

How to Advocate for a Bill

- Meet face to face with your legislator if possible
- Call—if the legislator doesn't answer leave a detailed message about your position. Be sure to include your name, phone number & where you live
- Write a letter stating your position and why
- Email—again state your position, reasons and your contact information
- Write an editorial to your local newspaper
- Obtain and send a letter of support from groups that support/oppose bill
- Testify before committee--either at the Capitol or Remotely
 - Remote—must register online www.leg.colorado.gov ; click on Committees, drop down box, at bottom click on Remote Testimony Signup

Whether you are meeting face to face, calling or writing a letter or email, include the following:

Dear Representative or Senator _____,

- **Your position on the bill.** *I urge (or we urge) you to vote yes (or no) on HB19-____ or SB19 ____ In an email write this on the subject line also.*
- **Who you are and the county or city where you live.** *A note about who you are: My family and I ranch in Las Animas County. Or My family and I live and work in La Junta, Colorado and are very concerned about _____.*
- **A reason or two why you support the bill or oppose the bill.**
- **Thank them for their time and attention to this bill.**
- **Thank them for taking time to serve you at the Capitol.**

“Keep it short and to the point” says Representative Kimmi Lewis, Kim, Colorado

Need a little help getting started—contact Julie at SCLA via email:
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