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02-01-11 Diana Reacts to Proposed New York State Budget

Orange County Executive Edward A. Diana responded to New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo's proposed 2011-2012 Executive Budget with concern:

The Empire State is finally discussing cost containment efforts – something that Counties have been doing for years. The Governor's efforts to reduce state spending across the board by 10% is admirable, however, I am very concerned about imposed mandated costs that continue to cripple local government. Although it was stated that there will be a reduction in Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM), hopefully the real reduction to County government costs will come from the Governor's Mandate Relief Redesign Team. I can only hope that Albany will recognize the sacrifices already made by local government, and that they will restructure and reevaluate programs instead of shifting costs down to Counties to balance their budget.