

New Hampshire Municipal Association

2017 - 2018 Legislative Policy Process



We will post a legislative policy proposal form on our website in January, so you can send us your policy suggestions! Policy proposals may be submitted by a board or a local official from a member municipality.

It's hard to believe it is that time again! This coming Spring, NHMA will be starting its member-driven Legislative Policy Process to develop and adopt the policy positions staff will advocate during the 2017-2018 legislative biennium.

We will begin meeting in April 2016, and while it is difficult to focus on dates seemingly so far away, now is the time to think about possible policy ideas.

- Are there things about your municipal responsibilities that might work better with a legislative change?
- Could you do your job better if a statute were changed?
- Have you received citizen complaints that you couldn't address because you needed legislative authorization?
- Are there out-dated provisions in the laws that need to be modernized or streamlined?

The policy process involves three Legislative Policy Committees:

- General Administration and Governance
- Finance and Revenue
- Infrastructure, Development and Land Use.

These committees meet several times during April, May, and June to review policy proposals and to make policy recommendations for review by the NHMA Board of Directors and submission to the full NHMA membership for vote at the Legislative Policy Conference in September. The adopted policies guide NHMA's advocacy efforts in the 2017-2018 legislative session.

If you would like to serve on one of the policy committees, please email us at governmentaffairs@nhmunicipal.org. Please provide your name, municipality, position, and committee preference. Appointments are made by the NHMA Board.

Please see the NHMA web site for more information or call the Government Affairs Staff at 1-800-852-3358.