

Today's Lead: Senate Coalition Faces Test As Session Ends

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Advocates, with Gov. Andrew Cuomo's backing, are [putting major pressure on the Senate's Independent Democratic Conference](#) to bring three major issues to a vote as legislative session comes to an end. Three major unresolved issues facing the Senate include [public financing of campaigns](#), a moratorium on hydraulic fracturing and the 10-point Women's Equality Act. The IDC entered into a power sharing agreement with Senate Republicans last year angering many liberals. Sen. Jeff Klein of the IDC and Sen. Dean Skelos of the Senate Republicans both have to agree to bring a bills to the floor for a vote and advocates are pressuring Klein and his group to bring these issues that are opposed by Senate Republicans to a vote. Groups are [targeting individual IDC members in their districts](#). IDC members have questioned whether there are enough votes in the Senate to pass the Women's Equality Act and there isn't agreement on campaign financing legislation.

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