

# Legislative Issues “HOW-TO”

**Stay updated on legislative issues affecting higher education:** As higher education professionals, remaining knowledgeable on legislative issues helps us advocate for our vocation. Our efforts support college accessibility as well as increase the health of Michigan’s economy. This document serves as your resource for legislative listservs and websites. Questions? Contact your Legislative Committee members at [www.macrao.org](http://www.macrao.org).

## Registering for Michigan legislative updates

Register for Michigan Legislative updates specific to higher education. It takes only a few minutes. Click [here](#).

- Select “Begin User Register” which is at the bottom.
- After you’ve registered, select “Notify” from the gray bar at the top.
- Then select your Notification Selection by clicking “Bill Activity by Categories” then “Higher Education.”

## Find active Michigan Bills by Category

Perhaps you’d like to search all bills currently on the floor or referred to a certain committee. You can search by category [here](#). Or search by [sponsor](#).

## Find your elected officials

Look up your elected officials and candidates (local and federal) simply [entering a zip code](#).

## AACRAO Legislative Site

The AACRAO Advocacy page is [here](#). You can also use the AACRAO site to search for [State of Michigan legislation](#).

## AASCU Policy and Legislative Updates

The [American Association of State Colleges and Universities \(AASCU\)](#) provides a variety of resources to stay updated on state and federal policies regarding higher education. [Subscribe](#) to headlines, policy briefings, and/or federal updates.

## Sign up for NACAC Legislative Action emails

The [NACAC Government Relations](#) group helps to keep you informed about legislative updates and opportunities to take action on issues that matter.

## Midwestern Higher Education Compact

The [Midwestern Higher Education Compact](#) provides higher education opportunities and services in the Midwestern region, with the aim of furthering regional access to states which are parties to the compact. Email: [mhec@mhec.org](mailto:mhec@mhec.org).

### Additional Resources:

<a href="#">Michigan House, find a representative</a>	<a href="#">Michigan Senate, find a senator</a>
<a href="#">Michigan Association of State Universities (MASU)</a>	<a href="#">Michigan Community College Association (MCCA)</a>
<a href="#">Michigan Colleges Alliances</a>	<a href="#">Michigan Independent Colleges &amp; Universities</a>
<a href="#">MACAC Government Relations</a>	

