

*Update from LSLA's Government Relations Team at
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Legislative Update: HB 361 Surplus Line Tax Increase!

The 2019 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature will convene at noon on Monday, April 8, 2019. Rep. Edmond Jordan has filed HB 361 which provides for an additional premium tax on surplus lines coverage that includes fire loss or damage. This legislation would raise the current surplus lines tax, making Louisiana the highest taxed surplus lines market in the country.

To see a copy of the HB 361, click [here!](#)

The bill has been referred to the House Ways & Means Committee. Please take a moment to reach out to members of the House Ways and Means Committee to express your opposition to this legislation. You can find a list of members of the House Ways and Means Committee with all of their contact information by clicking [here!](#)

Find Your Legislators



What to Expect

Over the coming months of Regular Session, we will keep you informed on any measures that may impact your profession. Your engagement in the legislative process is vital to building a trusted presence across the state. Please be on the lookout for our Legislative Updates and Legislative Alerts.

UPDATES

These communications will provide you with the most up-to-date information that is important to the association but does not require immediate action.

ALERTS

These communications are time sensitive. Alerts should cue you to stop what you are doing, read, and take the advised action. These will most likely be sent in advance of a vote or some other important step in the legislative process. Remember to STOP, READ & ACT!

Get Involved

There are a number of ways to get involved in the legislative process!

Stay Informed

Life gets busy, but you must take the time to stay informed about issues affecting your profession. Things happen very quickly at the Capitol. Stay on top of our emails and the actions requested in each. Utilize the State Legislature's great, free tracking tool MyLegis. You can track up to 50 measures and receive updates on any actions taken on those instruments. To sign up, go to www.legis.la.gov and click "Sign Up" in the upper right corner.

Know Your Legislators

The very best action you can take is to get to know your legislators. They want to know their constituents. If you have not met your legislators, take the time now to squeeze in a meeting with them. One great way to accomplish that is to ...

Visit the Capitol!

While we advise meetings or visits in your district, legislators spend so much of their time at the Capitol. Call their legislative aide before you head over to get a feel for their schedule.



Discuss Your Issues

Don't be shy about discussing issues with your colleagues and legislators. Become a resource to your legislator by informing them on particular issues.

Meet Your Government Relations Team



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