

THE 3-MINUTE LOBBYIST

Every year, SEIU 775 works to move Washington State toward a fair and just future where caregivers make a living wage with decent benefits, people who receive care are treated with dignity and respect, and all Washington families have access to a fair economy.

HOW TO HAVE A GOOD MEETING

STEP 1: INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Tell them a little about yourself and your work, and make sure to mention you are a member of SEIU 775.

- A. What's your name? Where do you live?
- B. How long have you been a caregiver?
- C. Who do you care for?
- D. What do you do on the job?

STEP 2: DESCRIBE THE PROBLEM

In your own words, what is the problem we're meeting with them about? How has Covid-19 affected you, those you care for, and other clients and caregivers? How does the upside-down tax code that underfunds public services like long-term care and affordable housing while not collecting taxes from the corporations and wealthy who can afford it impact your community? What does affordable healthcare and a raise mean to you?

STEP 3: TELL THEM HOW THEY CAN HELP

Here's where our big ask comes in: What do we want our lawmakers to do to fix the problem? (Hint: The legislative agenda is a great place to start)

STEP 4: ASK THEM TO TAKE A GROUP PHOTO

The SEIU 775 member with you may take a "photo" (screenshot) of you and the legislator, which may then get shared on our Facebook page and used in other member communications.

