



LEGISLATIVE

Bulletin 2

Continuing Support for Legislation Promoting Veterans' Rights

Supporting legislation that promotes veterans' rights is an essential commitment to honor those who have served our country. In the face of adversity and sometimes negative comments, it is crucial to remain steadfast and focused on the greater good that such laws provide to veterans and their families.

The Importance of Veterans' Rights Legislation

Veterans often face unique challenges upon returning to civilian life, including healthcare needs, employment issues, and access to education. Legislation designed to address these concerns ensures that veterans receive the benefits and support they deserve. By advocating for these laws, we help create a society that recognizes and repays the sacrifices made by our service members. Constructive dialogue and a focus on the positive outcomes of these laws—such as improved healthcare access, job training, and mental health support—can help keep the momentum going. Take for instance the recent testimony of Ryan Gallucci in Washington D.C. in the Senate Committee hearings on Veterans's Affairs, the hearing was entitled "Putting Veterans First: Is the Current VA Disability System Keeping Its Promise?" Gallucci stood up and challenged misconceptions that veterans have "too many benefits" he also opposed rampant abuse compared to other programs like Medicaid, Medicare, etc. Please see the auxiliary legislative page on the department website to watch his whole speech, I'm positive you will be impressed and proud! "Honor the contract"

How to Continue Supporting Legislation

- Stay Informed: Keep up to date with new and proposed legislation affecting veterans.
- Speak Out: Voice your support publicly and encourage others to do the same.
- Engage Lawmakers: Contact your representatives to express the importance of veterans' rights.
- Support Veteran Organizations: Collaborate with groups that advocate for veterans' well-being.
- Educate Others: Share information about the benefits and necessity of these laws with your community.
- Always refer to the Legislative Priorities flyer and stay focused and united on the same goals as the VFW.
- Sign up for VFW Action Corps and be ready to respond!

Legislation promoting veterans' rights is vital in building a more just and supportive society for those who have served. By continuing to support these efforts and looking past negativity, we can ensure that our veterans receive the respect and care they have earned. Let us unite in our ongoing commitment to this cause and help pave the way for improved lives for our nation's heroes.

As always, please don't forget to take action when you get the call, take a minute to add your name to the list that gets sent to all elected officials in your district, that means, both senators AND your national congressional representative. Please use **#AuxLegislative** when posting your legislative accomplishments, we want to spread the word and get our national ambassadors to notice us way over here in Washington. Please remember that the word Legislative means law and if you truly want to make a difference we all have to pay attention to the laws that are in place regarding veterans.



Please use the QR Code provided to sign up for Action Corps it is very important! Attached is also a list of our stats in our conference, which is the Western Conference, and that is particular to the state of Washington.... Very interesting and not bad, but we can do better. I do hope this spurs you all to sign up and respond.

Action Corps Tracking			Baseline Stats as of 7/1/2025			#####
Department	Conference	Divison	Subscribers	Participant	Percentage	Promotions
Alaska	Western	2	2981	4	0.13%	2
Arizona	Western	8	13924	71	0.51%	4
California	Western	9	31733	121	0.38%	1
Colorado	Western	6	8732	43	0.49%	3
Hawaii	Western	1	2533	17	0.67%	2
Idaho	Western	9	3442	20	0.58%	2
Kansas	Western	8	5841	31	0.53%	5
Montana	Western	2	2504	10	0.40%	2
Nevada	Western	1	4928	31	0.63%	2
New Mexico	Western	4	4028	17	0.42%	4
North Dakota	Western	2	1418	9	0.63%	1
Oregon	Western	5	7697	35	0.45%	5
Utah	Western	1	3060	12	0.39%	5
Washington	Western	7	14338	87	0.61%	2
Wyoming	Western	7	1349	13	0.96%	5
Totals	Western		108508	521	0.48%	

Thank you again for all of your wonderful work in all programs and continue to inspire, promote and support veterans rights.

Loyally,

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