

2021-2022 NC Council of Chapters Legislative Strategy

- **1. PURPOSE**. To seek enactment of legislation that is promilitary/veteran.
- **2.** <u>CONCEPT</u>. Organize NC MOAA into 2 Elements: Council Team & Chapter Legislative Team to begin operations after the November 2020 elections.
- a. <u>Council Team</u>: The Council will be led by the COC 1st Vice President. This team will focus on 2021 & 2022 Legislative Calendar & establish relationship with NC National Guard Adjutant General (TAG), NC Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (DMVA), and NC Veterans Council (NCVC).
- 1) Identify the bill numbers/bill language and House/Senate committees to which they are introduced. (We have agreed that we pick +/- 10 bills) to track.
- 2) Work with agencies above to develop military/veteran issues to be addressed in the 2021-2022 legislative session
- 3) Review pending 2020 veteran/military bills to insure they transition to the 2021 calendar.
- 4) Meet with Senate President & House Speaker Policy Advisors to put specific military/veteran legislation on "Fast Track."
- 5) Identify both Senate/House legislative principals to insure introduction of military friendly legislative bills.
- 6) Identify both Senate/House sponsoring Committee Chairs/Members and the bills with bill numbers.
- 7) Develop Point Papers for use by Council Team & Chapter Legislative Teams in communicating with legislators.
- 8) Attend both Senate/House Committee meetings as Council of Chapters (COC) resources permit.



9) Provide guidance/support to Chapter Legislative Teams in their advocacy efforts with bill sponsoring/bill supporting legislators.

b. <u>Chapter Legislative Team</u>: Focus on 2021 Legislative Calendar by subscribing to <u>www.ncleg.gov</u> North Carolina House and Senate Committee Meeting Notice and Bill Sponsor Notifications.

1) Develop a working knowledge in using <u>www.ncleg.gov</u> bill identification and bill tracking tools.

2) Identify and collect contact information regarding Senators/House legislators in your district following 2020 election.

3) Meet/brief your Legislators on bills supporting military/veteran issues.

4) Invite your Legislators to Chapter meetings.

5) Contact your legislators to support specific bills provided by Council Team.

6) keep Council Team apprised of your legislative activity.

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