

*Lifting Your Voices:
LRHA's Advocacy Program*

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OVERVIEW

- Recent legislative and policy changes that impact rural providers
- LRHA's 2022 advocacy activities
- Anticipated 2023 legislative and policy activity
- How members can get involved in LRHA's advocacy work



STATE POLICY BY THE NUMBERS

- [Legislative session](#) March 14, 2022, to June 6, 2022, (85 days)
- 1,582 bills; 718 resolutions; and 42 constitutional amendments
- 268 health care bills (137 House and 131 Senate)
- 776 bills passed into law



LRHA STATE LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

- Health Disparities in Rural Areas Task Force (HCR 44)
- Office of Women's Health (HB 90/ SB 116)
- MCO Prepayment Review (SB 59)
- Nurse Practitioner Collaborative Practice Agreement



LRHA FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

- Coordination with NRHA and Other Stakeholders
- Rural Emergency Hospital Rule Comment letter
- OPPS Rule Comment Letter
- American Rescue Plan Advocacy
- Meeting with CMS Leadership



WHAT'S NEXT?

- State Rural Health Day
- Health and Wellness Committee Hearing
- Meetings with legislative stakeholders



Questions?

