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Thanks for your promised read of our below two e-mails about Senate & Assembly rules, to be voted on at tomorrow's opening Senate and Assembly sessions.

NOTHING IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE SENATE'S AND ASSEMBLY'S OWN RULES, as they determine EVERYTHING ELSE.

Plainly, <u>Wall Street Journal</u> readers have an interest in achieving a functioning state government. By tomorrow's vote, Senators and Assembly members can finally <u>end</u> New York's dysfunctional, three-men-in-a-room state government. With your reporting, that can more assuredly happen.

Thank you.

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ALERT: BEHIND-THE-SCENES STRUGGLE OVER SENATE RULES REPORTED BY DAILY NEWS. WHAT ARE YOU REPORTING?

Ken Lovett scandalously writes "...Democrats fear the GOP and the five-member Independent Democratic Conference are keeping the rules secret as long as possible so they can be passed with little chance for advanced public scrutiny. ..."

Here's the link to his January 6th article: <u>http://www.nydailynews.com/news/politics/skelos-stewart-cousins-disagree-rule-change-article-1.1234586?localLinksEnabled=false</u>. Notwithstanding our January 4th e-mail to him and you "**THE MOST IMPORTANT VOTES OF THE UPCOMING 236th LEGISLATIVE SESSION"** – reproduced below -- it appears to be the ONLY reporting about Senate and Assembly rules in the legislative session that opens tomorrow – and there have been no editorials.