

Your concerns matter!

Have a voice.



You can write to your legislators. A letter is a direct way to communicate with a state legislative office – and with your local lawmakers. Individually written letters, rather than mass generated form letters, make a greater impression.

Send your letter while the issue you are concerned about is still being discussed (called being “alive”).

Put your name, address, and phone number at the top of your letter.

Start your letter with “Honorable Senator (or) Representative (Name),”

Be specific. State your purpose for the letter in the first paragraph. If your letter pertains to a specific piece of legislation, be sure to give the bill’s full name and number, e.g. House Bill: HB #____, or Senate Bill: SB #_____.

State your position. Explain why you support or oppose this particular issue. **Keep in mind that giving personal and local examples of how the legislation will have an impact is very powerful.** Be courteous and to the point, and focus on one issue for each letter that you write.

Ask for a response. Indicate to your legislator that you would appreciate a reply containing his/her position on the issue.

To properly conclude your letter write “Sincerely” or “Respectfully” and then sign your name.

Follow up. If you agree with your legislator's vote, take the time to let him/her know that. Similarly, if you disagree with his or her vote, inform your legislator.

Remember....

you may also Email or Call your legislators using this same style of communication.

If calling, you may first want to write down your points to help you communicate more effectively.



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