

## A Smoldering Issue

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## New York State Senator Martinez to hold lithium-ion battery safety seminar

According to a consortium led by the U.S. Department of Energy, the nation's lithium-ion battery use is anticipated to grow by a factor of five to ten before the end of the decade. This increase is expected to elevate the fire risk associated with these energy sources, which power electric vehicles, electronics, and more. In response, New York State Senator Monica R. Martinez will host a Lithium-Ion Battery Safety Seminar on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 7 p.m. The forum, co-hosted by Suffolk County Legislator Tom Donnelly and Babylon Town

Councilman Terence McSweeny, will be held at the Deer Park Fire Department, located at 94

Lake Ave. in Deer Park.

Attendees will hear a presentation led by Dr. Donald G. Lynch, Chief Fire Marshal for Suffolk County's Department of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services, on the safety consequences of lithium-ion battery use and recommendations on how to stay safe while employing these devices.

"Lithium-ion batteries, while essential for modern technology, pose significant fire risks if not handled properly," said Senator Martinez. "This seminar is crucial for educating the community on safety measures, ensuring we can enjoy the benefits of these devices while keeping our families and homes safe."



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> TUESDAY, JULY 16 AT 7:00 P.M.

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