



# NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE

## 2026 JOINT BUDGET HEARING

**FEBRUARY 26, 2026– 2:00 PM**

### TAXES

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| 1. New York State Department of<br>Taxation & Finance | Amanda Hiller<br>Acting Tax Commissioner and<br>General Counsel |
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**Panel A:**

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| 2. Fiscal Policy Institute                | Emily Eisner<br>Chief Economist                         |
| 3. The Manufacturers Alliance of New York | Randy Wolken<br>President & CEO                         |
| 4. Invest in Our New York                 | Brahvan Ranga<br>Campaign Manager                       |
| 5. Popular Democracy                      | Charles Khan<br>Lead Federal and State Tax<br>Campaigns |
| 6. Partnership for New York City          | Steven Fulop<br>President & CEO                         |

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**Panel B:**

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| 7. Mason Tenders District Council PAC | Kris Kohler<br>Director                     |
| 8. CWA District 1                     | Mia McDonald<br>Deputy Legislative Director |
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**Panel C:**

9. Expert in Global Security  
& Anti-Illicit trade

Eric Hawk  
Consultant

10. Phillip Morris U.S.

Dr. Brian Erkkila  
Head of US Scientific Engagement