

# EXECUTIVE ORDERS

**Executive Order No. 24: Extending the Period for Paying School District Taxes in Certain School Districts Within the Counties of Broome, Delaware, Essex, Greene, Montgomery, Orange, Schenectady, Schoharie, Sullivan, Tioga, Ulster and Washington.**

WHEREAS, beginning on August 27, 2011 and continuing thereafter, Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee brought torrential rainfall causing record flooding and storm surge throughout the State of New York;

WHEREAS, on September 19, 2011, as a result of the personal hardships caused by Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee, I issued Executive Order No. 23, extending the period for paying without interest or penalty the real property taxes that are due on or about September 30, 2011 in certain school districts in the counties of Broome, Delaware, Essex, Greene, Hamilton, Orange, Schoharie, Tioga, Ulster and Washington;

WHEREAS, since September 19, 2011, additional requests for an extension of the period of paying school district taxes for 2011-2012 school year have been received by the Governor's Office on behalf of the following school districts within the below-listed counties: Broome: Harpursville Central School District, Maine-Endwell Central School District, Whitney Point Central School District and Windsor Central School District; Delaware: Margaretville Central School District and Otego-Unadilla Central School District; Essex: Ausable Valley Central School District; Greene: Cairo-Durham Central School District and Windham-Ashland-Jewett Central School District; Montgomery: Fonda-Fultonville Central School District and Fort Plain Central School District; Orange: Florida Union Free School District, Highland Falls – Fort Montgomery Central School District, Tuxedo Central School District and Monroe-Woodbury Central School District; Schenectady: Duanesburg Central School District and Schalmont Central School District; Schoharie: Gilboa-Conesville Central School District and Middleburgh Central School District; Sullivan: Fallsburg Central School District, Monticello Central School District and Sullivan-West Central School District; Tioga: Newark Valley Central School District, Owego-Apalachin Central School District and Tioga Central School District; Ulster: Ellenville Central School District, Highland Central School District, Rondout Valley Central School District and Walkill Central School District; and Washington: Salem Central School District;

WHEREAS, school district taxes for the 2011-2012 school year are currently due on or about September 30, 2011 in the aforementioned school districts;

WHEREAS, section 925-a of the Real Property Tax Law authorizes the Governor to extend the period for paying such taxes without interest or penalty upon request of the chief executive officer of an affected county, city, town, village or school district during a State disaster emergency;

WHEREAS, given the difficulties continuing to confront the people of the afore-mentioned counties, such an extension is eminently warranted;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by section 925-a of the Real Property Tax Law, do hereby extend the period for paying without interest or penalty the school district taxes that are due on or about September 30, 2011 in the afore-mentioned school districts within the above listed counties for twenty-one days from the final date such taxes are currently due; and

FURTHER, this Executive Order may be revised and amended to extend the period for paying school taxes for school districts within the counties adversely affected by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee.

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GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany, this twentieth day of September in the year two thousand eleven.

*BY THE GOVERNOR*

/S/ Andrew M. Cuomo

/s/ Lawrence Schwartz

*Secretary to the Governor*

**Executive Order No. 25: Continuing the Suspension of Certain Provisions of Law.**

WHEREAS, on August 25, 2011, I issued Executive Order Number 17 declaring a disaster emergency in the Counties of Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond, Nassau, Suffolk and contiguous areas in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2011, I issued Executive Order Number 22 in order to amend Executive Order Number 17 to declare a State Disaster Emergency, effective September 12, 2011, within the territorial boundaries of the following additional Counties: Albany, Broome, Chenango, Chemung, Clinton, Columbia, Delaware, Dutchess, Essex, Greene, Herkimer, Montgomery, Oneida, Orange, Otsego, Putnam, Rensselaer, Rockland, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Sullivan, Tioga, Ulster, Warren, Washington and Westchester; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-a of the Executive Law authorizes the suspension, alteration or modification of statutes, local laws, ordinances, orders, rules or regulations, or parts thereof, if compliance with such provisions would prevent, hinder or delay action necessary to cope with a disaster emergency; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2011, I issued Executive Order Number 19 to suspend certain provisions of the Highway Law, the Economic Development, the State Finance Law, the Environmental Conservation Law and the New York Code of Rules and Regulations in order to expedite the recovery and rebuilding of State infrastructure that was damaged or destroyed in the disaster emergency; and

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2011, I issued Executive Order Number 20 to suspend certain provision of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations to allow residential programs for victims of domestic violence in Schoharie County to provide emergency shelter to women and children who are homeless; and

WHEREAS, Section 29-a of the Executive Law provides that no suspension of laws shall be made for a period in excess of thirty days, provided, however, that upon reconsideration of all of the relevant facts and circumstances, the suspension may be extended for additional thirty-day periods;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 29-a of Article 2-B of the Executive Law, and after having reconsidered all of the relevant facts and circumstances, do hereby order that the suspension of provisions of law ordered by Executive Order Number

19 shall continue through October 30, 2011, and the suspension of provisions of law ordered by Executive Order Number 20 shall continue through October 30, 2011.

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GIVEN under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State in the City of Albany, this twenty-ninth day of September in the year two thousand eleven.

*BY THE GOVERNOR*

*/S/ Andrew M. Cuomo*

*/s/ Lawrence Schwartz*

*Secretary to the Governor*