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IT'S AN AFFORDABILITY CRISIS WE'RE FACING DAILY

NY climate plan could cost Upstate households over \$4K annually, state agency says¹¹

NY's electric grid operator warns of looming 'reliability shortfalls'¹²

New York denies gas plant permits in first-ever decision¹³

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A Plan to Fix it Before Costs Soar

- ▶ The implementation of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) could cost taxpayers an estimated \$600 billion^{7, 14, 15} once fully implemented, despite New York accounting for just 3.4%⁸ of U.S. carbon emissions and an original price tag of \$300 billion.
- ▶ Upstate residents could see a \$4,000⁹ cost increase, per a memo from the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA).
- ▶ Since the enactment of the CLCPA, more than twice the capacity of generation has been deactivated than has been added to the system, according to the New York Independent System Operator.

DID YOU KNOW?

¹ <https://www.eia.gov/states/NY/data>
² <https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/27704025-nyserda-analysis-of-cost-to-comply-with-clcpa>
³ <https://www.nyiso.com/documents/20142/2223020/2025-Power-Trends.pdf>
⁴ <https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/Common/ViewDoc.aspx?DocRefId=%7B40075E99-0000-C639-832F-142B5C387BD0%7D>
⁵ <https://www.politico.com/states/new-york/albany/story/2021/10/27/hochul-administration-denies-permits-for-two-gas-plants-under-new-climate-law-1392062>
⁶ <https://www.timesunion.com/capitol/article/ny-s-electric-grid-operator-warns-loomng-21099820.php>
⁷ <https://www.dailymail.com/2026/02/27/ny-climate-plan-could-cost-upstate-households-over-4k-annually-state-agency-says/>
⁸ <https://www.nyiso.com/documents/20142/2248481/2023-2032-Comprehensive-Reliability-Plan.pdf>
⁹ <https://www.nyiso.com/documents/20142/2223020/2025-Power-Trends.pdf>
¹⁰ <https://www.nyiso.com/documents/20142/2223020/2025-Power-Trends.pdf>
¹¹ <https://www.nyiso.com/documents/20142/2223020/2025-Power-Trends.pdf>
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"Solutions cannot outweigh the problems they seek to resolve, which is why I support a balanced energy approach that protects agricultural land and open green space, preserves our forests, respects local control, lowers our utility bills and keeps our grid stable."

I'm always happy to hear what you think about how I can best serve you in the state Assembly. If you have any comments, questions, or concerns on this or any state issue, please don't hesitate to visit my office at 4 Southwestern Ave., Suite 3, Queensbury, NY 12804 or call 1-518-792-4546.

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Albany's Own Experts Admit: Mandates Mean Massive Price Hikes⁹

Matt's plan for affordable energy would:

Ensure Energy Choice and Diversity^{1, 2}

- Prevent the government from prohibiting the connection/reconnection of a utility based on energy type.
- Allow for continued use of fossil fuel-combusting appliances.

Eliminate Mandates on New Yorkers

- Allow school districts to opt out of the zero-emission bus mandate.³
- Delay zero-emission mandates until 2045 or until all state agencies convert their fleets, whichever is later.⁴

Return More Than \$2 Billion to Ratepayers¹⁶

- Direct billions of idle unspent NYSEDA funds back to ratepayers to provide immediate relief on rising energy costs.

¹⁶ Page 14, <https://www.bcny.org/sites/default/files/2026-01/Environment%20and%20Energy%20budget%20testimony%202026.pdf>

Implement a Cost- Benefit Analysis^{5, 6}

- Require a cost-benefit analysis of Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) renewable energy goals.
- Require annual reporting on state-mandated energy programs.

Limit Executive Action

- Require legislative approval of Climate Action Fund Rules. (A.6847)
- Limit the number of surcharges the Public Service Commission can impose on ratepayers. (A.10361)
- Encourage smart renewable siting that empowers our communities with the tools and funding to plan responsible energy projects on suitable commercial space, protecting agricultural land, green spaces, forests, and wildlife habitats with stronger local control. (A.10552)



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Halt Taxes and Fees on Your Electric Bill



Ask Gov. Kathy Hochul to declare an Energy Emergency to take action and lower energy costs.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ixuOV1q75hWwvIAgaHswUCrjRIhoGT4VcK52l8b9ua0/edit>