Build Back Better Faces Senate Hurdles

Congress is continuing work on the budget reconciliation bill called the Build Back Better Act. This bill, which is under consideration in the Senate after passing the House of Representatives, is a \$1.7 trillion comprehensive package. Recently, NDA outlined concerns with specific provisions in the House bill and provided recommendations on how to improve the bill in the Senate. These recommendations include:

- Oppose all tax increases on the demolition industry;
- Oppose unreasonable increases to OSHA fines;
- Oppose expansion of the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA).

It is unclear when the Senate will vote on the Build Back Better Act as there remain several disagreements within the Democratic Party on the size and scope of the bill. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) has said he would like to pass the bill by the end of month but it is looking likely that negotiations will continue into 2022.

Democrats will need the support of all 50 of their senators in order for the bill to pass under the budget reconciliation process. NDA members can take action and contact their Senators through the NDA Grassroots Action Center by clicking here.