

## Guidelines for the Legislative Affairs Committee

The function of this committee shall be: (1) to establish and maintain communication with the NSLHA Board and membership regarding legislative issues that have been determined to have an effect on our membership relative to speech, language, and hearing services; (2) establish lines of communication with members at local, state and national levels reflecting the views of our membership and the NSHLA Board regarding speech, language, and hearing legislation and issues. The membership of this committee shall consist of a minimum of three members, with the chair(s) appointed according to Executive Board policy.

- I. Purposes of the Committee
  - A. To increase involvement regarding legislation that affects the NSLHA membership.
  - B. Review legislation that will affect services that are provided by the membership.
  - C. Relay information to the Executive Board regarding legislative bills that may affect NSLHA membership.
  - D. Support issues and concerns related to speech, language, and hearing professionals in schools, clinics, hospitals, research facilities, industry and universities throughout the state of Nebraska.
  - E. To increase consumer awareness of legislation as it affects the recipients of NSLHA membership service providers.

### Nebraska Speech-Language and Hearing Association Deadlines for the Legislative Affairs Committee Example of 30-day session starting in January and going through April

January	*Attend Executive Board Meeting *Submit report for the February issue of <i>The Networker</i>
February	* Submit report for the March issue of <i>The Networker</i>
March	* Submit report for the Executive Board agenda * Submit report for the April issue of <i>The Networker</i>
April	* Attend Executive Board Meeting * Submit final report for the May issue of <i>The Networker</i>
May	*
June	* Submit items for the Executive Board agenda
July	* Attend Executive Board Meeting
August	* Write goals and achievements for Annual Business Meeting Book
September	* Submit items for the Executive Board agenda
October	* Attend Executive Board Meeting *Attend Transition Meeting in October or November *Up-date procedure manual
November	*
December	* Submit report for the Executive Board agenda *Check with Executive Administrator regarding contract with lobbying firm

**\*\*Please note calendar will depend on if it's a 60 or 90-day session\*\***