

NFIB Priorities for PA House 2021 Fall Session

- **RGGI:** It is imperative that **SB 119 (Pittman)** reach the Governor's Desk. This legislation would require legislative approval for imposing a carbon tax. NFIB is prepared to conduct full grassroot operations, media, testify, and provide comment to ensure the Commonwealth is not unilaterally entered into this interstate compact.
- Small Business Tax Fairness Package: NFIB is excited for the opportunity to testify before the
 House Finance Committee on three critical pieces of legislation that would provide immediate
 benefit to small business, after their toughest year on record.
 - o **HB 105 (Cox):** Like-Kind Exchanges
 - o HB 395 (Grove): Net Operating Losses for Small Business
 - o HB 333 (E. Nelson): Section 179 Expense Deductions
- Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund Debt: Paying off a portion of the nearly \$1.6 billion dollar debt with the remaining \$5 billion received from the federal government will significantly reduce any increases, or the longevity of an increase, to small business through unemployment insurance.
- Insurance Renewal for small businesses (50-99 employees): NFIB supports policies that make healthcare more transparent. HB 947 (Zimmerman) would level the playing field for small businesses shopping for insurance. While large (over 100 employees) and small (under 50 employees) employers are provided with aggregate claims data, small employers with between 50-99 employees cannot obtain this data. Small employers should be able to obtain this data, which is beneficial in shopping insurance for their business.
- Whitmoyer Remedy: The Whitmoyer Remedy legislation, HB 922 (Davanzo), is an important fix
 to the Worker's Compensation system. This legislation needs to be brought up for a vote,
 regardless of the outcome.
- **Regulatory Reform:** Regulatory compliance and red tape are an enormous burden to business owners. Below are bills that would reduce that burden:
 - o SB 28 (Phillips-Hill): Transparency in Permitting
 - o SB 126 (Brooks): Three-year Review of Economically Significant Regulations
 - o SB 520 (DiSanto): Legislative Approval of Economically Significant Regulations
- **Small Business Healthcare Reform:** Traditionally, healthcare is top concern of NFIB members. The current system is too expensive for employers. NFIB requests movement on:
 - o **HB 882 (Gaydos):** Prescription Drug Pricing Transparency
 - o **HB 555 (Gaydos):** Association Health Plans