

Dear TriCounty Members:

The 2012 election will be a critical juncture for New York State. As the Cuomo Administration continues to build a new level of cooperation in Albany and works to open state government and make it more accessible, all members of the Senate and Assembly are up for re-election next year. IIABNY will continue to support those candidates from either party who champion the issues that are important to independent agents and the industry. But we can only do that with your financial support of IAPAC.

IIABNY achieved substantial legislative success in recent years with the enactment of NYPIUA permanency, enhancements to the C-MAP program, new operating requirements for the State Insurance Fund, and important legislation to codify standards relating to late notice denial of claims, to name a few. IAPAC is an integral part of our legislative efforts that led to enactment of these important laws. There are many issues critical to independent agents & brokers on the horizon including establishment of a health insurance exchange, certificates of insurance, standardization of wind deductible triggers, producer licensing and oversight of the State Insurance Fund. IIABNY is currently pursuing an appeal of the decision upholding Regulation 194, a burdensome requirement for agents & brokers and the industry to disclose compensation.

We are proud of the past success of our state political action committee – IAPAC – and its support of candidates who are pro- business and have the interests of our members at the top of their agendas. But we need your help. In preparation for an active political campaign season, we are building up our IAPAC “war chest” to be ready to support those candidates. Most of IIABNY’s local associations have generously supported IAPAC in the past and we are looking for your continued support this year. Corporate checks are acceptable. Your support is greatly appreciated and will help to advance the issues of critical importance to our members.

We look forward to your continued support of IIABNY’s legislative activities on your behalf.

Sincerely,

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