

2026 Legislative Priorities

This report highlights a non-exhaustive list of ANA-endorsed legislation.

Rebuild the Nursing Workforce Pipeline

Nursing is a Professional Degree Act
(H.R. 8691 / S. 4568)
Rep. Jen Kiggans (R-VA) / Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)

Professional Student Degree Act
(H.R. 6718)
Rep. Mike Lawler (R-NY)

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Education
(H.J.Res. 189/ S.J.Res. 196)
Rep. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) / Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)

Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act
(H.R. 3593 / S. 1874)
Rep. Dave Joyce (R-OH) / Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)

Nurse Faculty Shortage Reduction Act
(H.R. 7279 / S. 3707)
Rep. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR) / Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL)

PRECEPT Nurses Act
(H.R. 392 / S. 131)
Rep. Jen Kiggans (R-VA) / Sen. Mark Kelly (D-AZ)

Nurse Corps Tax Parity Act
(H.R. 3145 / S. 1548)
Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA) / Sen. Roger Wicker (R-MS)

National Nursing Workforce Center Act
(H.R. 4407 / S. 1482)
Rep. Young Kim (R-CA) / Sen. Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-DE)

FAAN Act
(H.R. 6607 / S. 3435)
Rep. Lauren Underwood (D-IL) / Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)

Minority Fellowship Program Reauthorization Act
(H.R. 9044)
Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-NJ)

Educating Future Nurses Act
(H.R. 10410)
Rep. Lauren Underwood (D-IL)

Improve Nurses' Work Environment & Safety

Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act
(H.R. 2531 / S. 1232)
Rep. Joe Courtney (D-CT) / Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)

Nurse Staffing Standards for Hospital Patient Safety and Quality of Care Act
(H.R. 3415 / S. 1709)
Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL) / Sen. Alex Padilla (D-CA)

Nurses Belong in Nursing Homes Act
(S. 3886)
Sen. Ron Wyden (D-OR)

Safe Staffing Saves Lives Act
(H.R. 8100)
Rep. Lloyd Doggett (D-TX)

Nurse Overtime and Patient Safety Act
(H.R. 10056 / S. 5319)
Rep. Doris Matsui (D-CA) / Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)

Remove Regulatory Barriers Facing Nurses

I CAN Act
(H.R. 1317 / S. 575)
Rep. Dave Joyce (R-OH) / Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)

Improving Access to Workers' Compensation for Injured Federal Workers Act
(H.R. 3170 / S. 3296)
Rep. Tim Walberg (R-MI) / Sen. Susan Collins (R-ME)

Improve Patient Access & Health Outcomes

Improving Seniors' Timely Access to Care Act
(H.R. 3514 / S. 1816)
Rep. Mike Kelly (R-PA) / Sen. Roger Marshall (R-KS)

CONNECT for Health Act
(H.R. 4206 / S. 1261)
Rep. Mike Thompson (D-CA) / Sen. Brian Schatz (D-HI)

Momnibus Act
(H.R. 7973)
Rep. Lauren Underwood (D-IL)

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