

How to Participate Remotely



2021 Standing Committees

As part of the South Dakota Legislature's COVID-19 protocols to keep the Session open, in addition to testifying in person, testifiers may appear electronically either by audio or video through the use of Microsoft Teams. People wishing to speak may also submit reference materials electronically for viewing by committee members. People wishing to just listen to the live meeting may click the [🔊](#) or visit SD.net.

Remote Testimony

If you wish to testify before the committee remotely, please submit your request to the Committee Chair at least 24 hours before the start of the committee meeting at which you would like to speak. (JR 7-28)

To submit request to the Committee Chair, send an email to the committee email address provided in this document. Include the following information:

- a. **Name:** Your first and last name
- b. **City of Residence:** Your city of residence
- c. **Representing:** For those testifying as a registered lobbyist, please indicate you are a registered lobbyist and include the organization whom you represent. For all other persons wishing to testify, please state that you are representing "self".
- d. **Bill Number:** Bill number you wish to address
- e. **Proponent or Opponent:** Whether you are a proponent (for) or opponent (against) of the bill
- f. **Meeting Date:** Date of the meeting during which your bill will be heard

Proposed handouts and reference materials may be attached to the email as Word documents or PDF's.

Due to time restrictions, the committee may not be able to take your verbal testimony. You are welcome to submit written testimony that will be shared with the committee.

Testifiers who are approved by the Committee Chair to join the meeting remotely will receive a Microsoft Teams invitation to the committee meeting. During the meeting, the Committee Chair will call on you by name at the appropriate time to offer your comments. (See [Microsoft Teams for Committee Testifiers](#))

Written Testimony

Written testimony is welcome. You may provide written testimony by submitting a request to the Committee Chair prior to the start of the meeting for which the bill is scheduled.

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Committee Emails

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House Committee on Appropriations	houseapprops@sdlegislature.gov
Joint Committee on Appropriations	appropriations@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Committee on Appropriations	senateapprops@sdlegislature.gov
House Education	houseed@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Education	senateed@sdlegislature.gov
House Government Operations and Audit	housegoac@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Government Operations and Audit	senategoac@sdlegislature.gov
House Health and Human Services	househealth@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Health and Human Services	senatehealth@sdlegislature.gov
House Judiciary	housejudiciary@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Judiciary	senatejudiciary@sdlegislature.gov
House Legislative Procedure	houselegisprocedure@sdlegislature.gov
Joint Legislative Procedure	jointlegisprocedure@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Legislative Procedure	senatelegisprocedre@sdlegislature.gov
House Local Government	houselocalgov@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Local Government	senatelocalgov@sdlegislature.gov
House Military and Veterans Affairs	housemilitary@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Military and Veterans Affairs	senatemilitary@sdlegislature.gov
House Retirement Laws	houseretirement@sdlegislature.gov
Senate Retirement Laws	senateretirement@sdlegislature.gov
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House Taxation	houselaxation@sdlegislature.gov
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