

Sweeping Climate Plan Threatens State Economy

State leaders are currently implementing the Climate Action Council's Scoping Plan. Although the plan contains some sensible steps toward reducing emissions, its main tenets will pose generational challenges for New York businesses.

Governor Hochul has Proposed:

- Banning natural gas use in new buildings, starting 2025
- Banning new natural gas-powered heating equipment and building systems, starting 2030
- "Cap-and-Invest" system that will force employers to bid on "Emissions Allowances" for the right to emit carbon
- Extended Producer Responsibility program, which would force manufacturers to foot the bill for recycling programs

We Support:

- ☑ Investments into renewable energy systems and transmission infrastructure
- ☑ All-of-the-above energy sourcing to ensure power supply can meet increasing demand
- ☑ Utilizing the state's existing and resilient underground natural gas infrastructure to ensure energy delivery is reliable even in inclement weather
- ☑ Efficiency improvements

We Oppose:

- ⊗ Bans on natural gas infrastructure. Natural gas is a sustainable low-carbon alternative, and the cost of retrofitting upstate New York for a gas-free future would be astronomical.
- ⊗ Costly interventions like Cap and Invest, which will drive employers out of New York.
- ⊗ Extended Producer Responsibility and other recycling reforms that will add direct costs to manufacturers and sharply raise the price of consumer goods.



What Can We Do?

Unless state leaders are convinced to change course, these invasive provisions will become law on April 1.

Join the BNP's fight and tell Albany: Keep Energy Affordable and Reliable!