

#### **4.10.1.1 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE JOB DESCRIPTION**

**Committee Members:** Committee members are selected from volunteer forms submitted to the Association.

**Term:** Committee year shall be as defined in Article XIV, Section 2 of the Association bylaws. (one year total)

**Chair:** An appointee of the President shall serve as Chair.

**Meetings:** Committee meetings shall be at the call of the Chair, but shall be held at least quarterly.

**Attendance Requirements:** Any committee member missing two (2) regular or special meetings without excuse acceptable to the Chair or Vice Chair shall be removed from the committee (Ref. 1.1.1.8).

**Duties:** Statement of Philosophy

The Legislative Committee is responsible for all of our political activities in the local arena; which includes City Council meetings in both Reno and Sparks and any of their committees or sub-committees, also any activities in Washoe, Lyon or Storey counties; also but not limited to any community effort that would have an effect on real estate. The committee is to promote political awareness among the membership while promoting the ideals of homeownership and its special needs with the local politicians.

While the committee understands that taxes are necessary to run the government, any increase must be coordinated with strong and convincing evidence that any additional tax burden is required and in the best interest of the community.

##### Objective

1. To assist the leadership of the organization to become an effective force in the political committee of the Truckee Meadows area.
2. The committee, in concert with the Executive Officer and the Governmental Affairs Director (GAD) may work with other boards when issues cross into other areas. This is not limited to working with other REALTOR® organization, this coordination could be with the Homebuilders, the Chambers of Commerce or others groups that the committee and Board of Directors feels appropriate.
3. The committee is to be the Fundraising arm of the organization for the *Real Estate Business Protection Fund (REBPF)*. Also to give input and/or assistance when the leadership goes on the "Road Shows"
4. To interview candidates that, if elected, would have an impact on the real estate industry, its members or the owners of real property.
5. To monitor issues that may be considered by the city, county, state and national governments and their agencies.

6. To write articles in the newsletter, faxes, e-mails and any other method that will help educate the members on the issues that may affect their livelihood or their clients ability to own property.
7. Goals are set annually, within the objectives, to determine the priorities for the particular year. This needs to be done due to the election cycles of the different governments. Issues may have white papers done on them and if necessary sub-committees may be established from volunteers in the area of expertise.

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