



Calling Your Legislator: Tips and Template

- **Calls can and should be short and sweet.**
- **It is unlikely you will speak to your legislator directly. Speaking to their staff or leaving a voicemail has an impact.**
- **Your call will be most effective if you use your own words to briefly explain why this is important to you and your community.**

Introduction and ask: State who you are and if you are affiliated with any group or organization. If you are a constituent, give an idea of where you live in the district and/or how long you have lived there. Clearly and respectfully state your request. Do you want them to vote on a bill?

Hi, my name is Toni, and I am one of your constituents. My family and I have lived in Boulder for the last five years. I am calling to urge you to PROTECT Cover All Coloradans to make health insurance available to all in the state, even those without proper documentation.

Problem to be solved: Let your legislator know what the problem is and why it is important that they address it. Personal examples from constituents can go a long way.

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Solution: Explain why the bill will or won't help the problem. What benefits would the bill bring? How would it directly impact you or your community? If you are requesting amendments or modifications to a piece of legislation, how would those changes impact you or your community?

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Closing and restating your ask: Restate how you would like them to vote, thank them for their consideration, and offer to follow up or answer any questions. Be sure to provide your phone number for a call back.

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Phone call to PROTECT: Cover All Coloradans

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