

Steps to Communicate with Legislators

Keep your legislators contact information handy. Put them in your phone contacts and/or address books.

On Cape Ann our State Senator is Bruce Tarr, he is Senate Minority leader and member of the Telecom, Utilities and Energy Committee and the Environment and Natural Resources Committee. These are the two Committees that hear most of the climate legislation bills. Our State Representative is Ann-Margaret Ferrante, who is Vice-chair of the very influential Joint Ways and Means Committee.

Here 's how to get in touch with them:

Representative Ann-Margaret Ferrante (617) 722-2380
24 Beacon St, Room 238, Boston, MA 02133
Ann-Margaret.Ferrante@mahouse.gov

Senator Bruce Tarr (617) 722-1600
24 Beacon St, Room 308, Boston, MA, 02133
Bruce.Tarr@masenate.gov

Should you have a different legislator than those representing Cape Ann, here is a link to locate them:

[“Find my legislator in MA”](#), scroll down to enter your street address and town. This will give the name of your Rep and Senator. Click on their name under their picture and you will jump to a page that gives their office phone numbers and email address.

How to Influence Your Legislators

Send an email.

This is easy but influential. Start your email with Dear Senator or Representative and use their last name. Make sure to state you are a **voting constituent** of theirs and **the city / town you are from**. Tell them the **Bill's number**. We list the bill number and a brief description of what is accomplished by the bill for the bills we have listed as our priorities.

Say that you want them to support the bill. You can request they become a **supporter and cosponsor** of the bill, early in the session or ask them to **move the bill forward favorably**, later on, if it is being heard/discussed in their Committee. (Senators can co-sponsor both Senate and House bills; Representatives only House bills.)

Most importantly, state why you think this particular Bill is important to you, your city or town. Then thank them and give your name, **address and town**. It's that simple!

Write a snail mail letter No one hand writes letters and mails them any more so if you do yours is unique and powerful because you bothered to take the additional time to get out the paper, write it, address it, get a stamp on it and put it in the mail. Give the same information that you would in an email.

Call their office

Calls can be very influential especially if you speak with someone. Be sure to leave your number for them to call you back if you leave a message. Give the same information that you would in an email.