



2017 GOALS

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AIA MA focuses on legislative and regulatory advocacy in Massachusetts for issues that have direct impact on the architectural profession. The Government Affairs Committee meets monthly to track legislation as the sole committee of AIA MA, with a focus on legislative priorities for the 2017-2018 General Court Session. All recommendations will be brought to the board of AIA MA for their consideration.

The AIA MA Board officers for 2017:

- Chris Farley, AIA, President
- Russell Feldman, AIA, President-Elect
- Ethan Anthony, AIA, Immediate Past President
- Ludmilla Pavlova-Gillham, AIA, Secretary

Legislative Advocacy

Proposed AIA MA legislative priorities for 2017-2018 include:

- Continue support for legislation on proposed revenue neutral carbon fee as filed by Senator Michael Barrett
- Support legislation that promoting zero-net energy buildings in the Commonwealth
- Continue support for the Climate Adaption Management Plan (C.A.M.P) bill
- Support legislation that promotes expansion of net-metering
- Continue support for Zoning Reform bill
- Continue support of AIA MA sponsored BCCC bill

Regulatory Advocacy

AIA MA should continue its efforts on the following issues related to the built environment:

- Strengthen connections to Baker's Administration
- Blended Building Code – 9th edition
- IgCC as the basis for the 10th edition 780 CMR
- Architectural Registration Board - Implementation of Section 4
- DCAMM discussions on the following: the RFQ / RFP process, contractual obligations, liability / standard of care, fee structure, insurability clauses, tax issues.
- Work to resolve known conflicts between various state codes: fire, plumbing, mechanical, etc.
- Continue participation in DPU lead Utility/Developer Interconnection discussions