



# SUPPORT

## **A. 8767-A/S. 8663-A (Jones/Kennedy)**

*AN ACT to establish the Adirondack road salt reduction task force, pilot plan and test program*

The New York League of Conservation Voters (NYLCV) supports A. 8767-A/S. 8663-A (Jones/Kennedy), which would create the Adirondack road salt reduction task force, pilot plan, and test program to ensure safe wintertime travel and reduce pollution from excessive road salt.

NYLCV strongly supports efforts to reduce road salt pollution that poses an unacceptable risk to public health and the environment in Adirondack Park. This bill, also cited as the “Randy Preston Road Salt Reduction Act,” would establish a multi-year pilot study for the years of 2021-2024 to test best management practices, updated levels of service, and overall road salt targets.

Excessive road salt leaches into surface and groundwater, releasing heavy metals and other toxic substances. These pollutants affect drinking water supplies, harm aquatic life, harm trees and plants along roadways, and threaten the welfare of our communities. This bill would identify measures to reduce deleterious impacts of road salt pollution while continuing to ensure safe commuting.

A. 8767-A/S. 8663-A would identify ways to reduce road salt contamination and protect clean water in the Adirondacks. For these reasons, the New York League of Conservation Voters urges passage of A. 8767-A/S. 8663-A.

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