

## RAISE THE AGE Call Script

Hello,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, I'm a constituent of Senator \_\_\_\_\_.

I am calling today to urge you to join Governor Cuomo and Senate Democrats in raising the age of responsibility to 18, ensuring 16 and 17 year olds stay out of Rikers, and get their cases heard in family court, not criminal court. It's time our kids are treated like kids.

Not one more 16 or 17 year old should suffer injury, assault or worse because they're housed in an adult criminal facility like Rikers. Not one more 16 or 17 year old should have a lifelong criminal record because of a felony. Senate Republicans and the IDC are offering up the same watered down rhetoric - word for word - that doesn't go far enough to protect our children. If you really want to stop locking up kids, why don't you just do it?

*\*You can add an anecdote about a personal experience with the criminal justice system or how you've been moved by the stories of others, like Kalief Browder.\**

I will be paying close attention to the release of the State Budget on April 1st and I will remember the IDC's role (For Felder: "Senator Felder's role") if the Republicans succeed in keeping New Yorkers from voting.

As well, I will keep your position in mind when I cast my vote during the next election. New Yorkers are paying attention to the budget negotiations and we see the Senator's true colors. Talk is cheap, the Senator's actions speak louder than words.

Thank you for your time.

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## VOTING RIGHTS Call Script

Hello,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, I'm a constituent of Senator \_\_\_\_\_ and my zip code is \_\_\_\_\_.

I am calling today to urge him/her to join Governor Cuomo and Senate Democrats and support automatic voting registration and early voting. I understand it now may not be part of the budget but want to emphasize its importance regardless.

New York voter laws are among the worst in the nation - politicians in other states even use New York as an example of how their own states could be worse. Republicans use these laws to promote voter suppression, because they know that low voter turnout helps them win elections. As a member of the IDC (For Felder: "By caucusing with the Republicans"), the Republicans are counting on your support to block voting reform and keep Republicans in office.

\*You can add an anecdote about how early voting or modernizing our registration system would make voting more convenient for you\*

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Thank you for your time.

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## PUBLIC EDUCATION Call Script

Hello,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_, I'm a constituent of Senator \_\_\_\_\_.

I am calling today to urge you to support our public schools and make sure the State Budget provides New York schools the funding they need to educate our children, especially in the poorest and neediest communities.

In 2006, the NYS Court of Appeals determined that New York schools were significantly underfunded and ordered a \$5.5 billion increase in basic Foundation Aid. Schools are still waiting to see that money. Senate Democrats are asking for a \$2.1 billion increase in Foundation Aid while the Republicans and the IDC are proposing changes to the Foundation Aid formula that will shortchange poor students and students with disabilities.

*\*You can add an anecdote about the role public education plays in your life as a parent or teacher, or child advocate.\**

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