



# Chapter Legislative Representative Meeting

## January 29, 2024

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## Agenda

- APIC's role in advocacy
- Role of a CLR
- Provide information about the legislative process



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# **APIC Legislative Advocacy**

## Types of Legislative Advocacy



Coalition  
letters



APIC led letters



Position  
statements



One-Pagers



Supporting  
Legislation



Constituent  
Letters



Constituent  
Meetings

## The Process



**Staff reviews letters and legislation for consistency with APIC Strategic Framework and previous positions**



**APIC Public Policy Committee reviews such letters and legislation and votes for support or opposition.**



**APIC signs letter/statement of support and promotes through available channels**

## Coalition Letters



**COALITION *for* HEALTH FUNDING**



## APIC Lead Advocacy

- Annual funding priorities and testimony to the US House and Senate Appropriations Committees.
- Requests for Information by Members of Congress and Committees
- Joint Statements
- Letters supporting legislation
- Action Alerts

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**Testimony of the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) to the U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies (LHHS) on Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

(HHS)

March 23, 2023

The Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) urge appropriators to prioritize investments in the following federal programs:

LHHS Programs	Agency	FY 2024 Funding Request
National Healthcare Safety Network	CDC	\$80 million
Bio-preparedness Workforce Pilot Program	HRSA	\$50 million
Antibiotic Resistance Solutions	CDC	\$400 million

# Virtual Meetings



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FY 2024  
Appropriations



Certification is a  
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# **Role of Chapter Legislative Representatives (CLR)**

## CLR are the eyes, ears and arms of the Government Affairs team

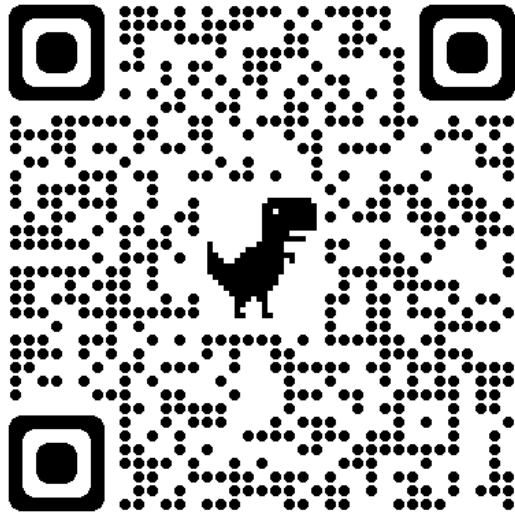
1. CLR provide updates to chapters
  - Monthly meeting
2. CLR help staff identify trends in the states
  - Using state legislative tracking reports
3. CLR also help identify member issues
4. Recruit and engage members in advocacy
  - Lead lobby days
  - Invite legislators to chapter meetings



## CLR Tools

- Monthly calls
  - Receive Updates
  - Provide Feedback
  - Ask Questions
- MyAPIC Community
- APIC Government Affairs website
  - State map
  - One-Pagers
  - Toolkits
  - Action Alerts
- APIC staff
- APIC Members
- Annual Conference Meeting

**Sign up for the Action EList**



**Become an APIC Virtual Advocate**



# Virtual Meetings



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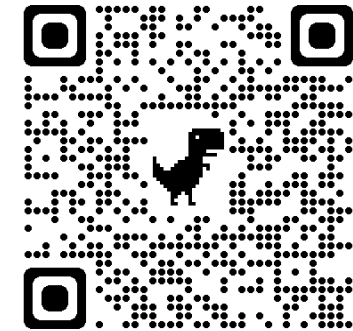
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# Pre-written Federal Invitation



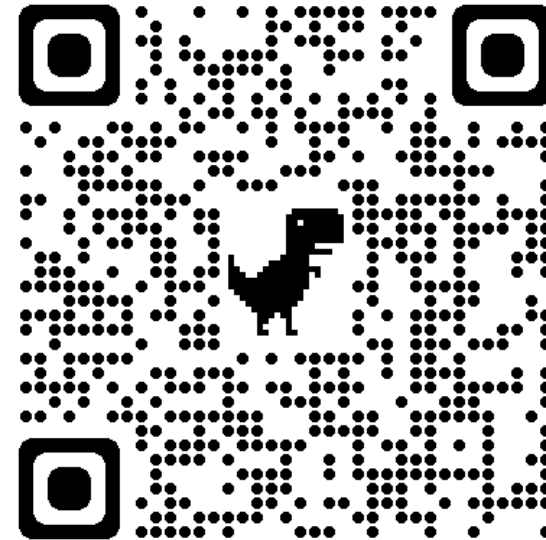
Use this invite to ask Members of Congress or their staff to virtually attend a meeting.



# Pre-written State Invitation



Use this invite to ask state legislators and their staff to attend a meeting.

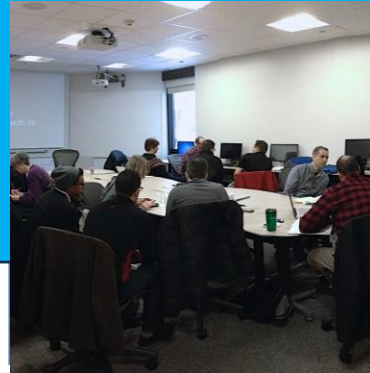


# General Types of Virtual Meetings



## Individual/Small Group

- Very common
- Usually require a constituent to initiate



## Chapter Meeting

- Becoming much more common
- Recommend one point of contact from chapter doing outreach



## Townhall

- Can be phone or zoom
- Growing in prevalence



## Pre-recorded

- Some legislators will send a pre-recorded message
- Staff person may be present



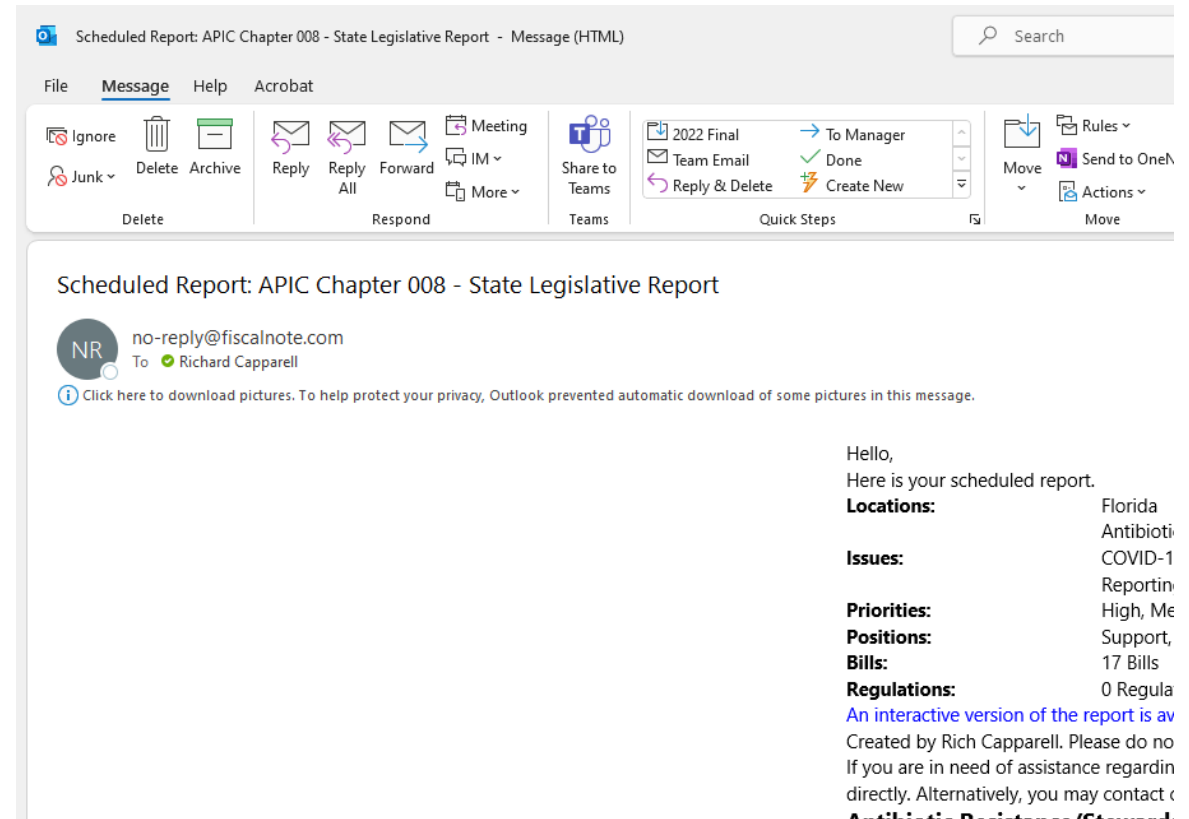
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## State Reports



- Subject line: Scheduled Report: APIC Chapter XXX - State Legislative Report
- Emails come from [no-reply@fiscalnote.com](mailto:no-reply@fiscalnote.com)
  - Do not reply to the email with questions
- If you have questions or your have information on a bill please email [legislation@apic.org](mailto:legislation@apic.org), Rosha at [rchowdhury@apic.org](mailto:rchowdhury@apic.org), or Rich at [rcapparell@apic.org](mailto:rcapparell@apic.org).



# State Reports

- Locations should reflect states covered by your chapters
- Issues are categories we use to sort bills
- Several fields appear in reports but aren't extensively used: Priorities, Positions, and Regulations

Hello,

Here is your scheduled report.

**Locations:** Maryland  
Antibiotic Resistance/Stewardship, Certification/Credentialing,  
**Issues:** COVID-19, Infection Control Programs, Miscellaneous,  
Reporting Requirements, Vaccines  
**Priorities:** High, Medium, Low, None  
**Positions:** Support, Monitor, Oppose, None  
**Bills:** 10 Bills  
**Regulations:** 0 Regulations

[An interactive version of the report is available here.](#)

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## **Antibiotic Resistance/Stewardship Bills**

## **Certification/Credentialing Bills**

## **Miscellaneous Bills**

Bill ID:	<a href="#">MD SB 518</a>
Location:	Maryland

## State Reports

### Infection Control Programs Bills

Bill ID:	<a href="#">FL HB 9217</a>
Location:	Florida
Title:	Broward Health - Healthcare Associated Infections Reduction Pilot Program
Description:	Provides an appropriation for the Broward Health - Healthcare Associated Infections Reduction Pilot Program.
Status:	Failed
Last Action:	Vetoed by Governor; See HB 5001 (line item 508). June 02, 2022
Introduction Date:	December 29, 2021
Priority:	None
Position:	None
Labels:	--
Issues:	--

### FL HB 9217

Vetoed | Last Action: Jun 2, 2022

Overview Documents Whipboard

#### Basic Information

TITLE	Broward Health - Healthcare Associated Infections Reduction Pilot Program
DESCRIPTION	Provides an appropriation for the Broward Health - Healthcare Associated Infections Reduction Pilot Program.
CATEGORIES	Budget, Health
BILL SUMMARY	No summary provided
MOST RECENT VERSION	<a href="#">Original Filed Version</a>
LINK TO WEBSITE	<a href="https://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Bills/billsdetail.aspx?BillId=75881">https://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Bills/billsdetail.aspx?BillId=75881</a>

#### Chamber and Session Information

SESSION DATES	Jan 11, 2022 - Mar 14, 2022
SESSION	Regular Session 2022
CHAMBER	FL House
CHAMBER CONTROL	Republican (R)

#### Sponsors and Cosponsors

PRIMARY SPONSORS	<b>Clay Yarborough (R)</b>
BREAKDOWN	1 Republican

#### FN Outlook

Compared to other bills in Florida, this bill is **much more likely** to pass.

We calculated this based on the strength of the bill sponsor, the language in the bill, and the network of the cosponsors.

- ↑ Clay Yarborough is one of the most effective legislators in this chamber.
- ↑ Clay Yarborough is on the Subcommittee on Health Care.
- ↑ All sponsors are in the majority party.

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#### Committee Assignments and Scheduled Hearings and Markups

Committee Assignments Upcoming Events Past Events

Committee

Chair

#### Timeline

Current Status of FL HB 9217: **Vetoed**

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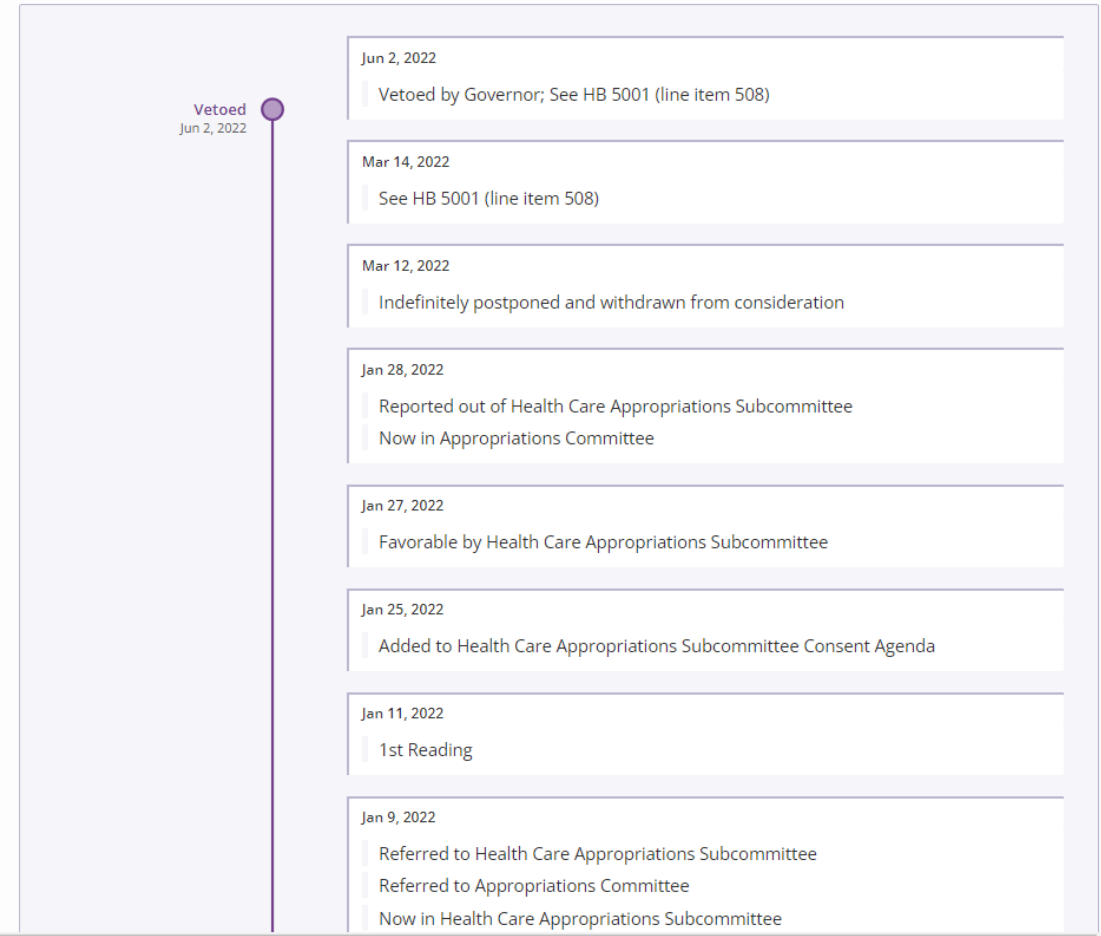
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Committee	Chair
FL House House Appropriations Committee	Jay N. Trumbull Jr.
FL House House Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee	Bryan Avila

### Timeline

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- Jun 2, 2022**  
Vetoed by Governor; See HB 5001 (line item 508)
- Mar 14, 2022**  
See HB 5001 (line item 508)
- Mar 12, 2022**  
Indefinitely postponed and withdrawn from consideration
- Jan 28, 2022**  
Reported out of Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee  
Now in Appropriations Committee
- Jan 27, 2022**  
Favorable by Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee
- Jan 25, 2022**  
Added to Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee Consent Agenda
- Jan 11, 2022**  
1st Reading
- Jan 9, 2022**  
Referred to Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee  
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Now in Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee

# Legislative Background

## Authorization vs Appropriation

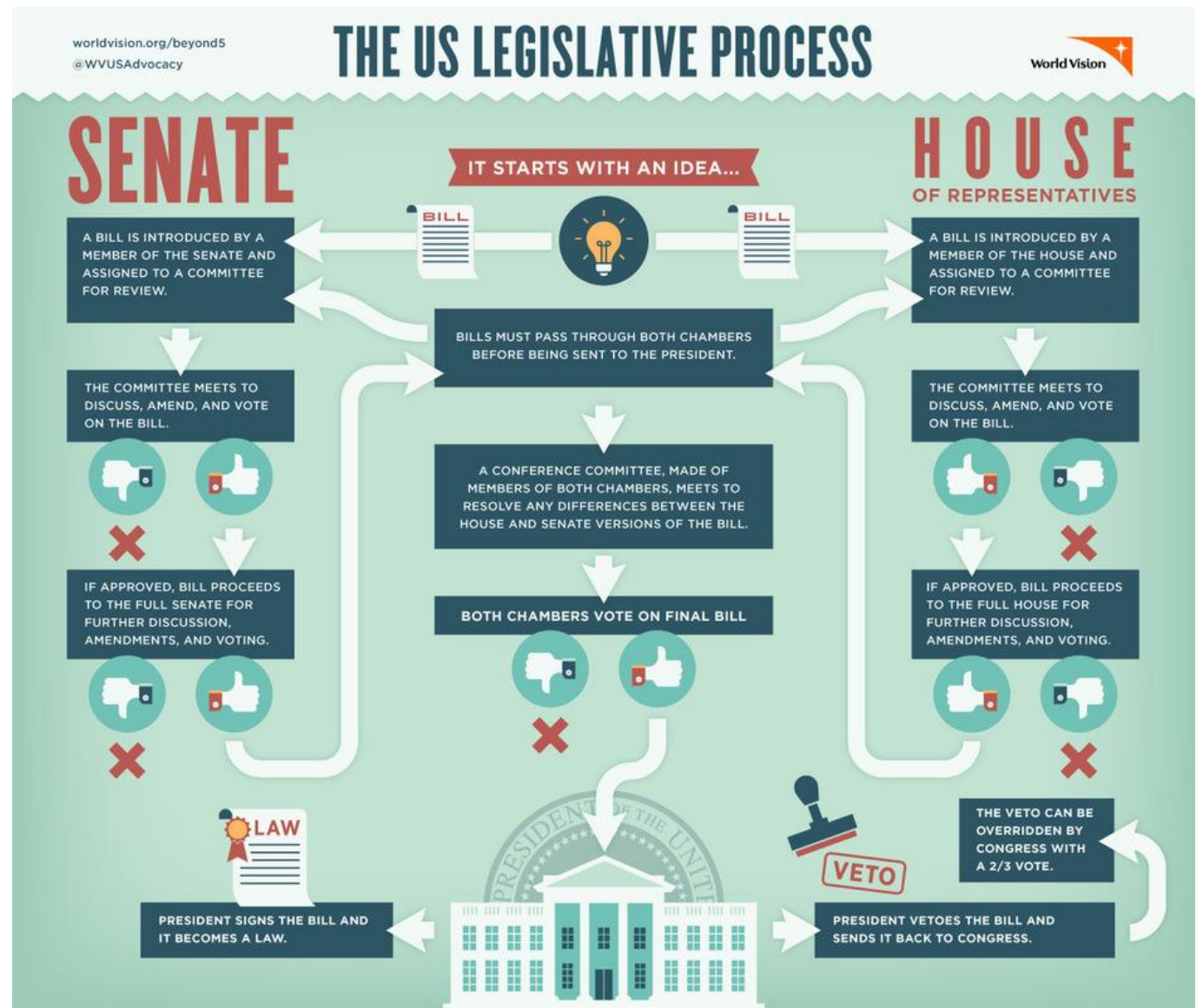
### Authorization

- “Authorizations” are done by Congress via legislation that “can establish, continue, or modify an agency, program, or activity for a fixed or indefinite period of time,” per the Congressional Research Service.

### Appropriation

- “Appropriations” are done by Congress via legislation that authorizes agencies to make payments from the federal Treasury (i.e. it allows them to spend the money that had previously been authorized). 12 individual appropriations bills are supposed to be passed each year.

- Generally this is how most state legislatures work as well
- Overriding a Governor's veto can vary by state rules
- State Bills move much faster than federal bills





## The 5 Step Federal Budget Process



1.

The President submits a **budget request** to Congress.



2.

Lawmakers release their own budget plans and set overall spending levels with a **budget resolution**.



3.

House and Senate subcommittees set funding for each program through **appropriations bills**.



4.

House and Senate members come together to **resolve differences** in their appropriations bills.



5.

The budget returns to the President for his signature before it **becomes law**.



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**Questions?**