

NGIA Political Action Committee (PAC)



Representing retailers,
warehouses, vendors,
tobacco stamping agents &
manufacturers

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Invest in the NGIA's Political Action Committee

NGIA develops a legislative agenda every year prior to the start of the Legislative session. This serves as the general guideline on key issues that the Legislature may address. NGIA reviews more than 500 bills that are introduced each session to assess their impact on the food industry and determines if a bill has a positive or negative impact. A position and strategy is then developed.

Why should I contribute to the NGIA's Political Action Committee?

NGIA sustains a Political Action Committee (PAC) which accepts both personal and corporate contributions. Contributions are made to candidates that support our industry. As a result of our ability to make contributions we can ensure the food industry in Nebraska is strong and continues to thrive.

Examples of past legislative wins by NGIA:

TAXES:

- ✓ Occupation Taxes – prohibit a city, town or municipality from assessing a local occupation tax on fuel, alcohol, tobacco, and food.
- ✓ Defeated an attempt to assess a sales tax on candy, soft drinks and bottled water.
- ✓ Defeated an attempt to increase the excise tax on tobacco products.
- ✓ Defeated an attempt to increase the excise tax on beer and other alcoholic beverages.
- ✓ Defeated an attempt to increase the state sales tax rate.

LABOR ISSUES:

- ✓ Defeated an attempt to mandate paid leave for full and part time employees.
- ✓ Defeated an attempt to create a state family medical leave program.
- ✓ Successfully worked to reform Unemployment that resulted in lower rates statewide.
- ✓ Assisted in passing changes in unemployment to reduce benefits if the employee left work voluntarily without good cause.
- ✓ Defeated attempt to add mental injury as a compensable work comp injury.

REGULATORY ISSUES:

- ✓ Worked with NE Dept. of Revenue to stop confiscation of cigarettes at retail level.
- ✓ Successfully opposed an attempt to add tare to the cash register receipt of all random weight packages.
- ✓ Worked with NE Liquor Control Commission to determine proper use of an SDL.
- ✓ Worked to develop the Nebraska Pure Food Act to promote food safety across the state.
- ✓ Defeated an attempt to allow food prepared in an uninspected kitchen to be sold at retail.
- ✓ Successfully worked with WIC to implement an Advisory Board on which retailers hold positions.



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Invest in NGIA's **Political Action Committee (PAC)**

NGIA serves as the eyes, ears, and feet on the ground in the state capitol for members of the food industry.

NGIA is monitoring legislation, watching agency activities and engaging in the legislative process on a daily basis to prevent costly legislation and burdensome regulations from being imposed on our industry. NGIA's Political Action Committee (PAC) has a high return on investment and has resulted in hundreds of legislative victories over the years, saving our industry millions of dollars and cutting red tape.

THIS IS NOT ENOUGH

It is critical that NGIA maintains a strong political arm as well as ensuring the right candidates are elected. A strong government affairs program coupled with a solid political action committee (PAC) ensures success.



Please Consider Making a Financial Contribution Today!

WHY SHOULD I CONTRIBUTE?

- ✓ Contributions to NGIA’s PAC will enhance the overall government affairs program. This benefits retailers, warehouses, manufacturers, tobacco stamping agents & the vendor community by ensuring that the food industry thrives and survives in our highly political and regulated environment.
- ✓ NGIA provides legislative representation throughout the year. As interim studies take place and ideas are discussed, NGIA is at the table representing the food industry. We meet individually with legislators, attend and testify at committee hearings, and engage members to advocate on behalf of the industry.
- ✓ NGIA regularly communicates with members by utilizing a weekly legislative conference call, by sending out legislative alerts as needed on specific issues, and by recapping issues in The Voice of the Nebraska Grocery Industry Magazine.
- ✓ NGIA discusses industry issues with new legislative candidates prior to the General election in November. Term limits make vetting candidates even more important than ever before. Nearly one third of the legislature turns over every two years. NGIA visits with newly elected State Senators to inform them of our positions on various issues and to promote the food industry to those who pass laws that impact our members lives every day.

Your NGIA PAC Fund must be replenished to build on previous successes.

Voluntary Contribution to NGIA PAC Fund

_____ \$ 50

_____ \$100

_____ \$250

_____ \$500

_____ \$1000

_____ \$ _____

Contributions to the NGIA PAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Corporate and personal contributions by members and member employees are permitted under state law.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NGIA PAC

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