



NSBA Priority Issues for the 115th Congress

At the beginning of each new session of Congress, NSBA brings its members together at the Small Business Congress to discuss the issues and craft an agenda for the coming two years. This gives NSBA's members the opportunity to bring new issues to the table as well as further debate and develop previous priorities.

- 1) **Rein-in the Costs of Health Care**
Policymakers should prioritize health care cost containment and seek substantial relief from the many burdens and regulations imposed by the Affordable Care Act. ([more](#))
- 2) **Reform the Current Tax Regime**
NSBA supports a broad overhaul and simplification of the tax system by dramatically broadening the base—cutting the breaks that litter the tax code—and lowering rates. ([more](#))
- 3) **Corporate Tax Reform that Includes Small Business**
NSBA opposes efforts to pass corporate-only tax reform without some kind of workable solution for the millions of pass-through small businesses that will see no relief from corporate-only reform. ([more](#))
- 4) **Improve Access to Credit and Strengthen SBA Lending**
NSBA urges Congress and regulators to improve and enhance the availability of credit, capital and equity financing to small businesses, and strengthen SBA's successful lending programs. ([more](#))
- 5) **Improve Small-Business Contracting**
NSBA supports reasonable legislative and regulatory reforms that promote, facilitate and enhance small-business participation in the federal marketplace. ([more](#))
- 6) **Regulatory Reform and National Regulatory Budget**
Congress should seek to ease the massive federal regulatory burden through proposals such as a national regulatory budget to bring much needed regulatory reform and transparency. ([more](#))
- 7) **Strengthen SBA Office of Advocacy**
Congress must allocate the financial resources required for Advocacy to provide consistent, reliable information about small business and advocate within the federal government. ([more](#))
- 8) **Deficit Reduction & Entitlement Reform**
NSBA supports a two-pronged approach to reduce the ever-growing national debt which includes broad, pro-growth tax reform and much-needed entitlement reform. ([more](#))
- 9) **Improve Cybersecurity and Financial Protection**
NSBA urges Congress to establish pragmatic, streamlined guidelines and protocols to ensure the protection of online data and financials without an undue burden on small business. ([more](#))
- 10) **Fair Labor Practices in the Workplace**
NSBA supports fair labor, economic growth, and job creation, and opposes unfair and burdensome efforts to bolster organized labor's stronghold through a number of concerted efforts. ([more](#))
- 11) **Government Reform and Enhanced Bipartisanship**
NSBA urges lawmakers to take specific steps toward reducing the debilitating partisanship in Congress and transforming it into a higher-performing institution. ([more](#))

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