



# TOP PRIORITIES FOR DELAWARE

*A coordinated list compiled by the Association of Chambers of Commerce of Delaware, of which the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce proudly participates.*

## Regulations and Permitting

- Work to create a culture change at permitting agencies to help streamline the permitting process without sacrificing public health and safety
- Work to create a “common app” approach to permitting
  - One-stop for all applications, forms, etc. for permitting a project or starting a business for state, local and municipal regulations

## Health Insurance and Health Care Costs

- Focus on underwriting regulations at the Department of Insurance to allow varied options for employer health care policies, including association plans

## Workforce Development

- Focus on technical and vocational training
  - Identify currently untapped Pathways program material
  - Identify work-based learning programs to partner/expand/develop curriculum
    - Work with technical schools to support vocational study
    - Help develop coding curriculum for general education across the state

## Infrastructure and Technology

- Bring more broadband options to Sussex and Kent counties
- Address known prevailing wage issues
  - Redesign a survey to improve accuracy of data
  - Use updated data to revamp the wage rate calculation
- Curtail increased utility costs by avoiding new mandates on residential and commercial payers

## Tourism

- Create a statewide accommodations tax for person-to-person short-term rentals like Airbnb
- Focus on environmental issues such as clean water, storm water regulations, etc.
- Make sure Delaware beaches remain family friendly

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