

Budget Busters

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A Letter to the Editor

“These Cuts Sting” (Sept. 14) gets a couple of key facts wrong that combine to yield an exaggerated conclusion regarding the city budget.

The local corporate tax rate tops out at 8.85%, not 35%.

Secondly, the local tax only applies to the corporate income allocated to New York City, which often is much less than worldwide profits.

The city budget does have a revenue problem. We should be looking for ways to address that, so that next year’s budget cuts don’t further harm the city economy.

We should start by looking at the \$3 billion in business tax breaks the city hands out, many of which are on automatic pilot without regard to any benefit to local jobs and income.

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Letter

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