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DATE	TIME	SHOW #	TOPIC
1/5/2024	30:00	2401	There's some lingering disappointment over the Governor's vetoes of a number of bills in the waning days of 2023, two state lawmakers want to create of a commission to finding out why people leave New York, and the city of Poughkeepsie makes history swearing in a new mayor.
1/12/2024	30:00	2402	Governor Kathy Hochul delivers her third state of the state address, we'll have mixed reaction from state lawmakers, we'll speak with the state labor commissioner about the impact of the rise in the minimum wage, and the American Lung Association in New York is urging everyone to test their homes for radon gas.
1/19/2024	30:00	2403	NY Governor Hochul releases her budget proposal, we'll have reaction from lawmakers in the Hudson Valley and North Country, and we'll talk to the state comptroller Tom DiNapoli about the governor's use of the rainy-day fund to deal with the migrant issue.
1/26/2024	30:00	2404	Members of both parties are in almost universal opposition to Governor Hochul's proposal to direct less money to New York schools and change how that aid is distributed, we'll bring you the verdict in the driveway shooting trial that received national attention, and New York gets a failing grade for Tobacco Prevention and Control Program Funding.
2/2/2024	30:00	2405	Governor Hochul want to increase the temporary disability leave benefit for injured workers for the first time in 35 years, NY US Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer was in Albany to launch an effort to keep ghost guns illegal, and nearly \$230 million dollars in federal money will connect tens of thousands of Hudson Valley homes still without access to wired, broadband internet.
2/9/2024	30:00	2406	We'll take a look at how the migrant crisis is playing out in state budget negotiations, the issue of whether to legalize wine sales in grocery stores is back again this year, and A bipartisan delegation of lawmakers joins a federal lawsuit to block the MTA's congestion pricing plan.
2/16/2024	30:00	2407	Minority Republicans are proposing legislation meant to curb what they call an unsustainable influx of migrants in the country illegally, Blair Horne of NYPIRG shares his thoughts on why New York has failed when it comes to cancer, and we'll look at the race for the 109th Assembly District seat.
2/23/2024	30:00	2408	Senator Gillibrand wants the EPA to readdress the cleanup of PCBs from the Hudson River, we'll talk with Steve Greenberg from the Siena Poll about what issues New Yorkers are concerned about, and top state and federal officials gather in Malta to celebrate \$1.5 billion in federal funding for computer chip manufacturer Global Foundries.
3/1/2024	30:00	2409	After a long, drawn-out fight, Governor Hochul approves a new congressional map, we'll take you to the food justice summit in the Adirondacks, and friends, gay marriage advocates, and the former mayor of New Paltz gather together to remember their act of civil disobedience.
3/8/2024	30:00	2410	The state senate and assembly will restore school aid reductions in their one house budget plans expected next week, we'll speak with Assemblymember Sarahana Shrestha about the problem with education funding, and Senator Gillibrand appears in Dutchess County to call for a bill to crack down on illegal fentanyl dealers.
3/15/2024	30:00	2411	Democrats in the New York state Legislature release counter proposals to the governor's budget, we'll talk about the Medical Aid in Dying Act with the Senior Campaign Director for Compassion & Choices, and north country representative meet for an update on activities and expectations at the state capitol.

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3/22/2024	30:00	2412	Governor Hochul signs a measure that will allow all pharmacies in New York to dispense birth control medications, voters in villages across New York state went to the polls this week and we'll speak with the Assembly Republican minority leader about the plight of small farmers in the state.
3/29/2024	30:00	2413	The governor and legislative leaders concede there will not be an on- time budget, we'll talk with Hunger Solutions New York about funding for children who need free meals in school, and the State University of New York is expanding a free program aimed at growing the state's workforce.