

Today's Lead: Bloomberg Lashes Out at State Legislators

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Mayor Michael Bloomberg [got personal yesterday](#) with state legislators he blames for failing to enact a speed camera program around schools that he says would stop children from being hit and killed by speeding cars. After the next tragedy Bloomberg suggested: "Why don't you pick up the phone and call your state senator and ask why they allowed that child to be killed?" Bloomberg named Sens. Martin Golden, Dean Skelos and Simcha Felder as legislators parents should call to complain. "Maybe you want to give those phone numbers to the parents of the child when a child is killed," Bloomberg said. "It would be useful so that the parents can know exactly who's to blame." The speed camera plan was

[in the Assembly's budget plan](#)

but did not make it to the final product. When approached on Sunday during budget votes Golden

[told the Gazette](#)

"I have no idea," when asked why speed cameras weren't part of the budget. He

[told The New York Times](#)

on Wednesday that other areas that use speed cameras have found them "unreliable."

Republican spokesman Scott Reif issued a statement saying that, "no one has fought harder or longer" to promote safety in New York City.

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