality-of-life issues associated with idling locomotives will be addressed through this major capital investment, which will add a new rail siding to the west of the station, further away from residential areas of the village. Once construction is complete, he said, the new siding will allow once-idling trains to continue to be service-ready with less noise to the residents. ‘Locomotives don’t switch off and on like cars, but my constituents should not have to put up with the noise and fumes that result from the long idling times involved in putting them into service,’ added Garbarino.” [Long Island Advance, 11/1/18]

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Garbarino Called For The Inclusion Of MacArthur Airport In Start-Up NY During A Joint Legislative Economic Development Hearing. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [1/13/20](#)] (VIDEO)

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Start-Up NY Provided Tax-Based Incentives And Academic Partnerships To New And Expanding Businesses. “START-UP NY helps new and expanding businesses through tax-based incentives and innovative academic partnerships. START-UP NY offers new and expanding businesses the opportunity to operate tax-free for 10 years on or near eligible university or college campuses in New York State. Partnering with these schools gives businesses direct access to advanced research laboratories, development resources and experts in key industries.” [Empire State Development, accessed [1/13/20](#)]

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Sewage

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Public Utilities Companies To Repair Damaged Sewer Or Water Pipes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05254C, “Requires public utility companies to repair or replace all damaged residential lateral sewer and water pipes where such damage was caused by such public utility company.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05254C, [5/30/19](#)]

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Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino) is continually working to secure the necessary funding and make the idea a reality.” [Islip Bulletin, 4/21/16]

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Garbarino Announced That Islip Would Enter Into A Contract With An Engineering Firm To Assess The Feasibility Of A Sewage System. “At last Monday's Oakdale Civic Association meeting, 7th District Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (pictured here addressing the group) gave an update on plans to potentially develop a new sewage district within the Oakdale community. He said that over the next few weeks, the Town of Islip would be entering into a contract with an engineering firm to conduct a six-to-seven-month planning feasibility study regarding the design and development of such a system. The goal of the study is to determine where the district could be situated and how much ground it would cover.” [Suffolk County News, 9/12/13]

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Transportation

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Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Advisory Board For Upstate Transit Funding

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Temporary Advisory Board For Upstate Transit Funding. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02083A, “Relates to establishing the temporary advisory board for upstate transit funding.” The bill passed by a vote of 121 – 15. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02083A, [6/15/17](#)]

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Garbarino Urged The NYSDOT To Make Sure Route 112 Project Did Not Fall On The Back Burner. “After an over-month delay of the much heralded Route 112 paving project in Patchogue, the New York State Department of Transportation announced the project will move forward this year after replacing and repairing the drainage system. Last month, roadwork was suspended due to unanticipated damage to the drainage basins. After being notified of the news, Assemb. Dean Murray, (R, C-East Patchogue), Sen. Tom Croci (R-Sayville) and Assemb.

Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville) urged the NYSDOT to make sure the project didn't fall on the back burner.” [Long Island Advocate 9/22/16]

Garbarino Pressured The State Department Of Transportation To Prioritize Roadwork On Route 112.

“Work on Route 112 has been delayed as quickly as it started in early August, due to severe damage to the drainage basins. According to NYSDOT public information officer Eileen Peters, the roadwork is temporarily and unavoidably suspended because of unanticipated conditions found in the field. [...] Assemb. Dean Murray (R, C-East Patchogue), Sen. Tom Croci (R-Sayville) and Assemb. Andrew Garbarino (R-Sayville) have been leaning on NYSDOT to make sure the project does not fall to the back burner due to the delay. ‘We’re going to stay on top of them to make sure this remains a priority, to make sure this gets fixed as quickly as possible,’ Murray said. After following up with the DOT, he said, they have plans to meet with the contractors of the project. Murray, Croci and Garbarino hope to be included in that meeting over the next few days. If not, he added, they will be demanding a follow-up to get the project done.” [Long Island Advance, 9/8/16]

Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Bus Rapid Transit Program In Large Cities

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Bus Rapid Transit Program In Large Cities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07996A, “Relates to extending, in a city with a population of one million or more, the bus rapid transit program.” The bill passed by a vote of 79 – 60. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07996A, [6/24/15](#)]

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“Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) weighed in on the news of the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) selling driver’s personal information to third parties for profit. When an individual registers a vehicle or applies for a driver license, the State then sells much of that information to outside groups, totaling over \$60 million in revenue last year. ‘With so much of our personal data given to the DMV, and so little known about where it ends up, this is a serious cause for concern,’ said Garbarino. ‘This information belongs to the people of New York, and they deserve to know where it’s going and why.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [6/1/15](#)]

Labor & Working Families

Significant Findings

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 - ✓ *Garbarino also voted against protecting employees from retaliatory actions by employers for reporting illegal activity*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against extending the Welfare Reform Act, which expanded family and safety net assistance*

Minimum Wage

Garbarino Criticized Democrats For Striking Down An Amendment That Would Increase The Wages Of Direct-Care Workers

EDITORIAL: Garbarino Criticized Democrats For Striking Down A Measure That Would Increase The Wages Of Direct-Care Workers. “This budget prioritizes those who break our laws while it shortchanges direct-care workers in providing them a fair wage. An amendment proposed by the Assembly Republican Conference to raise the wage of these direct-care workers was defeated by the Assembly Democrats and now these individuals who care for our most vulnerable will make less than someone who works at Wendy's.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Editorial, 4/11/19]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Car Wash Workers Be Paid The Minimum Wage

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Car Washers To Be Paid The Minimum wage Without Allowance For Gratuities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10612, “Requires car wash workers to be paid the minimum wage without allowance for gratuities.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10612, [6/5/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Paying Car Wash Workers In Large Cities To Be Paid The Minimum Wage Without Allowance For Gratuities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02967A, “Requires car wash workers to be paid the minimum wage without allowance for gratuities.” The bill was passed by a vote of 113 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02967, [6/19/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Securing Wages For Work Already Performed

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Securing Wages For Work Already Performed. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05501D, “Relates to securing payment of wages for work already performed; creates a lien remedy for all employees; provides grounds for attachment; relates to procedures where employees may hold shareholders of non-publicly traded corporations personally liable for wage theft; relates to rights for victims of wage theft to hold the ten members with the largest ownership interests in a company personally liable for wage theft.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05501D, [5/24/16](#)]

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2016: Garbarino Voted Against Barring Businesses Who Failed To Follow The Davis-Bacon Act From Government Contracts. Garbarino voted against Bill. No A05414, “When any person or entity is debarred for having disregarded obligations to employees under the Davis-Bacon Act pursuant to 40 U.S.C.3144 and 29 C.F.R. 5.12, such person or entity, and any ‘substantially owned-affiliated entity’ as defined by paragraph g of subdivision five of section two hundred twenty of this article, shall be ineligible to submit a bid on or be awarded any public works contract with the state, any municipal corporation, public benefit corporation or public body while the name of the person or entity is published in the list of debarred contractors pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 3144. “ The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05414, [5/24/16](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Minimum Wage

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Incrementally Raising The Minimum Wage, With Wages Reaching \$15 Per Hour By 2018. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07257B, “Employers in all areas of the state not covered by paragraph (c) of this subdivision shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than: \$9.75 on and after July 1, 2016, \$10.75 on and after December 31, 2016, \$11.75 on and after December 31, 2017, \$12.75 on and after December 31, 2018, \$13.75 on and after December 31, 2019, \$14.50 on and after December 31, 2020, and \$15.00, and on and after December 31, 2021[...] (c) Employers in a city with a population in excess of one million and in counties with a population of nine hundred thousand or more that fall within the metropolitan commuter transportation district as defined in section twelve hundred sixty-two of the public authorities law, shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than: \$10.50 on and after July 1, 2016, \$12.00 on and after December 31, 2016, \$13.50 on and after December 31, 2017, and \$15.00 on and after December 31, 2018...” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07257B, [5/4/15](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Raising The Minimum Wage To \$9.00 Per Hour. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00038, “An act to amend the labor law, in relation to the minimum wage and making technical corrections relating thereto Would raise the statutory minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$9.00 per hour on and after January 1, 2014 and provide that on each January 1st thereafter, the rate shall be indexed to inflation.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00038, [3/5/13](#)]

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Garbarino Supported Raising The Minimum Wage, But Wanted To See If There Was A “Relationship Of Increasing Minimum Wage And Its Effect On Prices.” “The total repeal of the MTA tax is another project he'd tackle, as well as the increase of minimum wage, which is currently at \$7.25 per hour. However, he added, ‘I'd like to see the relationship of increasing minimum wage and its effect on prices. The money has to come from somewhere,’ adding that a large increase could affect businesses. ‘[The minimum wage] has go up because the buying power [at the current level] isn't there. But it has to go up in smaller increments instead of a huge jump,’ he added.” [Long Island Advance, 10/25/12]

Prevailing Wage

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Paying Certain Employees The Prevailing Wage

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Paying Utility Employees The Prevailing Wage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06265, “Ensures that utility employees, who currently fall outside the definition of an employee that may receive the prevailing wage, fall under such wage requirements.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06265, [6/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring Utility Employees Are Paid The Prevailing Wage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08083A, “Ensures that utility employees, who currently fall outside the definition of an employee that may receive the prevailing wage, fall under such wage requirements.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 20 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08083A, [6/18/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Payment Of The Prevailing Wage To Affected Employees Of The Indian Point Power Plant. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07569, “Requires the payment of prevailing wages

of affected employees of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant; requires the department of labor to oversee sale and the hiring of new employees at such power plant.” The bill was passed in the Codes Committee by a vote of 20 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07569, [6/11/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring All Subcontracted Transportation Center Workers The Standard Wage Rate. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07886, “Requires that every subcontracted transportation center service worker shall be compensated at a rate that is no less than the applicable standard rate for subcontracted transportation center service workers.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07886, [6/21/17](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding The Scope Of Prevailing Wage Requirements To Include Security And Janitorial Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07482A, “To broaden the scope of prevailing wage requirements for public utility janitorial and security employees and establish criminal penalties for violations relating thereto.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07482A, [6/20/13](#)]

Paid Leave

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2018: Garbarino Voted Against Paid Family Leave For Bereavement. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S08380A, “Authorizes paid family leave for bereavement beginning in 2020.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S08380A, [6/20/18](#)]

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Garbarino Praised Governor Cuomo And Vice President Biden's Discussions About Implementing Paid Family Leave. "Today marks an important step as Gov. Cuomo and Vice President Biden discussed the importance of implementing paid family leave for New York families. I agree with the governor in principle and I'm confident in the coming weeks the governor, Senate and Assembly will introduce the best plan for New York's middle class. This is about doing what's necessary for the middle class and developing bipartisan legislation that works for everyone for years down the road. The Assembly Minority Conference has always maintained the fiscal responsibility and moral courage to fight for what's right, and the application of paid family leave will be no different." [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [3/8/16](#)]

Unemployment Benefits

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing And Decreasing The Length Of Suspension Period Of Striking Workers To Receive Unemployment

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Length Of The Suspension Period Of Striking Workers To Obtain Unemployment Benefits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07310, "Relates to increasing the length of the suspension period applicable to certain striking workers who seek to obtain unemployment insurance benefits." The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 28. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07310, [2/4/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Decreasing The Length Of The Suspension Period For Striking Workings Looking To Unemployment Benefits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04573, "Relates to decreasing the length of the suspension period applicable to certain individuals who lose their jobs due to a labor dispute, such as a strike, and who seek to obtain unemployment insurance benefits; decreases the suspension period from seven consecutive weeks to seven consecutive calendar days; and permits the waiting period to be served during a suspension period." The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04573, [6/21/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits To Those Who Provide Childcare

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits To Those Who Provide Childcare And Have Made Efforts To Secure Alternative Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07004, "Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made." The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07004, [2/2/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits To Those Who Provide Childcare And Have Made Efforts To Secure Alternative Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07004, "Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made." The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07004, [5/5/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits For Individuals Who Provide Child Care And Made An Effort To Secure Alternative Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08919, "Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made." The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08919, [3/5/14](#)]

Apprenticeship Programs

Garbarino Supported Apprenticeship Programs

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Pensions

Garbarino Supported Legislation To Allow State Teachers' Retirement Benefits To Be Paid To A Widower

Garbarino Sponsored A. 07488, Which Authorized The Payment Of Retirement Benefits By The New York State Teachers' Retirement System To A Widower. [New York State Assembly, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

Workers' Benefits

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Expanding Child Care Benefits

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03420A, “Provides that parents and caretakers who are otherwise eligible for child care assistance, and provided with such assistance, shall be able to utilize such assistance when care is necessary to enable them to sleep because they work non-traditional hours and have a child who is under the age of six and not in school for a full school day; further provides that the authorization for assistance shall be sufficient to allow the parent to obtain up to eight hours of sleep, as needed.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03420A, [6/17/19](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00775B, “Provides that parents and caretakers who are otherwise eligible for child care assistance, and provided with such assistance, shall be able to utilize such assistance when care is necessary to enable them to sleep because they work non-traditional hours and have a child who is under the age of six and not in school for a full school day; further provides that the authorization for assistance shall be sufficient to allow the parent to obtain up to eight hours of sleep, as needed.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00775B, [5/17/16](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments To Not Require A Family To Contribute More Than 20% Of Income

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments To Not Require A Family To Contribute More Than 20% Of Income Exceeding The Poverty Level. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06174B, “Standardizes child care copayments by instructing local social services districts to not require a family

receiving child care assistance to contribute more than 20% of the amount of their income exceeding the poverty level.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06174B, [5/12/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments For Families Not To Contribute More Than 20% Of Their Income Exceeding The Poverty Level. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08928, “Standardizes child care copayments by instructing local social services districts to not require a family receiving child care assistance to contribute more than 20% of the amount of their income exceeding the poverty level.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08928, [3/5/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption For Parents Who Received Public Assistance And Personally Provide Child Care

2015: Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption For Parents Who Received Public Assistance And Personally Provide Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01805A, “Authorizes the offering of the twelve month work exemption to certain parents or relatives in receipt of public assistance who personally provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01805A, [5/5/15](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption To Certain Parents In Receipt Of Public Assistance Who Personally Provide Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06839, “Authorizes the offering of twelve month work exemption to certain parents or relatives in receipt of public assistance who personally provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06839, [3/5/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Efforts To Work For Unemployment Benefits To Include Needs For Child Care

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Efforts To Work For Unemployment Benefits To Include Needs For Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04780, “Requires regulations promulgated for systematic and sustained efforts to find work for unemployment benefits to include a claimant's need to provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04780, [5/5/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Reimbursement Pay For Children Absent From Child Care

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Reimbursement Pay For Children Absent From Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08926, “Reimbursement for payment on behalf of children who are temporarily absent from child care is required for a minimum of twelve days in a six month period. A maximum number of absences, which shall be no less than twenty-four days in a six month period shall be determined by the office of children and family services pursuant to regulation. Reimbursement for additional absences shall be allowable in the case of extenuating circumstances, as determined by the office of children and family services pursuant to regulation.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08926, [3/5/14](#)]

Garbarino Reputedly Voted Against Expanding Workers’ Compensation Benefits

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Temporary Disability Benefits For Domestic Workers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01326, “AN ACT to amend the workers' compensation law, in relation to covered employment as a domestic worker for temporary disability benefits.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01326, [2/25/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Making The Death Of An Injured Worker Due To Opioid Overdose Compensable. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11028, “That the death of an injured worker due to opioid

overdose is compensable where that injured worker was prescribed opioids as a result of his or her workplace injury.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 59. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11028, [6/20/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Treatment By A Certified Acupuncturists Under The Workers’ Compensation Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02462A, “Authorizes the care and treatment of injured employees by licensed or certified acupuncturists under the workers' compensation program.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 15. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02462, [6/16/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Workers’ Compensation To An Employee And To Family Members To Care For An Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03870A, “Provides workers' compensation benefits for injury or sickness, pregnancy or family leave; applies to an employee and to family members taking family leave to care for an employee.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03870A, [2/2/16](#)]

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2014: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Mental Health Care For Injured Employees Under Workers’ Compensation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05299B, “Authorizes the mental health care and treatment of injured employees by licensed clinical social workers under the workers' compensation program.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05299B, [6/19/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Workers’ Compensation For Injury, Sickness, Pregnancy, Or Family Leave To An Employee And Family Members Taking Care Of An Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01793B, “Provides workers' compensation benefits for injury or sickness, pregnancy or family leave; applies to an employee and to family members taking family leave to care for an employee.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01793B, [3/5/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Temporary Disability Benefits For Domestic Workers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06358, “Relates to covered employment as a domestic worker for temporary disability benefits.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06358, [6/19/13](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted Against Expanding Worker Protections

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Seeking Salary History From Applicants—Which Perpetuated Job Discrimination

National Women’s Law Center: “Asking For Salary History Perpetuates Pay Discrimination From Job To Job.” “Employers’ requests for an applicant’s salary history in the hiring process, and reliance on that information to determine compensation, forces women and, especially women of color, to carry lower earnings and pay discrimination with them from job to job. As a result, several federal courts and an increasing number of cities and states are prohibiting employers from basing compensation on an employee’s salary history.” [National Women’s Law Center, [December 2018](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Seeking Salary History From Applicants. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06549, “Prohibits employers from seeking salary history from applicants.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 20. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06549, [6/20/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting The Use Of Consumer Credit History In Employment Determinations—Which Could Bar Upward Mobility And Exacerbate Racial Discrimination

The Use Of Credit History In Employment Decisions Created A Barrier Of Opportunity And Exacerbate Racial Discrimination. “Over the last ten years, a growing number of cities and states passed laws limiting the use of credit checks in hiring, promotion, and firing. Lawmakers are motivated by a number of well-founded concerns: although credit history is not relevant to employment, employment credit checks create barriers to opportunity and upward mobility, can exacerbate racial discrimination, and can lead to invasions of privacy. This report examines the effectiveness of the employment credit check laws enacted so far and finds that unjustified exemptions included in the laws, a failure to pursue enforcement, and a lack of public outreach have prevented these important employment protections from being as effective as they could be.” [Demos, [2/25/16](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Use Of Consumer Credit History In Employment Determinations. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02611E, “Prohibits the use of consumer credit history in hiring, employment and licensing determinations.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02611E, [6/13/19](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Credit Privacy In Employment Act Which Prohibited The Use Of Consumer Credit Reports In Hiring Decisions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07056, “Enacts the ‘credit privacy in employment act’ to prohibit the use of consumer credit reports in hiring and employment determinations.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07056, [6/19/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Agreements Between Employers That Restrict Current Or Future Employment Of Any Employee

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Agreements Between Employers That Restrict Current Or Future Employments Of Any Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05776C, “Prohibits agreements between employers that directly restrict the current or future employment of any employee and allows for a cause of action against employers who engage in such agreements.” The Codes Committee passed the bill by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05776C, [4/30/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Requiring Conditions Or Preconditions Of Employment

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Requiring Conditions Or Preconditions Of Employment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05777, “This bill would prohibit an employer from requiring an employee or person seeking employment to waiver, arbitrate, or otherwise diminish any existing or future claim, right, or benefit to which the employee or person seeking employment would otherwise be entitled to under any provision of New York State or federal law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05777, [4/9/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer Consent

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer Consent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00431, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 17. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00431, [3/20/19](#)]

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information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 19 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00431, [2/11/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer

Consent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00859A, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed by a vote of 124 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00859A, [4/30/18](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Individuals Who Use Medical Marijuana From Being Discriminated Against In The Workplace

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Discriminated Against In The Workplace. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04560, “This bill would protect individuals who are prescribed medical marihuana from being discriminated against in the workplace based on testing positive for the substance in a drug test.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04560, [5/2/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employment Discrimination Against Persons Who Criminal Charges Have Been Adjourned

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employment Discrimination Against Persons Whose Criminal Charges Have Been Adjourned. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04589, “Prohibits employment discrimination against persons whose criminal charges have been adjourned in contemplation of dismissal.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04589, [6/11/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Employees From Retaliatory Actions By Employers For Reporting Illegal Activity

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Reporting Illegal Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05757, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05757, [4/30/18](#)]

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Reporting Illegal Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05757, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 110 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05757, [6/20/17](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Workers Who Report Illegal Business Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05696A, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05696A, [6/17/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Workers Who Report Illegal Business Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05696A, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by

employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05696A, [6/20/13](#)]

Safety Net Issues

Garbarino Voted Against Extending Current Income Exemptions For Public Assistance Programs

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Current Income Exemptions And Resources For Public Assistance Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06314, “Extends current exemptions of income and resources for public assistance programs under the welfare reform act of 1997.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06314, [6/18/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Welfare Reform Act

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Provisions Of The Welfare Reform Act To 2017. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04830, “Extends the provisions of the Welfare Reform Act of 1997 to 2017.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04830, [6/24/15](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Welfare Reform Act Of 1997 To 2015. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05066, “Extends the provisions of the Welfare Reform Act of 1997 to 2015.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05066, [6/19/13](#)]

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The Welfare Reform Act Maintained A Two-Tier System Of Public Assistance That Included Family Assistance And Safety Net Assistance. “On August 4, 1997, the New York State Legislature passed the Welfare Reform Act to implement the federal law. The state law maintains a two-tiered system of public assistance at current benefit levels. In addition to Family Assistance for households with minor children, the state- and local-funded Safety Net Assistance program was created to replace the Home Relief (HR) program. People eligible for SNA include adults without minor children, families who have reached the FA time limit, and individuals who are ineligible for FA because of their immigration status or violations of the rules covering substance abuse. For Family Assistance, the new state law implements federal provisions governing participants in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families programs, including work participation quotas and a five-year limit on receiving aid.” [Welfare Reform Revisited: Implementation in New York City, accessed [6/10/20](#)]

Garbarino Repeatedly Voted To Against Protections For Independent Contractors

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Job Order Contracts For Labor Performed Under Public Work Contracts. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08757A, “Requires job order contracts to be in use for labor performed under certain public work contracts.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08757A, [6/17/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Department Of Labor To Investigate Claims Against Independent Contractors. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05472, “Relates to payment of independent contractors and authorizes the department of labor to investigate complaints, make claims for compensation, assess liquid damages, civil penalties and criminal penalties; authorizes the award of attorney fees and liquidated damages; excludes construction contractors.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05472, [6/10/14](#)]

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2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Farmworkers Fair Labor Practices Act, Which Among Other Things, Granted Farm Workers Bargaining Rights. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01792, “Enacts the farmworkers fair labor practices act: grants collective bargaining rights to farm laborers; requires employers of farm laborers to allow at least 24 consecutive hours of rest each week; provides for an 8 hour work day for farm laborers; requires overtime rate at one and one-half times normal rate; makes provisions of unemployment insurance law applicable to farm laborers; provides sanitary code shall apply to all farm and food processing labor camps intended to house migrant workers, regardless of the number of occupants; provides for eligibility of farm laborers for workers' compensation benefits; requires employers of farm laborers to provide such farm laborers with claim forms for workers' compensation claims under certain conditions; requires reporting of injuries to employers of farmworkers.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 53. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01792, [5/13/13](#)]

LGBT Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino was one of two Republicans backed by the LGBT advocacy group, Equality Long Island
- ✓ Garbarino defended the LGBT community in Patchogue after an anonymous email threatened “trouble” if the LGBT community was allowed at a local festival

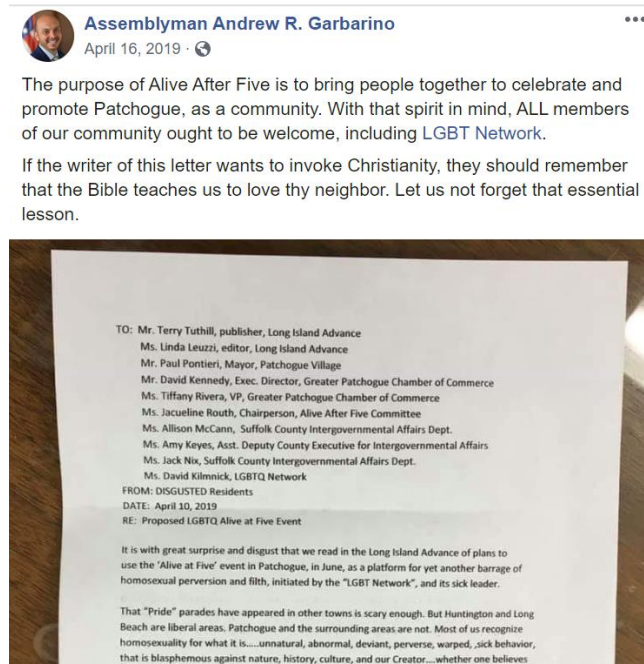
LGBT Rights

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Garbarino Said He Was One Of Two Republicans Endorsed By Equality Long Island. “I feel I’ve been able to do the right thing. I was one of two Republicans on Long Island endorsed by LGBT advocacy groups [Equality Long Island] and did what I thought was right on bills and projects and got tagged by these groups, ‘proud to support you.’” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

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Garbarino Supported Including The LGBT Network In The “Alive After Five” Event In Patchogue. “The purpose of Alive After Five is to bring people together to celebrate and promote Patchogue, as a community. With that spirit in mind, ALL members of our community ought to be welcome, including LGBT Network. If the writer of this letter wants to invoke Christianity, they should remember that the Bible teaches us to love thy neighbor. Let us not forget that essential lesson.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, Facebook, [4/16/19](#)]



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Garbarino's Post Responded To An Anonymous Email Threatening "Trouble" If The LGBT Community Was Allowed At The Festival. "An anonymous email threatens 'there will be trouble for sure' if Patchogue's upcoming Alive After Five street festival is allowed to happen. The email was sent to festival organizers and others in the LGBTQ community, decrying the pride theme and calling it 'a platform for homosexual perversion and filth.' David Kilmnick, of the LGBT Network, was specifically mentioned in the email. 'This not only attacks the LGBT community, not only attacks myself, but it attacks all of us,' he says. Kilmnick adds that there's no room for hate on Long Island." [Long Island News, [4/16/19](#)]

State Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino sent a letter urging the state to revoke the VIP Lounge's liquor license after a number of complaints and inspection violations were been filed against them*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported funding for local libraries*
- ✓ *Garbarino voted against amending the Estates, Powers, and Trust laws in relation to the rights of a child conceived after the death of a genetic parent*

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Garbarino Sent A Letter Urging The VIP Lounge To Have Their Liquor License Revoked. “After a number of complaints, signed affidavits and inspection violations filed against the VIP Lounge, located at 620 Waverly Avenue in North Patchogue, a hot spot for criminal activity, the Town of Brookhaven has temporarily shut down the illegal nightclub, pending a hearing at the Suffolk County Supreme Court in Riverhead today, Nov. 10, to permanently close the facility. Councilman Neil Foley said the VIP Lounge was previously approved as a billiard hall about three years ago, but has been illegally operating as a nightclub ever since. [...] In an effort to expedite and ensure the indefinite closing of the VIP Lounge, letters from Assemb. Andrew Garbarino and Sen. Tom Croci have been sent to the New York State Liquor Authority requesting that their license be revoked. ‘I am concerned that the operation of this establishment has resulted in an unsafe environment for its patrons and the surrounding community,’ wrote Croci.” [Long Island Advance, 11/10/16]

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Garbarino Attended The Centenary Celebration For The Sayville Library. “A number of elected officials were also on hand to present proclamations to the library, including 7th District Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino, who was born and raised in Sayville, and Islip Town deputy supervisor Eric Hofmeister, who serves as the library's treasurer. ‘This is very special for me,’ said Garbarino. ‘I spent time at the old library during summer programs and doing research projects in high school, and I can honestly say that I wouldn't be the man I am today if it wasn't for the Sayville Library and my time there. I just hope that in my position I can do for the library and the people of this town what you have done for me.’” [Suffolk County News, 11/20/14]

Estates, Powers, And Trusts Laws

Garbarino Voted Against Amending Estates, Powers, And Trust Laws

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Estates, Powers, And Trust Laws In Relation To The Rights Of A Child Conceived After The Death Of A Genetic Parent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07461A, “An act to amend the estates, powers and trusts law, in relation to rights of a child conceived after the death of a genetic parent of such child. This is one in a series of measures being introduced at the request of the Chief Administrative

Judge upon the recommendation of her Surrogate's Court Advisory Committee. This measure would amend the Estates, Powers and Trusts Law ('EPTL') to provide rules governing the status, for purposes of inheritance and participation in certain dispositions in instruments including wills and trusts, of children conceived and born after the death of one or both of the persons from whose sperm or ova they were created (defined under the measure as the child's 'genetic parent'). So long as the requirements set forth in this measure are met, such children are distributees of their genetic parents and are included in dispositions to the children of the genetic parents made in instruments created by any person. The measure also makes changes in various provisions of the EPTL necessary to give effect to the rights of such children without creating undue complications in existing law." The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07461A, [6/10/14](#)]

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Seniors' Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ Garbarino supported legislation to raise the income tax cap for seniors applying for property tax exemptions
- ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against establishing reporting requirements for abuse in care facilities
- ✓ Garbarino repeatedly voted against the Safe Staffing Quality Care Act in nursing homes, which would set minimum staffing requirements for nurse to patient ratios in all nursing homes
- ✓ Garbarino voted against increasing safety conditions in adult care facilities
- ✓ Garbarino voted against amending the New York Health plan to include hospice coverage

Medicare

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Social Security

2019: 136,806 Residents Of New York's 2nd District Received Some Social Security Benefits

2018: 136,806 Residents Of Garbarino's District Received Social Security Benefits Worth Nearly \$2.6 Million A Year. [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, released [December 2019](#)]

In Garbarino's District, Social Security Beneficiaries Include 103,782 Seniors; 94,886 Were Retirees. Of the 136.806 social security beneficiaries in Fitzpatrick's district, 103,782 were aged 65 or older; 94,886 were retirees. [Social Security Administration, Congressional Statistics, released [December 2019](#)]

District	Total	Retired Workers	Disabled Workers	Window(er)s And Parents	Spouses	Children
State	3,667,022	2,603,254	477,552	207,475	153,585	225,156
NY 2	136,806	94,886	18,871	8,574	5,603	8,872

[Social Security Administration OASDI/SSI 2018 Fact Sheet, released [December 2019](#)]

Garbarino Co-Sponsored A Bill To Amend Social Security Law To Include Disability Benefits For Chief Fire Marshalls In Nassau County

2019: Garbarino Co-Sponsored Legislation That Amended Social Security Law To Include Disability Benefits For Chief Fire Marshalls In Nassau County. "AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to providing accidental disability retirement benefits for chief fire marshals, assistant chief fire marshals, division supervising fire marshals, supervising fire marshals, fire marshals and fire marshal trainees in Nassau county." [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05820, [2/19/19](#)]

Tax Exemptions

Garbarino Supported Legislation To Raise The Income Tax Cap For Seniors Applying For Property Tax Exemption

Garbarino Sponsored A. 04804, Which Related To Raising The Income Tax Cap For Seniors Applying For The Enhanced STAR Property Tax Exemption. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

Long Term Care Facilities

Garbarino Voted Against Reporting Requirements Of Abuse In A Care Facility

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requirements Related To Reporting Abuse Of Persons In A Care Facility. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05908, “Relates to reporting abuses of persons receiving care or services in residential care facilities; includes misappropriation of property; establishes independent quality monitors and requirements relating to assets of operators.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05908, [6/21/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Strengthening Obligations To Report Abuse Of Nursing Home Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A4757A, “An act to amend the public health law, in relation to enhancing transparency and oversight of residential health care facilities To strengthen obligations to report abuse of nursing home residents, establish independent quality monitoring of written corrective action plans, and improve transparency relating to facility assets, service contracts, debt obligations, sale and notification to prospective residents.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A4757A, [6/19/19](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against The Safe Staffing Quality Care Act In Nursing Homes

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Safe Staffing Quality Care Act In Nursing Homes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02954, “Enacts the ‘safe staffing for quality care act’ to require acute care facilities and nursing homes to implement certain direct-care nurse to patient ratios in all nursing units; sets minimum staffing requirements; requires every such facility to submit a documented staffing plan to the department on an annual basis and upon application for an operating certificate; requires acute care facilities to maintain staffing records during all shifts; authorizes nurses to refuse work assignments if the assignment exceeds the nurse's abilities or if minimum staffing is not present; requires public access to documented staffing plans; imposes civil penalties for violations of such provisions; establishes private right of action for nurses discriminated against for refusing any illegal work assignment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote 18 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02954, [6/11/19](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against The Safe Staffing Quality Care Act In Nursing Homes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01532, “Enacts the ‘safe staffing for quality care act’ to require acute care facilities and nursing homes to implement certain direct-care nurse to patient ratios in all nursing units; sets minimum staffing requirements; requires every such facility to submit a documented staffing plan to the department on an annual basis and upon application for an operating certificate; requires acute care facilities to maintain staffing records during all shifts; authorizes nurses to refuse work assignments if the assignment exceeds the nurse's abilities or if minimum staffing is not present; requires public access to documented staffing plans; imposes civil penalties for violations of such provisions; establishes private right of action for nurses discriminated against for refusing any illegal work assignment.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 20 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01532, [1/24/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing A Special Medicaid Rate For Nursing Homes That Accept Elderly Releasees From State Correctional Facilities

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing A Special Medicaid Rate For Nursing Homes That Accept Elderly Releasees From State Correctional Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08068, “Authorizes a special Medicaid rate for nursing homes that accept elderly releasees from state correctional facilities.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08068, [5/1/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Safety Conditions In Adult Care Facilities

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Safety Conditions In Adult Care Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02743, “An act to amend the social services law and the mental hygiene law, in relation to violations of safety conditions in adult care facilities. To protect the health, safety and quality of life of New York residents living in adult care facilities by improving Department of Health safety enforcement.” The bill was passed by the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02743, [5/16/17](#)]

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Tax Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino supported cutting the corporate tax rate*
- ✓ *Garbarino wanted to repeal the \$10,000 SALT cap, but as of June 2020, had not said if he would have voted for the 2017 Republican tax bill.*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported a permanent property tax cap at 2%*
- ✓ *Garbarino said he opposed high taxes*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported making all state lands subject to taxation for school purposes*
 - ✓ *Garbarino thought school taxes in Long Island were too high*
- ✓ *Garbarino wanted to repeal the Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Mobility Tax, which imposed taxes on certain employers and in the metropolitan commuter transportation district*

Corporate Tax

Garbarino Supported Cutting The Corporate Tax Rate

Garbarino Supported Reducing The Corporate Tax Rate. “The act would provide a 15 percent personal income tax exemption and reduce the job-killing corporate tax from 6.5 percent to 2.5 percent. It would additionally create tax credits for new hires and provide tuition assistance to employees.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

SALT Tax Deduction

Garbarino Wanted To Repeal The \$10,000 SALT Cap

VIDEO: Garbarino Supported Repealing The SALT Tax Deduction Cap. “[9:33] Yes, I will support, I know Congressman King is voting for it, I think he’s a co-sponsor of the bill to remove the SALT deduction cap. And if people don’t know what that means, it limits your deducting on your taxes to \$10,000, both real property and state income tax. I live in a tiny house in Bayport and my taxes here are \$16,000, when that SALT deduction cap when in my taxes went through the roof because I couldn’t deduct that \$16,000, and I have heard hundreds and hundreds of stories just like from people that pay property taxes, from people that pay state income tax, they need that deduction back to help them because now they’re owing more money in taxes each year. We don’t need to give any more money to the government.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [5/15/20](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To Repeal The \$10,000 SALT Cap. “I’d like to get the repeal bill on the SALT [Stop the Attack on Local Taxpayers] Fairness Act passed. [Legislation placed a \$10, 000 cap on how much taxpayers could deduct on their federal income tax returns for state and local taxes in 2018.] The SALT bill hurt a lot of people in my assembly district and in the congressional district.” [Islip Bulletin, 12/26/19]

Garbarino Opposed The State-Imposed Tax Cap

2018: Garbarino Opposed The State-Imposed Tax Cap. “When asked about taxes, particularly the GOP tax plan, which was signed into law earlier this year and puts a \$10, 000 cap on state and local tax deductions, Garbarino said it wasn't the state Assembly that voted on the bill. However, the assemblyman said he would be lying if he wasn't upset about the state-imposed tax cap, but insisted that high school taxes were the real issue.” [Suffolk County News, 10/18/18]

However, Garbarino Stated That High School Taxes Were The Real Issue

Garbarino Stated That High School Taxes Were The Real Issue. “However, the assemblyman said he would be lying if he wasn't upset about the state-imposed tax cap, but insisted that high school taxes were the real issue. Garbarino said property taxes could be lower if the state ‘properly funded schools’ and provided more mandate relief.” [Suffolk County News, 10/18/18]

Property Taxes

Garbarino Supported A Permanent Property Tax Cap

EDITORIAL: Garbarino: “I For One Am Pleased To Finally See The Property Tax Cap Made Permanent...” “After months of negotiating and planning, the state budget has finally been finished. I for one am pleased to finally see the property tax cap made permanent, something I have been advocating for to help keep taxes from rising on Long Island homeowners.” [Islip Bulletin, Andrew Garbarino Editorial, 4/11/19]

Garbarino Wanted To Make The Two-Percent Tax Cap Permanent. “The following are proposed by Garbarino as absolute priorities in the state budget: Making the two-percent tax cap permanent – With the Real Property Tax Cap set to expire in June 2020, it's time that Albany makes the promise to homeowners to make the cap permanent. This has been one of the cited reasons more than one million residents have left New York over the past 10 years.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [2/28/19](#)]

State & Local Taxes

Garbarino Opposed High Taxes

Garbarino Opposed High Taxes. “Andrew as a fourtime successfully elected assemblyman fought against Common Core, higher taxes and drove more resources to his Suffolk County communities. His district and electability led to us selecting him.” [Suffolk County News, 2/6/20]

Garbarino Supported Making All State Lands Subject To Taxation For School Purposes

Garbarino Sponsored A. 04798, Which Related To Making All State Lands Subject To Taxation For School Purposes. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

Garbarino Supported Legislation Related To Exemptions From Sales And Use Taxes For Gift Certificates And Gift Cards

Garbarino Sponsored A. 04801, Which Related To Exemptions From Sales And Use Taxes For Gift Certificates and Gift Cards. [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, accessed [1/16/20](#)]

Garbarino Supported A New York Middle-Class Tax Cut

Garbarino Supported A New York Middle-Class Tax Cut. “Ensuring that Albany doesn’t turn its back on fully realizing the promise of \$4.2 billion in middle-class tax cuts by 2024-25. Tax relief for middle-class and struggling families is crucial to keep the economic engine churning in New York.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Supported The Small Business Full Employment Act, Which Provided Tax Relief To Small Businesses

Garbarino Supported The Small Business Full Employment Act, Which Provide Tax Relief To Small Businesses. “Improve State Business Climate and Job Growth – Include the Small Business Full Employment Act, which would provide needed tax and regulation relief to assist small businesses. The act would provide a 15 percent personal income tax exemption and reduce the job-killing corporate tax from 6.5 percent to 2.5 percent. It would additionally create tax credits for new hires and provide tuition assistance to employees. It would also create a panel to eliminate business regulations.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [2/28/19](#)]

Garbarino Thought School Taxes On Long Island Were Too High

Garbarino Thought School Taxes On Long Island Were Too High. “School taxes on Long Island are among the highest in the state, with roughly 68 percent of schools being funded by local property taxes, making the region costly for middle-class families. Last year I was proud to have helped secure \$273.3 million in aid to schools in my assembly district, which included a \$21.4 million increase. Additionally, we were able to restore \$433 million in school aid statewide. I support better investment in our local schools to help relieve homeowners of crushing property taxes, while ensuring a quality education is still provided to our children. I will work closely with my legislative colleagues to ensure this is accomplished. Strong schools are important to society and our communities.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [3/28/17](#)]

Garbarino Supported Legislation That He Claimed Would Relieve Tax Burdens

Garbarino Supported A. 5285, Which Would Establish A Personal Income Tax Credit For Homeowners, And A. 5898, Which Would Lower Burdens On Job Creators. “Garbarino sponsors A.5285, which would establish a personal income tax credit for homeowners, and A.5898, which would enact the small-business full employment act which would lower the burden on job creators and help grow our economy. These pieces of legislation would provide extensive tax relief for the people of New York and bring a much-needed boost to our state’s economy.” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, press release, [5/7/15](#)]

Garbarino Wanted To Repeal The Metropolitan Commuter Transportation Mobility Tax, Which Imposed Taxes On Certain Employers And Self-Employed Individuals In The Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District

Garbarino Wanted To Totally Repeal The Metropolitan Transportation Authority Tax. “The total repeal of the MTA tax is another project he’d tackle, as well as the increase of minimum wage, which is currently at \$7.25 per hour.” [Long Island Advance, 10/25/12]

The Tax Was Colloquially Known As The “MTA Tax” Because The Money Was Used For The MTA. “The tax has colloquially been given the name ‘the MTA Tax’ because the money is used for the MTA department and only the counties that benefit from the infrastructure—railroads, ferries, bridges, tunnels, subways, etc.—are included in contribution.” [Justworks, [4/24/17](#)]

The Tax Was Imposed On Certain Employers And Self-Employed Individuals Doing Business In The Metropolitan Commuter Transportation District. “The metropolitan commuter transportation mobility tax (MCTMT) is a tax imposed on certain employers and self-employed individuals engaging in business within the metropolitan commuter transportation district (MCTD). This department administers the tax for the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. The MCTD includes the counties of New York (Manhattan), Bronx, Kings (Brooklyn), Queens, Richmond (Staten Island), Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Orange, Putnam, Dutchess, and Westchester.” [New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, accessed [1/23/20](#)]

Veterans & Military Family Issues

Significant Findings

- ✓ *Garbarino voted against the Military Spouse Act of 2015, which required a workshop to investigate and report the licensing difficulties encountered by military spouses*
- ✓ *Garbarino criticized a \$2.1 million cut to the Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Support Project—which was started by now-Representative Lee Zeldin and provided legal services to veterans*
- ✓ *Garbarino supported the Veterans Pension Buyback bill that would allow veterans to purchase three years of public pension credit with their military service*
- ✓ *Garbarino thought the granting veterans a discount on taxes was a good idea, but did not want to pit neighbors against each other as nonveterans would have to make up the difference in taxes*

Military Personnel

Garbarino Voted Against The Military Spouse Acts Of 2015, Which Required A Workshop To Investigate And Report The Licensing Difficulties Encountered By Military Spouses

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Military Spouse Acts Of 2015. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03637, “Enacts the military spouse act of 2015, which: requires a workshop to investigate and report about licensing and the difficulties encountered by military spouses (Part A); authorizes the state to certify persons to teach who are not graduates of teacher education programs (Part B); adopts the interstate nursing licensure compact (Part C); and authorizes licensing of military spouses with out-of-state licenses in equivalent occupations (Part D).” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03637, [5/25/16](#)]

Funding

Garbarino Criticized A \$2.1 Million Cut To The Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project—Started By Lee Zeldin

Garbarino Criticized A \$2.1 Million Cut To The Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project. “Unbelievable! The Aid to Localities portion of the budget is cutting \$2.1 million from the Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project and \$540k from veterans’ legal defense programs. The Dwyer Project was started by Lee Zeldin when he served in the State Senate – I have fought to expand the program every year since it yield such great results. At the same time, the budget sends \$2.2 million to prisoners’ legal aid services and \$6.4 million to the Office of New Americans which services non-citizens. Seriously?! This is absolutely unacceptable. The Governor and the Democratic leadership in the Legislature have their priorities completely mixed up. Our veterans deserve so much better for the sacrifices they make.” [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/1/20](#)]



[Andrew Garbarino for Congress, Facebook, [4/1/20](#)]

Pensions

2016: Garbarino Supported The Veterans Pension Buyback Bill

2016: Garbarino Supported The Veterans Pension Buyback Bill. “Assemblyman Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) was excited to announce that the Veterans Pension Buyback bill was finally signed into law this week. The new law allows honorably discharged service members with five years of existing public pension credit to purchase three years of credit with their military service. Previously, state law allowed veterans who served in only certain conflicts, including World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, to purchase pension credits. The new law strikes out the specific conflicts to expand eligibility to all honorably-discharged veterans who work in the public sector. ‘This bill is long overdue, as the governor vetoed the legislation twice. I am happy he finally came to his senses and signed this bill’ said Garbarino. ‘For over two years we worked with veterans groups to draft, introduce, and revise this legislation. The overwhelming support from veterans and civilians alike helped ensure the success of this bill, which will help veterans achieve the financial security they deserve. While the Veterans Pension Buyback is a step in the right direction, we still have a long way to go to properly repay our veterans. They have shouldered the burden of protecting our families and ensuring our freedom.’ said Garbarino. ‘I will do what I can to make sure eligible veterans are made aware of this new opportunity.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [6/2/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Supported Legislation That Allowed Veterans To Buy Back Three Years Of Military Service Towards Their Retirement

2015: Garbarino Supported Legislation That Allowed Veterans To Buy Back Three Years Of Military Service Towards Their Retirement. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino (R,C,I-Sayville) today announced the passage A.8174-A, legislation that would allow veterans who are members of the public retirement system to buy back three years of military service toward their retirement. Currently, this privilege is reserved for military members who served during specific periods of conflict. ‘Our veterans put their lives on the line to ensure our freedom, and we need to guarantee theirs once they’re home. It’s tremendous that the Assembly is coming together for such an important cause,’ Garbarino said. ‘It took considerable effort to get this legislation to the floor and to have it passed, and I commend my colleagues for all of their hard work for our state’s veterans.’” [Assemblymember Andrew R. Garbarino, [6/25/15](#)]

Financial Exemptions

Garbarino Did Not Want To Pit Neighbors Against Each Other With The Veteran Discount On School Taxes

Governor Cuomo Passed A Bill That Gave Veterans A Discount On Their School Taxes

Governor Cuomo Passed A Bill That Gave Veterans A Discount On Their School Taxes. “Move over School Tax Assessment Relief, a new tax discount is coming to a school district near you. The addition to the NYS Real Property Tax law that Gov. Cuomo passed on Dec. 18, 2013 in Albany applies only to veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces and gives them between a 15 to 25 percent or more discount on their school tax bill.” [Islip Bulletin, 3/6/14]

However, The Difference In Tax Payments Would Be Made Up By Nonveterans In The District

The Difference In Tax Payments Would Be Made Up By Nonveterans In The District. “However, unlike the STAR benefit, the state does not make up the difference in taxes. The difference would have to be made up by the nonveteran households in the district. And as the law currently stands, once adopted it would be irrevocable. The new veterans exemption would not impact the two-percent tax cap, nor would it increase the overall total taxes. However, there are many uncertainties such as how much it would cost nonveterans households to make up the difference.” [Islip Bulletin, 3/6/14]

Garbarino Thought The Bill Was A Good Idea, But Did Not Want To Pit Neighbors Against Each Other

Garbarino Thought The Bill Was A Good Idea, But Did Not Want To Pit Neighbors Against Each Other. “Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino said that when the bill was presented last year there was a lot of support for it in Albany. ‘Giving the vets a tax exemption is a great idea, but it doesn't help when you're pitting one neighbor against another,’ he remarked. He said that there have been ‘rumblings’ in the capitol about the reaction to the exemption and that there's a possibility that the state, like STAR, may eventually decide to pick up the tab on this one, too. ‘I've not seen anything in writing though,’ he added. ‘I do hope it's [an issue] we can resolve.’” [Islip Bulletin, 3/6/14]

Appendix I – Personal Financial Disclosures

2019 – Federal Personal Financial Disclosure

Net Worth

2019: Garbarino Had An Estimated Net Worth Between -\$8,982 And \$318,999

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Earned Income

2019: Garbarino Reported \$44,234 In Earned Income

2019: Garbarino Reported \$44,234.62 In Earned Income From New York State And His Legal Work. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2019 Garbarino Earned Income		
Source	Type	Amount
State of New York	Salary	\$25,384.62
William R. Garbarino Esq	Salary	\$9,350.00
Andrew R. Garbarino Esq	Salary	\$9,500.00

[Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Reported \$177,790 In Earned Income

2018: Garbarino Reported \$177,790.77 In Earned Income From New York State And His Legal Work. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2018 Garbarino Earned Income		
Source	Type	Amount
State of New York	Salary	\$108,498.37
William R. Garbarino Esq	Salary	\$44,292.40
Andrew R. Garbarino Esq	Salary	\$25,000.00

[Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

Assets & Unearned Income

2019: Garbarino Reported Between \$91,018 And \$369,000 In Unearned Income

2019: Garbarino Reported Between \$91,108 And \$369,000 In Unearned Income. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2019 Garbarino Assets & “Unearned” Income						
SP/ DC /JT	Asset	Year-End Value		Type Of Income	Amount Of Income	
		Min	Max		Min	Max
	ADNCX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	AGTHX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	AIVSX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A

	ANWPX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	AT&T Inc (T)	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (BMY)	\$1,001	\$15,000	Dividends	\$1	\$200
	CWGIX	\$1	\$1,000	Tax Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Intel Corporation	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	MDU Resources Group, Inc	\$1	\$1,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	NEWFX	\$1	\$1,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Roper Technologies, Inc	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Umpqua Holdings Corporation	\$1	\$1,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Zoetis Inc. Class A	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Capital One Bank Account	\$15,001	\$50,000	Interest	\$1	\$200
	Bank of America Corporation	\$1,001	\$15,000	Dividends	\$1	\$200
	Golden Star Resources	\$1,001	\$15,000	None	N/A	N/A
	TD Bank Account	\$15,001	\$50,000	Interest	\$201	\$1,000
	Whole Life Insurance	\$50,001	\$100,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Total:	\$91,018.00	\$369,000.00	Total:	\$201.00	\$1,000.00

[Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2018: Garbarino Reported Between \$91,018 And \$369,000 In Unearned Income

2018: Garbarino Reported Between \$91,108 And \$369,000 In Unearned Income. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2018 Garbarino Assets & "Unearned" Income						
SP/ DC /JT	Asset	Year-End Value		Type Of Income	Amount Of Income	
		Min	Max		Min	Max
	ADNCX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	AGTHX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	AIVSX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	ANWPX	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	AT&T Inc (T)	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Bristol-Myers Squibb Company (BMY)	\$1,001	\$15,000	Dividends	\$1	\$200
	CWGIX	\$1	\$1,000	Tax Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Intel Corporation	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	MDU Resources Group, Inc	\$1	\$1,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	NEWFX	\$1	\$1,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Roper Technologies, Inc	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Umpqua Holdings Corporation	\$1	\$1,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Zoetis Inc. Class A	\$1,001	\$15,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Capital One Bank Account	\$15,001	\$50,000	Interest	\$1	\$200
	Bank of America Corporation	\$1,001	\$15,000	Dividends	\$1	\$200
	Golden Star Resources	\$1,001	\$15,000	None	N/A	N/A
	TD Bank Account	\$15,001	\$50,000	Interest	\$201	\$1,000
	Whole Life Insurance	\$50,001	\$100,000	Tax-Deferred	N/A	N/A
	Total:	\$91,018.00	\$369,000.00	Total:	\$201.00	\$1,000.00

[Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

Liabilities

2019: Garbarino Reported Between \$50,001 And \$100,000 In Liabilities

2019: Garbarino Reported Between \$50,001 And \$100,000 In Student Loan Liabilities. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2019 Garbarino Liabilities				
Owner	Creditor	Date Incurred	Type	Amount Of Liability
Garbarino	Navient	2006 – 2009	Student Loans	\$50,001 - \$100,000

[Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

Positions

Garbarino Did Not Report Any Positions. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

Agreements

Garbarino Did Not Report Any Agreements. [Garbarino 2019 Public Financial Disclosure Report, filed [3/25/20](#)]

2018 – State Personal Financial Disclosure

Disclosure of Positions

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2018 Disclosure of Positions

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2018 Disclosure Of Positions		
Entry#	Category	Disclosed
5	Other Occupation	Attorney, Law Office of William Garbarino, 40 Main St., Sayville, NY 11782
5	Other Occupation	Counsel, Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation (Charity—Minimal Compensation Less Than \$11,000)
7	Political Position	Islip Republican Committee, ED 19
7	Political Position	Judicial Delegate, 10 th Judicial District, 7 th AD
8	Legal Areas in Other Occupation	Attorney—Estate Planning, Land Use, Real Estate, Business Law; I provide services directly to clients

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Disclosure Of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2018 Disclosure of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2018 Disclosure Of Clients			
Entry#	Client	Services Provided	Category of Amount
8 (i)	Estate of Mowlen	Probate	\$5,000 - \$20,000
8 (i)	Estate of Conoly	Probate	\$5,000 - \$20,000
8 (i)	Estate of Sohawctyk	Probate	\$5,000 - \$20,000
8 (i)	Holbrook 1036 LLC	Real Estate	\$5,000 - \$20,000

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Disclosure Of Holdings

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2018 Disclosure Of Holdings

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Entry#	Description	Income Or Holding Value	Text

11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Charles Schwabb Account
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$20,000 - \$50,000	LPL Financial Account
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self- Sister and brother accessory apartment at my house (Real Estate)
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$20,000 - \$50,000	Self – Law Office of William Garbarino
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BMV (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – T (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BAC (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – ROP (Stock)

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2017 – State Personal Financial Disclosure

Disclosure of Positions

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2017 Disclosure of Positions

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2017 Disclosure Of Positions		
Entry#	Category	Disclosed
5	Other Occupation	Attorney, Law Office of William Garbarino, 40 Main St., Sayville, NY 11782
5	Other Occupation	Counsel, Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation (Charity—Minimal Compensation Less Than \$11,000)
7	Political Position	Islip Republican Committee, ED 19
7	Political Position	Judicial Delegate, 10 th Judicial District, 7 th AD
8	Legal Areas in Other Occupation	Attorney—Estate Planning, Land Use, Real Estate, Business Law; I provide services directly to clients

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Disclosure Of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2017 Disclosure of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2017 Disclosure Of Clients			
Entry#	Client	Services Provided	Category of Amount
8 (i)	Estate of Mannarino	Probate	\$5,000 - \$20,000
8 (i)	Estate of MaCaffrey	Probate	\$5,000 - \$20,000

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Disclosure Of Holdings

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Entry#	Description	Income Or Holding Value	Text
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Charles Schwabb Account

11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$20,000 - \$50,000	LPL Financial Account
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self - Sister and brother in law rent accessory apartment at my house (Real Estate)
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$20,000 - \$50,000	Self - Law Office of William Garbarino
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self - BMV (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self - T (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self - BAC (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self - ROP (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self - JOBS (Stock)

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Disclosure Of Clients

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Entry#	Client	Services Provided	Category of Amount
8 (i)	WFC Architects	Planning Department Application and Zoning Toad Application; Town of Islip	\$5,000 - \$20,000
8 (i)	Folks Group LLC	Business Acquisition	\$5,000 - \$20,000

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13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 – 20,000	Self - Sister and brother in law rent accessory apartment at my house (Real Estate)
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$20,000 - \$50,000	Self – Law Office of William Garbarino
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BMV (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – T (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BAC (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 – 20,000	Self – ROP (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 – 20,000	Self – JOBS (Stock)

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2015 – State Personal Financial Disclosure

Disclosure of Positions

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5	Other Occupation	Attorney, Law Office of William Garbarino, 40 Main St., Sayville, NY 11782
5	Other Occupation	Counsel, Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation (Charity—Minimal Compensation Less Than \$11,000)
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Disclosure Of Clients

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N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Charles Schwabb Account
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$20,000 - \$50,000	LPL Financial Account
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$20,000 - \$50,000	Self – Law Office of William Garbarino
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BMV (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – T (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BAC (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self – ROP (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self – JOBS (Stock)

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2014 – State Personal Financial Disclosure

Disclosure of Positions

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5	Other Occupation	Attorney, Law Office of William Garbarino, 40 Main St., Sayville, NY 11782
5	Other Occupation	Counsel, Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation (Charity—Minimal Compensation Less Than \$11,000)
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Disclosure Of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2014 Disclosure of Clients

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Entry#	Client	Services Provided	Category of Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Disclosure Of Holdings

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Entry#	Description	Income Or Holding Value	Text
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Charles Schwabb Account
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$20,000 - \$50,000	LPL Financial Account

13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$20,000 - \$50,000	Self – Law Office of William Garbarino
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BMY (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – T (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BAC (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self – ROP (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Self – JOBS (Stock)

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2013 – State Personal Financial Disclosure

Disclosure of Positions

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Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2013 Disclosure Of Positions		
Entry#	Category	Disclosed
5	Other Occupation	Attorney, Law Office of William Garbarino, 40 Main St., Sayville, NY 11782
5	Other Occupation	Counsel, Captain Merrill H. Masin and Graham D. Masin Foundation (Charity—Minimal Compensation Less Than \$11,000)
7	Political Position	Islip Republican Committee, District 19
8	Legal Areas in Other Occupation	Attorney—Estate Planning, Land Use, Business Law
8	Legal Areas in Other Occupation	Real Estate Broker – 2013 No Compensation

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Disclosure Of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2013 Disclosure of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2013 Disclosure Of Clients			
Entry#	Client	Services Provided	Category of Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Disclosure Of Holdings

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Entry#	Description	Income Or Holding Value	Text
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Charles Schwabb Account
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$20,000 - \$50,000	LPL Financial Account
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$20,000 - \$50,000	Self – Private Employment

16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BMY (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – MDU (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – T (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BAC (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – ROP (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – JOBS (Stock)

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2012 – State Personal Financial Disclosure

Disclosure of Positions

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2012 Disclosure of Positions

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2012 Disclosure Of Positions		
Entry#	Category	Disclosed
5	Other Occupation	Attorney, Law Office of William Garbarino, 40 Main St., Sayville, NY 11782
7	Political Position	Islip Republican Committee, District 19
8	Legal Areas in Other Occupation	Attorney—Estate Planning, Land Use, Business Law
8	Legal Areas in Other Occupation	Real Estate Broker – No 2012 Compensation

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Disclosure Of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2012 Disclosure of Clients

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2013 Disclosure Of Clients			
Entry#	Client	Services Provided	Category of Amount
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Disclosure Of Holdings

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2013 Disclosure Of Holdings.

Assemblyman Andrew Garbarino's 2013 Disclosure Of Holdings			
Entry#	Description	Income Or Holding Value	Text
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$5,000 - \$20,000	Roth IRA
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Charles Schwabb Account
11	Interest in a trust, estate, or other beneficial interest	\$1,000 - \$5,000	LPL Financial Account
13	Nature and amount of income in excess of \$1k	\$20,000 - \$50,000	Self – Private Employment Income

16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BMY (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – T (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – BAC (Stock)
16	Market value of securities held by individuals in excess of \$1k	\$1,000 - \$5,000	Self – ROP (Stock)

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Appendix II – Campaign Finance

Items of Interest

- ✓ *As of April 2020, Garbarino’s congressional campaign raised \$368,518 and spent \$46,980*
 - ✓ *Garbarino was his campaign’s top contributor— loaning the campaign \$50,000*
 - ✓ *Other top contributors included: Majority PAC Committee (House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy’s PAC) , Republican Mainstreet PAC, International Union of Operating Engineers Local 15 PAC, and The Eye of the Tiger PAC (Rep. Steve Scalise’s PAC)*
- ✓ *Garbarino’s assembly campaigns raised a combined total of \$454,478 and spent a total of \$245,927*
 - ✓ *His campaign received 42.1% of contributions from individuals, while 37.5% came from PACs*
 - ✓ *Top contributors included: All County Block & Supply Company, Suffolk County Republican Committee, and the International Union of Operating Engineers PAC*
 - ✓ *Top industries of Garbarino’s contributors included: assorted businesses (\$45,325.00), law enforcement associations (\$39,100.00), and labor unions (\$35,425.00)*
- ✓ *Garbarino’s assembly campaigns received \$29,500 from the Rose family—the owners of a Long Island beer distribution company that has been accused of using union-busting tactics*
- ✓ *Garbarino’s assembly campaigns received \$3,750 from pharmaceutical companies who have been accused of defrauding consumers and taxpayers*
- ✓ *Garbarino’s assembly campaigns received \$500 from the Friends of Deal Skelos—a New York Republican who was jailed for corruption*
- ✓ *Garbarino’s assembly campaigns received \$200 from Daytree at Cortland Square, a company charged with illegal dumping and ripping off the town of Islip*

NOTE: Garbarino’s Assembly campaign finance data was calculated and organized manually, by dividing the data by schedule type (A – Individuals/Partnerships, B – Corporate, C – Other Monetary, F – Expenditures/ Payments) and industry type. A full spreadsheet of Garbarino’s campaign finance data is located on the DCCC Drive under Campaign Research > Candidates & Campaigns > New York > Garbarino, Andrew > Supporting Research > Campaign Finance > State > Spreadsheet

Campaign Committee

Garbarino’s Congressional Campaign Raised \$368,518 And Spent \$46,980

Garbarino 2020 Congress Campaign Committee Funds									
Cycle	Total Receipts						Total Disbursements		
	Total	Indivs	Party Cmtes	Other Cmtes	Candidate Cntribtns	Loans	Total	Operating Expdts	Refunds
2020	\$368,518.00	\$271,318.00	\$1,000.00	\$46,200.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$46,980.36	\$46,712.09	\$0.00

[FEC Committee Candidate and Committee Viewer, accessed [4/27/20](#)]

Top Congressional Campaign Contributors

Garbarino Congressional Campaign Top Contributors	
Contributor	Total
Andrew Garbarino	\$50,000.00
Majority PAC Committee (House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy's Leadership PAC)	\$10,000.00
Republican Mainstreet Partnership PAC	\$5,000.00
International Union of Operating Engineers Local 15 ABCD PAC	\$5,000.00
The Eye of the Tiger PAC (Rep. Steve Scalise's Leadership PAC)	\$5,000.00
Lalota for Congress	\$4,000.00
Roy De Barbieri	\$2,950.00
Kevin Loiacono	\$2,800.00
Lynn Rogers	\$2,800.00
Tavia Ragen	\$2,800.00

State Assembly

Garbarino's Assembly Campaigns Raised A Total Of \$454,478 And Spent \$245,927.11

Garbarino 2020 Assembly Campaign Committee Funds							
Year	Total Receipts						Total Disbursements
	Total	Indivs/Partnerships	Corporations	All Others/PACs	Transfers	In-Kind	Total
2020	\$5,175.00	\$50.00 (1.0%)	N/A	\$5,125.00 (99.0%)	N/A	N/A	\$18,508.52
2019	\$52,250.00	\$13,400.00 (25.6%)	\$10,975.00 (21.0%)	\$27,875.00 (53.3%)	N/A	N/A	\$19,298.63
2018	\$74,301.00	\$26,626.00 (35.8%)	\$10,700.00 (14.4%)	\$26,975.00 (49.8%)	N/A	N/A	\$57,012.58
2017	\$37,450.00	\$11,050.00 (29.5%)	\$6,900.00 (18.4%)	\$19,500 (52.1%)	N/A	N/A	\$23,165.58
2016	\$67,025.00	\$21,300.00 (31.8%)	\$12,175.00 (19.7%)	\$32,550.00 (48.6%)	N/A	N/A	\$32,448.99
2015	\$34,650.00	\$10,700.00 (30.9%)	\$8,300.00 (24.0%)	\$15,650.00 (45.2%)	N/A	N/A	\$14,256.77
2014	\$60,900.00	\$26,435.00 (43.4%)	\$17,150.00 (28.2%)	\$17,325.00 (28.4%)	N/A	N/A	\$20,380.15
2013	\$14,080.00	\$5,880.00 (41.8%)	\$3,050.00 (21.7%)	\$4,950.00 (35.2%)	\$200.00 (1.4%)	N/A	\$11,109.58
2012	108,647.27	\$75,775.00 (69.7%)	\$8,500.00 (7.8%)	\$10,700.00 (9.8%)	\$13,000.00 (12.0%)	\$672.27 (0.6%)	\$49,746.31

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/27/20](#)]

Garbarino's State Assembly Committee Received 42.1% Of His Contributions From Individual Contributors And Partnerships And 37.5% From PACs

Source Of Garbarino Career Assembly Campaign Committee Funds		
Category	Amount	%
Individual and Partnership Contributors	\$191,206.00	42.1%
All Others/ PAC Contributors	\$170,650.00	37.5%
Corporations	\$78,750.00	17.3%
Transfers In	\$13,200.00	2.9%
In-Kind Contributions	\$672.27	0.1%

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/27/20](#)]

Top Overall Contributors

Garbarino Career Top Contributors	
Contributor	Total
All County Block & Supply Corp	\$10,500.00
Suffolk County Republican Committee	\$10,000.00
Ronald Kantin	\$10,000.00
International Union Of Operating Engineers PAC	\$9,500.00
Donald R. Hamill	\$8,800.00
Mark S. Rose	\$7,500.00
Superior Officers Association Of Police Department Suffolk County Inc	\$7,300.00
LawPAC Of New York	\$6,950.00
Edwards and Company	\$6,500.00
Suffolk County PBA PAC	\$6,425.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/28/20](#)]

Top Individual And Partnership Contributors

Garbarino Career Top Individual And Partnership Contributors	
Contributor	Total
Unitemized	\$13,605.00
Ronald Kantin	\$10,000.00
Donald R. Hamill	\$8,800.00
Mark S. Rose	\$7,500.00
Frederic Rose	\$5,800.00
Lisa Rose	\$5,800.00
Elice J. Rose	\$5,800.00
Harter Secrest & Emery LLP	\$5,250.00
Thomas W. Keenan	\$4,250.00
Timothy Moran	\$4,100.00
Bridget R. Moran	\$4,100.00
Peter M. Rodgers	\$4,100.00
Sean Rose	\$4,100.00
Lynn S. Rogers	\$4,100.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/28/20](#)]

Top Corporate Contributors

Garbarino Career Top Corporate Contributors	
Contributor	Total
All County Block & Supply Corp	\$10,500.00
Brinkman Warehouse Corp	\$5,500.00
SAF-T-Swim of Westbury Inc	\$5,000.00
Edwards and Company	\$3,500.00
Lovin Oven-Lands' End Corp	\$2,500.00
First Adjustment Group Inc	\$2,150.00
PW Grosser Consulting Engineer & Hydrogeologist PC	\$2,050.00
SAF-T-Swim of East Meadow, INC	\$2,000.00
Vanderbilt Autobody II, LTD	\$2,000.00
The Law Office of Frederick J Giachetti PC	\$1,900.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/28/20](#)]

Top All Others/PAC Contributors

Garbarino Career Top Contributors	
Contributor	Total
International Union of Operating Engineers AC	\$9,500.00
Superior Officers Association of Police Dept Suffolk County Inc	\$7,300.00
LawPAC New York	\$6,950.00
Suffolk County PBA PAC	\$6,425.00
Association of Municipal Employees PAC	\$5,900.00
Manhattan Beer Distributors LLC	\$5,000.00
VOTE/COPE Comm on Political Education of NYUST	\$4,800.00
Mason Tenders District Council Greater NY PAC	\$4,200.00
Lynn & Peter LLC	\$4,000.00
New York State Laborers PAC State Fund	\$3,500.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/28/20](#)]

Top Overall Industries

Garbarino Career Top Industry		
Rank	Industry	Total
1	Assorted Businesses	\$45,325.00
2	Law Enforcement Associations	\$39,100.00
3	Labor Unions	\$35,425.00
4	Legal	\$26,500.00
5	Construction & Landscaping	\$21,925.00
6	Republican	\$20,375.00
7	Non-Health Insurance	\$17,175.00
8	Real Estate	\$14,300.00
9	Gaming	\$9,750.00
10	Transportation & Auto	\$9,625.00
11	Health Professionals	\$6,400.00
12	Tourism & Recreation	\$4,975.00
13	Pharma	\$3,750.00
14	Health Insurance	\$3,250.00
15	Gas & Electric	\$2,700.00
16	Lobbyists	\$2,300.00
17	Educational	\$2,200.00
18	Financial	\$2,100.00
19	Telecommunications	\$2,000.00
20	Tobacco	\$1,000.00
21	Agriculture	\$550.00

[New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/29/20](#)]

Notable Findings

Garbarino Received \$29,500 From Members Of The Rose Family—The Operators Of A Beer Distribution Company That Has Been Accused Of Using Union-Busting Policies

Garbarino Received A Total Of \$29,500 From Members Of The Rose Family. [New York State Board of Elections, accessed [4/29/20](#)]

2012: Garbarino Received \$8,100 From Members Of The Rose Family. “On Suffolk's South Shore, GOP newcomer Andrew Garbarino of Sayville got \$8,100 from two members of the Rose family, owner of beer

distributor Clare Rose, in his Assembly race against former Islip Town Board member Christopher Bodkin, a Democrat.” [Newsday, 11/4/12]

The Rose Family Owned The Beer Distribution Business Clare Rose Located In Long Island. “Clare Rose Inc. is a third generation business that has been owned and operated by the Rose family for over 80 years. We service Long Island, with locations in Melville and East Yaphank. We are also one of the few beer distributors in the state to operate our own state-of-the-art recycling facility. Our leading suppliers are Anheuser-Busch InBev and Heineken USA. We have partnerships with three of the main Long Island craft breweries and carry an extensive portfolio. We offer a wide selection of nonalcoholic beverages, wines, and spirits.” [Clare Rose, accessed [5/27/20](#)]

2017: Clare Rose Beer Distributor Began To Replace Unionized Workers Who Were On Strike. “Beer distributor Clare Rose, whose unionized workers have been on strike since April 23, has begun hiring replacement workers, the company said Tuesday. ‘In the absence of the striking employees, we have begun the process of hiring new full-time company employees,’ said Sean Rose, president and chief executive of the East Yaphank-based company in a statement. ‘We will continue this process to ensure that we have a stable, full-time workforce.’ Rose said the new hires would replace striking workers.” [Newsday, [5/28/17](#)]

The Practice Of Replacing Striking Workers May Be Classified As An Unfair Labor Practices. “Mark Pooler, a striking worker at the Melville location, said in an interview that the hiring of replacement workers will prove to be illegal, and that the National Labor Relations Board, which oversees organized-labor issues, will uphold the union’s charges of unfair labor practices against the company. ‘They threatened us on day one of the strike to hire permanent replacements,’ said Pooler, who said he has delivered beer for Clare Rose for 26 years. ‘The fact that they are going through with this is basic union-busting policy.’ In his statement, Rose said, ‘We believe that the NLRB will find in our favor’ on the issue of hiring new workers.” [Newsday, [5/28/17](#)]

Workers At Clare Rose Were Striking Due To A Proposal That Would Have Cut Wages By 30 Percent. “The picketing workers have said that they walked out because of the company’s proposal to eliminate a sales function drivers provide that would result in a 30 percent wage cut. Union members said the company has also proposed moving from a traditional pension to a 401(k) retirement savings plan.” [Newsday, [5/28/17](#)]

Teamsters Local 812 Filed An Unfair Labor Practice Charge With NLRB Against Clare Rose. “Last week, Teamsters Local 812 filed the latest Unfair Labor Practice charge at the National Labor Relations Board against Clare Rose. The charge stems from Clare Rose CEO Sean Rose’s bad faith bargaining and attempts to undermine the workers’ labor rights. It is the fifth charge the union has filed over the last month and the government agency is currently taking testimony and investigating the charges. Previous Unfair Labor Practice charges against Clare Rose accused the company of threatening union members and unlawfully reducing wages and ending benefit programs.” [Teamsters, [5/16/17](#)]

Clare Rose Executives Sent Union Members A Letter With Information About Ending Union Membership And Directing Them To The National Right To Work Defense Fund. “This is only the company’s latest attempt to undermine the union. Last month, the striking union members received letters signed by Clare Rose executives, telling them how to end their union membership and directing them to the National Right to Work Defense Fund for more information and assistance.” [Teamsters, [5/16/17](#)]

Garbarino Received \$3,750 From Pharmaceutical Companies Who Have Been Accused Of Defrauding Consumers And Taxpayers

Throughout His Career, Garbarino Has Received \$3,750 From Pharmaceutical Companies. From 2014 through 2019, Garbarino received a total of \$3,750.00 from varying pharmaceutical companies. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Garbarino Received \$1,800 From Pfizer PAC. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

2019: The State Of New York Accused Pfizer Of Fixing Prices For Generic Drugs. “New York is joining with many other states in a lawsuit against generic drug makers accused of taking part in a conspiracy to artificially inflate prices of generic drugs. The lawsuit alleges companies including Teva, Mylan, Pfizer and many others worked in concert for bid-rigging and fixing prices for more than 100 drugs. The affected medications treat a range of diseases, including cancer, diabetes, MS, ADHD and HIV. New York State Attorney General Letitia James’ office says executives in the pharmaceutical industry coordinated through various gatherings and exchanges of messages to carry out these plans. Some of the defendants are alleged to have used phrases such as ‘responsible competitor’ and ‘playing nice in the sandbox’ during these communications.” [WHAM, [5/13/19](#)]

2018: New York State Accused Pfizer Of Using Deceptive Advertising. “On October 11, 2018, New York Attorney General Barbara D. Underwood announced a settlement with Pfizer, Inc. for deceptive advertising in a drug copayment card program. The settlement follows an investigation into Pfizer’s business and advertising practices for its copayment coupon program. The company advertised to consumers that they would ‘pay no more than’ a certain amount for certain prescriptions, but then wound up spending far more at the cash register.” [Policy & Medicine, [10/14/18](#)]

Garbarino Received \$750.00 From Merck New York State PAC. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

2007: New York State Accused Merck Of Intentionally Concealing The Dangers Of A Drug And Defrauding The State Medicaid Program. “Seeking to recoup tens of millions spent by government-financed health programs on prescriptions for Vioxx, New York State and New York City joined yesterday in filing a lawsuit against Merck, the drug’s maker, which withdrew the painkiller from the market in 2004 because of dangerous side effects. The lawsuit, filed yesterday in State Supreme Court in Manhattan, accuses Merck & Company of intentionally concealing the dangers of Vioxx, and therefore defrauding the state Medicaid program, which paid for the prescriptions. The drug was used to treat arthritis and migraines but led to a high risk of heart attacks and strokes. Several other states have filed similar lawsuits against Merck more than 25,000 suits have been brought so far seeking reimbursement for taxpayer dollars spent on purchasing Vioxx and on treating patients for its side effects. The suits have focused on drug pricing and safety, involving both consumer and Medicaid fraud.” [New York Times, [9/18/07](#)]

Garbarino Received \$250.00 From Boehringer Ingelheim USA Corporation. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Boehringer Ingelheim Was Accused Of Defrauding Medicare And Engaging In Illegal Practices. “According to the United States Department of Justice (‘DOJ’), Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals Inc. will pay \$95 million to resolve allegations it engaged in marketing practices that defrauded Medicare and promoted the off-label use of four of its drugs. The improper marketing allegations involved the stroke-preventing drug Aggrenox, the chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (‘COPD’) medications Atrovent and Combivent and the hypertension medication, Micardis. According to the allegations, Boehringer fraudulently marketed Aggrenox, Combivent and Micardis for uses that were not medically accepted nor approved by the FDA and were, therefore, not covered by any federal healthcare program. The off-label marketing of these drugs caused false claims to be submitted to Medicare and other government-sponsored healthcare programs.” [Berger Montague, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Garbarino Received \$500 From The Friends For The Election Of Dean Skelos—A New York Republican Jailed For Corruption

2018: Dean Skelos Was Sentenced To More Than Four Years In Prison For Corruption. “Dean G. Skelos, the former New York State Senate majority leader who wielded sweeping power in the Legislature for nearly a decade, was sentenced to four years and three months in prison on Wednesday for a corruption scheme involving his son.

Mr. Skelos, 70, a Republican from Long Island, had been retried after an earlier conviction, in 2015, was overturned on appeal. After that trial, he was sentenced to five years.” [New York Times, [10/24/18](#)]

Skelos Pressed Business Executives To Give His Son \$300,000 For Performing No-Show Jobs. “But Mr. Skelos’s reign came to a swift and ignominious end when federal prosecutors charged in 2015 that he had abused his power by pressuring business executives to give his son about \$300,000 for a patchwork of no-show or low-show jobs. Mr. Skelos had made clear, the government said, that he would kill legislation that the executives’ firms were seeking if they did not comply with his demands.” [New York Times, [10/24/28](#)]

2014: Garbarino Received \$500.00 From The Friends For The Election Of Dean Skelos. On October 27, 2014, Garbarino received \$500.00 from the Friends For The Election Of Dean Skelos. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Garbarino Received \$200 From Daytree At Cortland Square, A Company Charged With Illegal Dumping And Ripping Off The Town Of Islip

2014: Daytree At Cortland Was Charged With Overcharging The Town Of Islip. “Three members of a Long Island family embroiled in an illegal-dumping case were charged Tuesday with bilking the town of Islip for nearly \$150,000. Clara Datre, president of Daytree of Cortland Square, and her two children are accused of overbilling the town \$148,000 for 17 days of tree-removal work following Superstorm Sandy, WCBS 880’s Sophia Hall reported. ‘When the defendants paid, for instance, \$20, they were billing the town \$40,’ District Attorney Thomas Spota said.” [WLNY, [12/9/14](#)]

Daytree At Cortland Was Also Failed To Pay The Proper Contract Wages For Employees. “Spota said the trio also did not pay the proper contract wages to 13 employees, shorting them over \$100,000. Clara Datre, Thomas Datre Jr. and Gia Gatien all pleaded not guilty to grand larceny.” [WLNY, [12/9/14](#)]

The Datre Family Was Also Involved In Illegal Dumping Across Long Island. “Thomas Datre Jr. is also among six people who were charged Monday in connection with alleged illegal dumping at several Long Island sites. The 32-count indictment includes charges of criminal mischief, conspiracy and numerous environmental violations. The former Islip town parks commissioner, Joseph J. Montuori Jr., and his former executive secretary, Brett A. Robinson, are accused of looking the other way as haulers poisoned park soil. Both were released without bail. [...] Datre Jr., a trucker/hauler and the alleged mastermind, is accused of hauling the demolition debris from New York City — avoiding costly legal disposal — and dumping more than 1,700 truckloads at four Long Island sites, Gusoff reported.” [WLNY, [12/9/14](#)]

2012: Garbarino Received \$200 From Daytree At Cortland Square. On October 24, 2012, Garbarino received a \$200.00 contribution from Daytree at Cortland Square Inc. [New York Board of Election, accessed [4/30/20](#)]

Appendix IV – Paid Media Summary

NOTE: Paid media advertisements saved on the DCCC research drive.

2020 Election

June 2020: Garbarino Released An Ad Titled “Fight For Long Island.” “I’m Andrew Garbarino. I grew up here on Long Island and I’m running for Pete King’s seat for Congress. I’m proud to be supported by Congressman King and Lee Zeldin. I’m a conservative who thinks China’s been getting away with murder and gangs like MS-13 should be put away. My opponent, Mike LiPetri, was a Democrat and worked for Bill De Blasio. And he doesn’t support term limits, I do. I’m Andrew Garbarino and I approve this message because I’ll fight the AOC and De Blasio liberals in Congress. [Andrew Garbarino for Congress, YouTube, [6/9/20](#)]

Appendix V – Bill Sponsorships & Amendments

Toplines

Garbarino Sponsorship Toplines		
Term	# of Sponsorships	# Became Law
2019 - 2020	16	4
2017 – 2018	14	2
2015 – 2016	16	3
2013 – 2014	17	4
TOTAL	63	13

[New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

NOTE: Table updated as of 5/14/2020

Garbarino Career Sponsorships By Subject		
Subject	# Of Bills Sponsored	# Became Law
Taxation	28	9
Business	8	0
Local Issues	7	3
Infrastructure	4	1
Government	4	0
Environmental	4	0
Education	3	0
Gaming	3	0
Health	2	0

[New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

NOTE: Table updated as of 5/14/2020

2019 – 2020 Term

NOTE: Updated as of 5/14/20.

Garbarino Sponsored 16 Bills, 4 Of Which Became Law

Garbarino Sponsored 16 Bills In The 2019 – 2020 New York State Assembly Term, 4 Of Which Became Law. [New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Garbarino 2019 – 2020 Term Sponsorships				
Date	Bill #	Title	Last Action	Last Action/ Effective Date
2/5/19	A04798	Relates to making all state lands subject to taxation for school purposes.	Referred to real property taxation committee	1/8/20
2/5/19	A04801	Relates to exemptions from sales and use taxes for gift certificates, electronic gift cards and magnetic gift cards.	Referred to ways and means	1/8/20
2/5/19	A04802	Relates to withholding the governor's salary after the April first budget deadline until a state budget has been passed.	Referred to governmental operations	1/8/20

2/5/19	A04804	Relates to raising the income cap for senior citizens applying for the enhanced STAR property tax exemption.	Referred to real property taxation	1/8/20
2/5/19	A04810	Permits the Patchogue Fire District to file an application for a real property tax exemption.	Signed into chapter 267	9/13/19
2/5/19	A04843	Provides for the appeal of disputes between shareholders and boards of directors of residential cooperatives to a hearing officer appointed by the attorney general.	Referred to corporations, authorities and commissions	1/8/20
2/5/19	A04912	Permits the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Great South Bay Sayville to file an application for a real property tax exemption.	Signed into chapter 268	9/13/19
4/3/19	A06991	Permits members of the Fair Harbor fire district to adopt a resolution changing the date for the nomination of the chief and assistant chiefs of such fire department.	Signed into chapter 208	8/29/19
5/3/19	A07448	Authorizes the payment of retirement benefits by the New York state teachers' retirement system to Dominic J. Feminella, the widower of Jeannette M. Feminella, if he shall file an option election form with the retirement board of such retirement system.	Referred to governmental employees	1/8/20
6/4/19	A08159	Relates to granting peace officer status to uniformed members of the bureau of fire prevention of the town of Islip.	Signed into chapter 632	12/12/19
6/13/19	A08923	Validates certain acts of the Islip Union Free school district with regard to certain capital improvement projects including project numbers 0003-12, 0011-007, 0011-008, 0003-013, 0007-009, 0007-010, 0007-012 and 0011-009.	Vetoed by Governor	11/8/19
1/27/20	A09612	Grants retroactive retirement membership in the New York state teachers' retirement system to Eileen Saumell.	Referred to governmental employees	1/27/20
1/27/20	A09614	Creates the Davis Park Fire Department Benevolent Association.	Referred to local government	1/27/20
5/4/20	A10377	Authorizes the village of Patchogue, town of Brookhaven, county of Suffolk, to alienate and discontinue the use of certain parklands, for the purpose of leasing such parklands to Wireless Towers LLC.	Referred to local government	5/4/20
5/4/20	A10390	Establishes the crime of coronavirus related fraud; requires sentences for	Referred to codes	5/4/20

		such crime be run consecutively to any crime arising from the same criminal transaction.		
5/4/20	A10410	Relates to price gouging, fraud, and deceptive acts involving medical supplies related to a public health emergency.	Referred to consumer affairs and protection	5/4/20

[New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

2017 – 2018 Term

Garbarino Sponsored 14 Pieces Of Legislation, 2 Of Which Became Law

Garbarino Sponsored 14 Bills In The 2017 – 2018 New York State Assembly Term, 2 Of Which Became Law. [New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Garbarino Sponsored 5 Pieces Of Legislation That Passed The House

Garbarino Sponsored 5 Pieces Of Legislation That Passed The New York State Assembly In The 2017 – 2018 Term. [New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Garbarino 2017 – 2018 Term Sponsorships				
Date	Bill #	Title	Last Action	Last Action/ Effective Date
2/9/17	A05472	Provides for the appeal of disputes between shareholders and boards of directors of residential cooperatives to a hearing officer appointed by the attorney general.	Referred to corporations, authorities and commissions	1/3/18
2/9/17	A05483	Relates to making all state lands subject to taxation for school purposes.	Referred to real property taxation	1/3/18
2/9/17	A05518	Provides state aid to newly eligible municipalities in which a video lottery gaming facility is located.	Referred to ways and means	1/3/18
2/9/17	A05519	Relates to exemptions from sales and use taxes for gift certificates, electronic gift cards and magnetic gift cards.	Referred to ways and means	1/3/18
2/10/17	A05578	Relates to withholding the governor's salary after the April first budget deadline until a state budget has been passed.	Referred to governmental operations	1/3/18
2/10/17	A05582	Relates to mandatory acceptance of returnable beverage containers.	Referred to environmental conservation	1/3/18
2/14/17	A05698	Designates a portion of the state highway system in the town of Islip, county of Suffolk, as the "Specialist Matthew E. Baylis Memorial Bridge."	Signed into chapter 33	6/2/16
2/16/17	A05853	Relates to raising the income cap for senior citizens applying for the enhanced STAR property tax exemption.	Referred to real property taxation	1/3/18

2/21/17	A05997	Requires the commissioner of the department of environmental conservation to take a test sample of any chemical a person might be exposed to for purposes of identification.	Referred to environmental conservation	1/3/18
3/7/17	A06498	Authorizes the assessor of the town of Brookhaven to accept an application for exemption from real property taxes from Iglesia Evangelica Apostol for certain parcels of land located in the town of Brookhaven.	Signed into chapter 132	7/25/17
5/23/17	A07982	Authorizes the payment of retirement benefits by the New York state teachers' retirement system to Dominic J. Feminella, the widower of Jeannette M. Feminella, if he shall file an option election form with the retirement board of such retirement system.	Print number 7982a	4/3/18
6/2/17	A08215	Grants uniformed members of the bureau of fire prevention of the town of Islip peace officer status.	Vetoed by Governor	12/18/17
3/20/18	A10144	Permits the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Great South Bay Sayville to file an application for a real property tax exemption.	Referred to Senate Rules committee	6/19/18
3/20/18	A10148	Permits the Patchogue Fire District to file an application for a real property tax exemption.	Referred to Senate Rules committee	6/19/18

[New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

2015 – 2016 Term

Garbarino Sponsored 16 Pieces Of Legislation, 3 Of Which Became Law

Garbarino Sponsored 16 Bills In The 2015 – 2016 New York State Assembly Term, 3 Of Which Became Law. [New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Garbarino Sponsored 4 Pieces Of Legislation That Passed The Assembly

Garbarino Sponsored 4 Pieces Of Legislation That Passed The New York State Assembly In The 2015 – 2016 Term. [New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Garbarino 2015 – 2016 Term Sponsorships				
Date	Bill #	Title	Last Action	Last Action/ Effective Date
1/12/15	A01426	Provides for the appeal of disputes between shareholders and boards of directors of residential cooperatives to a hearing officer appointed by the attorney general.	Held for consideration in corporations, authorities and commissions	4/12/16
1/12/15	A01521	Relates to mandatory acceptance of returnable beverage containers.	Held for consideration in environmental conservation	5/24/16

1/12/15	A01621	Relates to raising the income cap for senior citizens applying for the enhanced STAR property tax exemption.	Referred to real property taxation	1/6/16
1/12/15	A01630	Establishes a temporary task force on the variable supplements fund program to make findings and recommendations.	Enacting clause stricken	6/3/15
1/12/15	A01676	Relates to making certain lands owned by the state subject to taxation for school purposes only.	Held for consideration in real property taxation	4/12/16
1/12/15	A01773	Relates to making all state lands subject to taxation for school purposes.	Referred to real property taxation	1/6/16
1/12/15	A01774	Relates to certain exemptions for licensed gunsmiths, manufacturers and dealers employed in the fulfillment of government, law enforcement, or other state and municipal contracts.	Held for consideration in codes	6/6/16
1/12/15	A01775	Relates to exemptions from sales and use taxes for gift certificates, electronic gift cards and magnetic gift cards.	Held for consideration in ways and means	6/14/16
1/29/15	A04204	Provides state aid to newly eligible municipalities in which a video lottery gaming facility is located.	Held for consideration in ways and means	6/15/16
3/5/15	A05823	Relates to withholding the governor's salary after the April first budget deadline until a state budget has been passed.	Held for consideration in governmental operations	6/15/16
3/9/15	A05941	Relates to bonds, notes and other obligations of the Long Island power authority not being a debt of the state; makes an appropriation to the Long Island power authority for the purpose of satisfying outstanding debts.	Held for consideration in corporations, authorities and commissions	6/1/16
1/21/16	A09069	Authorizes Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Islip to file an application for retroactive tax exempt status.	Signed in chapter 178	7/21/16
1/29/16	A09158	Permits the Lutheran Church of Our Savior (LCOS), located at 38 Monroe Avenue in the Village of Patchogue, to file an application for a real property tax exemption.	Referred to real property taxation	1/29/16
2/17/16	A09304	Grants retroactive real property tax exempt status to the Lutheran Church of Our Savior Parish.	Signed into chapter 122	7/21/16
2/25/16	A09352	Authorizes Lucky Guys of Long Island Inc. to file an application for retroactive tax exempt status.	Signed into chapter 191	7/21/16
4/22/16	A09894	Validates certain acts of the Islip Union Free school district with regard to certain capital improvement projects including project numbers 0003-12, 0011-007, 0011-008, 0003-013, 0007-009, 0007-010, 0007-012 & 0011-009.	Vetoed memo 220	9/29/16

2013 – 2014 Term

Garbarino Sponsored 17 Pieces Of Legislation, 4 Of Which Became Law

Garbarino Sponsored 17 Bills In The 2013 – 2014 New York State Assembly Term, 4 Of Which Became Law. [New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Garbarino Sponsored 6 Pieces Of Legislation That Passed The Assembly

Garbarino Sponsored 6 Pieces Of Legislation That Passed The New York State Assembly In The 2013 – 2014 Term. [New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Garbarino 2013 – 2014 Term Sponsorships				
Date	Bill #	Title	Last Action	Last Action/ Effective Date
3/7/13	A05838	Provides for the appeal of disputes between shareholders and boards of directors of residential cooperatives to a hearing officer appointed by the attorney general.	Held for consideration in corporations, authorities and commissions	6/3/14
3/26/13	A06389	Relates to certain exemptions for licensed gunsmiths, manufacturers and dealers employed in the fulfillment of government, law enforcement, or other state and municipal contracts.	Print number 6389b	2/12/14
5/22/13	A07476	Establishes a temporary task force on the variable supplements fund program to make findings and recommendations.	Held for consideration in governmental employees	5/28/14
5/23/13	A07575	Authorizes Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church to retroactively apply for a real property tax exemption for certain property in the town of Islip, county of Suffolk for the 2012-2013 assessment roll.	Enacting clause stricken	6/11/13
5/28/13	A07605	Relates to making all state lands subject to taxation for school purposes.	Held for consideration in real property taxation	4/29/14
6/4/13	A07762	Relates to mandatory acceptance of returnable beverage containers.	Held for consideration in environmental conservation	5/12/14
6/4/13	A07793	Relates to raising the income cap for senior citizens applying for the enhanced STAR property tax exemption.	Referred to real property taxation	1/8/14
6/10/13	A07926	Authorizes New York 811, Inc. to receive retroactive real property tax exempt status.	Signed into chapter 513	11/13/13
6/11/13	A07946	Authorizes Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church to file an application for retroactive tax exempt status	Signed into chapter 410	10/21/13
6/12/13	A07972	Extends the authorization of the village of Patchogue to use sewer surplus for infrastructure projects.	Signed into chapter 301	7/31/13

6/14/13	A08017	Relates to making certain lands owned by the state subject to taxation for school purposes only.	Print number 8017a	2/24/14
1/31/14	A08658	Relates to exemptions from sales and use taxes for gift certificates, electronic gift cards and magnetic gift cards.	Held for consideration in ways and means	6/17/14
2/14/14	A08795	Grants retroactive real property tax exempt status to the Lutheran Church of Our Savior Parish.	Held for consideration in real property taxation	5/28/14
4/8/14	A09300	Authorizes New York 811, Inc. to make application to receive retroactive real property tax exempt status.	Signed into chapter 233	8/7/14
5/15/14	A09685	Extends the authorization of the village of Patchogue to use sewer surplus for infrastructure projects.	Referred to Senate rules committee	6/19/14
5/20/14	A09750	Provides state aid to newly eligible municipalities in which a video lottery gaming facility is located.	Referred to ways and means	5/20/14
5/22/14	A09780	Grants uniform members of the bureau of fire prevention of the town of Islip peace officer status.	Vetoed memo 524	11/21/14

[New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Appendix VI – Bill Co-Sponsorships

Career

Garbarino Co-Sponsored 380 Pieces Of Legislation; 32 Or 8.4% Percent Became Law

As Of May 2020, Garbarino Co-sponsored 380 Pieces Of Legislation; 32 Or 8.4 Percent Of Became Law.
[New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Toplines

Garbarino Co-Sponsorship Toplines			
Term	# of Co-sponsorships	# Became Law	Percentage Became Law
2019 - 2020	92	6	6.52%
2017 – 2018	128	7	5.47%
2015 – 2016	102	13	12.75%
2013 – 2014	58	6	10.34%
TOTAL	380	32	8.42%

[New York State Assembly, Bill Search, accessed [5/14/20](#)]

Note: Table updated as of 5/14/2020

Garbarino Co-Sponsored XX Bills With Fewer Than 10 Other Members

Garbarino Co-Sponsorships With Fewer Than 10 Other Members				
Date Intro.	Bill #	Title	Sponsor	# of Cosponsors
2/13/20	A09807	Directs the board to submit a recommendation regarding the central business district toll amounts to the legislature and also to recommend a privacy risk plan.	Ra	6
6/15/19	A08398	Provides for transparency in long term care insurance rates.	Barclay	1
6/11/19	A08275	Provides that in certain instances the school district budget will be approved if the majority of the votes cast are in the affirmative and if the budget, without the separate proposition or propositions, does not exceed the tax levy limit.	Thiele	7
5/1/19	A07419	Authorizes Carl Spatola to receive a refund from the New York state teachers' retirement system due to overpayment.	Thiele	1
4/12/19	A07216	Includes within the class D felony of assault in the second degree, the intentional causing of physical injury to a passenger commuter ferry operator or crew.	Thiele	3
3/7/19	A06363	Enacts the "Long Island power authority rate reform act"; requires that the board of trustees of LIPA not approve a final rate plan until it holds a public hearing in each county within the service	Theiele	9

		area upon at least thirty days' notice to the public; requires that the department of public service shall not recommend a rate increase to offset revenue loss due to energy conservation efforts by consumers.		
2/19/19	A05820	Relates to providing accidental disability retirement benefits for chief fire marshals, assistant chief fire marshals, division supervising fire marshals, supervising fire marshals, fire marshals and fire marshal trainees in Nassau county.	Abbate	5
2/13/19	A05512	Provides motor fuel tax exemption for sales of diesel motor fuel used in vessels used directly in a business providing sport fishing opportunities for hire to the general public from the tax on petroleum businesses and from sales and compensating use taxes.	Thiele	1
2/7/19	A05094	Relates to revoking a person's driver's license who has been convicted of operating a vessel while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.	Raia	6
2/7/19	A05118	Authorizes peace officers and police officers to impound vehicle when the driver of such vehicle fails to produce an insurance identification card.	Raia	6
2/1/19	A04138	Provides a preference for New York state contractors for purposes of public works contracts; authorizes the commissioner of economic development and the commissioner of labor to promulgate necessary rules and regulations; requires a report to the legislature; makes related provisions.	Ra	6
2/1/19	A04240	Creates the science, technology, engineering and mathematics college affordability program; provides that each student accepted into such program shall be charged an amount of no more than two thousand five hundred dollars per academic year.	Ra	5
2/1/19	A04255	Enacts the "Learning for Work act"; establishes the youth apprenticeship program and the enhanced regents professional diploma; appropriates moneys therefor.	Ra	9
1/31/19	A03753	Authorizes treatment of workers' compensation injuries by an occupational therapy assistant and a physical therapist assistant.	Zebrowski	9
1/29/19	A03307	Relates to providing veterans free use of cabins and cottages located in public places of recreation within the state.	Norris	9
1/29/19	A03508	Authorizes distinctive license plates for recipients of the Bronze or Silver star.	Gunther	2
1/29/19	A03522	Exempts community colleges from the imposition of the metropolitan commuter transportation mobility tax.	Zebrowski	7

1/28/19	A03213	Relates to the commissioner of education granting schools variances for alternative assessments.	Ra	6
1/22/19	A02042	Allows a freeze to be placed upon real property taxes assessed against persons 65 years of age or older having earnings of not more than \$32,000 and who have held title to the property for at least two years prior to making an application; requires county to provide notification of those provisions; requires each governing board of any municipal corporation to notify each person owning residential property.	Englebright	3
1/22/19	A02137	Establishes a real property tax exemption for persons eighty years of age or over; provides that such exemption shall be phased in over a ten year period whereby ten percent of the assessed valuation is exempt per year for ten years, at which time one hundred percent of such property shall be exempt.	Englebright	2
1/22/19	A02223	Permits any title insurance corporation or title insurance agent, or any other person acting for or on behalf of the title insurance corporation or title insurance agent, from undertaking any usual and customary marketing activity aimed at acquainting present and prospective customers with the advantages of using a particular title insurer or title insurance agent that are not intended for the purpose of a reward for the future placement of, or the past placement, of a particular piece of title insurance business; lays out such permitted practices.	Cahill	7
1/11/19	A00880	Eliminates sporting license fees for honorably discharged, disabled veterans.	Kolb	5
1/10/19	A00753	Allows veterans with a service-connected disability or Purple Heart free use of parks and campsites; provides that such disability shall be 10 percent service-connected or greater.	Ashby	4
1/9/19	A00157	Relates to medical malpractice excess line insurance.	Cahill	6
5/7/18	A10584	Extends the effectiveness of provisions of law establishing an excess line advisory organization until 2024.	Rosenthal	1
1/18/18	A09042	Enacts the "Long Island power authority rate reform act"; requires that the board of trustees of LIPA not approve a final rate plan until it holds a public hearing in each county within the service area upon at least thirty days' notice to the public; requires that the department of public service shall not recommend a rate increase to offset revenue loss due to energy conservation efforts by consumers.	Thiele	9
1/18/18	A09051	Provides a preference for New York state contractors for purposes of public works	Ra	8

		contracts; authorizes the commissioner of economic development and the commissioner of labor to promulgate necessary rules and regulations; requires a report to the legislature; makes related provisions.		
1/18/18	A09054	Relates to an exemption for real property owned by an incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department; provides such property shall be removed from the tax rolls immediately by the county assessor without necessity of an application for exemption.	Ra	8
1/18/18	A09065	Authorizes and empowers school districts to accept gifts, donations and contributions to the district and to solicit the same.	Ra	8
1/18/18	A09076	Provides for a two year suspension of a person's driver's license upon second driving while intoxicated conviction and authorizes the commissioner of motor vehicles to issue a conditional license for up to one year as an alternative to restoration of such license.	Ra	6
1/18/18	A09077	Establishes the regents high-tech graduate loan forgiveness program to provide annual loan payments of up to \$10,000 a year to high-tech college graduates who are residents of the state, attended a college or university in the state, received a degree in a high-tech field and agree to work in a high-tech field in the state for 5 years; appropriates twenty-five million dollars therefor.	Ra	2
1/18/18	A09080	Enacts the community college and BOCES partnership act to create a high technology manufacturing training program to explore benefits of building educational partnerships between community colleges and boards of cooperative educational services.	Ra	6
1/18/18	A09087	Creates the science, technology, engineering and mathematics college affordability program; provides that each student accepted into such program shall be charged an amount of no more than two thousand five hundred dollars per academic year.	Ra	6
1/18/18	A09088	Authorizes the regents to create a task force to review the issue of textbook cost and ways to enhance the academic role and delivery of course materials, and ensure student affordability through such approaches as used books, textbook rentals, custom materials, the use of open access textbooks, digital textbooks, print on demand technologies, and through greater collaboration between faculty, publishers, college bookstores and libraries.	Ra	5
1/18/18	A09089	Establishes an adjustment of income for certain taxpayers equal to the amount of principal and	Ra	3

		interest paid by the taxpayer on certain educational loans.		
5/25/17	A08085	Authorizes Carl Spatola to receive a refund from the New York state teachers' retirement system due to overpayment.	Thiele	1
4/4/17	A07084	Enacts the common core parental refusal act.	Curran	9
3/29/17	A07051	Relates to the general powers of the Long Island office of the department of public service to review the rates and charges of the Long Island power authority.	Thiele	9
3/27/17	A06951	Provides that the office of fire prevention and control shall establish and maintain a centralized reporting system and data base of the names and firefighting organizations of all firefighters in the state; requires office of fire prevention and control to issue an annual report on or before March 31 to the governor, temporary president of the senate, speaker of the assembly, minority leader of the senate and the minority leader of the assembly.	Oaks	9
3/15/17	A06697	Provides for the reimbursement of the ticket price of unused one-way, round trip or multi-trip tickets purchased for use on the Long Island Rail Road or the Metro-North Commuter Railroad Company if returned within one year.	Miller	7
3/6/17	A06381	Relates to the retirement payable to any sheriff, deputy sheriff, undersheriff or correction officer injured on the job.	Graf	8
3/2/17	A06328	Provides motor fuel tax exemption for sales of diesel motor fuel used in vessels used directly in a business providing sport fishing opportunities for hire to the general public from the tax on petroleum businesses and from sales and compensating use taxes.	Thiele	1
2/10/17	A05591	Establishes tax credits for premiums paid for life insurance which is used for long term health care; enhances tax credits for long term health care insurance premiums.	Gjonaj	6
2/3/17	A04734	Permits a liability policy to provide coverage for punitive damages, civil penalties and other non-compensatory damages.	Brindisi	7
2/3/17	A04817	Relates to funds used for the physician loan repayment program and the regents physicians loan forgiveness program for physicians practicing in designated physician shortage areas and creates the medical malpractice rate relief program within the regents physician loan forgiveness program in designated physician shortage areas.	Palmesano	10
2/2/17	A04366	Enacts the "equine activity safety code act"; provides that an equine activity sponsor, an equine professional, or any other person, which	Magee	9

		shall include a corporation or partnership, shall not be liable for an injury to or the death of a participant resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, except under certain circumstances.		
2/2/17	A04389	Enacts the "omnibus emergency services volunteer incentive act" to provide benefits to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers; increases the personal income tax deduction after four or more years of service; exempts motor vehicles used in the performance of such volunteers' duties from registration fees, use taxes and special fees for volunteer license plates; authorizes the provision of municipal health insurance coverage to such volunteers; establishes a volunteer recruitment service loan forgiveness program	Palmesano	9
2/2/17	A04447	Establishes crime of vehicular assault in the third degree where a person, with criminal negligence, causes physical injury to another person while unlawfully overtaking and passing a stopped school bus; expands other degrees of crime to include unlawfully passing a stopped school bus.	Palmesano	10
1/30/17	A03674	Relates to a tax abatement for solar power for seniors on a fixed income; provides that individuals aged 65 years or older and earning 300% of the federal poverty guidelines or below shall be entitled to an additional 15% tax abatement for solar energy equipment or for the use of solar energy.	Graf	7
1/30/17	A03753	Changes the penalty for falsely impersonating an attorney or acting as an attorney to a class E felony from a misdemeanor.	Graf	6
1/27/17	A03236	Requires school buses to display a toll free number for reporting improper operation of such school buses.	McKevitt	4
1/27/17	A03300	Relates to revoking a person's driver's license who has been convicted of operating a vessel while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.	Raia	7
1/27/17	A03428	Relates to determining income for tuition assistance program awards; provides that transfers from individual retirement accounts to Roth individual retirement accounts not be included in determining income for such TAP awards.	McKevitt	8
1/27/17	A03457	Authorizes peace officers and police officers to impound vehicle when the driver of such vehicle fails to produce an insurance identification card.	Raia	6
1/26/17	A03117	Establishes the Collaborative Curriculum Development Fund and amends the education department's reappropriations.	Ra	4

1/20/17	A02398	Establishes a bi-county commission in the counties of Nassau and Suffolk to study the feasibility of establishing the state of Long Island.	Thiele	2
1/18/17	A02351	Relates to the powers granted to municipal corporations within the Long Island Power Authority service area regarding the establishment, ownership and operation of public utility services.	Thiele	4
1/17/17	A01931	Relates to vendor fees at certain vendor tracks.	Peoples-Stokes	4
1/17/17	A02082	Provides that in certain instances the school district budget will be approved if the majority of the votes cast are in the affirmative and if the budget, without the separate proposition or propositions, does not exceed the tax levy limit.	Thiele	9
1/17/17	A02307	Relates to the commissioner of education granting schools variances for alternative assessments.	Ra	9
1/13/17	A01844	Relates to requiring the compilation of the number of deaths by opioid overdose.	McLaughlin	9
1/12/17	A01717	Exempts community colleges from the imposition of the metropolitan commuter transportation mobility tax.	Zebrowski	10
1/4/17	A00029	Relates to medical malpractice excess line insurance.	Cahill	5
6/14/16	A10736	Relates to the registration and regulation of interactive fantasy sports contests.	Pretlow	7
5/27/16	A10429	Relates to membership of the board of directors of the New York racing association.	Woerner	4
1/28/16	A09113	Relates to revoking a person's driver's license who has been convicted of operating a vessel while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.	Raia	8
12/2/15	A08588	Excludes participation in any fantasy or simulation sports game or educational game or contest meeting certain conditions from the definition of "contest of chance".	Murray	5
6/10/15	A08136	Provides that in certain instances the school district budget will be approved if the majority of the votes cast are in the affirmative and if the budget, without the separate proposition or propositions, does not exceed the tax levy limit.	Thiele	6
6/9/15	A08134	Relates to catastrophic or reinsurance coverage issued to certain small groups covering between fifty-one and one hundred employees or members of the group.	Seawright	5
5/29/15	A07894	Requires that in communities where traffic-control signal photo violation-monitoring devices are in use yellow signal lights meet minimum duration requirements; establishes minimum durations based on speed limits; requires all traffic lights undergo an annual audit and any	Lupinacci	7

		traffic light found not in compliance shall result in the refund of any monetary penalties back to the date of the last audit.		
5/20/15	A07603	Establishes tax credits for premiums paid for life insurance which is used for long term health care; enhances tax credits for long term health care insurance premiums.	Gjonaj	3
5/19/15	A07571	Relates to method of collection of charges by the Suffolk county water authority.	Thiele	7
4/27/15	A07187	Establishes the commission on retired racehorses.	Pretlow	6
4/23/15	A07082	Relates to the cost of various hunting, fishing and trapping licenses.	Thiele	10
4/8/15	A06884	Relates to a certain agreement for a payment in lieu of taxes with respect to a lessee that is a qualified empire zone enterprise of certain real property.	Thiele	1
3/16/15	A06107	Relates to the criminal offense of threatening with a hypodermic instrument.	Borelli	1
3/16/15	A06186	Exempts retired police officers from certain provisions pertaining to large capacity ammunition feeding devices.	Borelli	1
3/11/15	A06058	Relates to validity of a license to carry and possess a firearm in the city of New York where the licensee is a dealer, manufacturer or gunsmith of firearms and is carrying or possessing the firearms in the course of their employment.	Borelli	1
2/24/15	A05459	Relates to video lottery gaming devices in the Suffolk region.	Murray	6
2/17/15	A05270	Provides that students who have an IEP shall not be required to take more than one regents examination in any given day.	Santabarbara	5
2/13/15	A05249	Reimburses counties who have purchased or will purchase Medicaid fraud detection software.	Palmesano	7
2/5/15	A04665	Requires approval by 2/3 vote of membership of the senate and assembly voting separately to increase or decrease any tax rate, impose a new state tax, extend or delete existing state tax.	Palmesano	9
2/3/15	A04503	Authorizes peace officers and police officers to impound vehicle when the driver of such vehicle fails to produce an insurance identification card.	Raia	7
1/30/15	A04373	Establishes crime of vehicular assault in the third degree where person, with criminal negligence, causes physical injury to another person while unlawfully overtaking and passing a stopped school bus; expands other degrees of crime to include unlawfully passing a stopped school bus.	Palmesano	8
1/30/15	A04395	Relates to funds used for the physician loan repayment program and the regents physicians loan forgiveness program for physicians practicing in designated physician shortage areas and creates the medical malpractice rate relief program within the regents physician loan	Palmesano	6

		forgiveness program in designated physician shortage areas.		
1/30/15	A04424	Requires school buses to display a toll free number for reporting improper operation of such school buses.	McKevitt	3
1/29/15	A04192	Relates to determining income for tuition assistance program awards; provides that transfers from individual retirement accounts to Roth individual retirement accounts not be included in determining income for such TAP awards.	McKevitt	6
1/28/15	A03896	Establishes the Collaborative Curriculum Development Fund and amends the education department's reappropriations.	Ra	7
1/27/15	A03630	Provides that the sentence for committing murder in the first degree when the victim is a police officer, peace officer or correction officer shall be either death or life imprisonment without parole.	Brook-Krasny	7
1/27/15	A03801	Imposes an additional 5 years of imprisonment for sale of controlled substances to a person under the age of 16 or for committing a felony with a loaded firearm, shotgun, rifle or machine-gun.	McKevitt	5
1/22/15	A03116	Establishes a bi-county commission in the counties of Nassau and Suffolk to study the feasibility of establishing the state of Long Island.	Thiele	3
1/16/15	A02427	Relates to a tax abatement for solar power for seniors on a fixed income; provides that individuals aged 65 years or older and earning 300% of the federal poverty guidelines or below shall be entitled to an additional 15% tax abatement for solar energy equipment or for the use of solar energy.	Graf	8
1/16/15	A02465	Changes the penalty for falsely impersonating an attorney or acting as an attorney to a class E felony from a misdemeanor.	Graf	8
1/15/15	A02032	Allows municipalities to lease naming rights of government-owned property.	Schimmel	10
1/12/15	A01457	Relates to the powers granted to municipal corporations within the Long Island Power Authority service area regarding the establishment, ownership and operation of public utility services.	Thiele	5
1/7/15	A00151	Provides motor fuel tax exemption for sales of diesel motor fuel used in vessels used directly in a business providing sport fishing opportunities for hire to the general public from the tax on petroleum businesses and from sales and compensating use taxes.	Thiele	3
1/7/15	A00798	Relates to state reimbursement to counties for amounts paid on behalf of non-resident students	Jaffee	10

		in attendance at the fashion institute of technology.		
5/27/14	A09860	Changes the penalty for falsely impersonating an attorney or acting as an attorney to a class E felony from a misdemeanor.	Graf	5
5/27/14	A09868	Establishes the Collaborative Curriculum Development Fund and amends the education department's reappropriations.	Ra	6
5/16/14	A09700	Relates to a tax abatement for solar power for seniors on a fixed income; provides that individuals aged 65 years or older and earning 300% of the federal poverty guidelines or below shall be entitled to an additional 15% tax abatement for solar energy equipment or for the use of solar energy.	Graf	5
2/12/14	A08753	Designates a portion of the state highway system in the hamlet of Bay Shore, county of Suffolk, as the "Corey J. Swinson Memorial Bridge".	Ramos	3
2/7/14	A08738	Requires the placement of countdown clocks alerting motorists of the duration of yellow lights in locations where red light cameras are operated.	Lupinacci	3
11/20/13	A08285	Establishes an emergency opioid overdose prevention pilot program whereby police agencies and certain public high schools could administer Naloxone, an opioid inverse agonist, to persons who have overdosed on an opioid; provides for the administration of Naloxone pursuant to the opioid overdose prevention program.	Lentol	6
8/30/13	A08141	Relates to the retirement payable to any sheriff, deputy sheriff, undersheriff or correction officer injured on the job.	Graf	10
8/30/13	A08160	Provides a performance of duty disability to Suffolk county probation officers.	Sweeney	6
5/28/13	A07613	Provides that the sentence for committing murder in the first degree when the victim is a police officer, peace officer or correction officer shall be either death or life imprisonment without parole.	Brook-Krasny	8
5/23/13	A07582	Relates to strengthening prison sentences for illegal gun possession.	Katz	7
5/10/13	A07298	Allows the county of Suffolk to establish a master electrician licensing board.	Thiele	2
5/8/13	A07275	Requires contracts between professional design firms and municipal corporations, state and local authorities, or state departments contain language concerning indemnification.	Schimminger	9
5/1/13	A07110	Allows municipalities to lease naming rights of government-owned property.	Schimmel	8

5/1/13	A07122	Authorizes and empowers school districts to accept gifts, donations and contributions to the district and to solicit the same.	Lupinacci	9
4/18/13	A06788	Authorizes peace officers and police officers to impound vehicle when the driver of such vehicle fails to produce an insurance identification card.	Raia	6
3/15/13	A06121	Waives biennial registration fee for voluntary ambulance services.	Gunther	6
3/6/13	A05751	Requires school buses to display a toll free number for reporting improper operation of such school buses	McKevitt	4
3/6/13	A05760	Relates to determining income for tuition assistance program awards; provides that transfers from individual retirement accounts to Roth individual retirement accounts not be included in determining income for such TAP awards.	McKevitt	5
3/6/13	A05770	Imposes an additional 5 years of imprisonment for sale of controlled substances to a person under the age of 16 or for committing a felony with a loaded firearm, shotgun, rifle or machine-guns	McKevitt	4
2/28/13	A05553	Relates to participation by service-connected disabled veterans and veterans with respect to state contracts.	Bendetto	10
2/11/13	A04838	Makes permanent provisions for the registration requirements for recreational saltwater fishing.	Thiele	9
2/6/13	A04530	Relates to the criminal offense of threatening with a hypodermic instrument.	Borelli	9
2/6/13	A04624	Provides that the real property tax assessment on property owned by a person 70 years of age or older may be capped at last year's assessment.	Walter	10
1/30/13	A03988	Increases by 1 degree the severity of rape in the second degree, criminal sexual act in the second degree, sexual abuse in the second degree and course of sexual conduct against a child in the second degree.	Butler	3
1/29/13	A03888	Relates to the powers granted to municipal corporations within the Long Island Power Authority service area regarding the establishment, ownership and operation of public utility services.	Thiele	6
1/28/13	A03576	Prohibits littering on state park lands.	Barrett	5
1/9/13	A01218	Provides motor fuel tax exemption for sales of diesel motor fuel used in vessels used directly in a business providing sport fishing opportunities for hire to the general public from the tax on petroleum businesses and from sales and compensating use taxes.	Thiele	3
1/9/13	A01629	Increases the revenue threshold for annual audit of fire districts from \$200,000 to \$300,000.	Gunther	4

1/9/13	A02068	Expands the definition of "prevailing party" for purposes of counsel fees and expenses in certain actions against the state, to include a party whose pursuit of a non-frivolous claim or defense was a catalyst for a voluntary or unilateral change in position by the opposing party that provides any significant part of the relief sought.	Schimminger	7

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Appendix VII – Office Expenditures

Career

Garbarino Office Expenditures – Career					
	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
2019		\$216,478.08	\$90,117.17	\$27,824.38	\$7,329.38
2018		\$198,875.08	\$81,269.10	\$23,770.14	\$61,686.13
2017		\$199,902.38	\$79,605.90	\$18,466.20	\$23,129.31
2016		\$200,957.95	\$67,975.37	\$17,703.29	\$50,349.95
2015		\$179,169.81	\$82,300.89	\$20,177.02	\$21,115.29
2014		\$168,847.44	\$70,019.96	\$17,300.62	\$43,457.70
2013		\$127,710.26	\$54,064.94	\$17,724.66	\$15,142.31
Career		\$1,291,941.00	\$525,353.33	\$142,966.31	\$222,210.07

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Garbarino Collected \$74,270.75 In Personal Reimbursements For Travel, Office Furnishings, And Office Equipment

Personal Reimbursements To Garbarino		
Year	Personal Reimbursements To Garbarino	Subject
2019	\$27,824.38	Travel
2018	\$24,411.11	Travel, Office Furnishings, Office Equipment
2017	\$19,718.19	Travel, Office Furnishings
2016	\$17,103.29	Travel
2015	\$21,528.00	Travel, Office Furnishings, Office Equipment
2014	\$16,875.36	Travel
2013	\$18,764.10	Travel, Office Furnishings
TOTAL	\$74,270.75	

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Garbarino Office Expenditures –2019					
	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
Q1		\$103,566.59	\$4,5123.66	\$14,065.20	\$1,250.00
Q2		\$112,911.49	\$44,993.51	\$13,759.18	\$6,079.38
TOTAL		\$216,478.08	\$90,117.17	\$27,824.38	\$7,329.38

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Garbarino Collected \$27,824.38 In Personal Reimbursements For Travel

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2019 Personal Reimbursements					
Quarter	Payee	Description	Voucher #	Date	Amount
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	756541	10/23/18	\$294.94
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, LAKE GEORGE	756596	10/25/18	\$489.99
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	757666	12/3/18	\$627.00

Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	758681	1/7/19	\$453.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE MEETING, OKLAHOMA CITY	758799	1/10/19	\$1,865.93
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	759109	1/15/19	\$290.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	759110	1/15/19	\$351.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	759434	1/23/19	\$641.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	759725	1/29/19	\$641.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	759725	1/29/19	\$141.96
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	760457	2/11/19	\$815.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	760458	2/11/19	\$641.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	760753	2/15/19	\$641.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	760753	2/15/19	\$85.89
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, MANHATTAN	761247	3/4/19	\$480.98
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	761344	3/5/19	\$815.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	761760	3/12/19	\$989.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	762641	3/27/19	\$812.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE MEETING, NASHVILLE	762642	3/27/19	\$2,116.51
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	762643	3/27/19	\$873.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	763294	4/12/19	\$351.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	763481	4/15/19	\$815.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	763545	4/16/19	\$1,345.94
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	763545	4/16/19	\$113.61
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	764411	5/7/19	\$815.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	764736	5/14/19	\$815.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	765142	5/20/19	\$815.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	765461	5/29/19	\$815.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	766345	6/14/19	\$989.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, BOLTON LANDING	766396	6/17/19	\$82.36
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	766397	6/17/19	\$989.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	766423	6/17/19	\$220.12
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	766576	6/20/19	\$1,163.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	766893	6/27/19	\$1,163.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	767152	7/3/19	\$29.35
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, NEWPORT BEACH	767961	7/25/19	\$2,274.45
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	768857	8/22/19	\$467.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	769277	9/10/19	\$496.35
TOTAL					\$27,824.38

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Garbarino Office Expenditures –2019					
	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
Q1		\$100,819.56	\$39,396.03	\$12,800.80	\$19,444.92
Q2		\$98,055.52	\$41,873.07	\$10,969.34	\$42,241.21
TOTAL		\$198,875.08	\$81,269.10	\$23,770.14	\$61,686.13

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Garbarino Collected \$24,411.11 In Personal Reimbursements For Travel And Office Furnishings

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2018 Personal Reimbursements					
Quarter	Payee	Description	Voucher #	Date	Amount
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	748764	3/23/18	\$179.99

Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE FURNISHINGS	748764	3/23/18	\$460.98
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	742248	10/19/17	\$54.88
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	742249	10/19/17	\$292.94
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, COOPERSTOWN	742250	10/19/17	\$451.22
Q1	GARBARINO ,ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, PHOENIX	743492	12/4/17	\$2,134.22
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, ALBANY	744221	12/18/17	\$648.44
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	745250	1/16/18	\$283.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	745251	1/16/18	\$168.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	745287	1/16/18	\$510.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	745637	1/24/18	\$625.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	745708	1/24/18	\$115.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	745965	1/29/18	\$451.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	746302	2/5/18	\$625.00
Q1	GARBARINO ,ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	746697	2/12/18	\$451.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	747092	2/20/18	\$625.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	747704	3/6/18	\$625.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	747999	3/12/18	\$222.04
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	748452	3/21/18	\$973.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ATLANTA	748594	3/22/18	\$1,786.06
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	748595	3/22/18	\$787.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	748910	3/27/18	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, MANHATTAN	749370	4/12/18	\$215.74
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	749480	4/12/18	\$1,321.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	749912	4/24/18	\$799.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	750255	5/3/18	\$799.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	750616	5/7/18	\$799.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	750954	5/14/18	\$799.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	751274	5/21/18	\$799.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	751598	5/29/18	\$625.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	751827	6/5/18	\$625.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	752336	6/13/18	\$973.00

Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	752491	6/15/18	\$119.08
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	752492	6/15/18	\$142.47
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	752601	6/19/18	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	752956	6/26/18	\$77.61
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	753473	7/12/18	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	754137	7/30/18	\$478.44
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	755574	9/20/18	\$451.00
TOTAL					\$24,411.11

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2017

Toplines

Garbarino Office Expenditures –2017					
	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
Q1		\$100,065.90	\$40,734.69	\$10,132.29	\$465.74
Q2		\$99,836.48	\$38,871.21	\$8,333.91	\$22,663.57
TOTAL		\$199,902.38	\$79,605.90	\$18,466.20	\$23,129.31

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Garbarino Collected \$19, 718.19 In Personal Reimbursements For Travel And Office Furnishings

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2017 Personal Reimbursements					
Quarter	Payee	Description	Voucher #	Date	Amount
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE FURNISHINGS	728361	11/14/16	\$444.99
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	729143	12/9/16	\$450.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	729144	12/9/16	\$101.02
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	7300184	1/10/17	\$448.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	730554	1/20/17	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	730821	1/24/17	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	731229	1/30/17	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	731683	2/7/17	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	731958	2/13/17	\$448.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	732543	2/24/17	\$798.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	733342	3/15/17	\$798.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	733343	3/15/17	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, NEW ORLEANS	733736	3/22/17	\$1,930.09

Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	733737	3/22/17	\$798.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	734017	3/24/17	\$282.18
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	734122	3/29/17	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	734602	4/7/17	\$982.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	735381	4/21/17	\$866.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	735382	4/21/17	\$623.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	736148	5/10/17	\$798.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	736206	5/10/17	\$623.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	736559	5/17/17	\$798.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	736926	5/23/17	\$623.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	737190	5/30/17	\$798.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	737793	6/14/17	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	738024	6/21/17	\$68.76
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	738402	6/27/17	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	738606	7/5/17	\$798.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	739146	7/13/17	\$208.15
TOTAL					\$19,718.19

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2016

Toplines

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2016					
	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
Q1		\$108,911.43	\$29,697.31	\$9,132.77	\$23,979.90
Q2		\$92,046.52	\$38,278.06	\$8,570.52	\$26,370.05
TOTAL		\$200,957.95	\$67,975.37	\$17,703.29	\$50,349.95

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Garbarino Collected \$17,103.29 In Personal Reimbursements For Travel

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2016 Personal Reimbursements					
Quarter	Payee	Description	Voucher #	Date	Amount
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	CONFERENCE, ALBANY	714265	11/30/15	\$637.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	714772	12/14/15	\$56.66
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	714773	12/14/15	\$463.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	715841	1/15/16	\$449.00

Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	716426	1/26/16	\$797.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	716482	1/28/16	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	716694	2/1/16	\$28.19
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	717110	2/11/16	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	717111	2/11/16	\$797.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	717726	2/23/16	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	718139	3/3/16	\$623.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	718486	3/8/16	\$797.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	718941	3/16/16	\$797.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	719098	3/18/16	\$224.92
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	719381	3/24/16	\$797.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	719704	3/30/16	\$797.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	720232	4/13/16	\$804.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	720473	4/18/16	\$341.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	720474	4/18/16	\$623.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	720913	4/21/16	\$623.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	721808	5/12/16	\$797.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	721996	5/18/16	\$797.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	722597	5/27/16	\$797.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	722784	6/4/16	\$797.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	722785	6/4/16	\$95.10
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	722869	6/6/16	\$129.23
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	723032	6/8/16	\$623.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	723033	6/8/16	\$28.19
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	723433	6/15/16	\$971.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	723834	6/24/16	\$1,145.00
TOTAL					\$17,703.29

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2015

Toplines

Garbarino Office Expenditures –2015

	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
Q1		\$87,377.18	\$41,762.23	\$8,361.22	\$8,241.46
Q2		\$91,792.63	\$40,538.66	\$11,815.80	\$12,873.83
TOTAL		\$179,169.81	\$82,300.89	\$20,177.02	\$21,115.29

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Garbarino Collected \$21,528.00 In Personal Reimbursements For Office Furnishings And Travel

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2015 Personal Reimbursements					
Quarter	Payee	Description	Voucher #	Date	Amount
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE FURNISHINGS	69856	12/1/14	\$809.98
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	698921	12/1/14	\$457.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	698922	12/1/14	\$155.27
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	700496	1/28/15	\$635.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	700629	1/28/15	\$635.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	701235	2/10/15	\$635.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	701496	2/13/15	\$807.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	701963	2/13/15	\$807.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	701964	2/13/15	\$27.77
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	702249	2/19/15	\$807.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	702865	3/5/15	\$167.18
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	702881	3/5/15	\$635.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	703227	3/11/15	\$635.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	703680	3/20/15	\$979.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	704063	3/24/15	\$979.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	704699	4/9/15	\$189.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE FURNISHINGS	704700	4/9/15	\$352.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	704401	4/8/15	\$979.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	704844	4/13/15	\$631.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	704915	4/24/15	\$176.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	705723	4/30/15	\$807.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	705915	5/5/15	\$150.99
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	706089	5/12/15	\$807.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	706895	5/21/15	\$807.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	706986	5/26/15	\$807.00

Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	707388	6/2/15	\$807.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	707585	6/4/15	\$635.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	707872	6/10/15	\$807.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	708290	6/18/15	\$979.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	708721	6/25/15	\$1,151.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	709013	7/9/15	\$979.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	709014	7/9/15	\$270.18
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	710208	8/4/15	\$559.63
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	712129	9/28/15	\$463.00
TOTAL					\$21,528.00

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2014

Toplines

Garbarino Office Expenditures –2014					
	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
Q1		\$82,262.65	\$31,035.76	\$7,031.62	\$25,818.43
Q2		\$86,584.79	\$38,984.20	\$10,232.37	\$17,639.27
TOTAL		\$168,847.44	\$70,019.96	\$17,300.62	\$43,457.70

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Garbarino Collected \$16,875.36 In Personal Reimbursements For Travel

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2014 Personal Reimbursements					
Quarter	Payee	Description	Voucher #	Date	Amount
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	686283	1/15/14	\$629.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	686560	1/22/14	\$629.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	687012	1/31/14	\$629.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	687448	2/7/14	\$801.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	687692	2/12/14	\$629.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	687954	2/18/14	\$801.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	688640	3/4/14	\$801.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	688653	3/4/14	\$166.62
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	689207	3/13/14	\$973.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	689511	3/19/14	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	690064	4/9/14	\$801.00

Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	690270	4/9/14	\$1,145.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	690362	4/9/14	\$456.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	690506	4/18/14	\$173.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	690892	4/18/14	\$629.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	691719	5/6/14	\$801.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	692148	5/16/14	\$801.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	692376	5/20/14	\$801.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	692872	6/2/14	\$801.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	692997	6/4/14	\$629.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	693085	6/5/14	\$143.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	693086	6/5/14	\$88.64
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	693214	6/10/14	\$629.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	693651	6/18/14	\$973.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	694135	6/26/14	\$973.00
TOTAL					\$16,875.26

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2013

Toplines

Garbarino Office Expenditures –2013					
	Franked Mail	Personal Service	General Expenditures	Travel	Allocated Operational Expenditures
Q1		\$38,851.17	\$15,049.26	\$6,951.46	\$11,634.50
Q2		\$88,859.09	\$39,015.68	\$10,773.20	\$3,507.81
TOTAL		\$127,710.26	\$54,064.94	\$17,724.66	\$15,142.31

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Garbarino Collected \$18,764.10 In Personal Reimbursements For Office Furnishings And Travel

Garbarino Office Expenditures – 2013 Personal Reimbursements					
Quarter	Payee	Description	Voucher #	Date	Amount
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	671770	1/22/13	\$283.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	671771	1/22/13	\$617.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	671837	1/24/13	\$617.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	672317	2/4/13	\$782.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	672630	2/7/13	\$782.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	672936	2/12/13	\$617.00

Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	673264	2/20/13	\$617.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	673264	2/20/13	\$125.46
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	674013	3/7/13	\$617.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	674608	3/18/13	\$947.00
Q1	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	674854	3/20/13	\$947.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE FURNISHING	675879	4/12/13	\$199.99
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	OFFICE FURNISHING	682459	9/23/13	\$839.95
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	675589	4/8/13	\$1,442.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	675590	4/8/13	\$617.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	676451	4/25/13	\$617.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	676451	4/25/13	\$164.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	676760	5/1/13	\$782.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	677231	5/9/13	\$782.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	677655	5/17/13	\$782.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	677859	5/21/13	\$617.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	678282	5/31/13	\$947.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	678478	6/5/13	\$452.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	678803	6/12/13	\$782.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	679226	6/19/13	\$947.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	679990	7/10/13	\$1,112.00
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	TOLL(S), NEW YORK STATE	680189	7/15/13	\$277.70
Q2	GARBARINO, ANDREW R	LEGISLATIVE DUTIES, ALBANY	680890	7/31/13	\$452.00
TOTAL					\$18,764.10

[New York State Assembly, Expenditure Reports, [2013 Q1](#), [2013 Q2](#)]

Appendix X – State Votes – 2019 Session

NOTE: The votes contained in this section are votes that were already included in the book, organized by Assembly session here. This section does not contain every vote taken by the Assembly, rather it contains key votes that Garbarino voted on. A spreadsheet containing all of Garbarino's votes is available on the DCCC Research drive.

Abortion & Women's Health Issues

Reproductive Health

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00240, "Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion." The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00240, [1/22/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00659A, "Enacts the 'comprehensive contraception coverage act' to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products." The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00659A, [1/22/19](#)]

Agriculture & Food Access

Food Safety

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Creation Of An Advisory Board On Food Safety And Inspection Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05387, "Requires the creation of a thirteen member advisory board within the department of agriculture and markets on food safety and inspection programs; such board is to advise, counsel and confer with the commissioner of agriculture and markets on matters dealing with enforcement of laws and regulations regarding food safety and protection and shall make recommendations regarding any necessary statutory or regulatory changes." The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05387, [6/18/19](#)]

Liquor Licenses

Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring That Liquor Licenses Were Consistent With Public Interest Factors. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07462, "Ensures that the provisions governing liquor licenses are consistent with respect to public interest factors." The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07462, [6/18/19](#)]

FY 2021 Budget

Garbarino Voted Against A Majority Of The State Budget

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget For 2020 – 2021. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07506B, "Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year." The bill passed by a vote of 76 – 66. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07506B, [4/3/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted For The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07500C, "Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget." The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07500C, [4/3/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07501, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07501, [4/3/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07505B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year; relates to extending the effectiveness of certain provisions of law relating to various criminal justice and public safety programs (Part A).” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07505B, [4/2/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07508, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 81 – 60. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07508, [4/2/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07503C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid to Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. AS07503C, [4/2/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07504C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07504C, [4/1/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Major Components Of Legislation Necessary To Implement The State Fiscal Plan. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07509B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation which are necessary to implement the state fiscal plan for the 2020-2021 state fiscal year; extends provisions related to the financial institution data match system for state tax collection purposes.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07509B, [4/1/20](#)]

Garbarino Previously Filed A Motion To Amend The Bill, But The Motion Failed. Garbarino filed a motion to amend Bill No. S07509B, but the motion failed by a vote of 53 – 88. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07509B, [4/1/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding

The Budget Prevented Cuts To Education And Each District’s Foundation Aid Funding Remained The Same. “The federal CARES Act provided much needed support to the state’s education budget, and my colleagues and I were able to use these funds to prevent education funding cuts in the FY 2020-2021 NYS Budget. Every school district’s Foundation Aid funding is the same as it was last year.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Stopped Abusive And Deceptive Practices From Student Loan Debt Relief Companies. “Governor Cuomo has championed financial assistance and debt relief for New York students, establishing the Get on Your Feet Loan Forgiveness Program—the nation’s only state-sponsored need-based loan forgiveness program and enacting regulations prescribing standards of conduct for student loan servicing companies. However, additional protections are needed to protect New Yorkers from student debt relief companies that have had a poor record of serving their customers. These companies typically charge student loan borrowers substantial upfront fees and promise to assist them with consolidating multiple student loans into a single loan or alternative repayment arrangements. Borrowers, however, can often achieve the same results through free government programs. The Budget includes legislation setting standards for the student loan debt relief industry in New York.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Workers' Benefits—including Paid Sick Leave And Unemployment

Amidst The COVID-19 Pandemic, The Budget Adopted Paid Sick Leave Policy, Increased Unemployment Funding, And Prevented Proposed Medicaid Cuts. “We also adopted a paid sick leave policy for all workers with minimal impact on small businesses, increased funding for unemployment insurance, and partially rolled-back proposed Medicaid cuts. [...] \$1.05 billion increased funding for Unemployment Insurance (UI), and ensuring all New York employees have between five to seven days (40 to 56 hours, respectively) of sick leave. [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Added \$200 Million Towards Child Care Development Block Grant To Help Families Affected By The Pandemic. “The state budget also addressed the many community members who are struggling due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, with \$200 million in additional support through the Child Care Development Block Grant to assist families affected by the public health emergency.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Approved Paid Sick Leave Policy For Large And Medium-Sized Employers. “Most workers in New York will soon be entitled to paid sick leave as part of the budget deal. Cuomo and lawmakers approved a measure requiring large employers (100 or more employees) to provide up to 56 hours of paid leave a year for workers who become ill or injured or have to care for a sick family member. Medium-sized employers (4 to 99 employees) will have to provide up to 40 hours. And those with fewer than four employees will have to provide up to 40 hours of unpaid sick leave. Workers will accrue one hour of sick leave per 30 hours worked. The new requirements take effect in 2021.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Required Workers On Private Projects Receiving Public Subsidies To Be Paid The Prevailing Wage. “Requires that workers on private projects receiving a significant public subsidy will be paid a prevailing wage. Private projects larger than \$5 million where at least 30 percent of construction expenses are supported by public grants, tax credits, or certain other incentives will be required to pay prevailing wage, extending important worker protections to even more components of New York's largest-in-the-nation building program.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Lowering Prescription Drug Prices

The Budget Capped Out-Of-Pocket Expenses For Insulin At \$100. “The state budget also caps the out-of-pocket expenses for a 30 day supply of insulin at \$100.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

The Budget Included A Plan To Lower Prescription Drugs. “The FY 2021 Enacted Budget includes a three-part plan to lower prescription drug costs for all New Yorkers. The Budget caps insulin co-payments at \$100 per month for insured patients to help address the rising cost of insulin that has resulted in diabetes patients rationing, skipping doses and not filling prescriptions. Finally, the Enacted Budget establishes a commission of experts to study the feasibility and benefits of a Canadian drug importation program and submit a plan to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for review.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Strengthening Gun Laws

The Budget Closed The Out-Of-State Gun Loophole. “The FY 2021 Enacted Budget includes legislation to prohibit individuals from obtaining a gun license who commit serious offenses out-of-state that would disqualify them from obtaining a gun license if committed in New York. This will provide greater consistency in New York's licensing scheme and ensure individuals who are prohibited from purchasing a firearm are not able to do so. The Enacted Budget also includes legislation to require all state and local law enforcement agencies in the state to opt in to the ATF's crime gun trace data sharing program and submit crime guns recovered through the ATF's eTrace system. Additionally, the Enacted Budget includes legislation to amend the Mental Hygiene Law to allow New

York to share reports of individuals who are a danger to themselves or others with other states.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/2/20](#)]

The Budget Strengthened Domestic Violence Laws

The Budget Strengthened Domestic Violence Laws And Kept Guns Out Of The Hands Of Abusers.

“Domestic Violence laws were strengthened in the state budget by empowering law enforcement to seize weapons for at least 48 hours when responding to domestic violence incidents. Law enforcement will be authorized to seize firearms that are in plain view when conducting a lawful search in responding to a domestic violence incident. Additional measures to keep guns out of the hands of domestic abusers include ensuring District Attorneys follow current practices and Court Clerks promptly provide information on misdemeanor domestic violence convictions to the State Department of Criminal Justice Services to ensure these offenses are easier to identify on a criminal record for gun background checks.” [Yonkers Times, [4/18/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Amending Campaign Finance Laws

The Budget Approved A New System For Public Campaign Financing. “A state commission last year crafted and approved a new system for public campaign financing in New York, in which donations of \$250 or less to a state-level political candidate are matched with public funds at a 6-to-1 rate. But a court invalidated the plan earlier this year, arguing the Legislature didn't have the authority to allow the commission to put such a system in place. That changed in this year's budget, when lawmakers and Cuomo put the commission's plan into law. Now, the plan will take effect after the 2022 elections.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Dropped Maximum Contribution Limits For Candidates. “Candidates will have to meet certain fundraising thresholds to qualify. The maximum contribution limits for candidates will also drop to \$18,000 for statewide candidates, down from about \$70,000 now.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Environmental Protections

The Budget Approved A \$3 Billion Environmental Bond Act. “In his original budget proposal in January, Cuomo said he wanted to seek voter approval to borrow \$3 billion to fund environmental upgrades in New York, including green infrastructure upgrades and anti-flooding projects. That proposal made it through to the final budget agreement. But it gives Cuomo's budget director the ability to pull it back if it would interfere with the state's ability to obtain financing for other capital projects or the state can't otherwise get access to the markets to issue the bonds. Unless Cuomo pulls it back, the bond act will appear on the ballot this November.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

The Bond Funded Flood Mitigation And Wildland Restoration Efforts. “State lawmakers approved a \$3 billion environmental bond fund for flood mitigation and wildland restoration efforts – a headline issue for Cuomo at his January State of the State address – was included in new budget legislation submitted Wednesday afternoon.” [City & State, [4/3/20](#)]

The Budget Placed A Ban On Fracking. “In late 2014, Cuomo's administration first banned high-volume hydraulic fracturing, the technique used to help free natural gas from underground shale formations. But the state's ban was administrative, meaning it was implemented by the Department of Environmental Conservation and could be overturned by a future governor. That's no longer the case: Now the ban will be in state law, meaning it would require the governor and the Legislature to overturn it in the future.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [4/3/20](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The FY 2020 State Budget

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01507C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01507C, [4/1/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01504D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01504, [4/1/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Legislative And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01501A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01501A, [4/1/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02000, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02000, [3/31/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development, And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01508C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote 103 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01508, [3/31/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02006C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02006, [3/31/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02003D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 125 – 23. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02003D, [3/31/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01505C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2019-2020 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 56. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01505C, [3/31/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Criminal Justice Reform

The Budget Ended Cash Bail For At Least 80% Of Arrests. “The package includes ending cash bail in most cases, except for some violent felonies. Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, D-Bronx, said it would end cash bail for at least 80 percent of all arrests in New York. The problem, critics said, is that having cash bail made it difficult for those arrested to get out of jail as they await the adjudication of their cases.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

Advocacy Groups Called The Changes “Transformational.” “While cash bail will not be abolished entirely, as some had wanted, it will end for all but certain violent felonies. Mr. Cuomo’s office estimated that 90 percent of people charged with a crime would no longer be jailed before trial. Prosecutors will also be forced to reveal possibly exculpatory evidence to the defense far earlier in the discovery process, and speedy trials will be guaranteed. These are all major victories for advocacy groups and public defenders, who have noted that New

York's discovery laws had previously ranked fourth worst in the nation. Rebecca Brown, director of policy at the Innocence Project, called Sunday's package 'transformational.' [New York Times, [3/31/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Codifying The ACA Into State Law And Addressing The Opioid Crisis

The Budget Codified The ACA Into State Law. "Fearing the federal repeal of so-called Obamacare, New York plans to codify its state health exchange into law. So even if the federal government goes ahead with its repeal threat, New York would still have its New York State of Health, which serves more than 4.7 million residents." [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Access To Drugs To Fight The Opioid Epidemic. "Expands Access to Buprenorphine: Buprenorphine is an important advance in Medication Assisted Treatment, which, like methadone and injectable naltrexone, is used in combination with counseling as appropriate to help people reach and sustain recovery from Opioid Use Disorder. To expand use of buprenorphine, Governor Cuomo will direct the Department of Health to require all hospitals statewide to develop protocols for their Emergency Departments to address Opioid Use Disorder based on the standard of care for treatment or referral for treatment. The Enacted Budget also prohibits health plans from requiring prior authorization for Medication Assisted Treatment." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Made Substance Use Disorder Treatment More Accessible. "The Enacted Budget makes treatment more accessible and affordable by requiring minimum coverage standards of health plans; prohibiting the denial of medically necessary treatment; prohibiting multiple co-payments per day and requiring behavioral health co-payments to be equal to primary care co-payments. These changes eliminate administrative and cost burdens that can stand in the way of treatment for New Yorkers struggling with addiction." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Election Reform

The Budget Mandated Three Hours Of Paid Time Off For All New Yorkers On Election Day And Implemented Online Voter Registration. "The budget adds to changes made earlier this year. They include mandating three hours of paid time off for all New Yorkers to vote on Election Day; enacting online voter registration, expanding upstate voting hours to begin at 6 a.m. instead of noon." [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding

The Budget Increased Education Funding. "An increase of over \$1 billion in school aid will bring total school aid to a record \$27.9 billion, with over 70% of the increased funding going to poorer districts. In addition, new reporting requirements will address imbalances in the distribution of resources by prioritizing funding at the individual school level in order to advance a more transparent, equitable education system." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Universal Pre-Kindergarten And After School Care. "The Budget includes an additional \$15 million investment in prekindergarten to expand high-quality half-day and full-day prekindergarten instruction for 3,000 three- and four-year-old children in high-need school districts, serving a total of more than 123,000 students. [...] In order to ensure that every child who needs a safe place to go after school is provided one, the Enacted Budget includes an additional \$10 million to create 6,250 new after school slots in high-need communities across the state. This additional funding will prioritize areas with high levels of gang involvement, and will focus on serving homeless students and other students who may not have a safe place to go after school. The creation of the additional slots will bring the total number of students served to 80,000." [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Higher Education

The Budget Also Increased Higher Education Funding. “The Enacted Budget provides a \$208 million increase in funding for higher education in New York, bringing total support to nearly \$7.7 billion - an increase of \$1.7 billion or 28% since FY 2012. This investment includes \$1.2 billion for strategic programs to make college more affordable and encourage the best and brightest students to build their future in New York.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Protected Student Loan Borrowers. “The Enacted Budget includes sweeping protections by licensing companies servicing student loans held by New Yorkers and requiring that they meet standards consistent with the laws and regulations governing other significant lending products. The new statute will also ensure that no student loan servicers can mislead a borrower or engage in any predatory act or practice, misapply payments, provide credit reporting agencies with inaccurate information, or any other practices that may harm the borrower.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Providing Legal Services To Immigrant Communities

The Budget Provided Legal Services To New York’s Immigrant Communities. “The enacted budget provides \$10 million to support the expansion of the first-in-the-nation Liberty Defense Project. Established in 2017, the Liberty Defense Project has provided more than 25,000 vital legal services to immigrants and communities targeted by harsh federal immigration policies. The LDP expansion includes Project Golden Door, which will provide crucial services to immigrant children and families in New York, and a Regional Rapid Response program to quickly respond with effective legal services on the ground, including in response to targeted raids and arbitrary arrests by ICE. These enhancements build on the network of services currently being provided by current LDP partners and create more uniform legal coverage for immigrants across the state, particularly in under-served communities.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A Millionaire’s Tax And Phasing In Middle Class Tax Cuts

The Budget Phased-In Middle Class Tax Cuts. “The Budget supports the phase-in of the middle class tax cuts. Under these reforms, rates will continue to drop to 5.5% and 6% when the cuts are fully phased in - an up to 20% cut in income tax rates for the middle class - and produce a projected \$4.2 billion in annual savings for six million filers by 2025. As the new rates phase in, they will be the State's lowest middle-class tax rates in more than 70 years.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded The Millionaire’s Tax. “To protect the progress that has been made in enhancing progressivity and ensuring tax fairness for New York's middle-class, a five-year extension of the current tax rate on millionaires will preserve an estimated \$4 billion in the first year of the extension, and increase annually thereafter. Revenue from the millionaire's tax will provide revenue that would otherwise be unavailable to make vital investments in education and infrastructure to secure New York's future economic prosperity.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Implemented A Permanent Property Tax Cap. “Cuomo vowed to not agree to a budget without making the tax cap, first approved in 2011, permanent. He got his wish. The cap will be made permanent: It limits the growth in property taxes to 2 percent or lower each year, depending on the rate of inflation.” [Democrat & Chronicle, [3/31/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Measures To Protect Workers’ Rights

The Budget Launched A \$175 Million Workforce Initiative. “The Enacted Budget supports a \$175 million investment and a new Consolidated Funding Application for workforce investments that will support strategic regional efforts that meet businesses' short-term workforce needs, improve regional talent pipelines, expand

apprenticeships, and address the long-term needs of growing industries — with a particular focus on emerging fields with growing demand for jobs like clean energy, health technology, and computer science. These funds will also support efforts to improve the economic security of women, youth, and other populations that face significant barriers to career advancement.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Protections For Public Sector Unions. “The Enacted Budget provides new safeguards for public sector unions and goes further by extending Janus protections to all local governments in New York and guaranteeing the right to organize and collectively bargain.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Accessed To Medical Providers For Injured Workers. “To increase the number and types of medical professionals that care for injured workers, lowering the anticipated cost and duration of care and better serving workers injured on the job, the Budget adds three new types of medical professionals as care providers under the workers compensation system: nurse practitioners, acupuncturists, and licensed clinical social workers. Permitting licensed certified social workers and psychiatric nurse practitioners to treat workers will significantly increase mental health resources, providing desperately needed resources to a vulnerable population. It also removes a barrier to treatment options faced by injured workers suffering with opioid dependency and other mental health conditions.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Measures To Protect Women

The Budget Invested In Initiatives To Combat Maternal Mortality. “As part of Governor Cuomo's Women's Agenda, the Budget includes an \$8 million investment over two years to fund initiatives to combat Maternal mortality, including a comprehensive education and training program to reduce implicit racial bias in health care institutions statewide; expansion of Community Health Worker (CHW) programs in key communities across the state; an innovative data warehouse to provide near real-time information on maternal mortality and morbidity; and a Board of experts within the Department of Health to conduct a multidisciplinary analysis to review each and every maternal death in the New York State and to develop actionable recommendations to improve care and management.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

The Budget Expanded Protections For Sex Trafficking Victims. “Expands Rape Shield Protections for Sex Trafficking Victims: Rape shield laws providing crucial protection to victims of sexual violence from having their own sexual histories used against them when they seek justice in a court of law. This year's budget expands these protections to victims of sex trafficking crimes.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/19](#)]

Consumer Issues & Regulations

Regulations

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Motor Vehicle Dealers to Search For Recalls Prior To Selling A Used Car. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05194, “Requires motor vehicle dealers to search for recalls and make certain repairs prior to selling a used motor vehicle.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05194, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Internet Service Neutrality. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02432, “Relates to instituting internet service neutrality; provides the public service commission with jurisdiction over monitoring broadband internet service providers; requires a certification for internet service neutrality in certain state contracts.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02432, [6/4/19](#)]

Crime & Public Safety

Child Abuse

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Standard Of Proof Of Abuse Or Mistreatment. Garbarino voted against, “AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to the standard of proof for unfounded and indicated reports of abuse or maltreatment and the admissibility of reports of child abuse and maltreatment; and to amend the social services law and the family court act, in relation to the administration of the statewide central register of child abuse and maltreatment.” The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06427A, [6/21/19](#)]

Prisons

Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Would Require A Report On Deaths Of Inmates To Be Sent To Public Officials. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07182, “Requires a report on the death and circumstances of an inmate to be sent to the governor, the chairman of the assembly committee on correction and the chairman of the senate committee on crime victims, crime and correction.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07182, [2/13/20](#)]

Trafficking

2019: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Would Vacate Convictions For Offenses Resulting From Sex Trafficking, Labor Trafficking, And Compelling Prostitution. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06983B, “Relates to proceedings to vacate convictions for offenses resulting from sex trafficking, labor trafficking and compelling prostitution and provides for confidentiality of records of such proceedings.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06983B, [6/18/19](#)]

Education

College Affordability

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Exempting Funds In A Qualified Tuition Program In The Calculation Of Household Benefits For Public Assistance Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01089, “Exempts certain funds in a qualified tuition program in the calculation of household benefits under public assistance programs.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01089, [6/20/19](#)]

Election Law

Voting Rights

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Early Voting Provisions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01102, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the tenth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill was passed by a vote of 89 – 55. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01102, [1/14/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Removing A Requirement That Registration Be Completed 10 Days Prior To Election Day. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01048, “Amends the constitution to delete the requirement that registration for purposes of voting be completed at least ten days before election day and provides that laws be made to adequately safeguard against deception in the exercise of the right of suffrage.” The bill was passed by a vote of 104 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01048, [1/14/19](#)]

Corporate Interests

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Restricting Corporations From Intervening In Political Campaigns.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04347 which, “Restricts certain corporations from participating or intervening in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.” The bill passed by a vote of 145 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04347, [6/18/19](#)]

Environment

Environmental Issues

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Permanent Environmental Justice Advisory Group. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02385, “Creates a permanent environmental justice advisory group; provides that the function of the group is to ensure that no group of people, including a racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic group, bears a disproportionate share of the negative environmental consequences resulting from industrial, municipal, and commercial operations or the execution of federal, state, local, and tribal programs and policies; empowers that advisory group to adopt a model environmental justice policy applicable to state agencies, and to monitor agencies on compliance with such policies; specifies responsibilities of state agencies; establishes an environmental justice interagency coordinating council.” The bill passed by a vote of 117 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02385, [6/20/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate Leadership And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06599, “Enacts the New York state climate leadership and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06599, [6/20/19](#)]

Equal Rights & Workplace Fairness

Discrimination

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hairstyles. Garbarino voted against a bill that, “Prohibits race discrimination based on natural hair or hairstyles; defines ‘race’ for certain specific purposes to include, but not be limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, and to include traits historically associated with race, including but not limited to, hair texture and protective hairstyles; and defines ‘protective hairstyles’ to include, but not be limited to, such hairstyles as braids, locks, and twists.” The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 10. [New York State Assembly, [6/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Businesses From Changing Prices On The Basis Of Gender. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00629A, “Prohibits any business from charging a price for goods on the basis of a person's gender; civil penalties.” The bill passed by a vote of 131 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00629A, [6/11/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Protections For People Who Have Been Sexually Harassed. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08421, “Provides increased protections for protected classes and special protections for employees who have been sexually harassed; prohibits nondisclosure agreements related to discrimination; prohibits mandatory arbitration clauses related to discrimination; requires employers to provide employees notice of their sexual harassment prevention training program in writing in English and in employees' primary languages; extends the statute of limitations for claims resulting from unlawful or discriminatory practices constituting sexual harassment to three years; requires review and update of the model sexual harassment prevention guidance document and sexual harassment prevention policy; and directs the commissioner of labor to

conduct a study on strengthening sexual harassment prevention laws.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 20. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08421, [6/19/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting Penalties For Discriminating, Threatening, Or Retaliating Against Immigrant Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05791, “Establishes penalties for threatening, penalizing, or in any other manner discriminating or retaliating against any employee, including but not limited to contacting United States immigration authorities or otherwise threatening to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05791, [6/17/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual’s Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S00660, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S00660, [1/22/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01047, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self-image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01047, [1/15/19](#)]

Pay Disparities

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Publishing A Study Reporting Public Employers’ Wage Disparities By Gender And Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05069, “Directs the department of civil service to study and publish a report evaluating public employers' wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender and race/ethnicity identification of the employees in the title.” The bill passed by a vote of 110 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05069, [6/17/19](#)]

Governance

Term Limits

2020: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Number Of Terms Served By A Majority Or Minority Leader. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E0076, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed by a vote of 39 – 102. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00706, [1/28/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Term Of A Committee Chairperson. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00714, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 31 – 101. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00714, [1/28/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Term Of A Committee Chairperson. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00714, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 41 – 97. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00714, [1/22/19](#)]

Financial Protections

Businesses

2020: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Provided Punishment For Fraud Related To Minority And Women Business Enterprises. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08414, “Relates to minority and women business enterprises; extends the provisions of article 15-a of the executive law; provides for punishment for fraud related to minority and women business enterprises (Part).” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08414, [6/19/20](#)]

Banks

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Assessment Of Banking Institution’s Record Of Performance To Be In Writing. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03227A, “Requires the assessment of a banking institution’s record of performance to be in writing detailing the record of performance in helping to meet the credit needs of local communities.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03227A, [6/19/20](#)]

Guns

Firearm Applications

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Granting Access To Local And State Law Enforcement To Records Of Applications For Firearm Licenses. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06160, “Grants access to local and state law enforcement of records of applications for licenses of firearms.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06160, [6/20/19](#)]

Buyback Programs

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Municipal Gun Buyback Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S0249, “Establishes the municipal gun buyback program by the division of state police for the voluntary return of guns; establishes the municipal gun buyback program fund to fund the program.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02449, [1/29/19](#)]

Health Care

Patient Rights

Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Required Health Care Providers To Provide A Plan To Transfer Patient Records 30 Days Prior To Doing So. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05367, “Requires a health care provider or facility which has determined to cease to do business or which is transferring its ownership, at least thirty days prior to such action to provide a copy of its plan for transfer of patient records to another provider, facility or practitioner.” The bill passed by a vote of 147 – 1, making Garbarino the only “no” vote in the assembly. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05367, [6/17/19](#)]

COVID-19 Pandemic

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Adopting Special Temporary Procedures For The State Legislature During A State Or National Emergency. Garbarino voted against Bill No. E00854, “ADOPTING special temporary procedures during a declared state or national state of emergency. WHEREAS, The Rules of the Assembly were adopted on January 9, 2019, and, as last amended on January 13, 2020, remain in full force and effect, except that the current declared state or national emergency require such Assembly, in the exercise of its constitutional power and prerogative, to implement special temporary procedures permitting the consideration of legislation in

an expedited fashion to meet the urgent needs of the people of the State of New York while confronting rapidly changing circumstances and public health concerns and directives; be it hereby. [...] during a period of declared state or national state of emergency, in the event a slow roll call is not requested, the yeas and nays on the final passage of a bill or any other question before the House shall be taken by a fast roll call and a member desiring to vote in the negative on such a roll call shall do so by entering a negative vote through the electronic voting system or in such other manner as may be prescribed by the Speaker.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00854, [3/30/20](#)]

Medical Malpractice

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Provision Related To Medical Malpractice Providers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06547, “Extends certain provisions related to medical malpractice providers.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06547, [6/21/19](#)]

Housing

Housing

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Private Housing Finance Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04133, “AN ACT to amend the private housing finance law, in relation to the aggregate annual income of low income persons or families eligible for accommodations in a company project.” The bill passed by a vote of 137 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04133, [6/11/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The “Zombie Property Remediation Act Of 2019.” Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05079A, “Enacts the ‘zombie property remediation act of 2019’. AN ACT to amend the real property actions and proceedings law, in relation to authorizing municipalities to compel mortgagees either to complete a mortgage foreclosure proceeding pursuant to article 13 of the real property actions and proceedings law or to issue a certificate of discharge of the mortgage for any property which has been certified abandoned pursuant to section 1971 of the real property actions and proceedings law.” [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05079A, [6/20/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The “Housing Stability And Tenant Protection Act Of 2019.” Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06458, “Enacts the ‘Housing Stability and Tenant Protection act of 2019’; extends and makes certain provisions of law permanent relating to rent control and rent stabilization (Part A); repeals provisions of law relating to rent increases after vacancy of housing accommodations (Part B); relates to vacancy of certain housing accommodations (Part C); relates to vacancies in certain housing accommodations and repeals various provisions of law relating to vacancy decontrol (Part D); relates to regulation of rents (Part E); relates to investigation of rent overcharge complaints (Part F); establishes the ‘statewide tenant protection act of 2019’; expands rent and eviction protections statewide (Part G); relates to rent adjustments and prohibition of fuel pass-along charges (Part H); relates to recovery of certain housing accommodations (Part I); relates to not-for-profits use of certain residential dwellings (Part J); relates to the temporary increase in rent in certain cases (Part K); enacts the ‘rent regulation reporting act of 2019’ (Part L); enacts the ‘statewide housing security and tenant protection act of 2019’ (Part M); relates to conversions to cooperative or condominium ownership in New York city (Part N); and relates to the duties and responsibilities of manufactured home park owners and residents (Part O).” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06458, [6/14/19](#)]

Landlord & Tenant Issues

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Department Of Financial Services To Make Recommendations About Lending Practices To Landlords. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03275B, “Directs the department of financial services to study, evaluate and make recommendations concerning lending practices by financial institutions to landlords acquiring property that includes small business and/or rent-regulated

tenants; requires a report on the department's findings and recommendations for legislative action within eighteen months.” The bill passed by a vote of 120 – 28. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03275B, [6/18/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Landlords To Mitigate Damages If A Tenant Breaks The Terms Of The Lease. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01973A, “Requires landlords to mitigate damages if a tenant vacates a premises in violation of the terms of the lease.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01973A, [5/8/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Harassment Of A Renter As A Crime. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06188, “Relates to harassment of a rent regulated tenant; establishes the crimes of harassment of a rent regulated tenant in the first and second degree.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06188, [3/26/19](#)]

Estates

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Reforming Statutory Short Form Powers Of Attorney For Financial And Estate Planning. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05630, “Reforms the statutory short form and other powers of attorney for purposes of financial and estate planning.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05630, [6/20/19](#)]

Immigration & Border Issues

DREAM

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01250, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01250, [1/23/19](#)]

Labor & Working Families

Social Programs & Benefits

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Temporary Disability Benefits For Domestic Workers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01326, “AN ACT to amend the workers' compensation law, in relation to covered employment as a domestic worker for temporary disability benefits.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01326, [2/25/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Length Of The Suspension Period Of Striking Workers To Obtain Unemployment Benefits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07310, “Relates to increasing the length of the suspension period applicable to certain striking workers who seek to obtain unemployment insurance benefits.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 28. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07310, [2/4/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Decreasing The Length Of The Suspension Period For Striking Workings Looking To Unemployment Benefits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04573, “Relates to decreasing the length of the suspension period applicable to certain individuals who lose their jobs due to a labor dispute, such as a strike, and who seek to obtain unemployment insurance benefits; decreases the suspension period from seven consecutive weeks to seven consecutive calendar days; and permits the waiting period to be served during a suspension period.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04573, [6/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Current Income Exemptions And Resources For Public

Assistance Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06314, “Extends current exemptions of income and resources for public assistance programs under the welfare reform act of 1997.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06314, [6/18/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional

Hours. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03420A, “Provides that parents and caretakers who are otherwise eligible for child care assistance, and provided with such assistance, shall be able to utilize such assistance when care is necessary to enable them to sleep because they work non-traditional hours and have a child who is under the age of six and not in school for a full school day; further provides that the authorization for assistance shall be sufficient to allow the parent to obtain up to eight hours of sleep, as needed.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03420A, [6/17/19](#)]

Wages

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Paying Utility Employees The Prevailing Wage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06265, “Ensures that utility employees, who currently fall outside the definition of an employee that may receive the prevailing wage, fall under such wage requirements.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06265, [6/21/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Seeking Salary History From Applicants.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06549, “Prohibits employers from seeking salary history from applicants.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 20. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06549, [6/20/19](#)]

Worker Protections**2019: Garbarino Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data With Written Consumer Consent.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00431, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 17. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00431, [3/20/19](#)]

Senior’s Issues**Long Term Care Facilities****2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requirements Related To Reporting Abuse Of Persons In A Care Facility.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05908, “Relates to reporting abuses of persons receiving care or services in residential care facilities; includes misappropriation of property; establishes independent quality monitors and requirements relating to assets of operators.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05908, [6/21/20](#)]

Appendix XI – State Votes – 2017 Session

NOTE: The votes contained in this section are votes that were already included in the book, organized by Assembly session here. This section does not contain every vote taken by the Assembly, rather it contains key votes that Garbarino voted on. A spreadsheet containing all of Garbarino's votes is available on the DCCC Research drive.

Abortion & Women's Health Issues

Reproductive Rights

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09957, "Enacts the 'comprehensive contraception coverage act' to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products." The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09957, [3/13/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual's Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00566, "Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making." The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00566, [3/13/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01748, "Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion." The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01748, [3/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual's Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00566, "Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making." The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00566, [6/12/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01748, "Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion." The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01748, [1/17/17](#)]

FY 2019 Budget

Garbarino Voted For The Majority Of The 2019 FY Budget

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07500D, "Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget." The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07500D, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07507, "Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year." The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07507, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07501, "Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget." The bill passed by a vote of 119 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No S07501, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07504D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 123 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07504D, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S07503D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07503D, [3/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A09595D, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 21. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09505D, [3/29/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted For The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A09506B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09506, [3/29/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09508C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09508, [3/29/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Continued Environmental Protections

The Budget Continued The Clean Water Infrastructure Act. “The FY 2019 Budget continues the State's historic multi-year \$2.5 billion investment in drinking water and wastewater infrastructure and source water protection actions that will protect the environment and enhance communities' health and wellness.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/18](#)]

The Budget Renewed The Environmental Protection Fund. “The Budget continues EPF funding at \$300 million, the highest level of funding in the program's history.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09508C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09508, [3/29/18](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A \$175 Million Workforce Initiative

The Budget Established A \$175 Million Workforce Initiative. “The FY 2019 Budget establishes a new approach for workforce investments that would support strategic regional efforts to meet businesses' short-term workforce needs, improve regional talent pipelines, expand apprenticeships, and address the long-term needs of expanding industries—with a particular focus on emerging fields with growing demand for jobs like clean energy and technology. Funds will also support efforts to improve the economic security of women, youth, and other populations that face significant barriers to career advancement.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09508C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation

budget for the 2018-2019 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09508, [3/29/18](#)]

FY 2018 Budget

Garbarino Voted For The Majority Of The FY 2018 Bill

2017: Garbarino Voted For The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A0300D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A0300D, [4/8/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02001, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02001, [4/7/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A03004D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 25. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03004D, [4/7/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02003D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02003D, [4/6/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The Majority Of The State Health And Mental Health Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02007B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental health budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02007B, [4/5/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02005C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02005C, [4/5/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02006C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 125 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02006C, [4/5/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted For The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02008C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02008, [4/5/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against A \$25.8 Billion Investment In Education

The Budget Invested \$25.8 Billion In Education. “Investing Record \$25.8 Billion in Education
The FY 2018 Budget continues the progress made to strengthen educational outcomes and increase access to high-quality learning across New York State. It increases Education Aid by \$1.1 billion, including a \$700 million increase in Foundation Aid, bringing the new Education Aid total to \$25.8 billion or an increase of 4.4 percent. Under Governor Cuomo, education aid has increased by \$6.2 billion, or 32 percent, over six years.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

The Budget Included A \$800 Million Investment Into Pre-Kindergarten. “The Budget includes an over \$800 million investment in prekindergarten to expand high-quality half-day and full-day prekindergarten for three- and four-year-old children in high-need school districts.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

The Budget Increased Funding For Community Schools. “The Budget provides \$150 million—an increase of \$50 million—to support the continued transformation of high-need schools into community hubs. This funding supports services that are unique to each school’s individual needs, including before-and-after school programs, summer learning activities, medical and dental care, and other social services.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

The Budget Increased Funding For The Empire State After School Program. “The FY 2018 Budget increases the state’s after-school investment with \$35 million in new funding for public after-school programs in the state’s 16 Empire State Poverty Reduction Initiative (ESPRI) as well as in communities in the state with high rates of child poverty. This new funding will create an additional 22,000 spots for students in after-school programs.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02006C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2017-2018 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 125 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02006C, [4/5/17](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against The Affordable New York Housing Programs

The Budget Enacted The Affordable New York Housing Program. “Under the FY 2018 Budget, developers of new residential projects with 300 units or more in certain areas of Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens would be eligible for a full property tax abatement for 35 years if the project creates a specific number of affordable rental units and meets newly established minimum construction wage requirements. The units must remain affordable for 40 years. For all other affordable developments in New York City, the period of affordability and abatement eligibility would be tied to the number of affordable units. This new program will create an estimated 2,500 new units of affordable housing per year.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/10/17](#)]

Consumer Issues & Regulation

Consumer Issues

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Internet Service Neutrality. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08882C, “Relates to instituting internet service neutrality; provides the public service commission with jurisdiction over monitoring broadband internet service providers; requires a certification for internet service neutrality in certain state contracts.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08882C, [6/19/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Mandating Motor Vehicle Testing Following A Collision That Resulted In Injury Or Death. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S07306, “Mandates testing in the event of a motor vehicle collision resulting in injury or death.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 29. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S07306, [3/5/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellation Of Automobile Insurance Of A Policyholder As A Result Of A Dispute Or A Complaint With The Insurer. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00635, “Prohibits cancellation, non-renewal or conditioning renewal of automobile insurance of a policyholder solely as a result of a dispute or a complaint pending against the insurer.” The bill was passed by a vote of 101 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00635, [6/20/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Wireless Telephone Companies To Allow Victims Of Domestic Violence To Be Released From A Family Account Without Penalty. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00946A, “Requires wireless telephone companies that offer shared or family plans to allow victims of domestic violence to be released from the account without penalty in instances of domestic violence.” The bill passed by a vote of 132 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00946A, [5/9/17](#)]

Garbarino Later Voted In Favor Of The Bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00946A, [5/8/18](#)]

Crime & Public Safety

Police

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04879, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04879, [6/12/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Racial And Ethnic Profiling By Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04879, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04879, [2/14/17](#)]

Prisons

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01905A, “Relates to segregated confinement; prohibits segregated confinement for certain persons. [...] Except as provided in paragraphs (d) [and], (e), (g) and (h) of this subdivision, as a measure of last resort, the superintendent of a state correctional facility, under supervision of the commissioner, or the sheriff of a local correctional facility may keep any inmate confined in a cell or room, apart from the accommodations provided for inmates who are participating in programs of the facility, for such minimal period as may be necessary for maintenance of order or discipline, but in any such case the following conditions shall be observed: (g) Segregated confinement is prohibited for the following inmates: (i) juveniles under the age of twenty-one; (ii) any person with a mental illness or a developmental disability as defined in section 1.03 of the mental hygiene law; and (iii) any person who has a permanent physical disability documented in his or her medical records that substantially limits one or more major life activities. For the purposes of this subdivision, ‘major life activities’ means functions such as walking, seeing, hearing and speaking.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01905A, [2/14/17](#)]

Criminal Responsibility

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Raising The Age Of For Prosecution Of Certain Crimes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04876, “Relates to raising the age for prosecution of certain crimes; amends the definitions for juvenile delinquent, persons in need of supervision, infant and juvenile offender; creates a youth part for certain proceedings involving juvenile offenders; and establishes that no county jail be used for the confinement of persons under the age of eighteen.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04876, [2/14/17](#)]

Economic

Gaming

2018: Garbarino Voted Against A Commission To Evaluate The Extent Of Gambling By New York Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05083, “Authorizes and directs the commissioner of the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services to commission a statewide evaluation regarding the extent of gambling by New York state residents.” The bill passed by a vote of 124 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05083, [5/8/18](#)]

Education

College Affordability

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring An Appeals Process For Students Denied In-State Tuition. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06977A, “Requires the establishment of an appeals process for students who are denied the state resident tuition rate at any public university or college.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06977A, [6/20/18](#)]

Election Law

Voting Rights

2018: Garbarino Voted Against An Early Voting Provision. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09608, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the eighth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09608, [4/17/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act Of 2018, Which Established Online Voter Registration. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05382A, “Enacts the ‘Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act of 2018’; relates to establishing the electronic personal voter registration process; provides for online voter registration.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05382A, [4/17/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Absentee Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04920, “Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subdivision 2 of section 8-400 of the election law, paragraph (c) as amended by chapter 321 of the laws of 1988 and paragraph (d) as separately amended by chapters 97 and 104 of the laws of 2010, are amended to read as follows: (c) All applications must be [mailed to] received by the board of elections [not] no later than the [seventh] day before the election for which a ballot is first requested [or delivered to such board not later than the day before such election].” The bill passed by a vote of 112 – 24. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04920, [3/20/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Pre-Clearance Of Voting-Related Regulations To Ensure The Right To Vote Was Not Abridged On The Basis Of Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05925, “To ensure that the right of citizens who reside in New York to vote is not denied or abridged on account of race, color, or language minority status through the enforcement of a voting-related regulation, procedure or policy that is enacted or administered after the effective date of this section, the following voting-related regulations, and policies shall be subject to pre-clearance by the attorney general pursuant to this title.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05925, [3/20/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Voters With Information About New York's Closed Primary System. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05735, "Provides voters with a warning about New York's closed primary system on voter registration forms." The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05735, [6/19/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Hours Of Voting In Dutchess County. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A0806, "Extends hours for voting in Dutchess county from 12:00 pm - 9:00 pm to 6:00 am - 9:00 pm." The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A0806, [6/15/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Presidential Election, Vote In The Primary When They Are 17 Years Old. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03549, "Amends the constitution to allow a person who will be 18 years old at the time of a presidential election to vote in the presidential primary election if he or she is 17 years of age at the time of the presidential primary election." The bill was passed by a vote of 94 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03549, [5/17/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Board Of Elections To Transfer Registration And Enrollment Of Voter Information If The Voter Moves Within The State. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03411, "Provides that the board of elections shall transfer a registration and enrollment of a voter to wherever they move in the state, even if the voter moves to a new county." The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03411, [5/17/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act Of 2018, Which Established Online Voter Registration. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05382A, "Enacts the 'Voter Enfranchisement Modernization Act of 2018'; relates to establishing the electronic personal voter registration process; provides for online voter registration." The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05382A, [5/15/17](#)]

Campaign Finance

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Publishing Local Campaign Contribution Limits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09922, "Relates to publishing local campaign contribution limits. [...] A board of elections, as defined in subdivision twenty-six of 4 section 1-104 of this chapter, shall calculate and publish on its 5 website, on or before the fifteenth day of April, all contribution 6 limits established pursuant to this section for the county, town, city 7 and village offices on the ballot in that year, and within the same time 8 period provide such calculated contribution limits to the state board of 9 elections in the format required by such board." The bill passed 140 – 1, and Garbarino was the only "no" vote. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09922, [5/7/18](#)]

Environment

Environmental Protection

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08270B, "Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection." The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08270B, [4/24/18](#)]

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Equal Rights & Workplace Fairness**Discrimination****2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination On The Basis Of Gender Identity Or Expression.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03358, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No A03358, [5/7/18](#)]

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Equal Pay**2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin.**

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00658, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00658, [4/16/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04696, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04696, [4/16/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Publish Public Employers’ Wage Disparities By Gender And Race.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02549, “Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers’ wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02549, [4/16/18](#)]

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segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00658, [4/4/17](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Publish Public Employers’ Wage Disparities By Gender And Race. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02549, “Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers’ wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02549, [4/4/17](#)]

Governance

Term Limits

2018: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Number Of Terms A Minority Or Majority Leader Can Serve. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00819, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed by a vote of 35 – 95. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00819, [2/13/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Terms Of A Committee Chairperson. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00827, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 36 – 94. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00827, [2/13/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Number Of Terms A Minority Or Majority Leader Can Serve. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00059, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed by a vote of 43 – 104. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00059, [1/30/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted To Limit The Terms Of A Committee Chairperson. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00055, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed by a vote of 42 – 105. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00055, [1/30/17](#)]

Guns

Possession

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Rifles And Shotguns To The List Of Weapons Domestic Violence Offenders Can’t Possess. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S08121, “Relates to the possession of weapons by domestic violence offenders.[...] Suspension of firearms license and ineligibility for such a license upon issuance of temporary order of protection. Whenever a temporary order of protection is issued pursuant to subdivision one of section 530.12 or subdivision one of section 530.13 of this article:(a) the court shall suspend any such existing license possessed by the defendant, order the defendant ineligible for such a license and order the immediate surrender of any or all firearms, rifles and shotguns owned or possessed where the court receives information that gives the court good cause to believe that (i) the defendant has a prior conviction of any violent felony offense as defined in section 70.02 of the penal law;” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S08121, [3/30/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Extreme Risk Protection Orders Prohibiting A Person From Purchasing Firearms. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06994, “Establishes extreme risk protection orders as a court-issued order of protection prohibiting a person from purchasing, possessing or attempting to purchase or possess a firearm, rifle or shotgun and establishes procedures for the application, administration, and expiration or termination of such protection orders.” The bill passed by a vote of 84 – 52. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06994, [6/15/17](#)]

Health Care

Opioid Crisis

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Making The Death Of An Injured Worker Due To Opioid Overdose Compensable. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11028, “That the death of an injured worker due to opioid overdose is compensable where that injured worker was prescribed opioids as a result of his or her workplace injury.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 59. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11028, [6/20/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Use Of Medical Marijuana To Substitute Opioids For Pain Management. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S08987A, “Relates to allowing for the use of medical marihuana as an alternative to opioids for pain management and substance use disorder.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 16. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S08987A, [6/20/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Opioid Use Disorder To A List Of Conditions Covered For Lawful Use Of Medical Marijuana. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09016, “Adds opioid use disorder to the list of conditions covered for lawful medical use of marihuana.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 28. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09016, [6/6/18](#)]

Health Insurance

2018: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill That Required Health Insurance Policies To Provide Coverage Of Outpatient Treatment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02163, “Requires blanket health insurance policies to provide coverage for outpatient treatment by mental health practitioners (mental health counsellors, marriage and family therapists, creative arts therapists and psychoanalysts) licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02163, [6/20/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Establishment Of The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 46. [New York Assembly, Bill No A04738A, [6/14/18](#)]

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negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 46. [New York Assembly, Bill No A04738A, [5/16/17](#)]

Housing

Landlords & Tenants

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Landlords To Mitigate Damages If A Tenant Breaks A Lease.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06967, “Requires landlords to mitigate damages if a tenant vacates a premises in violation of the terms of the lease.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06967, [5/15/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Tolling The Four Year Statute Of Limitations On Rent Overcharges.

Garbarino voted against bill No. A09816, “Tolls the four year statute of limitations look back period on rent overcharges where the owner of a housing accommodation acts in a wrongful or fraudulent manner.” The bill passed by a vote of 100 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09816, [5/15/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Harassment Of A Renter As A Crime. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07992A, “Relates to harassment of a rent regulated tenant; establishes the crimes of harassment of a rent regulated tenant in the first and second degree.” The bill passed by a vote of 107 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07992A, [5/14/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Owners From Adjusting Preferential Rent Upon A Lease

Renewal. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06285, “Prohibits an owner from adjusting the amount of preferential rent, rent charged and paid by the tenant which is less than the legal regulated rent for the housing accommodation, upon the renewal of a lease; only allows the owner to make such adjustments upon a vacancy which is not the result of the failure of the owner to maintain a habitable residence.” The bill was passed by a vote of 94 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06285, [5/14/18](#)]

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Immigration & Border Issues

DREAM

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09605A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No A09605, [2/5/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03039, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 51. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03039, [2/6/17](#)]

Immigration

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Access To Services, Law Enforcement, And Counsel In Certain Immigration Matters. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03049, “Relates to providing access to services, law enforcement and counsel in certain immigration related matters.” The bill passed by a vote of 77 – 61. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03049, [2/6/17](#)]

Infrastructure & Transportation

Transportation

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Temporary Advisory Board For Upstate Transit Funding. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02083A, “Relates to establishing the temporary advisory board for upstate transit funding.” The bill passed by a vote of 121 – 15. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02083A, [6/15/17](#)]

Labor & Working Families

Worker Protections

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Without Written Consumer Consent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00859A, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed by a vote of 124 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00859A, [4/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Employees From Retaliatory Actions By Employers For Reporting Illegal Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05757, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05757, [4/30/18](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Employees From Retaliatory Actions By Employers For Reporting Illegal Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05757, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 110 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05757, [6/20/17](#)]

Paid Leave

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Paid Family Leave For Bereavement. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S08380A, “Authorizes paid family leave for bereavement beginning in 2020.” The bill passed by a vote of 111 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S08380A, [6/20/18](#)]

Wages

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring All Subcontracted Transportation Center Workers The Standard Wage Rate. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07886, “Requires that every subcontracted transportation center

service worker shall be compensated at a rate that is no less than the applicable standard rate for subcontracted transportation center service workers.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07886, [6/21/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Paying Car Wash Workers In Large Cities To Be Paid The Minimum Wage Without Allowance For Gratuities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02967A, “Requires car wash workers to be paid the minimum wage without allowance for gratuities.” The bill was passed by a vote of 113 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02967, [6/19/17](#)]

Appendix XII – State Votes – 2015 Session

NOTE: The votes contained in this section are votes that were already included in the book, organized by Assembly session here. This section does not contain every vote taken by the Assembly, rather it contains key votes that Garbarino voted on. A spreadsheet containing all of Garbarino's votes is available on the DCCC Research drive.

Abortion & Women's Health Issues

Reproductive Rights

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting A Woman's Right To An Abortion. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06221, “§ 4166 provides that the state shall not deny a woman's right to obtain an abortion as established by the United States Supreme Court in the decision Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973). This bill codifies the alignment of State law with existing federal law. In Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the United State Supreme Court ruled that the United States Constitution protects a woman's right to have an abortion prior to fetal viability or when necessary to protect the health and life of the woman. Although current State law does not have all of these protections, this has, in fact and in law, been the law in New York for over forty years; this proposal would not change or alter existing State and federal laws that permit a health care provider or institutions from refraining from providing an abortion for religious or moral beliefs. This bill would not expand the class of individuals who could perform abortions, nor would it alter the current long-standing criminal ban on partial birth abortion. The bill simply codifies the reproductive rights that women in New York have had since Roe.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 50. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06221, [6/7/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08135B, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08135B, [1/25/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On An Individual's Reproductive Health Decision Making. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01142A, “Relates to the prohibition of discrimination based on an individual's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01142A, [6/16/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting A Woman's Right To An Abortion. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06221, “§ 4166 provides that the state shall not deny a woman's right to obtain an abortion as established by the United States Supreme Court in the decision Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973). This bill codifies the alignment of State law with existing federal law. In Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113 (1973), the United State Supreme Court ruled that the United States Constitution protects a woman's right to have an abortion prior to fetal viability or when necessary to protect the health and life of the woman. Although current State law does not have all of these protections, this has, in fact and in law, been the law in New York for over forty years; this proposal would not change or alter existing State and federal laws that permit a health care provider or institutions from refraining from providing an abortion for religious or moral beliefs. This bill would not expand the class of individuals who could perform abortions, nor would it alter the current long-standing criminal ban on partial birth abortion. The bill simply codifies the reproductive rights that women in New York have had since Roe.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 51. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06221, [3/25/15](#)]

FY 2017 Budget

Garbarino Voted For Against A Majority Of The FY 2017 State Budget

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06401A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 120 – 21. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06401A, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09000D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09000D, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted For The Aids To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06403D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 13. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06403D, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06404D, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06404D, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06406C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state education, labor, housing and family assistance budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06406C, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09008C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 113 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09008C, [3/31/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09007C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09007C, [3/31/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09005C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state public protection and general government budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09005C, [3/31/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Benefits For Workers

The Budget Increased The Minimum Wage In Central New York. “The State Department of Labor projects 98,698 workers in Central New York will experience higher pay as a result of the \$15 minimum wage, reinvesting an estimated \$632.5 million in the region's economy.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

The Budget Included 12 Weeks Paid Family Leave For Workers In Central New York. “The State Department of Labor projects 245,817 private sector workers in Central New York will become eligible for 12 weeks of paid family leave.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against \$27 Billion For Roads And Bridges

The Budget Included \$27 Billion For Roads And Bridges. “The \$27 billion for roads and bridges includes: \$21.1 billion for capital improvement of highways, bridges, rail, aviation infrastructure, non-MTA transit, and DOT facilities throughout the state. This includes the launch of three new initiatives – BRIDGE NY, PAVE NY, and the Extreme Weather Infrastructure Hardening Program to further improve conditions on state and local roads and bridges, as well as provide resiliency to roadways that are particularly susceptible to weather events. It also includes \$4 billion for capital investment for a sixth year, and \$2 billion in Thruway Stabilization funding that will support capital improvements on the entire Thruway system and the New New York Bridge, allowing the Authority to freeze tolls on the system until at least 2020.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09008C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 113 – 30. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09008C, [3/31/16](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Environmental Protections

The Budget Included \$300 Million For Environmental Protection Fund. “The Budget includes appropriations of \$300 million for the EPF, the highest level of funding in the program’s history and an increase of \$123 million from FY 2016. The increase will provide record funding for stewardship, agriculture programs, invasive species prevention and eradication, water quality improvement, municipal recycling and an aggressive environmental justice agenda. Further, this funding level will establish new programs to help communities adapt to climate change through resiliency planning and capital projects, and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions outside of the power sector.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

The Budget Increased Funding For The Water Infrastructure Improvement Act. “The Water Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2015 provides grants to municipalities for critical drinking water and wastewater system improvements. This year’s budget increases the act’s funding from the \$200 million approved in 2015, to \$350 million. Grants provided through the act will help local governments advance approximately \$2 billion in local drinking water and waste water infrastructure investments while creating an estimated 33,000 construction jobs.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against Investing In The Fight Against The Opioid And Heroin Crisis

The Budget Invested \$25 Million In The Office Of Alcoholism And Substance Abuse Services To Combat The Heroin And Opioid Crisis. “The budget invests \$25 million in the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services to combat the heroin/opiate crisis, increasing spending from \$141 million in FY 2016 to \$166 million in FY 2017 (a \$51 million increase since FY 2014). Funding will be directed to increase access for prevention, treatment and recovery support services for individuals impacted by heroin, opiate and other substance use disorders.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

The Budget Included An Initiative That Required Managed Care Organizations To Implement Prior Authorization For Opioid Refills. “Additionally, to further combat opioid abuse, the budget includes an initiative that will require managed care organizations to implement prior authorization for opioid refills exceeding four

prescriptions in 30 days. The initiative will exclude patients with cancer, sickle cell disease or receiving hospice care.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [4/1/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09007C, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the state health and mental hygiene budget for the 2016-2017 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09007C, [3/31/16](#)]

FY 2016 Budget

Garbarino Voted Against A Majority Of The FY 2016 State Budget

2015: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02004C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02004C, [4/1/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02000C, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02000C, [3/31/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02006B, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the education, labor and family assistance budget for state fiscal year 2015 – 2016.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 55. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02006B, [3/31/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted For The Legislature And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02001A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislature and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 138 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02001A, [3/31/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted For The State Public Protections And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A03005B, the State Public Protections and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 140 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03005B, [3/30/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A03003, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 139 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03003, [3/30/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03008B, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03008B, [3/30/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding

The Budget Increased Education Funding To \$23.5 Billion. “New York’s education system is set to implement some of its most dramatic and fundamental reforms in years through the Education Transformation Act. The Budget includes the Governor’s proposal for an increase of \$1.3 billion in state education support to take education funding to its highest level ever – \$23.5 billion.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Included Student Loan Relief. “The Budget includes student loan support that is designed to help eligible New York State residents who graduate from college and continue to live in the state to pay nothing on their student loans for the first two years out of school. For graduates earning less than \$50,000 per year, the Get on

Your Feet program will supplement the federal Pay As You Earn (PAYE) income-based loan repayment program. The amount a participant will benefit is based on the amount owed and their adjusted gross income. The program is estimated to assist 7,100 graduates in its first year and more than 24,000 participants annually by 2019-20.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Included \$110 Million To Strengthen Programs At New York’s Public Colleges. “Launch another \$110 Million Round of NYSUNY2020 and NYCUNY2020. SUNY2020 and CUNY2020 are challenge grant programs designed to simultaneously strengthen academic programs at the State’s public colleges and universities while spurring economic growth at specific campuses and in nearby communities. The programs provide incentive for capital development on and around SUNY and CUNY campuses. The Budget includes \$110 million to continue these programs.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

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Garbarino Voted Against A \$5.4 Billion Investment Into New York’s Economy

The Budget Invested \$1.3 Billion In New York State Thruway System. “The Budget invests \$1.3 billion in the New York State Thruway system to keep tolls down while also implementing critical repairs and maintenance initiatives, and supporting the construction of the Tappan Zee Bridge and alternative transit options.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Ensured High-Speed Broadband Access By The End Of 2018. “Governor Cuomo set an ambitious goal to ensure every New Yorker has access to high-speed broadband service by the end of 2018. In order to accomplish this, the Budget includes \$500 million to launch a statewide broadband program that leverages at least an additional \$500 million in private resources to create the New NY Broadband Program. The program will incentivize private sector providers to expand high-speed broadband access in underserved and unserved communities. This is the largest and most ambitious state investment in universal broadband deployment in the country.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Included Funding For New Metro-North Stations And Extended Access To Penn Station. “The Budget includes support for four new Metro-North stations in the Bronx – Co-op City, Morris Park, Parkchester, and Hunts Point – to extend rail access to over 93,000 residents living near the stations. The project will also serve one of the largest concentrations of medical facilities in the United States at the Morris Park station. The cost of the new line and stations are less than \$1 billion, with the State investing \$250 million of that funding.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

The Budget Invested \$150 Million For Economic Development On Long Island. “The Budget includes \$150 million to support transformative economic development and infrastructure projects on Long Island. Projects will be reviewed, evaluated and approved by Empire State Development. The State’s investment will catalyze private investment, spurring significant economic development and job creation to help strengthen local communities and their economies.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03008B, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 19. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03008B, [3/30/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Funding For Environmental Protection Fund

The Budget Increased Investment In The Environmental Protection Fund. “The enacted budget raises the Environmental Protection Fund to \$177 million dollars, an increase of 32 percent since Governor Cuomo took office. The \$15 million increase will support increases in fourteen categories, including land conservation, stewardship, and invasive species control and prevention. The increase includes a new sub-allocation for capacity grants to State Parks friends’ groups.” [New York Division of the Budget, [4/1/15](#)]

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Consumer Issues & Regulation

Consumer Issues

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Motor Vehicle Insurers From Discriminating Based On Education Or Occupation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06834, “Prohibits motor vehicle insurers from discriminating based on education or occupation.” The bill was passed by a vote of 103 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06834, [6/2/15](#)]

Crime & Public Safety

Crime

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Sealing Records Of Certain Nonviolent Misdemeanors And Non-Sexual Misdemeanor Offenses. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02699A, “Permits the sealing of records of certain nonviolent misdemeanor or non-sexual misdemeanor criminal offenses; defines the term ‘eligible misdemeanor’; excludes certain misdemeanor offenses as eligible misdemeanors for the purposes of conditional sealing; lists certain eligibility requirements for sealing; provides an order granting sealing under this section shall restore the individual concerned, in the contemplation of the laws, to the status such individual occupied before the arrest or institution of criminal proceedings for the crime that was the subject of the sealing.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02699A, [6/15/15](#)]

Police

2016: Garbarino Voted Against A Measure That Prohibited Police Officers From Carrying A Weapon Without Completing A Training Course. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10686, “Relates to prohibiting police officers from carrying or using a weapon during any phase of the officer's official duties unless the officer has satisfactorily completed a course of training that meets or exceeds the minimum standards established by the municipal police training council.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 31. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10686, [6/17/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police From Using Racial And Ethnic Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03949, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03949, [6/2/15](#)]

Prison

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Segregated Confinement For Juveniles And Those With Mental Illness Or Disabilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01346B, “Relates to segregated confinement; prohibits segregated confinement for certain persons. [...] Except as provided in paragraphs (d) [and], (e), (g) and (h) of this subdivision, as a measure of last resort, the superintendent of a state correctional facility, under supervision of the commissioner, or the sheriff of a local correctional facility may keep any inmate confined in a cell or room, apart from the accommodations provided for inmates who are participating in programs of the facility, for such minimal period as may be necessary for maintenance of order or discipline, but in any such case the following conditions shall be observed:(g) Segregated confinement is prohibited for the following inmates: (i) juveniles under the age of twenty-one;(ii) any person with a mental illness or a developmental disability as defined in section 1.03 of the mental hygiene law; and (iii) any person who has a permanent physical disability documented in his or her medical records that substantially limits one or more major life activities. For the purposes of this subdivision, ‘major life activities’ means functions such as walking, seeing, hearing and speaking.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01346B, [6/15/15](#)]

Economic

Gaming

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing A Commission For A Statewide Evaluation Of Gambling By New York Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07055, “Authorizes and directs the commissioner of the office of alcoholism and substance abuse services to commission a statewide evaluation regarding the extent of gambling by New York state residents.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07055, [5/28/15](#)]

Election Law

Voting Rights

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Early Voting Provision. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08582B, “Relates to early voting; provides that beginning the eighth day prior to any election and ending on and including the second day prior to the election a person duly registered and eligible to vote shall be permitted to vote.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08582B, [6/16/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing People Who Will Be 18 Years Old At The Time Of The Presidential Election, Vote In The Primary When They Are 17 Years Old. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00504, “Amends the constitution to allow a person who will be 18 years old at the time of a presidential election to vote in the presidential primary election if he or she is 17 years of age at the time of the presidential primary election.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00504, [3/30/16](#)]

Environment

Environment Protections

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Climate And Community Protection Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10342, “Enacts the New York state climate and community protection act; relates to climate change; renewable energy program; labor and job standards and worker protection.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10342, [6/1/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Setting Gas Limits And A Greenhouse Gas Reporting System. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06072, “Relates to global warming pollution control; establishes greenhouse gas limits and

a greenhouse gas reporting system.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06072, [4/22/15](#)]

Equal Rights & Workplace Fairness

Discrimination

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identity Or Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04558B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04558B, [5/9/16](#)]

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Equal Pay

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Policy To Eliminate Pay Disparities By Sex, Race, Or National Origin.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00437A, “Seeks to comply with the federal equal pay act of 1963 by implementing a state policy of compensating employees in state service equally for work of comparable value by eliminating wage inequality in job titles having been segregated by sex, race or national origin; requires the president of the civil service commission to report annually to the legislature and the governor on those segregated titles for which wage disparity exists; mandates governor to appropriate monies to ensure wage disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00437A, [4/11/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study Pay Disparities In Public Employers’ Wages.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05008, “Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers’ wage disparities related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05008A, [4/11/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06937, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill was passed by a vote of 91 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06937, [4/11/16](#)]

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disparities are corrected.” The bill passed by a vote of 105 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00437A, [4/27/15](#)]

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2015: Garbarino Voted Against A Fair And Equal Pay State Policy. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01574A, “Implements state policy of fair and equal pay for equivalent value of work; provides that the principle of fair and equal pay for similar work and for equivalent value of work shall be followed in the classification and reclassification and the allocation and reallocation of positions and all positions having the same title shall be allocated the same salary grade.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01574A, [4/27/15](#)]

Governance

Term Limits

2016: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Term Of A Committee Chairperson. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00844, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 45 – 96. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00844, [1/12/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Terms Of The Minority And Majority Leaders In The Assembly. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00840, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 44 – 97. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00840, [1/12/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Term Of A Committee Chairperson. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00187, “Relates to limiting the term of a committee chairperson.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 45 – 101. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00187, [3/9/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Supported Limiting The Terms Of The Minority And Majority Leaders In The Assembly. Garbarino voted for Bill No. E00185, “Relates to limiting the number of terms of the minority leader of the assembly or the majority leader of the assembly.” The bill failed to pass by a vote of 44 – 97. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. E00185, [3/9/15](#)]

Guns

Gun Safety

2015: Garbarino Voted Against A Law Requiring Safe Storage For All Firearms. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00053A, “Enacts ‘Nicholas’s law’; requires the safe storage of rifles, shotguns, or firearms; repeals certain provisions of the penal law relating thereto.” The bill was passed by a vote of 81 – 66. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00053A, [6/16/15](#)]

Health Care

Health Insurance

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Health Plan. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05062A, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 53. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05062A, [6/1/16](#)]

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Public Health

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The County Health Commissioner to Notify Individuals Of A Public Health Emergency. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00187, “Requires the county health commissioner to notify certain individuals in the event of an emergency creating an imminent risk to public health and safety.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00187, [3/4/15](#)]

Housing

Landlord & Tenant

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Owners From Adjusting Preferential Rent To Tenants Renewing A Lease. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03809A, “Prohibits an owner from adjusting the amount of preferential rent, rent charged and paid by the tenant which is less than the legal regulated rent for the housing accommodation, upon the renewal of a lease; only allows the owner to make such adjustments upon a vacancy which is not the result of the failure of the owner to maintain a habitable residence.” The bill was passed by a vote of 90 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03909A, [6/9/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Law Related To Rent Regulations Until June 2015. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05997, “Relates to rent control; extends various provisions of law relating to rent regulations until and including June 23, 2015.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05997, [6/18/15](#)]

Immigration & Border Issues

DREAM

2016: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04311A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04411A, [6/6/16](#)]

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Infrastructure & Transportation

Transportation

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Bus Rapid Transit Program In Large Cities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07996A, “Relates to extending, in a city with a population of one million or more, the bus rapid transit program.” The bill passed by a vote of 79 – 60. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07996A, [6/24/15](#)]

Labor & Working Families

Benefits

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Treatment By A Certified Acupuncturists Under The Workers’ Compensation Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02462A, “Authorizes the care and treatment of injured employees by licensed or certified acupuncturists under the workers' compensation program.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 15. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02462, [6/16/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00775B, “Provides that parents and caretakers who are otherwise eligible for child care assistance, and provided with such assistance, shall be able to utilize such assistance when care is necessary to enable them to sleep because they work non-traditional hours and have a child who is under the age of six and not in school for a full school day; further provides that the authorization for assistance shall be sufficient to allow the parent to obtain up to eight hours of sleep, as needed.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00775B, [5/17/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits To Those Who Provide Childcare And Have Made Efforts To Secure Alternative Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07004, “Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07004, [2/2/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Workers’ Compensation To An Employee And To Family Members To Care For An Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03870A, “Provides workers' compensation benefits for injury or sickness, pregnancy or family leave; applies to an employee and to family members taking family leave to care for an employee.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03870A, [2/2/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Provisions Of The Welfare Reform Act To 2017. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S04830, “Extends the provisions of the Welfare Reform Act of 1997 to 2017.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S04830, [6/24/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments To Not Require A Family To Contribute More Than 20% Of Income Exceeding The Poverty Level. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06174B, “Standardizes child care copayments by instructing local social services districts to not require a family receiving child care assistance to contribute more than 20% of the amount of their income exceeding the poverty level.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06174B, [5/12/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Child Care Assistance To Those Who Work Non-Traditional Hours. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00775B, “Provides that parents and caretakers who are otherwise eligible for child care assistance, and provided with such assistance, shall be able to utilize such assistance when care is necessary to enable them to sleep because they work non-traditional hours and have a child who is under the age of six and not in school for a full school day; further provides that the authorization for assistance shall be sufficient to allow the parent to obtain up to eight hours of sleep, as needed.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00775B, [5/5/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption For Parents Who Received Public Assistance And Personally Provide Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01805A, “Authorizes the offering of the twelve month work exemption to certain parents or relatives in receipt of public assistance who personally provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01805A, [5/5/15](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Efforts To Work For Unemployment Benefits To Include Needs For Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04780, “Requires regulations promulgated for systematic and sustained efforts to find work for unemployment benefits to include a claimant's need to provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04780, [5/5/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits To Those Who Provide Childcare And Have Made Efforts To Secure Alternative Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07004, “Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07004, [5/5/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Workers’ Compensation To An Employee And To Family Members To Care For An Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03870A, “Provides workers' compensation benefits for injury or sickness, pregnancy or family leave; applies to an employee and to family members taking family leave to care for an employee.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03870A, [3/17/15](#)]

Wages

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Securing Wages For Work Already Performed. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05501D, “Relates to securing payment of wages for work already performed; creates a lien remedy for all employees; provides grounds for attachment; relates to procedures where employees may hold shareholders of non-publicly traded corporations personally liable for wage theft; relates to rights for victims of wage theft to hold the ten members with the largest ownership interests in a company personally liable for wage theft.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05501D, [5/24/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Barring Businesses Who Failed To Follow The Davis-Bacon Act From Government Contracts. Garbarino voted against Bill. No A05414, “When any person or entity is debarred for having disregarded obligations to employees under the Davis-Bacon Act pursuant to 40 U.S.C.3144 and 29 C.F.R. 5.12, such person or entity, and any ‘substantially owned-affiliated entity’ as defined by paragraph g of subdivision five of section two hundred twenty of this article, shall be ineligible to submit a bid on or be awarded any public works contract with the state, any municipal corporation, public benefit corporation or public body while the name of the person or entity is published in the list of debarred contractors pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 3144. “ The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05414, [5/24/16](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Barring Businesses Who Failed To Follow The Davis-Bacon Act From Government Contracts. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05414, “When any person or entity is debarred for having disregarded obligations to employees under the Davis-Bacon Act pursuant to 40 U.S.C.3144 and 29 C.F.R. 5.12, such person or entity, and any ‘substantially owned-affiliated entity’ as defined by paragraph g of subdivision five of section two hundred twenty of this article, shall be ineligible to submit a bid on or be awarded any public works contract with the state, any municipal corporation, public benefit corporation or public body while the name of the person or entity is published in the list of debarred contractors pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 3144. “ The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05414, [6/2/15](#)]

2015: Garbarino Voted Against Incrementally Raising The Minimum Wage, With Wages Reaching \$15 Per Hour By 2018. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07257B, “Employers in all areas of the state not covered by paragraph (c) of this subdivision shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than: \$9.75 on and after July 1, 2016, \$10.75 on and after December 31, 2016, \$11.75 on and after December 31, 2017, \$12.75 on and after December 31, 2018, \$13.75 on and after December 31, 2019, \$14.50 on and after December 31, 2020, and \$15.00, and on and after December 31, 2021[...] (c) Employers in a city with a population in excess of one million and in counties with a population of nine hundred thousand or more that fall within the metropolitan commuter transportation district as defined in section twelve hundred sixty-two of the public authorities law, shall pay to each of its employees for each hour worked a wage of not less than: \$10.50 on and after July 1, 2016, \$12.00 on and after December 31, 2016, \$13.50 on and after December 31, 2017, and \$15.00 on and after December 31, 2018...” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07257B, [5/4/15](#)]

Appendix XIII – State Votes – 2013 Session

NOTE: The votes contained in this section are votes that were already included in the book, organized by Assembly session here. This section does not contain every vote taken by the Assembly, rather it contains key votes that Garbarino voted on. A spreadsheet containing all of Garbarino's votes is available on the DCCC Research drive.

Abortion & Women's Health Issues

Reproductive Rights

2014: Garbarino Voted To Prohibit Discrimination Based On An Individual's Reproductive Health Decisions. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A08769A, "An act to amend the labor law, in relation to discrimination based on an employee's or a dependent's reproductive health decision making." The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 30. [New York State Employee, Bill No. A08769, [6/18/14](#)]

Agriculture & Food Access

Food Safety

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Creation Of An Advisory Board On Markets And Food Safety. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04125, "Requires the creation of a nine member advisory board within the department of agriculture and markets on food safety and inspection programs; such board is to advise, counsel and confer with the commissioner of agriculture and markets on matters dealing with enforcement of laws and regulations regarding food safety and protection and shall make recommendations regarding any necessary statutory or regulatory changes." The bill passed by a vote of 120 – 16. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04125, [3/24/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Previously Voted For The Bill. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A04125, "Requires the creation of a nine member advisory board within the department of agriculture and markets on food safety and inspection programs; such board is to advise, counsel and confer with the commissioner of agriculture and markets on matters dealing with enforcement of laws and regulations regarding food safety and protection and shall make recommendations regarding any necessary statutory or regulatory changes." The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04125, [4/17/13](#)]

FY 2015 Budget

Garbarino Voted For A Majority Of The FY 2015 State Budget

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06358D, the State Health and Mental Hygiene Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 113 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06358D, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Aid To Localities Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06353E, "Makes appropriations for the support of government - Aid To Localities Budget." The bill passed by a vote of 131 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06353E, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Capital Projects Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06354E, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Capital Projects Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06354E, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Education, Labor, Housing And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06356D, the Education, Labor, Housing and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 124 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06356D, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Legislative And Judiciary Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06351A, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - Legislative and Judiciary Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06351, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The State Operations Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08550E, “Makes appropriations for the support of government - State Operations Budget.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08550E, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted For The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S06357D, “Enacts into law major components of legislation necessary to implement the transportation, economic development and environmental conservation budget for the 2014-2015 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 133 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06357, [3/31/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Establishing New Crimes For Violating Public Trust

The Budget Established New Crimes For Violating Public Trust. “The Budget includes legislation that would create a series of new crimes for violating the public trust.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established Bribery of a Public Servant As A Crime. “The Budget includes legislation to give prosecutors better tools to convict offenders. Under current state law, a prosecutor has to prove that there was a corrupt agreement or understanding between the person paying the bribe and the person receiving the bribe in order to seek the maximum penalty available against the bribe giver. Under the new law, the prosecutor would not be required to prove that the bribe giver shared a corrupt intent with the bribe receiver, but only that the bribe giver intended to bribe the receiver and did in fact offer a benefit to the public official. Bribe giving and bribe receiving penalties would also be increased, lowering the threshold for a Class C felony for both bribe giving and bribe receiving from \$10,000 to \$5,000, the amount of money used to bribe, and creating a new class B Felony when a bribe is for \$100,000 or more.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established Corrupting the Government As A Crime. “The Budget includes legislation to hold accountable anyone whether or not they are a public official who is found to have engaged in schemes to defraud the state or local government, and enhances penalties for all offenders convicted of defrauding the government through the crime of Corrupting the Government. Under the new law, a public servant or anybody acting in concert with a public servant who engages in a course of conduct to defraud a state or local government would be guilty of a crime ranging from the fourth degree (class E felony) to the first degree (class B felony), depending on the amount defrauded.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against New Penalties For Public Corruption

The Budget Established New Penalties For Public Corruption. “The Budget includes legislation to create higher penalties where state or local government property is stolen. This means an offender would face a higher penalty if

the act was committed against the government. The sentence would be one level higher than for the underlying offense. A defendant, depending on the amount of property wrongfully taken, could be a guilty of a class B felony.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established A Lifetime Ban From Government If Convicted Of Public Corruption. “The new class of felony public corruption crimes would impose additional penalties, apart from jail sentences and criminal fines, including: Permanently barring all those convicted of public corruption felonies from holding any elected or civil office, serving as a registered lobbyist, or doing business with the state, including through any organization they run. Barring individuals from bidding on or obtaining state contracts. Giving judges the option of requiring payment of up to three times the amount of the profit or gain made from an illegal transaction.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Campaign Finance Reforms

The Budget Provided Matching Funds For Political Campaigns. “The Budget legislation puts in place New York States first-ever program to provide matching funds for a political campaign thereby reducing the influence of money in politics. This comprehensive program will be initiated immediately on a pilot basis to be in effect for the 2014 Comptrollers race and will be modeled after New York Citys successful 6:1 matching funds program.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established An Independent Enforcement Unit At The Board Of Elections. “The State Board of Elections ineffective structure, consisting of four commissioners who are evenly appointed by each major party, leads to gridlock and rarely produces any serious investigations of election law violations. The Budget legislation creates a new, independent enforcement division headed by a chief enforcement counsel, who is appointed outside of the Board to a 5-year term, vested with authority to investigate violations of the Election Law. It would also create a compliance unit that would make complying with the Election Laws reporting requirements a priority and help ensure a transparent system of election finance reporting.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

The Budget Established New Disclosure Requirements For Political Donations. “Current law requires disclosure every six months to a year or, in some cases, never, of independent political expenditures. The Budget legislation plugs this loophole-laden law to increase transparency by mandating more frequent reporting of these expenditures and the sources of the contributions that make them possible, and amends the law to expand the definition of the kinds of communications that warrant such increased reporting to better reflect the reality of how politics is played today.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/31/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08555D, the Public Protection and General Government Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 115 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08555D, [3/31/14](#)]

FY 2014 Budget

Garbarino Voted For Half Of The FY 2014 State Budget

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The State Health And Mental Hygiene Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02606D, the State Health and Mental Hygiene Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 35. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02606D, [3/28/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted For The Transportation, Economic Development And Environmental Conservation Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02608D, the Transportation, Economic Development and Environmental Conservation Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02608D, [3/28/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor, Housing, And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02607D, the Education, Labor, Housing, and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02607D, [3/28/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted For The Public Protection And General Government Budget. Garbarino voted for Bill No. S02605D, “Enacts major components of legislation into law that are necessary to implement the public protection and general government budget for the 2013-2014 state fiscal year.” The bill passed by a vote of 129 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02605D, [3/28/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Increased Education Funding And Expanded Education Programs

The Budget Included Increased Funding For Education. “The Budget reflects New York State's focus on creating a world-class education system that will fully prepare all of New York's students to compete in the 21st Century economy. To accomplish the goal, the Budget includes an increase of nearly \$1 billion in school aid (4.9%).” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/29/13](#)]

The Budget Expanded Pre-Kindergarten Programs. “Recognizing that quality early education is critical for long-term success and that children who attend full-day pre-k often outperform their peers, the Budget provides a \$25 million additional investment for pre-kindergarten with an emphasis on high quality, full-day pre-k. Funding is targeted toward higher need students in lower wealth school districts via a competitive process.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/29/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor, Housing, And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02607D, the Education, Labor, Housing, and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02607D, [3/28/13](#)]

Garbarino Voted Against Raising The Minimum Wage

The Budget Increased The Minimum Wage. “Recognizing that New York's minimum wage is unlivable and that 19 other states have higher minimum wages than New York, the Budget raises the minimum wage from \$7.25/hour to \$9.00/hour over three years, beginning with \$8.00 by the end of 2013, \$8.75 by the end of 2014, and \$9.00 by the end of 2015.” [Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, [3/29/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Education, Labor, Housing, And Family Assistance Budget. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02607D, the Education, Labor, Housing, and Family Assistance Budget. The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02607D, [3/28/13](#)]

Consumer Issues & Regulation

Consumer Rights

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Cemetery To Provide Customers With A Disclosure Form. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03538, “Requires cemetery corporations to post and provide customers with the New York state cemetery disclosure form.” The bill passed by a vote of 121 – 17. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03538, [6/19/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Motor Vehicle Insurers From Discriminating Based On Education Or Occupation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09935, “Prohibits motor vehicle insurers from

discriminating based on education or occupation.” The bill passed by a vote of 107 – 27. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09935, [6/19/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellations Or Non-Renewals Of Automobile Insurance Of A Policyholder As A Result Of A Dispute Or Claim Pending Against The Insurer. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03696B, “Prohibits cancellation, non-renewal or conditioning renewal of automobile insurance of a policyholder solely as a result of a dispute or a complaint pending against the insurer.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03696B, [6/10/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Consumer Credit Fairness Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09053, “Enacts the ‘consumer credit fairness act’; establishes a 3 year statute of limitations for commencement of a cause of action arising out of a consumer credit transaction where the defendant is a purchaser, borrower or debtor; establishes a notice of lawsuit which must be mailed to the defendant in such a cause of action; establishes certain requirements for the complaint in such an action; provides for arbitration of such actions; requires debt collectors to send consumers a written notice of their rights under state law along with their initial debt collection correspondence; such notice would contain information such as who and when a principal creditor may contact a debtor about the debt owed as well as the fact that a principal creditor cannot disclose information affecting a consumer debtor's reputation for creditworthiness if the principal creditor knows or has reason to know such information is false; applies to consumer rather than commercial debts.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09053, [5/28/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Motor Vehicle Dealers To Search For Recalls Prior To Selling A Used Motor Vehicle. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06522B, “Requires motor vehicle dealers to search for recalls prior to selling a used motor vehicle and requires the dealer to either make the required repairs or to notify the purchaser, in writing, of the recall.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06522B, [6/20/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellations Or Non-Renewals Of Automobile Insurance Of A Policyholder As A Result Of A Dispute Or Claim Pending Against The Insurer. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03696B, “Prohibits cancellation, non-renewal or conditioning renewal of automobile insurance of a policyholder solely as a result of a dispute or a complaint pending against the insurer.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03696B, [6/5/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Motor Vehicle Dealers To Search For Recalls Prior To Selling A Used Motor Vehicle. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06522B, “Requires motor vehicle dealers to search for recalls prior to selling a used motor vehicle and requires the dealer to either make the required repairs or to notify the purchaser, in writing, of the recall.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06522B, [3/4/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding The Description Of Unfair Insurance Claim Settlement Practices. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01307, “Expands the description of unfair insurance claim settlement practices.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01307, [3/3/14](#)]

Crime & Public Safety

Police & Public Safety

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Prohibiting Contact With Big Cats. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S06903C, “Relates to public safety and big cats; prohibits contact with big cats.” The bill passed by a vote of 127 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S06903C, [6/18/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police Officers From Using Racial Profiling. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02941, “Prohibits police officers from using racial and ethnic profiling; requires that a procedure be established for the taking and review of complaints against police officers for racial and ethnic profiling; allows an action for injunctive relief and/or damages to be brought against a law enforcement agency, any agent of a law enforcement agency and the supervisor of an agent.” The bill passed by a vote of 91 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02941, [6/11/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Biennial CPR Training For Police Officers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04974, “Establishes Briana's law requiring biennial CPR training for police officers.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04974, [6/11/13](#)]

2014: Garbarino Later Voted For The Bill. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A04974, “Establishes Briana's law requiring biennial CPR training for police officers.” The bill passed by a vote of 114 – 22. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04974, [2/11/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Developing Child-Sensitive Arrest Policies And Procedures. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01507, “Directs the superintendent of state police to develop and institute child-sensitive arrest policies and procedures for instances where police are arresting an individual who is a parent, guardian or other person legally charged with the care or custody of a child.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01507, [3/14/13](#)]

Criminal Penalties & Evidence

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Penalties On Assaults Of New York City Housing Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03965A, “Imposes increased penalties on assaults of certain New York city housing authority employees.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03965, [6/19/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Excluding Possession Of A Condom As Evidence Of Prostitution In A Trial. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02736, “Provides that possession of a condom may not be received in evidence in any trial, hearing or proceeding as evidence of prostitution, patronizing a prostitute, promoting prostitution, permitting prostitution, maintaining a premises for prostitution, lewdness or assignation, or maintaining a bawdy house.” The bill passed by a vote of 80 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02736, [6/21/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Classifying Possession Of A Gravity Knife As A Weapon In The Fourth Degree Only If The Defendant Intended To Use The Knife Unlawfully. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02259A, “Provides that possession of a gravity knife shall constitute criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree only if the defendant has intent to use the same unlawfully against another.” The bill was passed by a vote of 111 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02259A, [6/13/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Amending Penal Law To Contain A New Subdivision For Small Marijuana Division. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06716, “An act to amend the penal law, in relation to criminal possession of marihuana in the fifth degree The purpose of this bill is to keep New York safe by bringing fairness and consistency in the penalties administered to New Yorkers who possess small amounts of marihuana. [...] Section one of the bill would amend Penal Law § 221.10 to create a new subdivision and provide that possession of less than 15 grams of marihuana in a public place and open to public view is punishable in the same manner as private possession.” The bill passed by a vote 80 – 60. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06716, [5/29/13](#)]

Prisons

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Prisoners With A Notice Of Services Available To Them Upon Their Release. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S01353, “Provides for notice by commissioner of correctional

services of availability of medical, educational and other services, including alcohol and substance abuse treatment, to prisoners upon their release from state prison.” The bill passed by a vote of 112 – 21. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S01353, [6/17/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Inmates, Upon Their Discharge, With Information About HIV Prevention. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03496, “Establishes the department of corrections and community supervision shall provide an inmate, upon his or her discharge, with educational information about the prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), instructions about how to obtain free HIV testing and referrals to community-based HIV prevention, education and counseling resources.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 16. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03496, [6/12/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Inmates, Upon Their Discharge, With Information About HIV Prevention. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03496, “Establishes the department of corrections and community supervision shall provide an inmate, upon his or her discharge, with educational information about the prevention of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), instructions about how to obtain free HIV testing and referrals to community-based HIV prevention, education and counseling resources.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03496, [5/1/13](#)]

Economic

Business

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The START-UP NY Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A0813, “Establishes the START-UP NY program; establishes tax benefits for businesses located in tax free NY areas and employees of such businesses; provides penalties for fraud in such START-UP NY program; provides for START-UP NY program leases.” The bill passed by a vote of 108 – 32. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08113, [6/21/13](#)]

Education

K – 12

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Maintaining Kindergarten Programs For School Districts That Received Funds For Pre-Kindergarten Programs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10101, “Relates to maintaining kindergarten programs when school districts are receiving state funds to operate pre-kindergarten programs.” The bill passed by a vote of 122 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10101, [6/19/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Students With Respiratory Diseases To Use Medical Treatments In School. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09334B, “This bill allows students diagnosed with asthma or another respiratory disease that requires inhaler treatment, allergies and diabetes to use medical treatments in school.” The bill passed by a vote of 122 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09334B, [6/18/14](#)]

Election Law

Early Voting

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Early Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00689, “The purpose of this bill is to establish early voting in primary, general and special elections in the State of New York.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00689, [2/11/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Absentee Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01880, “This bill offers technical amendments to make laws relating to ballots concurrent with current practices. It repeals a section of election law relating to the use of pasters (labels to replace someone on an already printed ballot). It also amends the laws relating to the use of absentee ballots so that the board of elections may receive applications for absentee ballots up to the day before an election.” The bill passed by a vote of 118 – 13. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01880, [1/23/14](#)]

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2013: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Early Voting. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00689, “The purpose of this bill is to establish early voting in primary, general and special elections in the State of New York.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 46. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00689, [4/30/13](#)]

Electoral College

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting An Agreement To Elect The President By A National Popular Vote. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S03149, “Enacts the agreement among the states to elect the president by national popular vote; creates a compact between the states and the District of Columbia; defines terms.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 33. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S03149, [3/25/14](#)]

Campaign Finance

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The 2014 Fair Elections Act, Which Provided Partial Public Financing Of Certain Elections. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04980E, “Enacts the ‘2014 fair elections act’; relates to providing for optional partial public financing of certain election campaigns in this state; relates to identification of the source of certain political contributions.” The bill passed by a vote of 88 – 50. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04980E, [5/7/13](#)]

Energy

Natural Gas

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Suspending Permits For Drilling Wells For Gas Extraction. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05424B, “Suspends the issuance of permits for drilling wells for natural gas extraction in certain areas.” The bill passed by a vote of 96 – 37. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05424B, [6/16/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Suspending Permits For Drilling Wells For Gas Extraction. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05424B, “Suspends the issuance of permits for drilling wells for natural gas extraction in certain areas.” The bill passed by a vote of 103 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05424B, [3/6/13](#)]

Environment

Environmental Protections

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Healthy And Green Procurement Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06046, “Enacts the ‘New York state healthy and green procurement act’. [...] As New York

moves into the twenty-first century the state should serve as a role model for practices that will create and maintain a healthy environment and vibrant economy. The manufacture use and disposal of commodities and technologies, the construction of buildings and the provision of services utilizing toxic chemicals may have adverse impacts on public health and the environment. Persistent, bioaccumulative toxic chemicals, such as mercury, lead, dioxin and poly brominated diphenyl ethers, are toxic in small amounts, remain in the environment for long periods of time, and build to dangerous levels in humans, fish and other animals; and this group of pollutants known as persistent bioaccumulative toxic chemicals (PBT) pose risks to public health and the environment through their ability to cause cancer, birth defects and endocrine disruption. Such chemicals have polluted hundreds of water bodies, fish and waterfowl in the state.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 38. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06046, [5/5/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Permanent Environmental Justice Advisory Group.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02569, “Creates a permanent environmental justice advisory group; provides that the function of the group is to ensure that no group of people, including a racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic group, bears a disproportionate share of the negative environmental consequences resulting from industrial, municipal, and commercial operations or the execution of federal, state, local, and tribal programs and policies; empowers that advisory group to adopt a model environmental justice policy applicable to state agencies, and to monitor agencies on compliance with such policies; specifies responsibilities of state agencies; establishes an environmental justice interagency coordinating council.” The bill passed by a vote of 109 – 26. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03569, [3/27/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Private Well Testing Act, That Established Standards For Clean Drinking Water.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01040, “Enacts the ‘private well testing act’; authorizes the department of health to promulgate rules and regulations to establish standards for the testing of drinking water from privately owned wells.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01040, [4/23/13](#)]

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Discrimination

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination Based On Gender Identify Of Expression.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04226B, “Prohibits discrimination based on gender identity or expression; defines ‘gender identity or expression’ as having or being perceived as having a gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression whether or not that gender identity, self image, appearance, behavior or expression is different from that traditionally associated with the sex assigned to that person at birth; further includes offenses regarding gender identity or expression within the list of offenses subject to treatment as hate crimes.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04226B, [6/10/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Action For Discriminatory Practices To Be Brought Within Three Years Of Dismissal For Administrative Convenience.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03841, “Authorizes the institution of a suit in any court of competent jurisdiction alleging a violation of the human rights law for a period of three years after the dismissal of a complaint for administrative convenience by the division of human rights.” The bill passed by a vote of 128 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03841, [3/24/14](#)]

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Equal Pay

2014: Garbarino Voted Against The Women’s Equality Act, Which Aim To Establish Equal Pay. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08070, “Establishes the ‘Women's Equality Act’; relates to prohibition of differential pay because of sex (part A); relates to unlawful discriminatory practices (part B); provides for attorney's credit discrimination (part C); relates to the unlawful discriminatory practice because of familial status (part D); relates to domestic violence victim status and lawful source of income (part E); relates to the duties of interpreters appointed by the courts in certain cases (part F); relates to establishing a pilot program for the filing of petitions for temporary orders of protection by electronic means and for issuance of such orders ex parte by audio-visual means (part G); relates to prostitution in a school zone; enacts the trafficking victims protection and justice act (part H); relates to reasonable accommodation (part I); and relates to access to reproductive services (part J).” The bill passed by a vote of 88 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08070, [1/27/14](#)]

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2013: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Commission To Study And Report Public Employers Wage Disparities By Gender, Race, And National Origin. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00881, “Directs the president of the civil service commission to study and publish a report evaluating public employers wage disparities

related to the job titles segregated by the gender, race and/or national origin of the employees in the title.” The bill passed by a vote of 106 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00881, [4/16/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Implementing A State Policy Of Fair And Equal Pay For Equivalent Work.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01729, “Implements state policy of fair and equal pay for equivalent value of work; provides that the principle of fair and equal pay for similar work and for equivalent value of work shall be followed in the classification and reclassification and the allocation and reallocation of positions and all positions having the same title shall be allocated the same salary grade.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 39. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01729A, [4/16/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Fair Pay Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05958, “Enacts the ‘New York State fair pay act’; provides that it shall be an unlawful employment practice for an employer to discriminate between employees on the basis of sex, race and/or national origin by paying different wages.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05958, [4/16/13](#)]

FEMA & Disaster Relief Issues

Disaster Relief

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Facilities With Dialysis Services To Have An Alternate Generated Power Source In Case Of Emergencies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09374A, “Requires facilities offering dialysis services to have an alternate generated power source for use during a general power outage or disaster emergency.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09374A, [6/17/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Counties To Maintain A Confidential Registry Of People With Disabilities For The Purpose Of Evacuating And Sheltering. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08816A, “Requires counties to maintain a confidential registry of people of all ages with disabilities for the purpose of evacuating and sheltering such persons during disasters.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 38. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A08816A, [5/19/14](#)]

Guns

Gun Safety

Garbarino Voted Against The NY Secure Ammunition And Firearms Enforcement Act (SAFE). Garbarino voted against Bill No. S02230, “Enacts the NY Secure Ammunition and Firearms Enforcement (SAFE) Act of 2013.” The bill passed by a vote of 104 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S02230, [1/15/13](#)]

Health Care

Patients’ Rights

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Large-Print Or Audio Versions Of Discharge Plans For Patients Who Are Visually Impaired Or Hard Of Hearing. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00746A, “Requires a large-print version, or the patient’s request an audio recording of the discharge plan and preadmission information to be provided to all blind and visually impaired patients according to the preference of such patient or such patient’s representative.” The bill passed by a vote of 117 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00746A, [3/4/14](#)]

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Health Insurance

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Definition Of Autism For Education And Insurance Law.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01663C, "AN ACT to define the term 'autism' for the purposes of the education law and the mental hygiene law and the term 'autism spectrum disorder' for the purposes of the insurance law and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof." The bill passed by a vote of 130 – 10. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01663C, [6/18/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Freelancers Health Plan Demonstration Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06519, "Creates the freelancers health plan demonstration program; provides that such program would be a self-funded plan maintained by an association for the purpose of providing medical, surgical, or hospital services to independent workers; provides for an expiration of December 31, 2014." The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06519, [6/17/13](#)]

Medical Marijuana

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Legalizing Medical Marijuana. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06357E, "Relates to the medical use of marihuana; legalizes the possession, manufacture, use, delivery, transport or administration of medical marihuana by a designated caregiver for a certified medical use; prescribes procedures for such possession, acquisition, etc. including certification of patients by their practitioner, and that, in the practitioner's professional judgment, the patient would receive therapeutic or palliative benefit from use of medical marihuana." The bill was passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A06357E, [5/27/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Later Voted For The Bill. Garbarino voted for Bill No. A06357E, "Relates to the medical use of marihuana; legalizes the possession, manufacture, use, delivery, transport or administration of medical marihuana by a designated caregiver for a certified medical use; prescribes procedures for such possession, acquisition, etc. including certification of patients by their practitioner, and that, in the practitioner's professional judgment, the patient would receive therapeutic or palliative benefit from use of medical marihuana." The bill was passed by a vote of 117 – 13. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A06357E, [6/20/14](#)]

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Housing

Landlord & Tenant

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Landlord's Ability To take Possession Of Units. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05177, "Relates to recovery of certain housing accommodations by a landlord; limits a landlord's ability to take possession of units for their own primary residence: permits recovery of only one unit, and restricts such ability if the tenant has occupied the apartment for twenty or more years." The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05177, [5/13/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Rent Increases After The Vacancy Of A Housing Accommodation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05178, “Limits the amount of rent increase after the vacancy of a housing accommodation.” The bill passed by a vote of 84 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05178, [5/13/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Declaring Housing Emergencies For Rental Housing Accommodations Located In Limited-Profit Housing Companies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04051, “Provides for the declaration of housing emergencies for rental housing accommodations located in buildings owned by certain limited-profit housing companies.” The bill passed by a vote of 87 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04051, [5/12/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Landlord’s Ability To take Possession Of Units. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05177, “Relates to recovery of certain housing accommodations by a landlord; limits a landlord's ability to take possession of units for their own primary residence; permits recovery of only one unit, and restricts such ability if the tenant has occupied the apartment for twenty or more years.” The bill passed by a vote of 95 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05177, [6/19/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Limiting Rent Increases After The Vacancy Of A Housing Accommodation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05178, “Limits the amount of rent increase after the vacancy of a housing accommodation.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 50. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05178, [6/13/13](#)]

Immigration & Border Issues

DREAM

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09640, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 84 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09640, [6/2/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02597, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02597, [2/25/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02597, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed by a vote of 90 – 48. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02597, [5/21/13](#)]

Labor & Working Families

Workers’ Rights

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Workers Who Report Illegal Business Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05696A, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05696A, [6/17/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Job Order Contracts For Labor Performed Under Public Work Contracts. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08757A, “Requires job order contracts to be in use for labor performed under certain public work contracts.” The bill passed by a vote of 93 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08757A, [6/17/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Department Of Labor To Investigate Claims Against Independent Contractors. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05472, “Relates to payment of independent contractors and authorizes the department of labor to investigate complaints, make claims for compensation, assess liquid damages, civil penalties and criminal penalties; authorizes the award of attorney fees and liquidated damages; excludes construction contractors.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05472, [6/10/14](#)]

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2013: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Workers Who Report Illegal Business Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05696A, “Provides protection to employees and former employees from retaliatory actions by employers for the reporting of illegal business activities.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 40. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05696A, [6/20/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Credit Privacy In Employment Act Which Prohibited The Use Of Consumer Credit Reports In Hiring Decisions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07056, “Enacts the ‘credit privacy in employment act’ to prohibit the use of consumer credit reports in hiring and employment determinations.” The bill passed by a vote of 94 – 49. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07056, [6/19/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employment Discrimination Against Persons Whose Criminal Charged Have Been Adjourned. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04589, “Prohibits employment discrimination against persons whose criminal charges have been adjourned in contemplation of dismissal.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 14. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04589, [6/11/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against The Farmworkers Fair Labor Practices Act, Which Among Other Things, Granted Farm Workers Bargaining Rights. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01792, “Enacts the farmworkers fair labor practices act: grants collective bargaining rights to farm laborers; requires employers of farm laborers to allow at least 24 consecutive hours of rest each week; provides for an 8 hour work day for farm laborers; requires overtime rate at one and one-half times normal rate; makes provisions of unemployment insurance law applicable to farm laborers; provides sanitary code shall apply to all farm and food processing labor camps intended to house migrant workers, regardless of the number of occupants; provides for eligibility of farm laborers for workers' compensation benefits; requires employers of farm laborers to provide such farm laborers with claim forms for workers' compensation claims under certain conditions; requires reporting of injuries to employers of farmworkers.” The bill passed by a vote of 83 – 53. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01792, [5/13/13](#)]

Benefits

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Mental Health Care For Injured Employees Under Workers' Compensation. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05299B, “Authorizes the mental health care and treatment of injured employees by licensed clinical social workers under the workers' compensation program.” The bill passed by a vote of 126 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05299B, [6/19/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Workers' Compensation For Injury, Sickness, Pregnancy, Or Family Leave To An Employee And Family Members Taking Care Of An Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01793B, “Provides workers' compensation benefits for injury or sickness, pregnancy or family leave; applies to an employee and to family members taking family leave to care for an employee.” The bill passed by a vote of 89 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01793B, [3/5/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Standardizing Child Care Copayments For Families Not To Contribute More Than 20% Of Their Income Exceeding The Poverty Level. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08928, “Standardizes child care copayments by instructing local social services districts to not require a family receiving child care assistance to contribute more than 20% of the amount of their income exceeding the poverty level.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08928, [3/5/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Reimbursement Pay For Children Absent From Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08926, “Reimbursement for payment on behalf of children who are temporarily absent from child care is required for a minimum of twelve days in a six month period. A maximum number of absences, which shall be no less than twenty-four days in a six month period shall be determined by the office of children and family services pursuant to regulation. Reimbursement for additional absences shall be allowable in the case of extenuating circumstances, as determined by the office of children and family services pursuant to regulation.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 34. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08926, [3/5/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against A 12 Month Work Exemption To Certain Parents In Receipt Of Public Assistance Who Personally Provide Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06839, “Authorizes the offering of twelve month work exemption to certain parents or relatives in receipt of public assistance who personally provide child care.” The bill passed by a vote of 86 – 47. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06839, [3/5/14](#)]

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Continuing Unemployment Benefits For Individuals Who Provide Child Care And Made An Effort To Secure Alternative Child Care. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08919, “Relates to the continuance of unemployment benefits for an individual who provides child care where reasonable efforts to secure alternative child care have been made.” The bill passed by a vote of 92 – 41. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08919, [3/5/14](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Temporary Disability Benefits For Domestic Workers. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06358, “Relates to covered employment as a domestic worker for temporary disability benefits.” The bill passed by a vote of 101 – 42. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06358, [6/19/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Welfare Reform Act Of 1997 To 2015. Garbarino voted against Bill No. S05066, “Extends the provisions of the Welfare Reform Act of 1997 to 2015.” The bill passed by a vote of 97 – 45. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. S05066, [6/19/13](#)]

Wages

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding The Scope Of Prevailing Wage Requirements To Include Security And Janitorial Employees. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07482A, “To broaden the scope of prevailing wage requirements for public utility janitorial and security employees and establish criminal penalties for violations relating thereto.” The bill passed by a vote of 99 – 43. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07482A, [6/20/13](#)]

2013: Garbarino Voted Against Raising The Minimum Wage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00038, “An act to amend the labor law, in relation to the minimum wage and making technical corrections relating thereto Would raise the statutory minimum wage from \$7.25 to \$9.00 per hour on and after January 1, 2014 and provide that on each January 1st thereafter, the rate shall be indexed to inflation.” The bill passed by a vote of 102 – 44. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00038, [3/5/13](#)]

State Issues

Estates, Powers, And Trusts Laws

2014: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Estates, Powers, And Trust Laws In Relation To The Rights Of A Child Conceived After The Death Of A Genetic Parent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07461A, “An act to amend the estates, powers and trusts law, in relation to rights of a child conceived after the death of a genetic parent of such child. This is one in a series of measures being introduced at the request of the Chief Administrative Judge upon the recommendation of her Surrogate's Court Advisory Committee. This measure would amend the Estates, Powers and Trusts Law (‘EPTL’) to provide rules governing the status, for purposes of inheritance and participation in certain dispositions in instruments including wills and trusts, of children conceived and born after the death of one or both of the persons from whose sperm or ova they were created (defined under the measure as the child's ‘genetic parent’). So long as the requirements set forth in this measure are met, such children are distributees of their genetic parents and are included in dispositions to the children of the genetic parents made in instruments created by any person. The measure also makes changes in various provisions of the EPTL necessary to give effect to the rights of such children without creating undue complications in existing law.” The bill passed by a vote of 98 – 36. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07461A, [6/10/14](#)]

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Appendix XIV – Committee Votes

NOTE: The votes contained in this section are votes that were already included in the book, organized for reference here. This section does not contain every vote taken by committees in the Assembly, rather it contains key votes that Garbarino voted on. A spreadsheet containing all of Garbarino's votes is available on the DCCC Research drive.

Abortion & Women's Health Issues

Reproductive Rights

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Policies To Cover In-Vitro Fertilization.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02817, "An act to amend the insurance law, in relation to insurance coverage of in vitro fertilization and other fertility preservation treatments. To require health insurance policies to provide coverage for in-vitro fertilization." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02817, [3/18/19](#)]

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Reproductive Health Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00021, "Enacts the reproductive health act; revises provisions of law relating to abortion." The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00021, [1/15/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Making It Unlawful To Provide Valuable Consideration For Human Egg Donations. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07669, "Makes it unlawful to provide valuable consideration for the donation of human eggs for scientific research." The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07669, [5/1/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Human Cloning. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06632, "Creates the human cloning prohibition act which makes it unlawful for any person or entity, public or private, to intentionally or knowingly perform or attempt to perform human cloning; defines terms; makes exceptions; imposes penalties for violations." The bill was passed by the Health Committee by a vote of 16 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06632, [5/1/18](#)]

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02646A, "An act to amend the insurance law, in relation to insurance coverage of in vitro fertilization and other fertility preservation treatments. To require health insurance policies to provide coverage for in-vitro fertilization." The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 19 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02646, [5/16/17](#)]

Contraception

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Private Rights Of Action For Unconsented Removal Of A Sexually Protective Device. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01313C, "An act to amend the civil rights law, in relation to creating a private right of action for unconsented removal or tampering with a sexually protective device. The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01313C, [3/3/20](#)]

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00585, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00585, [1/14/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Public University Emergency Contraception Education Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06058, “This bill enacts the ‘public university emergency contraception education act’, which creates a statewide emergency contraception education and awareness program at every state college and university.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 20 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06058, [3/13/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09957, “Enacts the ‘comprehensive contraception coverage act’ to provide insurance coverage for FDA-approved contraceptive drugs, devices and products.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09957, [3/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Access To Emergency Contraception. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02674, “An act to amend the education law, the insurance law and the public health law, in relation to providing for dispensing emergency contraception under certain conditions. This legislation will help to reduce the number of unintended pregnancies by increasing access to emergency contraception for women in New York State.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02674, [2/6/18](#)]

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Consumer Issues & Regulations

Consumer Issues

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Risk Insurance For For-Hire Motor Vehicles. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09761, “Provides that every authorized insurer that issues or issues for delivery in this state a policy of commercial risk insurance insuring against losses or liabilities arising out of the ownership, operation, or use of a motor vehicle, shall establish a group fleet policy insuring against the losses or liabilities arising out of the ownership of motor vehicles engaged in the business of carrying or transporting passengers for-hire, having a seating capacity of not less than eight passengers.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09761, [3/3/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Reducing Insurance Rates For Certain Motor Vehicles In Committee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09763A, “Authorizes an association representing motor vehicles engaged in the business of carrying or transporting passengers for-hire, having a seating capacity of not less than eight passengers, to create and implement a comprehensive educational program designed to advance for-hire motor vehicle safety and provide such training; allows for a reduction in rates of certain commercial risk insurance premiums for motor

vehicles upon completion of such course; authorizes the superintendent of financial services to promulgate any necessary rules and regulations; makes related provisions.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 16 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09763A, [3/3/20](#)]

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2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Financial Institutions To Notify Customers Of A Charging Fee On Account Inactivity. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09140, “Requires financial institutions to notify a customer thirty days prior to charging a fee based on account inactivity; requires such notice to include a telephone number and the full contact information of a representative of the financial institution responsible for resolving any matter relating to the fee.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09140, [2/25/20](#)]

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination In The Issuance Of Homeowner’s Insurance Policies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02377, “Prohibits discrimination in the issuance of homeowner's insurance policies based upon the subject property's location or age of structures contained thereon; makes various provisions clarifying prohibition on refusal to issue or renew certain policies including homeowner's fire and extended coverage based solely on geographical location.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02377, [1/28/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Consumer Credit Fairness Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06909B, “Enacts the ‘consumer credit fairness act’; establishes a 3 year statute of limitations for commencement of a cause of action arising out of a consumer credit transaction where the defendant is a purchaser, borrower or debtor; establishes a notice of lawsuit which must be mailed to the defendant in such a cause of action; establishes certain requirements for the complaint in such an action; provides for arbitration of such actions.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06909B, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Motor Vehicle Dealers To Search For Recalls Prior To Selling A Used Motor Vehicle. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05194, “Requires motor vehicle dealers to search for recalls and make certain repairs prior to selling a used motor vehicle.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05194, [6/4/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Cancellation Of Automobile Insurance As A Result Of A Dispute. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00086, “Prohibits cancellation, non-renewal or conditioning renewal of automobile insurance of a policyholder solely as a result of a dispute or a complaint pending against the insurer.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00086, [5/21/19](#)]

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2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York Automobile Insurance Fraud And Premium Reduction Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03911, “Enacts the New York automobile insurance fraud and premium reduction act; provides that this act is aimed at reducing insurance fraud and thus lowering the cost of insurance premiums; provides a provision for compensation to a person that reports insurance fraud to the authorities; further provides that this act also increases the penalty for insurance fraud; appropriates \$3,100,000 therefor.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03911, [5/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Financial Institutions To Notify Customers Of A Charging Fee On Account Inactivity. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07740, “Requires financial institutions to notify a customer thirty days prior to charging a fee based on account inactivity; requires such notice to include a telephone number and the full contact information of a representative of the financial institution responsible for resolving any matter relating to the fee.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07740, [4/17/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Enhancing The Effectiveness Of New York’s Consumer Protection Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09785, “An act to amend the general business law, in relation to consumer protection from unfair or deceptive acts or practices. The purpose of this bill is to enhance the effectiveness of New York’s Consumer Protection Law and deter the use of unfair or deceptive acts or practices.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. AA09785, [4/17/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Discrimination In The Issuance Of Homeowner’s Insurance Policies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00308, “Prohibits discrimination in the issuance of homeowner’s insurance policies based upon the subject property’s location or age of structures contained thereon; makes various provisions clarifying prohibition on refusal to issue or renew certain policies including homeowner’s fire and extended coverage based solely on geographical location.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00308, [1/10/17](#)]

Net Neutrality

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Instituting Internet Service Neutrality. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08882C, “Relates to instituting internet service neutrality; provides the public service commission with jurisdiction over monitoring broadband internet service providers; requires a certification for internet service neutrality in certain state contracts.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08882C, [4/17/18](#)]

Business Regulations

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increases Fines Imposed On Corporations For Offenses Defined Within Penal Law. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00187, “Increases the fines imposed on a corporation for an offense defined within the penal law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00187, [5/21/19](#)]

Crime & Public Safety

Police

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Police Officers From Carrying A Firearm Unless They Complete A Training Course. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05178A, “Relates to prohibiting police officers from carrying or using a firearm during any phase of the officer's official duties unless the officer has satisfactorily completed a course of training that meets or exceeds the minimum standards established by the municipal police training council.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05178A, [6/17/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent Of Guardian In The Event A Child Is Arrested. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03159, “Relates to the issuance of arrest warrants and appearance tickets upon a youth; provides for the police officer to immediately notify the parent or other person legally responsible for the care of such youth with whom the youth is domiciled that the youth has been arrested; provides further that the police officer need not notify the parent or other person legally responsible when such youth is not also a juvenile offender and the notification would endanger the health and safety of such youth.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03159, [6/11/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement To Provide Attention To The Medical And Mental Health Needs Of A Detainee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08226, “Provides that when a person is under arrest or otherwise in custody of a police officer, peace officer or other law enforcement representative or entity, such officer, representative or entity shall have a duty to provide attention to the medical and mental health needs of such person.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08226A, [6/11/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Police Training Council To Develop Policies Regarding Internet Technology To Perpetuate Crimes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01348, “Requires the municipal police training council to develop policies and procedures regarding the use of internet technology and the use of such technology to perpetuate harassment or other crimes.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01348, [5/30/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Right Of New Yorkers To Record Law Enforcement Activities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A1360A, “The purpose of this legislation is to unambiguously affirm, by statutory enactment, the right of New Yorkers to record, with expressed exceptions, the actions of persons acting under the color of law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01360A, [4/30/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement Officers Who Discharge Their Weapon With A Bullet To Report The Incident. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00927A, “Requires a law enforcement officer or peace officer who discharges his or her weapon under circumstances where a person could be struck by a bullet to immediately report the incident to his or her superiors.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00927A, [2/11/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Law Enforcement Officers Who Discharge Their Weapon With A Bullet To Report The Incident. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03574, “Requires a law enforcement officer or peace officer who discharges his or her weapon under circumstances where a person could be struck by a bullet to immediately report the incident to his or her superiors.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03574, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Division Of Criminal Justice Services To Report The Number Of Untested Sexual Offense Evidence Kits. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04801, “Directs the Division of Criminal Justice Services to report the number of untested sexual offense evidence collection kits (rape kits) being stored by law enforcement agencies to the Governor and to the Legislature.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04801, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Improved Police Officer Training And Background Tests. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10614, “To amend the Executive Law and the General Municipal Law to provide for improved police officer training and hiring by expanding the law enforcement agencies eligible for accreditation by the Law Enforcement Accreditation Council, requiring annual firearms and other weapons training for police officers, and mandating that all police agencies conduct a fingerprint based background check on applicants being considered for employment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10614, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Police Officers To Notify A Parent Of Guardian In The Event A Child Is Arrested. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03545A, “Relates to the issuance of arrest warrants and appearance tickets upon a youth; provides for the police officer to immediately notify the parent or other person legally responsible for the care of such youth with whom the youth is domiciled that the youth has been arrested; provides further that the police officer need not notify the parent or other person legally responsible when such youth is not also a juvenile offender and the notification would endanger the health and safety of such youth.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03545A, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The Right Of New Yorkers To Record Police Activity. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02448, “Relates to recording certain law enforcement activities; provides that a person not under arrest or in the custody of a law enforcement official has the right to record police activity and to maintain custody and control of that recording and of any property or instruments used by that person to record police activities, however, a person in custody or under arrest does not, by that status alone, forfeit such right to record.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02448, [6/5/18](#)]

Crime

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Removing The Statute Of Limitations In Criminal And Civil Actions Of Sex Offenses Committed Against A Minor. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06507, “Removes the statute of limitations in criminal and civil actions involving sex offenses committed against a minor.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06507, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Level Two Or Three Sex Offenders From Voting At A School Or Facility For Children. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03524, “Prohibits level two or three sex offenders from voting at a school or facility for children.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03524, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Strengthening Protections For Victims Of Sex And Labor Trafficking. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A6983B, “An act to amend the criminal procedure law, in relation to vacating convictions for offenses resulting from sex trafficking, labor trafficking and compelling prostitution. To strengthen protections for victims of sex trafficking, labor trafficking, compelling prostitution, and trafficking in persons, who are convicted of a range of offenses as a result of that trafficking or compelling.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06983, [5/30/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Class E Felony For Gang Sexual Assault. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05069, “Creates the class E felony of gang sexual assault, involving touching or removal of clothing with the aid of two or more people without the consent of the person; includes such felony and the class A misdemeanor of forcible touching within the definition of ‘sex offense’ for the purposes of the sex offender registration act.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05069, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Crimes Of Assault On Children A Felony. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01575, “Establishes the crimes of assault on a child in the first degree and second degree and the crime of aggravated assault on a child; makes assaulting a child in the first degree a class B felony, assaulting a

child in the second degree a class C felony and aggravated assault on a child an A-II felony.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01575, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Classifying Specified Crimes Committed Against A Member Of The Same Family Or Household As Domestic Violence. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08842, “Provides that the commission of certain specified crimes which are committed against a member of the same family or household shall be punishable as domestic violence crimes and carry enhanced penalties.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08842, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Classifying The Intentional Murder Of A Child As First Degree Murder. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03370A, “Provides that the intentional murder of a child under the age of twelve shall be a first degree murder offense.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03370A, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Amending New York Penal Law To Include Cyberbullying. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05052, “The New York State Penal Law is amended by adding a new section 270.40 to define bullying and cyberbullying. Any person who is eighteen years or older or an emancipated minor who violates this section shall be guilty if a misdemeanor, unless charged as a violation, at the discretion of the enforcing officer. Any unemancipated person under the age of eighteen who violates this section shall: (a) be guilty of a violation, punishable by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (b) be guilty of a violation, punishable by a fine exceeding two hundred dollars on their second offense, or (c) be guilty of a misdemeanor for each additional offense.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05052, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Automatic Expunction System For Certain Records, Including Marijuana Related Arrests. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09878, “Relates to establishing an automatic expunction system for certain records including unconstitutional stops that occurred between January two thousand four and June two thousand twelve by the New York city police department that either resulted in the completion of a UF-250 form or a Form 61 complaint in which the SQF section was completed and led to arrests for either resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, criminal possession of a weapon, and offenses involving marihuana.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09878, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Age At Which Sexual Performance By A Child Becomes A Crime Of Anyone Using Or Authorizing The Performance. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02253, “Increases from 16 to 18 years the age at which a sexual performance by a child becomes a crime on the part of anyone using, employing, authorizing, producing, directing or promoting any such sexual performance.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02253, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing The Age And Penalties At Which Sexual Performance By A Child Becomes A Crime Of Anyone Using Or Authorizing The Performance. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04315, “Increases the penalties for sexual performances by a child; increases age from 16 to 18 for application of existing sexual performance crimes; creates crimes of use of a child in a sexual performance in the first degree, promoting an obscene sexual performance by a child in the first degree, and promoting a sexual performance by a child in the first degree; provides for consecutive sentencing upon certain multiple convictions.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04315, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Cyberterrorism As A Class B Felony. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02765, “Relates to creating the crime of cyberterrorism and calculating damages caused by computer tampering; cyberterrorism shall be a class B felony.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02765, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Act Of Domestic Violence In Front Of Children As A Class E Felony. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08810, “Creates an automatic class E felony on the first offense for

committing an act of domestic violence in the presence of children.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08810, [6/5/18](#)]

Drugs

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Criminalizing The Unlawful Possession And Trafficking Of Fentanyl.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06470, “The purpose of this legislation is so criminalize the unlawful possession of fentanyl or fentanyl analog. The bill adds a new section 220.79 to the Penal Law to create the crime of criminal possession of fentanyl or fentanyl analog, which is committed when a person traffics fentanyl, or any derivative thereof, by knowingly or intentionally manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, or possessing with intent to manufacture, distribute, dispense fentanyl or any derivate thereof. This crime is also committed by bringing into the state a net weight of more than 10 grams of fentanyl or any derivate thereof. This crime is a class E felony.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06470, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Penalties For Methamphetamine Manufacturing. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A6300, “To amend the penal law, increasing the penalties for the criminal possession of methamphetamine manufacturing material and unlawful manufacture of methamphetamine.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06300, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Decriminalizing The Possession And Sale Of Hypodermic Needles. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01634, “Decriminalizes the possession and sale of hypodermic needles and syringes; regulates the sale of hypodermic needles and syringes.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01634, [5/7/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Criminalizing The Illegal Transport Of Opiates. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03295, “This bill would further criminalize the illegal transport of an opiate controlled substance when it is transported any distance greater than five miles within the state, or from one county to another county within the state.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03295, [6/5/18](#)]

Prisons

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Torture And Improper Treatment Of Prisoners By Health Care Professionals. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01192, “Prohibits participation in torture and improper treatment of prisoners by health care professionals; prohibits a health care professional from engaging, assisting, planning the torture or improper treatment of a prisoner; requires health care professionals to report torture and improper treatment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01192, [5/21/19](#)]

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2018: Garbarino Voted Against Restricting The Use Of Segregated Confinement And Creating Rehabilitative Confinement Options In Prison. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03080B, “Restricts the use of segregated confinement and creates alternative therapeutic and rehabilitative confinement options; limits the length of time a person may be in segregated confinement and excludes certain persons from being placed in segregated confinement.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03080B, [3/5/18](#)]

Economic Issues

Gaming

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Regulations For Sports Betting And Wagering. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06113C, “Provides for regulation of sports betting and mobile sports wagering; defines terms; implements a tax equivalent to eight and one-half percent of sports wagering gross revenue; requires reporting; provides for civil penalties for violations; makes related provisions.” The bill passed the Racing and Wagering Committee by a vote of 8 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06113C, [5/29/19](#)]

Education Issues

College Affordability

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The College Savings Incentive Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06121, “Relates to creating the college savings incentive program, which provides up to a 10% matching grant from the general fund to the beneficiary of a family tuition account.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06121, [5/14/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Affordable College Education Scholarship Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02853, “Creates the ‘affordable college education scholarship program’ within the state university system, including SUNY, CUNY and participating community colleges; provides a low tuition for eligible students selected based upon academic merit.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02853, [5/1/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Free Tuition Expenses For Surviving Dependents Of A New York State Military Personnel Who Died In Duties. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01737, “Provides free tuition expenses for SUNY or CUNY to surviving dependent family members of NYS military personnel who have died while performing official military duties.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01737, [4/4/17](#)]

Teachers

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Amending The Masters-In-Education Teacher Incentive Scholarship Program To Allow Students To Choose Their Academic Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09602, “This bill will align the Masters-in-Education Teacher Incentive Scholarship Program with other state scholarship programs allowing students to choose the college or university with the academic program and approach that benefits them most.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09602, [5/1/18](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing An Age-Appropriate Sex Education Grant Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02705, “Establishes an age-appropriate sex education grant program through the department of health conducted by an eligible applicant; authorizes the commissioner to determine certain topics of instruction and makes provisions for the application of grants.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02705, [2/14/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Epinephrine Auto- Injectors In Schools And Teacher Training Of Epi-Pens. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A0582, “Requires epinephrine auto-injectors in schools; requires

training in the administration of epi-pens where a student is reasonably believed to be suffering from anaphylaxis.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 22 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01582, [5/23/16](#)]

Energy Issues

Drilling

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibited Horizontal Drilling And High-Volume Hydraulic Fracturing. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09678, “Prohibits horizontal drilling and high-volume hydraulic fracturing.” The bill passed committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09678, [3/3/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Non-Disclosure Agreements In Settlements Of Hydraulic Fracturing Actions With Evidence Of Threat To Public Health. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01219, “Prohibits inclusion of non-disclosure agreements in settlements of hydraulic fracturing actions when there is evidence of threat to public health or safety.” The bill was passed by the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01219, [4/30/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Non-Disclosure Agreements In Settlements Of Hydraulic Fracturing Actions With Evidence Of Threat To Public Health. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04134, “Prohibits inclusion of non-disclosure agreements in settlements of hydraulic fracturing actions when there is evidence of threat to public health or safety.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04134, [5/14/18](#)]

Gas

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Gas Corporations To File Annual Gas Safety Reports. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00714, “Relates to requiring gas corporations to file annual gas safety reports.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00714, [3/12/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Gas Corporations To File Annual Gas Safety Reports. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10004, “Relates to requiring gas corporations to file annual gas safety reports.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10004, [3/20/18](#)]

Environmental Issues

Environmental Preservation

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Expanding Protections Of Freshwater Wetlands. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02468, “An act to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to enforcement of the freshwater wetland law. To expand the protection of freshwater wetlands by conforming enforcement provisions to those applicable to tidal wetlands.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02468, [4/23/18](#)]

Pollution

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazard Of Private Water Supplies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01194, “Creates the well water and water supply education act; requires the department of health to establish and maintain a public education program on the potential hazards of private water supplies; requires home inspectors, licensed real estate agents and brokers to provide private water supply education materials to prospective buyers of property where such property

is serviced by a private water supply and contact information for relevant local health organizations.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01194, [1/29/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Creating The Well Water And Water Supply Education Act To Inform The Public About Hazard Of Private Water Supplies. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00310, “Creates the well water and water supply education act; requires the department of health to establish and maintain a public education program on the potential hazards of private water supplies; requires home inspectors, licensed real estate agents and brokers to provide private water supply education materials to prospective buyers of property where such property is serviced by a private water supply.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00310, [1/17/17](#)]

Equal Rights & Workplace Fairness

Discrimination

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Race Discrimination Based On Natural Hair Or Hairstyles. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A107797, “Prohibits race discrimination based on natural hair or hairstyles; defines ‘race’ for certain specific purposes to include, but not be limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, and to include traits historically associated with race, including but not limited to, hair texture and protective hairstyles; and defines ‘protective hairstyles’ to include, but not be limited to, such hairstyles as braids, locks, and twists.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 19 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A107797, [6/19/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Including Immigration Status As A Category People Can Be Targeted For. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11173, “Expands the definition of hate crime to include immigration status as a category a person can be targeted for.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11173, [6/13/18](#)]

Workplace Fairness

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Protections For Protected Classes And Special Protections For Employees Who Have Been Sexually Harassed. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08421, “Provides increased protections for protected classes and special protections for employees who have been sexually harassed; prohibits nondisclosure agreements related to discrimination; prohibits mandatory arbitration clauses related to discrimination; requires employers to provide employees notice of their sexual harassment prevention training program in writing in English and in employees' primary languages; extends the statute of limitations for claims resulting from unlawful or discriminatory practices constituting sexual harassment to three years; requires review and update of the model sexual harassment prevention guidance document and sexual harassment prevention policy; and directs the commissioner of labor to conduct a study on strengthening sexual harassment prevention laws.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08421, [6/17/19](#)]

Equal Pay

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Wage Differentials Based On Protected Class Status. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08093, “Prohibits wage differentials based on protected class status.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08093, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Equal Pay Disclosure Data For State Contracts. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A7169, “This bill will require state contractors to disclose data on employee compensation by gender, race, ethnicity, and other relevant data.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A7169, [5/30/19](#)]

FEMA & Disaster Relief Issues

State Of Emergency

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Standards For A Prompt Investigation And Settlement Claims Arising Out Of A State Emergency. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07097, “Establishes standards for the prompt investigation and settlement of claims arising out of states of emergency and disasters.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 4. [New York Assembly, Bill No. A07097, [5/30/19](#)]

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Gun Issues

Background Checks

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The Background Checks For Employees Who Would Possess Or Transfer Firearms. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09068A, “Implements the effective background check act of 2018; requires background checks for employees who would be authorized to possess or transfer firearms.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09068A, [6/18/18](#)]

Regulation

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Semiautomatic Pistol Manufacturers To Be Capable Of Microstamping Ammunition. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05826A, “Requires semiautomatic pistols manufactured or delivered to any licensed dealer in this state to be capable of microstamping ammunition; establishes fines for violations of this requirement and provides for an affirmative defense if the dealer had a certification from the manufacturer.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05826A, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The SAFE Act License Recertification. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A9086, “To extend the SAFE Act pistol permit license recertification deadline from January 31, 2018 to January 31, 2019.” The bill passed Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A9086, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Youthful Offenders Convicted Of Certain Crimes To Possess A Firearm. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03391, “Prohibits individuals adjudicated as youthful offenders for any offense listed under article one hundred twenty-five of the penal law, from possessing firearms, rifles and shotguns.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03391, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Creating A Process To Grant Temporary Permits To Carry To Non-New York Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02817, “Creates a process for the issuance of a temporary permit to carry or possess a firearm for persons who are not residents of the state of New York; provides an affirmative defense to possession of a loaded firearm by certain persons and provides reciprocity for persons licensed in other states.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02817, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Removing The Maximum Age Limit For Firearms Instructions Exemptions. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09789, “Relates to removing the maximum age limit for firearms instruction exemptions; removes upper age limits of sixteen and twenty-one.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09789, [6/5/18](#)]

Health Care Issues

Public Health & Health Care

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The County Health Commissioner To Notify Certain Individuals Of Emergencies Creating A Risk To Public Health And Safety. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02885, “Requires the county health commissioner to notify certain individuals in the event of an emergency creating an imminent risk to public health and safety.” The bill passed the health committee by a vote of 18 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02885, [2/4/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Directing The Commissioner Of Health To Conduct A Study Relating To The Number Of Emergency Room Beds In The State. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06832, “Directs the commissioner of health to conduct a study relating to the number of emergency room beds in the state and to make recommendations on the minimum number of emergency rooms required per capita and the maximum distance patients shall be expected to travel to access emergency room services.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06832, [6/13/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The Nursing Education Expansion Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01970, “Establishes the nursing education expansion program, including faculty development program, capital facility program and the recruitment and promotion program; creates regents nursing shortage scholarships; provides for county matching awards for professional education in nursing; establishes the ‘nursing faculty development program fund’, the ‘nursing capital facilities program fund’, the ‘recruitment and promotion program fund’, and the ‘county match awards for professional education in nursing fund’; appropriates \$25,620,000 therefor.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01970, [5/1/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Criminal History Background Checks For Maintenance Employees In Adults And Residential Health Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04304, “An act to amend the social services law and the public health law, in relation to criminal history records of maintenance employees in adult residential health and assisted living facilities. To provide criminal history background checks of supportive maintenance employees in adult and residential health facilities and assisted living facilities, similar to checks completed on nursing home employees.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04304, [5/1/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Care Facilities To Report Sexual Offense Incidents To The Department Of Health And Education. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05474, “Requires health care facilities to report incidents of a sexual offense to the departments of health and education.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05474, [5/1/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State Nursing Shortage Correction Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04491, “Enacts the New York state nursing shortage correction act; establishes the New York state nursing recruitment incentive and retention program; defines terms; provides for tuition benefits and the reimbursement of student loans if a person is a registered and licensed nurse; provides that SUNY and CUNY shall pay for a person's education if such person signs a contract stating that he or she shall work in New York state as a registered nurse; makes related provisions; establishes the New York state nursing recruitment incentive and retention account.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04491, [5/1/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Hospital-Sponsored Off Campus Emergency Departments.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02437A, “Establishes hospital-sponsored off campus emergency departments as a ‘hospital’ and sets out specific standards for operations, staffing and capacity requirements.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02437, [6/15/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Providing Reimbursements For Municipalities To Maintain Low Costs At Community Hospitals.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02392, “An act to amend the public health law, in relation to providing reimbursement to municipalities for certain services. The purpose of the bill is to continue to enable counties without community hospitals to provide efficient low cost clinical health care at an affordable price and to receive reimbursement under Title 6 that counties with hospitals receive for emergency room care.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 16 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02392, [6/14/16](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Pharmacists To Offer Counseling And Referral Services For Injection Drug Abuse.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10202, “Amends provisions for the sale and possession of hypodermic syringes and hypodermic needles; authorizes pharmacists to offer counseling and referral services for preventing injection drug abuse, drug treatment and other disease prevention, diagnosis and treatment.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10202, [5/25/16](#)]

Health Insurance

2020: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Coverage Of Medical Marijuana To Public Insurance Plans.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02824, “An act to amend the public health law and the social services law, in relation to health coverage for medical marihuana To add coverage of medical marijuana to public insurance programs and clarify that it may be covered by private insurance.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 24 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02824, [1/22/20](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Policies To Cover Outpatient Treatment For Mental Health Treatments.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00670, “Requires blanket health insurance policies to provide coverage for outpatient treatment by mental health practitioners (mental health counsellors, marriage and family therapists, creative arts therapists and psychoanalysts) licensed pursuant to article 163 of the education law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00670, [5/30/19](#)]

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill Designed To Restore Fairness In The Contracting Process Between Health Care Providers And Health Care Plans.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02393, “An act to amend the public health law, in relation to requirements for collective negotiations by health care providers with certain health benefit plans. This bill is designed to restore fairness in the contracting process between physicians and large managed care plans by allowing doctors to join together to negotiate contract provisions. This legislation would not authorize strikes of health benefit plans by physicians.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 19 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02393, [5/7/19](#)]

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authorize strikes of health benefit plans by physicians.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 22 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02393, [4/30/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Insurers Providing Coverage Of Prescription Drugs For Opioid Addiction Must Also Provide Coverage Of Drugs For Substance Abuse Disorders. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04899, “Requires insurers providing coverage of prescription drugs for opioid addiction, to provide coverage of such prescription drugs prescribed for the treatment of substance abuse disorder.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04899C, [6/6/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Health Insurance Coverage For Substance Use Disorder Treatment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04731, “Requires health insurance coverage for substance use disorder treatment services.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04721, Bill No. A04721, [5/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Providing A Student Coverage For Up To Eighteen Months If They Are On Medical Leave From The School. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02421, “Provides that a student shall be eligible for up to eighteen months of coverage if such person is on medical leave from his or her school.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02421, [5/30/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Extending The Eligibility For Child Health Insurance Plan To Cover Young Adults. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08054A, “Extends eligibility for the child health insurance plan to young adults between the ages of 19 and 30 years of age.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08054A, [5/1/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing The New York Health Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04738, “Establishes the New York Health program, a comprehensive system of access to health insurance for New York state residents; provides for administrative structure of the plan; provides for powers and duties of the board of trustees, the scope of benefits, payment methodologies and care coordination; establishes the New York Health Trust Fund which would hold monies from a variety of sources to be used solely to finance the plan; enacts provisions relating to financing of New York Health, including a payroll assessment, similar to the Medicare tax; establishes a temporary commission on implementation of the plan; provides for collective negotiations by health care providers with New York Health.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04738, [4/17/18](#)]

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2017: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Children At A Day Care Center To Be Immunized Against The Flu. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A01230A, “This bill would require any child entering a licensed and registered child daycare home, program, or facility to be immunized with adequate doses against influenza virus.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A01230, [5/16/17](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against A Bill Designed To Restore Fairness In The Contracting Process Between Health Care Providers And Health Care Plans. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04472, “This bill is designed to restore fairness in the contracting process between physicians and large managed care plans by allowing doctors to join together to negotiate contract provisions. This legislation would not authorize strikes of health benefit plans by physicians.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 21 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04472, [2/14/17](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Extending Eligibility Under The Basic Health Program To Include Immigrants. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10054, “An act to amend the social services law, in relation to eligibility under the basic health program. To extend eligibility under the Essential Plan to certain immigrant populations who are otherwise income eligible.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 19 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10054, [5/17/16](#)]

Medicaid

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04846, “Allows for speech, physical or occupational therapy under Medicaid beyond twenty visits where the provider of the therapy or services attests to the medical necessity of the additional visits.” The bill passed by the Health Committee by a vote of 21 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04846, [2/28/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring That Temporary Status Beneficiaries Receive Medicaid Benefits If The Federal Government Ends The Program. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09594A, “Ensures that temporary protected status beneficiaries continue to receive Medicaid benefits if the federal government ends the program.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09594A, [4/24/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Covering Speech, Physical Or Occupational Therapy Under Medicaid. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07772, “Allows for speech, physical or occupational therapy under Medicaid beyond twenty visits where the provider of the therapy or services attests to the medical necessity of the additional visits.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 20 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07772, [5/23/17](#)]

Medical Marijuana

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Medical Marijuana Use As Part Of A Patient's Treatment.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07467A, "Provides that medical marihuana may be used as part of the treatment of a patient's condition and removes the 'serious' designation of such condition; provides that a practitioner be authorized to prescribe controlled substances in the state and removes the requirement that a physician prescribe such medical marihuana; increases the supply amount of marihuana from thirty to sixty days; allows a designated caregiver facility or designated caregiver facility employee to possess, acquire, deliver, transfer, transport or administer medical marihuana; requires the commissioner of health to establish a medical marihuana research license; establishes a medical marihuana research program; requires the registration of designated caregiver facilities; authorizes the commissioner of health to approve and permit one or more independent laboratories to test medical marihuana; increases the number of dispensing sites of a registered organization from four to eight; and makes related provisions." The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 22 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07467A, [5/21/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing The Use Of Medical Marijuana As An Alternate To Opioids.

Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11011B, "Relates to allowing for the use of medical marihuana as an alternative to opioids for pain management and substance use disorder." The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 15 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11011B, [6/11/18](#)]

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Garbarino voted against Bill No. A11011B, "Relates to allowing for the use of medical marihuana as an alternative to opioids for pain management and substance use disorder." The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 25 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A11011B, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Adding Opioid Use Disorder As A Condition Covered By Medical

Marijuana. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09016, "Adds opioid use disorder to the list of conditions covered for lawful medical use of marihuana." The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 23 – 1, making Garbarino the sole vote against the bill. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09016, [1/23/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing Medical Marijuana To Treat Chronic Pain. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09514, "Authorizes the use of medical marihuana for severe chronic pain not associated with another listed condition." The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 21 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09514, [5/23/16](#)]

Opioids**2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring The Health Commissioner To Develop Guidelines For The**

Prescription Of Opioid Antagonists. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10099, "Requires the commissioner of health to develop guidelines for the prescription of opioid antagonists." The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 14 – 12. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10099, [6/5/18](#)]

Pharmaceuticals

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Telepharmacy. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04553, "Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions." The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04553, [5/14/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing A Telepharmacy. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05091, "Establishes and authorizes telepharmacy in this state; defines terms; creates telepharmacy satellite consultation sites and telepharmacy in hospitals; authorizes the filling of prescriptions at remote sites connected to central

pharmacies via computer link, videolink and audiolink; makes exceptions.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05091, [5/25/16](#)]

Patients’ Rights

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting The Release Of Personal Medical Records Without Authorization From The Individual. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05355, “Prohibits the release of personal medical records or information without a warrant or express written authorization of the individual; prohibits the condition of the consent of release for an application.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05355, [6/5/18](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring A Doctor To Obtain Informed Consent From A Patient Before Prescribing Psychiatric Drugs. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02217, “Requires a doctor to obtain the informed consent of patients prior to prescribing psychiatric drugs notifying the patients of possible adverse effects of the drug.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 18 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02217, [5/14/18](#)]

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Housing Issues

Landlord & Tenant

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Landlords From Charging Tenants Applications Fees Greater Than The Costs Of A Credit Check. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03325, “Allows landlords to charge potential tenants application fees no greater than the actual cost of a credit check or related services paid to a third party by the landlord, and in no event shall such fee exceed \$30.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03325, [6/11/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Harassment Of A Rent Tenant A Crime. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A06188, “Relates to harassment of a rent regulated tenant; establishes the crimes of harassment of a rent regulated tenant in the first and second degree.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A06188, [3/5/19](#)]

Immigration & Border Issues

DREAM

2018: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A09605A, “Enacts the New York state DREAM Act by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 14 – 8. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A09605A, [2/5/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against The New York State DREAM Act. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03039, “Enacts the New York state DREAM ACT by creating the New York DREAM fund commission and amends eligibility requirements and conditions governing certain awards.” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03039, [1/31/17](#)]

Infrastructure & Transportation Issues

Sewage

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Public Utilities Companies To Repair Damaged Sewer Or Water Pipes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05254C, “Requires public utility companies to repair or replace all damaged residential lateral sewer and water pipes where such damage was caused by such public utility company.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05254C, [5/30/19](#)]

Labor & Working Families Issues

Workers’ Rights

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Use Of Consumer Credit History In Employment Determinations. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02611E, “Prohibits the use of consumer credit history in hiring, employment and licensing determinations.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02611E, [6/13/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Agreements Between Employers That Restricts Current Or Future Employments Of Any Employee. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05776C, “Prohibits agreements between employers that directly restrict the current or future employment of any employee and allows for a cause of action against employers who engage in such agreements.” The Codes Committee passed the bill by a vote of 14 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05776C, [4/30/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Establishing Penalties For Threatening Or Retaliating Against An Employee By Contacting Immigration Authorities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05501, “Establishes penalties for threatening, penalizing, or in any other manner discriminating or retaliating against any employee, including but not limited to contacting United States immigration authorities or otherwise threatening to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05501, [4/9/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Prohibiting Employers From Requiring Conditions Or Preconditions Of Employment. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A05777, “This bill would prohibit an employer from requiring an employee or person seeking employment to waiver, arbitrate, or otherwise diminish any existing or future claim, right, or benefit to which the employee or person seeking employment would otherwise be entitled to under any provision of New York State or federal law.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A05777, [4/9/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Banning The Sale Of Employment Data Reports Without Written Consumer Consent. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A00431, “Bans the sale of employment data reports without written consumer consent; provides such employment data reports shall include, but not be limited to, payroll and earnings information, hours worked, consumer history and health insurance information.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 19 – 3. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A00431, [2/11/19](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Protecting Individuals Who Use Medical Marijuana From Being Discriminated Against In The Workplace. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A04560, “This bill would protect individuals who are prescribed medical marihuana from being discriminated against in the workplace based on testing positive for the substance in a drug test.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A04560, [5/2/17](#)]

Wages

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Ensuring Utility Employees Are Paid The Prevailing Wage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08083A, “Ensures that utility employees, who currently fall outside the definition of an employee that may receive the prevailing wage, fall under such wage requirements.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 20 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08083A, [6/18/19](#)]

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Payment Of The Prevailing Wage To Affected Employees Of The Indian Point Power Plant. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A07569, “Requires the payment of prevailing wages of affected employees of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant; requires the department of labor to oversee sale and the hiring of new employees at such power plant.” The bill was passed in the Codes Committee by a vote of 20 – 2. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A07569, [6/11/19](#)]

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Requiring Car Washers To Be Paid The Minimum wage Without Allowance For Gratuities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10612, “Requires car wash workers to be paid the minimum wage without allowance for gratuities.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 17 – 5. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10612, [6/5/18](#)]

Seniors' Issues

Care Facilities

2019: Garbarino Voted Against Strengthening Obligations To Report Abuse Of Nursing Home Residents. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A4757A, “An act to amend the public health law, in relation to enhancing transparency and oversight of residential health care facilities To strengthen obligations to report abuse of nursing home residents, establish independent quality monitoring of written corrective action plans, and improve transparency relating to facility assets, service contracts, debt obligations, sale and notification to prospective residents.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A4757A, [6/19/19](#)]

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2019: Garbarino Voted Against The Safe Staffing Quality Care Act In Nursing Homes. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02954, “Enacts the ‘safe staffing for quality care act’ to require acute care facilities and nursing homes to implement certain direct-care nurse to patient ratios in all nursing units; sets minimum staffing requirements; requires every such facility to submit a documented staffing plan to the department on an annual basis and upon application for an operating certificate; requires acute care facilities to maintain staffing records during all shifts; authorizes nurses to refuse work assignments if the assignment exceeds the nurse's abilities or if minimum staffing is not present; requires public access to documented staffing plans; imposes civil penalties for violations of such provisions; establishes private right of action for nurses discriminated against for refusing any illegal work assignment.” The bill passed the Codes Committee by a vote 18 – 4. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02954, [6/11/19](#)]

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2018: Garbarino Voted Against Authorizing A Special Medicaid Rate For Nursing Homes That Accept Elderly Releasees From State Correctional Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A08068, “Authorizes a special Medicaid rate for nursing homes that accept elderly releasees from state correctional facilities.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 15 – 9. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A08068, [5/1/18](#)]

2017: Garbarino Voted Against Increasing Safety Conditions In Adult Care Facilities. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02743, “An act to amend the social services law and the mental hygiene law, in relation to violations of safety conditions in adult care facilities. To protect the health, safety and quality of life of New York residents living in adult care facilities by improving Department of Health safety enforcement.” The bill was passed by the Codes Committee by a vote of 16 – 6. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02743, [5/16/17](#)]

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End Of Life Care

2018: Garbarino Voted Against Amending Health NY To Include Hospice Coverage. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A02420, “Currently the HEALTHY NY insurance coverage does not have a hospice benefit. This legislation would allow patients and families to access end-of-life care that hospice provides. Many sick or terminally ill patients/or their families will seek care through their local emergency departments, thus driving up costs significantly. Hospice services provide the tools necessary to keep patients in their own homes without repeated hospitalizations.” The bill passed the Insurance Committee by a vote of 15 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A02420, [5/30/18](#)]

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Allowing Medically Competent, Terminally Ill Patients From Self Administering Medication To Hasten Their Death. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A10059, “To provide that a mentally competent, terminally ill patient may request medication to be self-administered for the purpose of hastening the patient's death provided the requirements set forth in the act are met, and to provide certain protection and immunities to health care providers and other persons, including a physician who prescribes medication in compliance with the provisions of the article to the terminally ill patient to be self-administered by the patient.” The bill passed the Health Committee by a vote of 14 – 11. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A10059, [5/23/16](#)]

Veterans' & Military Family Issues

Military Issues

2016: Garbarino Voted Against Enacting The Military Spouse Acts Of 2015. Garbarino voted against Bill No. A03637, “Enacts the military spouse act of 2015, which: requires a workshop to investigate and report about licensing and the difficulties encountered by military spouses (Part A); authorizes the state to certify persons to teach who are not graduates of teacher education programs (Part B); adopts the interstate nursing licensure compact (Part C); and authorizes licensing of military spouses with out-of-state licenses in equivalent occupations (Part D).” The bill passed the Higher Education Committee by a vote of 17 – 7. [New York State Assembly, Bill No. A03637, [5/25/16](#)]