

Keep Oversight and Accountability at SUNY



**Taxpayers
expect more
transparency,
not less.**

The NYS Executive Budget proposes to alter the relationship between the State University of New York (SUNY) and state government.

It would give SUNY greater authority to enter into contracts and leases, and to buy and sell real estate without prior review by the state comptroller, attorney general or Legislature.

The proposed “flexibility” language, as it relates to contracts for services, goes too far in removing oversight and accountability.

The review of contracts for services by oversight agencies, such as the comptroller and attorney general, exists for a good reason — to protect the public interest.

The proposed language is so broad it could lead to unanticipated results that could alter SUNY’s operation without real public representation. For example, parts of SUNY campuses could be leased out to private operators, or SUNY professional employees could be replaced by more costly contractors.

SUNY has never demonstrated the need for this proposal.

Tell the governor and legislative leaders we need more oversight and accountability in state government, not less.

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