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LIBERTARIAN NORTHRUP: "STATE HIRING FREEZE  
MUCH TOO LITTLE TOO LATE"

"I'd like to know what the state is doing with 'non-essential' employees and projects in the first place," said John Northrup, Libertarian gubernatorial candidate today in reaction to Governor Carey's proposed state hiring freeze.

"After a 1,000 percent increase in state spending over the last 25 years under Republican and Democratic administrations alike, with each party trying to outspend the other, it is a fine time to discover in 1982 that the taxpayers won't support New York politicians' outrageous spending addictions any more. A reduction of \$362 million from over \$17 billion of state spending, including elimination of the Fall Music Festival in Albany for \$250,000 does not fit my definition of 'draconian'," referring to the term used by the Governor's Budget Director to describe the proposal.

Northrup, a Syracuse CPA, and the only upstater running for Governor this year, has called for eliminating the state personal income tax over the next four years by drastically reducing state spending. To accomplish this, he has been proposing the elimination of at least one agency each week until the election, a process which he intends to continue well into his first term as Governor.

The Libertarian Party is the nation's third largest. In 1980, its candidates for office received over 5 million votes, including almost one million for their presidential candidate, Ed Clark.