

WA LIBRARY LEGISLATIVE DAY



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PREPARING FOR YOUR LIBRARY ADVOCACY

IDENTIFY LIBRARY BILLS



Visit <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billinfo/> to search by keywords (e.g. “libraries”) or specific bill numbers. See “Bill History” to see where a bill is in the legislature, who you need to speak with to keep the bill moving forward, and whether any of those individuals are your reps.

FIND YOUR REPS



Visit the State District Finder at <https://app.leg.wa.gov/DistrictFinder>, which will direct you to the email addresses for your district’s State Representatives and Senators. In the legislature, emails are always `firstname.lastname@leg.wa.gov`.

SCHEDULE MEETINGS



As soon as possible after registering, please contact any legislators with whom you would like to meet by calling or emailing the legislator's office. Visit wla.org/2023-library-legislative-day for a meeting request template.

PREPARE YOUR NARRATIVE



Statistics and data are compelling, but nothing is more impactful than your own story! Don't forget to include your ask: What exactly are you asking them to do with the bill? Visit wla.org/2023-library-legislative-day to find a video with more info and a template for developing your narrative.

ATTEND THE INTRO SESSION



Join us for our intro session at the Capitol Building on February 9, which will give you an overview of relevant bills, strategies to approach your meetings, and an opportunity to ask our legislative lobbyist questions before your appointments.

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RESOURCES AND INFORMATION