



LOCAL PRIORITIES

RULES & REGULATIONS OBSTRUCTING THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY

The PMVB asks local units of government not to establish rules and regulations that place an unfair burden on the operation and growth of the hospitality industry.

LODGING TAXES/TRANSACTIONAL FEES

The PMVB opposes the imposition of additional lodging taxes and/or transactional fees by county or municipalities on the hospitality industry.

PAYING THEIR FAIR SHARE

The PMVB supports efforts to ensure that all entities that rent rooms to visitors for 30 days or less are collecting and remitting state and local lodging taxes.

VACATION HOME RENTALS

The PMVB, in conjunction with county treasurers, is working to ensure that all short-term (less than 30 consecutive days) vacation home rentals are paying their fair share of State Sales Tax and County Hotel Tax.

BEING INVOLVED

The PMVB will dialogue with local officials to ensure that we are constantly educating them concerning the importance of tourism and its overall positive impact on their respective communities.

STATE PRIORITIES

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The PMVB urges our legislators to review rules and regulations established by the legislature that place an unfair burden on the hospitality industry. We further encourage the legislature to repeal such regulations, which will allow the industry to increase employment and help grow the Commonwealth's economy.

ESTABLISHMENT & FUNDING OF A PA TOURISM PARTNERSHIP

The PMVB supports the establishment of the Pennsylvania Tourism Partnership and encourages the Legislature to find an appropriate funding source. Now is the time to create a sustainable public-private partnership outside of state government.

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NATIONAL PRIORITIES*

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Concern is being expressed over the Administrations' interest in establishing actions that place unfair burdens on hospitality businesses, which would have the unintended consequences of reducing employment growth.

J-1 VISA – VISITOR EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The PMVB will advocate for the continuation of this important program as it affects positivity the labor position of our members.

EMPLOYEE FREE CHOICE ACT/CARD CHECK

The PMVB stands in opposition to the proposed EFCA (Card Check) Legislation. AHLA is fighting to protect employee's rights including the right to join unions through a fair and secret private ballot election process.

OTA

The PMVB opposes the "Internet Travel Tax Fairness Act," which would prohibit the imposition of room taxes on transactions performed through online travel companies. The PMVB joins with PRLA and DMAI to protect state and county taxing authorities' collection of room tax revenues from online travel companies.

CONGRESSIONAL TOURISM CAUCUS

We encourage our Congressional representatives to continue to participate in caucus.

*The PMVB works closely with PRLA, NTA, AHLA, US Travel and DMAI on advocacy efforts and legislation that impacts the tourism industry.