

General Assembly:
Sources of Information

Online Legislature:
<http://legis.state.va.us>

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<http://leg1.state.va.us>

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The League of Women Voters of Virginia is a nonpartisan volunteer political organization. We never endorse or support candidates.

We have many local League groups active in communities throughout the Commonwealth.

We encourage the informed and active participation in government.

We work to increase the understanding of major public policy issues through study and deliberation.

We influence public policy through education and advocacy.

We invite you to join the League today.

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Women's Legislative



Roundtable

A Forum for all
Virginians & Legislators

Wednesday mornings during
the session
General Assembly Building
Senate Room 3 West

8:30 AM to 9:30 AM
Moderated by



**The League of Women Voters
of Virginia**

What We Do:

We provide a non-partisan forum for the discussion of public policy issues and the legislation to address them.

Why We Do It:

As a non-partisan group, we can be a forum for citizens to learn about issues that state legislators are addressing in the General Assembly.

We provide the opportunity for citizens to learn about what is happening at the legislature during the General Assembly session.

How We Do It:

Invite legislators of all parties to speak about and explain pending legislation.

We allow non-profit groups to speak about issues that they are tracking and advocating.

League of Women Voters of Virginia rules for the Women's Legislative Roundtable (WRT) are that:

- the WRT be a forum for the exchange of information;
- the WRT be inclusive of every interested woman in the state;
- the WRT not advocate specific action on any issue, but alert participants to the facts of pending legislation affecting women with information on the possible impact;
- the WRT involve as many Virginia Delegates and Senators as possible; and
- a sitting Senator or Delegate sponsor the WRT so that we may reserve a room in the General Assembly building and be listed on the day's calendar.

History

A few women of Virginia had a vision of equal justice for the women of our state. The 1970's was the International Decade of the Woman, and many of our female leaders were involved in the effort to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment.

Much work had been done by the League of Women Voters to educate women of the unfairness of Virginia laws to women. In 1980, the female state legislators were looking to form an organization to educate and equip women to be more effective in changing the laws. The League was uniquely positioned to take on the task. Our leaders agreed to become the moderators of this weekly forum during the General Assembly session. The first Women's Legislative Roundtable was convened in January 1981.