



2019-2020 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

The Michigan Chamber's legislative priorities were developed by the Chamber's three policy advisory committees and approved by the Chamber's Board of Directors. These legislative priorities will be used to focus lawmakers' attention on public policy initiatives to encourage job creation and business success. For a complete list of the Chamber's priorities visit michamber.com/priorities.



EDUCATION & WORKFORCE READINESS

- Support efforts to narrow the skills gap and increase workforce and post-secondary readiness.
- Support initiatives to increase student achievement by rethinking how students learn and teachers teach.



EMPLOYER RIGHTS

- Support the right of employers of all sizes to manage their workplaces free of undue interference by local, state and federal governments.
- Oppose efforts to increase the state's minimum wage and/or expand Michigan's paid sick leave law.



ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

- Work cooperatively with electric utilities and customers to enact legislation that will reduce utility electric rates without subsidies or rate shifts.
- Enact legislation to provide clarity on how state agencies identify emerging contaminants, develop screening levels, guidance and implement action plans for testing and remediation.



HEALTH CARE

- Support state and federal efforts that enable employers to provide cost-effective health care benefits.
- Oppose taxes on health insurance claims and premiums as well as health insurance benefit and cost mandates.



INFRASTRUCTURE

- Encourage the Governor and Legislature to work together on a legislative solution to improve Michigan's roads and bridges.
- Support modernization of the Soo Locks.



LEGAL REFORM

- Support reforms to Michigan's auto insurance system to drive down Michigan's highest-in-the-nation auto insurance costs.
- Oppose efforts to expand the types of claims that can be filed against Michigan job providers.



TAX POLICY

- Oppose efforts to expand or increase Michigan's Corporate and Personal Income taxes.
- Oppose expansion of Sales & Use taxes and/or local excise taxes.