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## LEGISLATIVE MEMO

## SUPPORT

## **Real Property Tax Elimination for Manufacturers**

MACNY strongly supports the proposal to expand the 20% real property tax credit for manufacturers and increase the credit to 100%. This will allow for existing manufacturers to invest in their company's growth, and retain and grow high paying and community supporting jobs.

The current 20% credit was enacted in 2014 and saves manufacturers approximately \$36 million statewide on property taxes. Manufacturers have applauded this policy enactment, claiming that this tax relief allowed them to make capital investments and create longer term business plans for their company. Expanding the credit to 100% would be an enormous boost to the manufacturing sector. It would also support those jobs connect to manufacturing which on average are three jobs for every one manufacturing job. With the estimated \$200 million they would be saving on property taxes, manufacturers would have the ability to make significant investments in their business, allowing for growth in production and retention and growth of jobs.

This proposal is a much needed economic boost to the State's critical manufacturing sector, and would be a strong investment made by New York State. In order for our manufacturing sector to thrive, companies need the ability to operate in a climate where business costs are fair and manageable. Enactment of a 100% property tax credit for manufacturers is a win-win for New York State.

For these reasons, MACNY supports this proposal.