



Washington Fire Chiefs

2021 Legislative Priorities

- **COVID-19-Related Proposals**
 - Monitor Opportunities for COVID-Related Financial Support to Fire Districts and RFAs (both State and Federal CARES Act)
 - Monitor Impacts of EMS Recertification Delays
 - Monitor Impacts of COVID-Related Mitigation Requirements on Fire Personnel
 - Monitor Options Regarding COVID-19 as a Presumptive Occupational Disease
- **Police Accountability Proposals**
 - Monitor Impacts of Changes to Qualified Immunity for First Responders
 - Monitor Impacts of Changes to Collective Bargaining Agreements
 - Monitor Impacts of Changes that Impact 911 Call Centers
 - Monitor Impacts of Law Enforcement Duties on Scene Security for Fire/EMS Response
- **General Operations/Policy Proposals**
 - Explore Incentive Options for Ongoing Regionalization Efforts (example: benefit charge authority, etc.)
 - Early Deployment/Pre-Positioning for Wildland/Mobilization
 - Protecting DNR Wildland Firefighting Resources
 - Giving Fire Protection Districts Authority to Increase the Number of Commissioners from 5 to 7 Members
 - Explore Options Related to the 1% Property Tax Growth Limit
 - Clarify Piggybacking Authority Related to Job Order Contracts
- **WSAFM-Related Proposals**
 - Monitor Food Truck Fire Safety Proposals
 - Monitor Impacts of Code Suspensions/Delays due to COVID-19 and Homeless/Affordable Housing Efforts
 - Protect Key Programs and Funding within the State Fire Marshal's Office