



Ensuring Your Voice is Heard and Needs are Addressed.

At the core of the Washington Technology Industry Association's advocacy and government affairs activities is a simple premise—support public policies that help the technology industry in Washington state grow and oppose those that hurt WTIA member interests. We've had enormous success on behalf of our members in shaping public policy that is favorable to the technology industry. From securing tax incentives for research and development to increasing the numbers of math and science graduates, the WTIA has been a forceful voice in Olympia and Washington D.C. to get results for our members.

ADVOCACY

Our Policy Priorities are:

A favorable business climate for the technology industry. This means getting involved in "business" issues, such as taxes, employment law, regulating the use of technology, regulating business practices or other areas that affect how a technology business can operate. This includes economic development and trade policies and legislation.

Improving the state's "intellectual capital". This covers various education issues, from K-12 math standards to degree granting capacity in the state's colleges and universities to work force training. This also includes promoting entrepreneurship in schools.

Building and maintaining critical infrastructure. This area covers the need for a robust and ubiquitous broadband infrastructure, wired and wireless. It also covers things like a healthy and functioning electricity grid and transportation infrastructure.

How to get involved:

Participate in our Government Affairs Blog. Visit our blog via our web site to stay current on issues facing the industry and to lend your voice to the discussion.

Join our Government Affairs Committee. For WTIA members only, this committee helps to shape the direction of WTIA's advocacy.

Give to our Political Action Committee. Contribute to the industry's best vehicle for expressing your opinion on critical public policy issues. A \$100 contribution allows you to be a member of the PAC committee that helps determine to whom we give political contributions.

To learn more about WTIA advocacy and government affairs visit:
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