End of Session Wrap Up –2023

Wins:

- The legislature failed to pass legislation that would allow an employee to secure a lien on an employer's personal or company property for a mere claim of wage and hour violations. The Chamber has fought against this legislation for several years.
- Both house of the legislature passed legislation that would enable more students of color, students who are low-income, and other historically under-served groups of students to enroll and succeed in advanced middle and high school courses that will prepare them for college, careers, and civic engagement. The Chamber has advocated for the passage of this bill for several years.
- Both houses of the legislature passed legislation that would allow non-CPAs to be minority owners of CPA firms. New York is the last state in the region that does not allow accounting firms to offer ownership to non-CPAs. This puts New York's accounting firms at a disadvantage when it comes to recruiting and retaining top talent. This legislation will put New York on a level playing field so talented individuals in New York have the same opportunities they would in neighboring states. The Chamber has been pushing for this legislation for several years.
- Legislation mandating electric vehicle charging stations and electric vehicle ready parking spaces in certain new construction failed to pass in the Assembly. The Chamber has fought against this bill for several years.
- The legislature failed to pass legislation that would create mandates and regulations related to temperature at all indoor and outdoor worksites. The Chamber opposed this legislation.
- The legislature failed to pass legislation that would prohibit evictions without good cause. The Chamber has fought against this bill for several years.

Loss:

 Both houses of the legislature passed legislation would radically expand the kinds of damages recoverable in wrongful death actions, driving up liability insurance costs for public and private entities across the state. A similar bill was passed last session and the governor vetoed it. The Chamber has opposed this legislation and will request that the governor veto the bill again.