

Senate Majority Leader Barbara Buono Statement

Some of the most significant accomplishments of the past year have been achieved at the hands of compromise. Therefore it is incomprehensible that the governor would refuse to even have a discussion of the proposals put forth by CWA, proposals that recognize the need for “shared sacrifice” by calling for increased cost-sharing of premiums and increased co-pays while providing fairness for middle income workers.

I would hate to see the governor who professes his love for collective bargaining to be deprived of an opportunity to be let out of his self-described “cage” to demonstrate his prowess. Instead he has de facto ended collective bargaining by resorting once again to bullying and intimidation rather than having thoughtful discussions that would lead to credible solutions and true reform.