



**EPP UPDATE
NOVEMBER 4TH, 2016**

Dear Brothers & Sisters:

As promised in the past, we would keep you informed as new developments become available concerning the EPP Bill.

The New York State AFL-CIO, on which I serve as a Vice President, has sent the attached letter to Governor Cuomo, urging him to sign the EPP bill into law.

We will continue to work diligently to do everything to ensure that we regain our EPP.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Fraternally,

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Honorable Andrew Cuomo
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State Capitol
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ATT: Alphonso David, Counsel

RE: A. 8019C

Dear Governor Cuomo:

The New York State AFL-CIO, representing 2.5 million union members, their families as well as our retirees and their families supports the above referenced legislation and urges you to sign it.

The language would require that the contracting process for the city of New York school transportation services include employee protection provisions (EPPs). These provisions require contractors to hire experienced and qualified workers from a master seniority list. This legislation would also give the City the ability to renegotiate any existing contracts, with the mutual consent of the bus contractor, that do not include the EPPs.

Employee protection provisions have previously been supported and passed by the state legislature and are universally supported by all affected parties, including school bus owner/operators and the affected labor unions that represent the workers who provide these services. The changes reinstitute the EPPs that have historically been used in New York City. Most importantly, these changes will ensure that only the most experienced and qualified drivers are hired by contractors to better protect the safety of school children and the general public.

Therefore, on behalf of the New York State AFL-CIO, I respectfully urge this bill be signed into law.

Sincerely,

Mario Cilento
President