



Beginner's ADVOCACY GUIDE

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FIND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE

Figure out who represents you in the Georgia House and Senate! There are plenty of online tools to search. Or, go the old-fashioned way and call the Capitol.

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PICK AN ISSUE

You can't fix everything yourself. Choose one or two issues on which you can focus your energy. The more personal contact you have with the issue, the better.

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RESEARCH LEGISLATION

Find out what bills are relevant to your issue. Nonprofits often have resources about which bills affect them. There is also an online legislation tracker at legis.ga.gov

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CONTACT YOUR REP'S

Email, call, write letters - whatever you prefer! Let your legislators know how you feel about the issues you've chosen and how you want them to vote on particular bills.

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BE PERSISTENT

Continue to contact your representatives throughout the year! They will come to know you and be more willing to have conversations with you.

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TELL YOUR FRIENDS

Don't do this alone! Let your friends and family know what you're doing and encourage them to get involved too!