

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Section 2: Legislative Committee

- a. There shall be a standing committee of the Association called the Legislative Committee, consisting of the officers of the Association and 40 other persons, none of whom shall be members of the Board of Directors or alternates. The Legislative Committee shall be appointed by the president with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors, as follows: one member from each of the 40 legislative districts.
- b. The members of the committee shall be appointed so as to create, insofar as reasonably possible, the broadest representation of differing types of school districts, including, but limited to, regional districts, vocational districts, rural, suburban and urban districts and rapidly growing districts.
- c. The members of the Legislative Committee shall be appointed at the January meeting of the Board of Directors each year and shall serve a one-year term until their successors are appointed. Should a Legislative Committee member cease to be a member of a local board of education, he or she may serve on the Legislative Committee until the next succeeding meeting of the Board of Directors, and a successor shall be appointed in accordance with subsection "e" of this section.
- d. The vice president for legislation/resolutions shall serve as chairperson of the Legislative Committee.
- e. There shall be one alternate for each member, selected by the president, with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors, in the same manner as the member. The alternate shall act for the member in the absence of the member. Vacancies among the members of the committee shall be filled for the unexpired term by the president of the Association with the advice and consent of the Board of Directors. Until such vacancy is filled, the alternate shall serve as member.
- f. Twenty-one members or their alternates shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- g. The Legislative Committee shall analyze and adopt positions, consistent with Association policy, on state legislative proposals which affect district boards of education. The Legislative Committee shall encourage, promote and assist in the development of local, county and statewide legislative networks. Committee members shall be called upon to testify at meetings or hearings of the state Legislature and State Board of Education on issues affecting local boards and in support of the Association's policies. The Committee may initiate legislative policy recommendations for consideration by the Board of Directors.
- h. At its last meeting of each calendar year, the Legislative Committee shall adopt a legislative agenda and advocacy action plan, for the next calendar year, to be recommended to the Board of Directors for adoption.