Today's Lead: New Albany Ethics Probe

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The state ethics commission has opened a new investigation into a sexual harassment complaint against Assemblyman Micah Kellner, news organizations are reporting . The complaint stems from 2009 and was kept quiet at the time by a top Assembly lawyer. The lawyer has been dismissed since The New York Times initially reported about the case back in July . "After four years, I'm glad that this is finally being looked at," said Eliyanna Kaiser, a former chief of staff for Kellner who took the complaint to the Assembly's central staff, in the Times. The Daily News writes that the new investigation could further threaten Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver's leadership. Kellner, who is running for City Council, has apologized for his behavior. He also said he welcomes the investigation and would cooperate with it.

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