

Highlights of the policy adopted as part of the 2020-2021 State Budget can be found below: (for more details on a specific proposal please feel free to contact us and/or click the link to Governor’s budget press release:
<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-highlights-fy-2021-budget>)

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT:

- Authorizes the Creation of a \$3 Billion Restore Mother Nature Bond Act
- Accelerates Renewable Energy Projects and Driving Economic Growth as Part of Nation-Leading Climate Agenda
- Bans the Distribution and Use of Styrofoam
- Enacts Comprehensive E-Bike and E-Scooter Legislation
- Creates the Green Economy Tax Credit

INFRASTRUCTURE:

- Develops an Innovative Strategy to Build High Speed Rail in New York
- Invests in Roads and Bridges (\$6B)
- Job Training for the Future (Future of Work Centers)

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- Bans high-risk sexual offenders from accessing the MTA subway, bus and rail systems
- Provides Funding for State Police Hate Crimes Task Force
- Removes Guns from Domestic Abusers
- Creates the “New York Hate Crime Anti-Terrorism Act
- Adjustments to 2019 Criminal Justice Reform Law (Bail & Discovery Reforms)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC PROTECTIONS:

- Requires Automatic Manual Recounts in Close Elections
- Strengthens Disclosure Laws
- Legalizes Gestational Surrogacy in New York State
- Bans the “Pink Tax” (prohibition of gender-based pricing)

HEALTH:

- Establishes the SUNY Curing Alzheimer’s Health Consortium
- Creates a Medical Transparency Website Increasing Transparency in Healthcare Costs to Empower Patients
- Enacts a Comprehensive Tobacco Control Policy
- 3 Part plan to lower costs of Prescription Drugs
- Redesigns Medicaid and Health Care

EDUCATION & HIGHER EDUCATION:

- Invests in Opportunity Programs
- Maintains School Aid at last year's levels

LABOR & CONSTRUCTION:

- Includes Prevailing Wage Changes
- Makes the "New York Buy American" Act Permanent
- Establishes Paid Sick Leave for Working New Yorkers