2025/2026 Legislative Tasks Calendar

July 2025

- Attend Workshop Friday, July 25 & Saturday, July 26, 2025
- Identify at least one US House Representative and at least 1 Florida State Senator or Representative target and track for the year..
- Research the representative through this link, <u>Contact Your Elected Officials Division of Elections Florida Department of State</u> Start a file including contact information, web site, email, phone numbers, address of home office, birthday, reelection information, affiliations
- Email or call legislative@alafl.org with the names.

August 2025

- Invite all of your members to sign up to https://www.votervoice.net/AmericanLegion/home
- Bring a laptop to your meeting and help members sign up.
- Attend American Legion National Convention August 22-28, 2025
- Invite a legislator to your August meeting
- OR schedule an appointment with your legislator at his/her local office.
- Brief your members and have on hand fact sheets and information.
- Follow up with Thank you card
- Provide legislative information at one tabling event

September 2025

- Contact the legislator and ask if they will a)co-sponsor the legislation b) support the legislation c) if they need more information on the legislation
- Gather testimony from members.
- Remind membership of voting registration deadlines

October 2025

- If your legislator is up for re-election offer assistance. Ex 1 night of phone banking, placing signs, or distributing literature. You may do this as an individual but not as a representative of the ALA
- OR attend one Town Hall meeting or election related event
- Contact local Registrar and volunteer to work polls on Election Day OR organize rides to the polls
- Remind membership to vote in November

November 2025

- Attend Fall Conference November 21 23, 2025 | Caribe Royale Orlando
- Send out an email or telephone reminder to members to vote.
- VOTE

- Send a congratulations card to winning legislators EVEN if it is not one you supported. (newly elected officials are often eager to sponsor and support legislation)
- Contact selected legislators and ask again if further information is needed to support our legislation and remind them of our upcoming legislation

December 2025

- Make sure you <u>legislative@alafl.org</u> with names of legislators and let Linda know if they will co-sponsor and/or support legislation. Make sure you report any legislators that do not support and why.
- Send Linda testimony and report forms notating members that are able and willing to testify if needed.
- Send your legislator a greeting card

January 2026

- Florida Legislative Session starts January 13th
- Write one article for the local media endorsing our legislation.
- Look for Action Alerts from Legislative Chair. Action Alerts should be forwarded to all members and non-members that support veterans' rights.
- Conduct basic legislation training for membership
- Ask your legislator for support on proposed legislation
- Send legislator and provide membership with updated Fact Sheets with Bill numbers

February 2026

- Ask members to contact legislators to remind them of their support and ask for their vote.
- Respond to all Action Alerts and forward to all contacts
- Attend legislative function (details to follow)
- Attend committee hearing and/or report committee hearing information to members

March 2026

- Contact the legislator and thank them for their support.
- Respond to all Action Alerts and forward to all contacts
- Keep membership informed as to the status of our bills
- Inform local community of pending legislation and make available Fact Sheets.
- Work on Legislative Report

April 2026

- Submit report, Unit reports send to District Legislative Chair
- Final push for legislation
- Article to local media on passage of legislation