

FARM BUREAU'S POLICY DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

1 Issue Surfacing & Prioritization

- Individual members and members of Farm Bureau's State Advisory Committees contribute to the issue surfacing process by submitting and prioritizing important issues any time at www.iowafarmbureau.com. By prioritizing an issue, members are indicating their support to elevate the issue for further education, discussion and research in the policy development process. Popular state and national issues will be reviewed and considered by the State Resolutions Committee.

5 Resolutions Adopted

- 100 county farmer voting delegates debate and approve state and national resolutions.
- National resolutions are forwarded to the American Farm Bureau multi-state farmer delegate body for debate and approval.

4 Draft State Resolutions

- State Resolutions Committee.
- Reviews recommendations from 100 county Farm Bureaus.
- Reviews results from statewide survey.
- Writes the first draft of resolutions for the voting delegates at the **Iowa Farm Bureau Summer Policy Conference**.

2 Issue Education & Discussion

- Policy Information Conference - Expert presentations and discussion panels
- Suggested Statewide Opinionnaire is released for county Farm Bureau use.
- Spokesman updates during Policy Development Week.
- Policy development topic webinars.
- County education activities.

3 Adopt County Resolutions

- County policy development committees write proposed resolutions for county policy adoption meeting.
- Proposed resolutions are debated and approved at the county **policy adoption meeting**.
- Approved county resolutions on state and national issues are given to the State Resolutions Committee.

