

ASSEMBLYMEMBER DIDI BARRETT IS HELPING PROTECT OUR FAMILIES

Assemblymember Didi Barrett is making our community safer

CRACKING DOWN ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDERS

Assemblymember Barrett helped pass a bill that is expected to become law that will protect domestic violence victims while cracking down on repeat offenders (A.10624) by:

- creating stricter punishments for repeat offenders and individuals who cause physical harm to a family member
- requiring the Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (OPDV) to establish a domestic violence fatality review team to examine domestic violence deaths
- strengthening the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP), which helps victims of domestic violence establish new mailing addresses to prevent their abusers from finding them
- permitting victims of domestic violence to obtain insurance information by alternative means
- prohibiting an individual charged with causing a person's death from controlling the disposition of the deceased person's remains

If you or someone you know has been a victim of domestic or sexual violence, here are some important phone numbers

NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence help lines:

800-942-6906

Spanish: 800-942-6908

Columbia - Greene Domestic Violence Program Hotline:

518-943-9211

Dutchess County Battered Women's Services of Family Services Inc. Hotline: 845-485-5550

PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN FROM PREDATORS

Assemblymember Barrett helped pass a bill that is expected to become law to make accessing child pornography online illegal, an act that will bring New York into line with federal law and keeps our children safe (A.10713).

PREVENTING CYBERBULLYING

Assemblymember Barrett passed a law to create a safe and secure learning environment for all students (Ch. 102 of 2012). The law requires:

- prompt reporting procedures to ensure incidents of bullying or cyberbullying are addressed as quickly as possible
- ✓ an official school policy be created for handling harassment or bullying, as well as anti-bullying education classes and Internet instruction for staff and students in kindergarten – 12th grade

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