

WE'RE TAKING ON THE HEDGE FUND BILLIONAIRES – AND WE'RE WINNING.



Hedge Clippers

Exclusive: Hedge Clippers Shut Down Major Investor Conference

By **Charlie Gasparino** , Serena Elavia, Courtney Crawford Published February 24, 2016 | **Hedge Funds** | **FOXBusiness**

Angry protesters shut down a major investor conference on Wednesday that boasted former president George W. Bush and a host of Wall Street heavyweights including hedge fund manager Dan Loeb as top guests the FOX Business Network has learned.

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MARKETS

New York City Public Pension Pulls Hedge Fund Investments

NYCERS joins a growing list of public pension funds opting to drop hedge funds

By MIKE VILENSKY and BRODY MULLINS

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The board of trustees for New York City's biggest public-employee pension fund voted Thursday to pull its investments from hedge funds, joining a growing number of pension funds that have taken this step.

FIGHTING FOR OUR COMMUNITIES – FIGHTING FOR FAIRNESS.

■ POLITICO



'Hedge Clippers' group turns to Jersey, and Chris Christie

Liberal group issues report on pension investments with hedge funds.

By RYAN HUTCHINS I 07/22/15 06:07 AM EDT

A labor-backed anti-hedge fund group is planning to target Governor Chris Christie with a report on the state's use of such funds in its own investments.

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Democrats Push Bill in New York Senate to End Tax Break

Measure would add state tax to offset lower U.S. tax rate on carried interest

By MIKE VILENSKY

March 22, 2016 8:46 p.m. ET

Democrats in the New York state Legislature this year are seeking to close what they call the carried interest loophole, a tax break that benefits private-equity and hedge-fund managers.







- Destroying our economy
- Corrupting our government
- Hurting our families, communities & environment
- Exploding greed & inequality



CORRUPTING OUR GOVERNMENT



- Billions for lobbying & right-wing think tanks
- Paying for dog-whistle political appeals
- Funding attacks on public institutions



- Driving up the cost of housing, medications & college
- Bashing immigrants and low-income workers
- Austerity attack on Puerto Rico
- Profiting from mass incarceration & private prisons
- Fossil fuel & toxic chemical profiteers

EXPLODING GREED & INEQUALITY



ON THE OFFENSE: DISCREDITING & DISRUPTING THEIR GREED-DRIVEN AGENDA



"The Hedge Clippers have a more singular focus than Occupy Wall Street ever did. They would like taxes raised on the superrich; they want pension funds and universities to divest from hedge funds; they want carried interest to be taxed at a higher rate at the federal level."

"The Hedge Clippers will accomplish a great deal if they can simply turn the secretive few into the widely infamous."

The New York Times

HARD-HITTING NEW RESEARCH

"The Hedge Clippers produce and issue reports at a speed that would make many graduate students envious."

The New Hork Times

- 30 Hedge papers in our first year
- Partner papers with dozens of allied groups
- A searchable annotatable database of 86,000 dark-money campaign contributions





































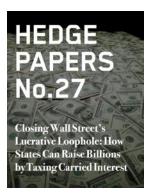




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HEDGE PAPERS NO. 3

Jobs Destroyed Due to Hedge Funds: 8,650

HEDGE PAPERS NO. 4

 Hedge funds spent on Albany politicians: \$39,642,505.92

HEDGE PAPERS NO. 27

- Closing the "Hedge Fund Loophole" in New York would raise \$3.7 billion for schools, housing & jobs
- Top 25 U.S. hedge fund mangers made \$12.94 Billion
- All Kindergarten Teachers in U.S. Made: \$8.6 Billion
- Total hedge fund assets worldwide: \$3 trillion

COMMUNITY ORGANIZING & AGGRESSIVE DIRECT ACTION

Dozens of rallies, street protests, hit-and-run demonstrations, press conferences & chalk talks in New York, Chicago, Greenwich, East Hampton, Miami & Philadelphia

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NY POLITICS

At Cuomo Fundraiser in the Hamptons: Sea Air, Canapés and a Protest

Governor has become primary target of group called the Hedge Clippers

By MIKE VILENSKY and JOSH DAWSEY









DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT, WAR-ROOM COMMUNICATIONS













HEDGE FUND BILLIONAIRES & PUERTO RICO







HEDGE FUNDS, TAXES & TRANSPARENCY

The New York Times

BUSINESS DAY

New York Legislators Plan to Introduce Measure on Carried Interest Tax

By NOAM SCHEIBER MARCH 6, 2016

A coalition of progressive groups is starting a state-level campaign to close the so-called carried interest loophole, which allows fund managers to pay a substantially reduced federal tax rate on much of their income.

Two New York State assemblymen plan to introduce a bill on Monday that would raise taxes on state residents who benefit from the lower rate, to precisely offset the tax savings they receive at the federal level.

In addition to correcting what its members see as a glaring inequity in the tax code, the coalition hopes to generate revenue that could be spent on public investments in areas like schools and economic development.

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POLITICS

Bill Introduced to Require Hedge Funds to Disclose Holdings More Frequently

Measure would require disclosure when fund owns 1% or more a company's stock within five days

By MIKE CHERNEY

Nov. 4, 2015 8:00 p.m. ET

The Opinion Pages | EDITORIAL New York Challenges a Tax Privilege of the Rich By THE EDITORIAL BOARD MARCH II, 2016 Two Democratic members of the New York State Assembly, Jeffrion Aubry and Sean Ryan, introduced a bill this week to close the "carried interest" loophole, which lets partners at private equity firms and hedge funds pay a greatly reduced federal tax rate on much of their income. The measure is the most innovative of several efforts in the past decade to close the loophole. Several bills in Congress on the issue have gone nowhere. Congress has also ignored repeated calls from President Obama to close the





Fair-share taxes on the rich can fund better schools,

New York Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie proposes extending millionaire's tax, enacting cuts for middle class



housing, transportation and fairness for all of us.

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and pay a lower tax rate, too.



to pay a lower tax rate than a truck driver.

They charge a fee for investing other peoples' money — and call it "carried interest" to get a lower tax rate.

They say "carried interest" - we say "ripoff."



ON THE PHONE DONALD TRUMP

"They make a fortune. They pay no tax. It's ridiculous. Some of them are friends of mine, some of them I could care less about. It is the wrong thing. The hedge fund guys are getting away with murder... The middle class are getting absolutely destroyed."











Trump, Jeb, Hillary, Bernie all agree.....



Congress won't do it...



October 16, 2015, 10:00 am

What the carried interest tax loophole reveals about our corrupt political system

By Morris Pearl

"In 2012 and 2014, financial interests spent more than \$1.1 billion to help elect politicians from both parties to Congress. Managers of Paulson & Co., one of the largest hedge funds, dropped nearly \$2.5 million in the last two federal election cycles. Executives of Elliot Management, another large fund, spent \$23 million over that time."



... so it's time for state governments to step up and take action.

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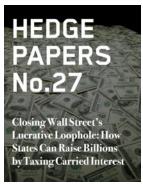
March 4, 2016

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to investment management services to a partnership or other entity

Close the carried interest loophole and raise billions for schools, jobs, clean energy and infrastructure.

EST. ANNUAL REVENUE GAINED BY STATE TAX ON CARRIED INTEREST





NEW YORK

\$3,726,821,695.70

CONNECTICUT

\$535,458,159.04

NEW JERSEY

\$112,803,817.52

MASSACHUSETTS

\$938,146,374.90

CALIFORNIA

\$1,621,611,614.32

ILLINOIS

\$433,946,785.94

PENNSYLVANIA

\$121,103,270.95



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- Tax breaks & loopholes
- Climate change & environment
- Mass incarceration& private prisons
- Racial & economic justice



