

Charles Collins – (518) 274-0380 -- **“Revenue Shock” Cuomo couldn’t see it coming?**

The Albany Times Union on Tuesday, February, 2019 on the front page stated:

**“Revenue Shock** Cuomo says state faces \$2.3 Billion shortfall, blames federal rollback of tax deduction.” The article then states that Cuomo has a \$175 BILLION spending proposal. Cuomo blames the federal government for the rollback of the state and local tax deductions. Cuomo then claims the \$10,000 cap on tax deduction for state taxes was designed to penalize Democratic “high-tax” states. Cuomo states: “Everything we did economically is right. We tightened our belt, we cut taxes, we’re creating jobs, and here’s a penalty just because we are democrats.” (Only democrats belief this.) Cuomo said “the majority of homeowners affected chose to file their 2017 taxes early to take advantage of the benefit before the change went into effect.” DiNapoli said “And that \$2.3 BILLION figure will frankly get worse before it gets better.”

Two days later on February 7, Cuomo states he wants to increase education spending by \$1 billion. Now we are 3.3 billion in the whole. How are the democrats going to cover this shortfall – **RAISE YOUR TAXES! Democrats have never seen a tax they didn’t like!**

**All Cuomo knows is tax, tax and tax and spend, spend and spend.** If I am correct, they were promoting people to pay their taxes early. So they got more than they planned on at the time. What did they do with this extra money? Cuomo and the democrats spent it. Cuomo didn’t see that with paying taxes early, there would be a shorfall this year?

How could Cuomo do what he claimed above when in 2015, the budget was \$150 Billion, in 2016 it was \$155.6 Billion, in 2017 it was \$163 Billion, in 2018 it was \$168 Billion and now its over \$170 Billion. **Spending keeps going up and up and up and so do taxes.**

It is not only the rich leaving the state, it is also the middle class that is leaving because of the democrats high taxes imposed. I heard the other day, maybe someone can support this figure, that about \$16 BILLION is used for illegal aliens (housing, medical, schooling, food, etc.) and that doesn’t even cover what counties are paying for their share to support them and provide education for their children. Why not cut the \$16 billion going to illegal aliens?

In 1960, New York State had 45 electoral votes, 43 representatives and 2 senators. Today, NYS has 29 electoral votes and it is projected NYS will lose 2 more leaving the state with 27 electoral votes. NYS has lost 18 electoral votes that are based upon population. **People have been leaving the state for the past 60 years because of the Democrats tax and spend policies.** On the other hand, illegal aliens and others flock to NYS because of its generous welfare benefits. **The money goes out, and the handouts come in.**

The democrats love the phrase “The rich are not paying their fair share”. The rich and middle class are paying more than their fair share in NYS and that is why they are leaving.

Cuomo and the democrats want to be rewarded taxing and spending by having other states that are NOT high tax states supplement New York State’s share of federal spending. These are Republican states that are not a on a giveaway program. Why shouldn’t NYS pay its fair share? New York State is cheating the federal government out of tax revenue because of its own high tax and spend policies. **It’s like rewarding a child for bad behavior!!**

**Are the democrats buying votes?**