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Subject: Prepping for the Legislature's Budget Hearings -- & "Blowing the Whistle"

on the Legislature's OWN budget

**Attachments:** cja-testimony-for-feb-7-2023-public-protection-budget-hearing.pdf

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If City Limits will not explore how New York City legislators, holding the top leadership positions in the Senate and Assembly and in its fiscal committees, have been corrupting the state budget and constitutional governance, aided and abetted by "public protection" entities within the New York City limits – such as the First Department Attorney Grievance Committee, having disciplinary jurisdiction over Attorney General James – please pass this on to journalists who will.

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Shouldn't the press be inquiring about the Legislature's structuring of its budget hearings, by "programmatic area[s]", not bills – concealing violations of Article VII, §§2, 3, and 4 of the New York State Constitution?

Above-attached is my already-submitted written testimony addressed to that subject, at the outset. CJA's EVIDENTIARY webpage posting it is here.

I am available to answer questions – and to provide important scoops on the <u>Legislature's own budget</u>, expanded in <u>Legislative/Judiciary budget bill #S.4001/A.3001</u>. How about asking Temporary Senate President Stewart-Cousins and Assembly Speaker Heastie why they are NOT testifying on behalf of their budget and the legislative portion of the combined Legislative/Judiciary budget bill at any legislative budget hearing? Or are they?

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