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The legislative Department at NYSCOPBA includes many facets made up of the Legislative/Political Action Committee, NYSCOPBA Attorneys and Lobbyists. All who serve the many functions that include membership education, preparing annual testimony for budget hearings, and maintaining a direct relationship with the NYS Legislators. Utilizing the legislative process to obtain legislation that supports our members' rights, working conditions, wages and other areas of concern is the priority.

Each year the NYSCOPBA legislative department drafts new Legislation, seeks Senate/Assembly sponsorship and then aggressively lobbies for the passage of our legislation. Of the approximately 14,000 bills introduced each year, only 2,000 are acted upon and of those only 800 are signed into law on average. Together, with our professional lobbyists, we have consistently shown results (Legislative History) through the many bills that have been signed into law each year since we became an independent union. Our relationship with the Legislators has been built on respect, honesty, and professionalism. We keep the Legislature informed year round on law enforcement and corrections issues and ask you to help us when called upon for volunteer efforts and during scheduled Legislative Day held each year.

In our twelve- year history, NYSCOPBA has made a dramatic impact on the legislative process and achieved our incredible results through membership involvement, membership education, and proper use of our financial resources. We have a state of the art database, conducted statewide seminars, lobby days, voter registration drives and participated in many campaigns across the state. We encourage all members to contact their legislators on a regular basis by calling, visiting, or writing. All contact information can be found on the NYSCOPBA web site.

We ask for your continued involvement in these times ahead!