LEGISLATIVE

The purpose of the Legislative program is to provide information and assistance to ALA members to advocate for the legislative agenda of The American Legion. Through lobbying efforts, The American Legion Family can influence legislation to benefit veterans, military, and their families, as well as our communities, the state and the nation.

The American Legion Family is non-partisan, and does not promote, support, or advance any party, candidate or policy but rather advocates solely for The American Legion's position on legislative issues on behalf of veterans and the military.

All members should be familiar with **The American Legion Legislative Agenda** available at <u>www.legion.org/legislative</u> regarding issues at the Federal level. They should also be familiar with Virginia's **Joint Leadership Council of Veterans Service Organizations** regarding issues at the State level.

Sign up for Legislative Alerts at <u>https://www.votervoice.net/AmericanLegion/Register</u> to receive notification when all Legion Family members are called on to take immediate action on a topic.

Additional Resources:

- To find contact information for your Representatives in the House and Senate, go to <u>https://www.votervoice.net/AmericanLegion/Address</u>
- To download a copy of the ALA Legislative Advocacy Guide, go to <u>https://www.legion-aux.org/Member/Guides/Advocacy-Guide</u>
- The American Legion Legislative Point Papers is available at https://www.legion.org/legislative/point-papers

Reminders:

- When representing the ALA in person, in a letter or via email, you are limited to advocating for the American Legion's legislative priorities.
- Remember that when representing the ALA, members are representing The American Legion Family.

Other

Join the ALA Legislative Facebook group and check the National ALA website frequently for updates.

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