

DRIVING RESULTS FOR BUFFALO NIAGARA

The BNP's advocacy efforts have translated into a number of wins for Buffalo Niagara employers.



2026 ADVOCACY WINS

Secured major CLCPA reforms

The budget replaced the 2030 greenhouse gas reduction mandate with a revised 2040 target and changed the state's emissions accounting methodology.

Delayed Cap-and-Invest implementation

The state will not be required to issue Cap-and-Invest regulations until 2028, giving employers and ratepayers additional protection from near-term energy cost increases.

Advanced auto insurance reform

BNP-supported changes limit pain and suffering damages for individuals found more than 50% responsible for a crash and narrow the definition of "serious injury," which will deliver meaningful rate relief.

Accelerated SEQRA process

BNP-supported changes streamline the environmental review process for certain development projects, which will reduce costs, accelerate construction timelines and encourage development.

Helped secure additional aid for Buffalo

The budget provided \$55 million in additional assistance to Buffalo, helping prevent an even larger property tax increase.

Prevented a corporate tax increase

Despite pressure from some lawmakers, the final budget did not increase New York's corporate tax rate.

Stopped the EPR packaging mandate

The Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act failed to pass, avoiding new packaging, recycling and compliance costs for employers.

Stopped statewide rent control

The Legislature did not approve the REST Act, a proposal to make it easier for localities to adopt rent stabilization.