

Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages  
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Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve  
Empire State Forest Products Association  
Protect the Adirondacks!

# **Memorandum of Support**

## **A.8123a (Englebright) S.6484 (Kaminsky)**

**“AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to preserving ecological integrity, wildlife and open space in the Adirondack park”**

The organizations listed support passage in 2019 of A.8123a. The bill would amend the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) Act by incorporating conservation development principles and practices, which are currently used by government regulatory programs at all levels in areas across the United States, to curtail the effects of widely scattered exurban development, commonly known as “rural sprawl.”

*Signed:*

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