

## New York Farm Bureau

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## MEMORANDUM OF SUPPORT

**Senate Bill 3142 (Senator Gounardes)** 

AN ACT TO AMEND THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LAW AND THE TAX LAW, IN RELATION TO PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO SMALL BUSINESSES' EMPLOYERS IN THE PROCUREMENT AND PURCHASING OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

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New York Farm Bureau, the state's largest agricultural advocacy organization, would like to express its support for this legislation. This legislation would establish a tax credit for small business to procure and purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) for their employees.

Given the pandemic, farmers provide PPE to their workers daily. Unfortunately, certain PPE, like rubber gloves can be difficult to obtain and expensive given the demand for use. Assistance for farms and other small businesses in obtaining PPE and tax credit to help defray the cost of PPE would be welcomed by the agricultural community.

For these reasons, New York Farm Bureau respectfully requests your support of this legislation.