

# COMRIE FOR NEW YORK STATE SENATE 2014

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## **ENDORSEMENTS CONTINUE TO ROLL IN FOR COMRIE AS SEVERAL UNIONS BACK HIM FOR STATE SENATE**

**—THE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL SUPERVISORS & ADMINISTRATORS (CSA), THE MASON  
TENDERS DISTRICT COUNCIL PAC, AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION LOCALS 1056 &  
1179 BACK COMRIE FOR SENATE—**

**QUEENS, NY** –(5/23/2014) Today, the Council of School Supervisors & Administrators (CSA) Local 1: American Federation Of School Administrators, AFL-CIO, the Mason Tenders District Council and the Amalgamated Transit Union Locals 1056 and 1179 endorsed Leroy Comrie for New York State Senate (14<sup>th</sup> Senatorial District).

"Leroy offers the residents of the 14th District outstanding representation, integrity and commitment to make a difference in the lives of working families, our youth and seniors," said CSA President Ernest Logan, whose union represents approximately 16,000 members including retirees.

Vowing to do everything he can to help Comrie, Logan continued, "As a NYC public school student and parent, and as a former Community School Board member and President, Leroy has a keen appreciation of the needs and challenges that our children, families and educators face. Leroy Comrie has stood with us on education issues as a City Council Member and School Board member and CSA will work hard to help elect him to the State Senate."

The Council of School Supervisors and Administrators is the collective bargaining unit for principals, assistant principals, supervisors and education administrators who work in NYC public schools. They also represent the directors and assistant directors who work in city-subsidized Centers for Early Childhood Education (ECE). In addition, CSA has nearly 6,400 retired school supervisors in its Retiree Chapter as well as more than 3,300 of their spouses and domestic partners.

In addition to CSA publicly announcing its support of Comrie, the Mason Tenders District Council also joined the list of supporters today, citing Comrie's successful track record, Michael McGuire of the Mason Tenders District Council PAC stated, "Leroy Comrie has always been a smart legislator. In Albany, Leroy will not only restore integrity to Senate District 14, but work to strengthen our schools, identify needed infrastructure, transportation and community improvements, foster economic growth and pass legislation to improve the lot of working families."

The nearly 15,000 members of the Mason Tenders District Council of Greater New York include construction workers, asbestos and hazardous materials handlers, Catholic High School teachers, recycling and waste handlers and office and professional personnel."

Both Locals 1056 and 1179 of the Amalgamated Transit Union rounded off today's list of endorsements and excitedly pledged their support for Comrie as well.

“Local 1056 has worked closely with Leroy Comrie throughout his nearly three decades of service as a community leader, Council Member and Deputy Borough President,” stated Mark Henry, President/ Business Agent of Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1056. “Our local enthusiastically endorses Leroy Comrie for State Senator representing the 14th District because we know first hand he will work to make our neighborhoods better places in which to live for working people and their families, our youth and our seniors. He brings an unwavering commitment to improving public transit.”

ATU Local 1056 represents drivers and mechanics who work for MTA New York City Transit's Queens Bus Division.

John Lyons, President/ Business Agent of Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1179 concluded, “District 14 needs a State Senator not only restore integrity to Senate District 14, and someone who will work for infrastructure, transportation and community improvements, strengthen our schools, and bring jobs back to the community. In Albany, we will be able to count on an accomplished legislator with the unblemished record enjoyed by Leroy Comrie to pass legislation to improve the lot not just of district resident, but for all New Yorkers.”

“I am deeply honored to have earned the support of the CSA, Mason Tenders, and ATU's 1056 and 1179. Having the respect of these hard working men and women and knowing that they are confident in my ability to deliver results is truly humbling,” said Comrie. “The ongoing efforts of these unions on behalf of workers throughout New York State mirror my own resolve to champion those issues most important to working families—the people who make our City a great place to live and work everyday.”

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