

Plan Extra Special Session To Cope With Fiscal Crisis

Because the state's fiscal crisis is "so urgent," Gov. Rockefeller and the Republican legislative leaders planned yesterday for two special sessions of the Legislature—in an attempt to raise taxes—before Christmas.

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The state's Big Three decided to separate taxes, budget cuts and the transit crisis from reappointment, for which a special session already has been in the works.

At their well guarded meeting at Rockefeller's home in Pocantico Hills, the governor, Senate Majority Leader Earl W. Brydges and Assembly Speaker Perry B. Moore pledged to "hold the line" on spending at all levels in the coming 1971-72 budget.

Budget Gap
The amount is the \$770 million deficit for which the governor and legislative leaders must close. This means layoffs, delaying certain projects, and the use of

issue has been to escalate the state's fiscal problems by \$300 million for the current fiscal year.

Gap Upon Gap
"This comes on top of an estimated current-year deficiency of \$470 million due to the falloff in revenues resulting from continued sluggish economic conditions nationally, rising costs, and failure of the Congress to adopt revenue-sharing or a welfare reform program."

Impact on Transit
"We also discussed the impact of the vote on the bond issue on mass transit and commuter railroads," said the New York State Transit Commissioner in Albany.

Brydges' Win
The agreement to consider two special sessions was a victory for Brydges, who was flatly opposed

months to go—demands decisive action including postponement of certain payments from the current fiscal year, cuts in state services and state aid to schools and local governments, and/or increased revenues.

"The fiscal crisis is so urgent that serious consideration is being given to action on these matters at a special session of the Legislature before the end of the year."

Spending First
Duryea, who is opposed to new tax measures, said that the leaders should "take another long, hard look at state spending and the current tax structure before any commitment is made to new or increased taxes."

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