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## 5 REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD CONTRIBUTE



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### What is the South Carolina Legislative Action Committee?

This diverse group of homeowner leaders, community managers, and representatives from community association business partners provides perspective on how proposed legislation could impact people living and working in community associations.

### WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP

During legislative sessions in South Carolina, there are always pieces of legislation introduced that impact South Carolina community associations. We need your help now to continue to educate legislators and build relationships on your behalf. In order to be successful in supporting or opposing legislation, we rely on your support. Your donation makes our legislative advocacy and outreach efforts possible.

Please consider donating a \$1 per door (or more) so we can represent your community voice at the State Capitol. Giving is easy, simply donate online today at [www.advocacy.caionline.org](http://www.advocacy.caionline.org) or mail back your Dollar-a-Door or More donations form.

Additional information can be found on the Legislative Action Committee's website, [www.cai-sc.org](http://www.cai-sc.org).



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- 1 Gives you a voice.** The volunteer committee represents the approximately 1,399 million South Carolinians who live and work with the [South Carolina's 7,400 community associations](#). Your donation saves you and your community association money by protecting South Carolina's homeowner and condominium associations from burdensome legislation.
- 2 Keeps you informed and involved.** The South Carolina Legislative Action Committee organizes "grassroots" advocacy campaigns — letters, e-mails, phone, and social media communications regarding important issues related to community associations.
- 3 Tracks legislation that could impact community associations.** In 2024, the committee reviewed 40 bills that directly or indirectly impacted community associations >> [www.caionline.org/LegislativeTracking](http://www.caionline.org/LegislativeTracking)
- 4 Strengthens key relationships with lawmakers.** By educating lawmakers, legislative and executive staff, and other organizations, as well as testifying, the committee helps advance issues facing community associations and influence the outcome of legislation.
- 5 Advocacy Successes.** The Legislative Action Committee advocated for several bills and opposed many others that would have been detrimental to community associations during the 2023-24 legislative session. Here is a sampling of some of the more impactful bills that were supported or opposed by the SC-LAC.

**HAM radio antennas** – With the assistance of nearly 300 SC CAI members who emailed lawmakers, the SC-LAC and its lobbyists successfully stopped passage of H. 4549 that would have required homeowners associations to allow the erection of amateur radio antennas and towers. **Status: DIED IN COMMITTEE**

**Virtual meetings** – (H. 4049) The SC-LAC worked with lawmakers to provide for the ability of homeowners associations and condominiums, as nonprofits, to hold virtual regular and special meetings. The law allows most SC community associations to conduct virtual membership meetings and for the members of each to participate remotely, including voting by electronic methods. The board of directors of any incorporated HOA or condo can determine whether, and to what extent, virtual meetings will be used and what procedures may apply. **Status: SUCCESSFULLY PASSED**

**HOA foreclosure ban** – As originally drafted, H. 3180 would have removed HOAs' ability to foreclose on delinquent owners, leaving only a right to place an unenforceable lien on property. The SC-LAC and its lobbyists worked with key legislators to successfully rewrite the bill to require a show cause hearing before a foreclosure can proceed – essentially adding a potential safety net for homeowners. **Status: SUCCESSFULLY PASSED THE HOUSE; NOT TAKEN UP IN SENATE**

**Insurance Study Committee** – The SC-LAC supported establishment of a committee to study and review SC's civil justice and insurance laws to include coverage availability, premium rates, and deductibles. Both CAI's Chapter and SC-LAC intend to participate by submitting information and presenting testimony to show how community associations are impacted. A report on the committee's findings with recommendations will be submitted to the legislature and the Governor by January 31, 2025. **Status: SUCCESSFULLY PASSED IN THE STATE APPROPRIATION BILL, H. 5100**

[Click here to follow the important legislation CAI is tracking for 2023 and beyond.](#)

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### WAYS TO PLEDGE

#### >> Community Pledge

# of doors

X  \$1 or more

#### >> Flat Rate Pledge

\$100

\$250

\$500

\$1,000

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Does your association agree to be recognized for its contribution by CAI? Yes / No

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