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**“Dairy Farms, family farms, and rural communities are facing a lot of pressure. Albany’s own experts admit that mandates mean massive price hikes.<sup>2</sup> I’m in Albany every day working to fix this because every dollar saved helps the farm that earned it.”**



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# GROWING SOLUTIONS FOR THE NORTH COUNTRY

From the pasture to the power bill, economic obligations<sup>2,4</sup> are impacting nearly every farmer in the North Country, and here's what I'm doing to make their lives a little easier.

- ◆ **Rising energy costs are making life unaffordable in the North Country.**<sup>2,4</sup> That's why I'm actively pushing to expand energy choice to lower power bills, so families, farms, and businesses can afford to keep the lights on.<sup>7</sup>
- ◆ **Every dollar spent on energy is a dollar that doesn't go into your wallet.** I'm pushing for a tax credit that directly reimburses ratepayers for the costs of Albany's energy mandates that drive up utilities.<sup>3</sup>
- ◆ **Seeds, fuel, and equipment don't come cheap.** With costs rising, a farm running on thin margins can't absorb another bad year. That's why I'm backing matching grants and tax exemptions, so the farms that feed us aren't left out to pasture.<sup>4,5</sup>
- ◆ **Every cent counts when getting products to market.** That's why I'm fighting for free E-ZPass devices for milk dealers and farm haulers. Your hard work shouldn't be milked at every toll booth.<sup>6</sup>

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