

**Report of the Government Relations Committee  
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The NSEA Government Relations Committee held Zoom meetings in October, January and March. The October meeting focused on editing questionnaires for gubernatorial, legislative, State Board of Education, and Board of Regents races in 2022. Interim studies and redistricting were also discussed. In January, the Committee heard the status of various bills and hearings monitored by NSEA. The Committee forwarded a draft "Guidelines for Official NSEA Bill Position When an Affiliate is in Opposition" to the NSEA Bylaws and Policy Committee. Another focus of the Committee has been looking ahead to the 2022 local and statewide elections. Each GRC meeting featured an Elections 2022 update. Following NSEA recommendation guidelines, candidates must fill out a questionnaire on education issues and be interviewed by NSEA members. Following approval, candidate recommendations will be in the VOICE and other communications. Many committee members chaired and served on interview committees. We would encourage NSEA members to stay informed about legislation affecting education and opportunities for activism by receiving the weekly Capitol Update email. Sign up at <https://www.nsea.org/subscriber>. The valuable information you receive will keep you informed about education-related issues coming before the Legislature.