



Legislative Communications Tools

Below is a list of various ACCG communications tools that will help keep county officials informed and engaged during the legislative session.

Weekly Legislative Update:

- Distributed every Friday afternoon during the legislative session via email. The first issue of the 2021 Legislative Update will be distributed on Friday, January 15. If you do not receive the update, please email Schuyler Harding (sharding@accg.org) to be added to the mailing list.
- In the Legislative Update, bills are categorized as such:
 - **What's New** – new bills that have been introduced. You will not see these again unless they begin moving through the legislative process
 - **Progressing** – bills that are moving through the process and deserve your attention
 - **Immediate Action Needed** – bills that are at a critical stage in the process and immediate action is needed
- Bills are assigned one of the following ACCG positions:
 - **Support**
 - **Oppose**
 - **Neutral** – impacts counties but ACCG is not advocating for or against the issue
 - **Negotiating** – author of the bill has expressed a desire to work with ACCG to address our concerns
 - **Evaluating** – ACCG is researching the issue(s) to determine if it has an impact on counties and to what degree
 - Each bill has one ACCG lobbyist assigned to it as the point of contact. Feel free to contact them directly.

Virtual Legislative Update:

- Every Friday at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom – meeting details are shared via email.
- **Replay** – Those who are unable to attend the live webinar can access the recorded version in the Legislative Update newsletter, the [ACCG Facebook page](#), and from the homepage of the ACCG website.

Legislative Tracking Database:

- To access the tracking database on the ACCG website, visit <http://engagifiweb.com/accg/accg-legislative-tracking-database/>
- You can search for legislation based upon its bill number, topic, ACCG Committee or by the policy team member (lobbyist) assigned to that specific bill.
- You will not be able to provide comments or feedback in the system so please email your feedback directly to the ACCG lobbyist assigned to the bill.



Weekly Friday Lobbyist Meeting:

This year's weekly county lobbyists meetings will be hosted via Zoom every Friday at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude before noon. At these meetings, the policy team will go into greater detail about the progression of legislation and discuss behind-the-scenes strategy. ACCG Administrative and Policy Coordinator Tottianna Davis (tdavis@accg.org) will issue weekly reminders about the meeting. Please email her if you would like to be added to the distribution list.

Lastly, please be sure to review the [2021 ACCG Legislative Toolkit](#) to become familiar with this year's Policy Agenda. Contact information for the policy team, the association's lobbyists, may also be found in the Toolkit.