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Q1 2024 Meeting Notes

Washington Governmental Affairs Committee Q1 Meeting
January 17, 2024, from 10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. PT
Held exclusively via Zoom

Committee Member Attendees:

Charlotte Nemec	Canopy CU	Jodie Olson	Horizon CU
Dolores Broeske	HAPO Community CU	Chylon Pappas	First Tech CU
Jeff Adams	Horizon CU	Eric Petracca	iQ CU
Brian Berrett	Idaho Central CU	Alison Phelan	BECU
Thomas Boucher	North Coast CU	Torrie Ramos	NW Plus CU
Geoff Bullock	Harborstone CU	Gayle Gustafson	iQ CU
Don Clark	Sound CU	Ben Rutledge	Gesa CU
Ryan Drake	Our Community CU	Lindsey Salvestrin	Columbia CU
Ann Flannigan	WSECU	Dave Spaulding	Red Canoe CU
Shawn Gilfedder	Kitsap CU	Tonita Webb	Verity CU
Jessica Johnson	Numerica CU	Karen Weis	Numerica CU
Dan LeFree	Community 1 st CU	Brenda Worrell	Idaho Central CU
Joyce Lockard	RESCU	Mina Worthington	Solarity CU
JohnPaul McGee	EvergreenDIRECT CU	Troy Stang	GoWest
Traci McGlathery	STCU	Jennifer Wagner	GoWest
Don Miller	Gesa CU	Joe Adamack	GoWest
Deidra Miner	Red Canoe CU	Ryan Fitzgerald	GoWest
Scott Mitchell	HAPO Community CU	John Trull	GoWest
Erin Moore	OnPoint Community CU	Jordan Beyer	GoWest
Jim Morrell	Peninsula CU	Sharee Adkins	GoWest

Welcome, Introductions, and Kickoff

- Co-chairs Nemec and Broeske kicked off the first 2024 meeting of the WA GAC and discussed the importance of engaging in advocacy work along with appreciation for committee members making the time to participate both in meetings but most importantly in year-round efforts.
- Committee members introduced themselves and shared 2024 advocacy priorities and interests.
- Committee chairs reminded members of the extra emphasis on dialogue and discussion in meetings.

Washington State Legislative Strategy Discussion

- Joe Adamack provided insights on the early days of the 2024 Washington state legislative session, next steps for credit union priorities, and some of the items that had evolved since the Q4 meeting.
- The committee discussed strategy and approach to bills of interest to credit unions including limitations on payday lending, financial education, electronic lien and titling, and more.

- Joe Adamack also shared expectations and information for the upcoming Credit Union Day at the Capitol on January 31.

Federal Issues Discussion

- Ryan Fitzgerald and John Trull of GoWest reviewed some of the pressing federal issues including interchange fees, overdraft fees, data privacy, and more.
- Committee members provided perspectives and feedback on each of those items and the collective impact of growing federal regulatory burden.

Credit Building Pilot Program

- Sharee Adkins of GoWest provided an update on where the Credit Building Pilot Program stood surrounding product development and next steps and anticipated timelines.
- Committee members asked questions about the program structure.

Meeting Concluded

- Committee co-chairs reminded everyone to send delegations to the Day at the Capitol and America's Credit Unions GAC and adjourned the meeting.