

Friends Committee on National Legislation
Report to SAYMA Rep Meeting 144
March 14, 2020

In November 2019, all four of SAYMA's representatives to FCNL attended and participated in the annual meeting and Quaker Public Policy Institute. As your representatives to FCNL, we serve on the General Committee which acts as the principal decision-making body of the organization. We will be delivering a full report to SAYMA's annual gathering in June, but wanted to let meetings know about some important news.

At our business meeting, we approved a revision *The World We Seek: Statement of Legislative Policy*, using input from monthly meetings and Quaker organizations around the nation. The revised document can be found here: <https://www.fcnl.org/updates/the-world-we-seek-25>

FCNL is asking Friends from across the U.S. to help set legislative priorities for the 117th Congress (2021 – 2022). A distinctive feature of the Friends Committee on National Legislation is the practice of asking Quakers around the country to help focus the work of the organization. This input forms the foundation for the lobbying priorities that the General Committee will approve at its Annual Meeting in November of 2020. **Input from monthly meetings is due to FCNL by April 10, 2020.** Materials have been sent out to meeting clerks and contacts and are also available online at: <https://www.fcnl.org/updates/setting-legislative-priorities-2482>

We look forward to seeing you all in June.

Respectfully submitted,

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