



Legislative Priorities for 2017

April 1, 2017

Economic Self Sufficiency

- **Raise the minimum wage**– *Support legislation bringing the minimum wage in line with the current economy.*
- **Promote equal pay policies and practices to close the gender gap** – *Support legislation to close the earning ratio of women and men working full time, year-round.*

Education

- **Increase support for quality, locally governed public education by**
 - *Supporting legislation restoring recent funding cuts to public education in North Carolina;*
 - *Opposing expansion of the school voucher program and implementing accountability measures and consequences comparable to in public and charter schools*
 - *Developing teacher salary schedules which reward professional development and longevity.*
 - *Promoting educational opportunities for girls and women – Support funding for Title IX and STEM programs*

Equal Rights

- **Support passage of the Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution.**
- **Repeal HB2**

Health Care

- **Support the Governor’s proposal to expand Medicaid to increase the availability of health care for low-income residents of North Carolina.**