



**DATE:** November 12, 2014

**TO:** Washington State Board of Health Members

**FROM:** Michelle Davis  
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**SUBJECT:** REVIEW STATEMENT OF POLICY ON 2014 LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

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**Background and Summary:**

Washington State Board of Health Policy 2001-001 outlines the Board's procedures for monitoring legislative activities, and communicating the Board's position on issues to the Legislature. The policy allows for the creation of a "Statement of Likely Legislative Issues" that describes the Board's general position on policy issues that may come before the Legislature. This document guides the activities of staff and individual Board members as issues arise during session. I have attached copies of both documents for discussion purposes.

Today, I will present a brief overview of the 105-day session that will begin January 12, 2015. The overview will be followed by an opportunity to review the 2014 Sense of the Board document and discuss possible revisions needed for the 2015 session. Comments from today's meeting, as well as any subsequent comments from Board members, will help staff draft "Statement of Board Policy on Possible 2015 Legislative Issues" for the Board to consider and possibly adopt at its January 14, 2015 meeting.

**Recommended Board Action:** None