



ISSA's 2026 Legislative & Regulatory Priorities

ISSA, the Association for Cleaning and Facility Solutions, is committed to advancing policies to support the growth of the cleaning and facility solutions industry while ensuring cleaner and healthier spaces.

1. Supporting Tax Policies That Incentivize Healthy and Clean Spaces: Advocate for policies that encourage innovation, investment, and growth in the cleaning and facility solutions industry.

- Support tax incentives for companies that invest in sustainable practices, technology, and equipment upgrades that help keep the built environment healthy and clean.
- Oppose tariffs on components and raw materials used for “essential” cleaning and safety products and equipment.
- Oppose taxes on cleaning services at the state level.

2. Investing in Workforce Development and Training: Ensure the cleaning industry has the workers and proper training it needs to meet growing demand and higher standards.

- Create a U.S. Department of Labor Registered Apprenticeship Program for frontline cleaning workers.
- Increase funding, financial aid, and tax incentives for training and apprenticeships for the cleaning industry.
- Renew and expand hiring incentives for workers like the Work Opportunity Tax Credit ([H.R. 1177](#)).
- Encourage policies that support a new temporary non-seasonal work visa program for essential workers like the Essential Workers for Economic Advancement Act ([H.R. 5494](#)).

3. Streamlining and Funding Essential EPA Functions: Ensure EPA is adequately resourced and effectively maintains science-based regulatory standards that encourage innovation for regulated cleaning products and equipment.

- Support the continuation and funding of EPA’s Safer Choice Program as a government-run program.
- Support passage of the Pesticide Registration Improvement Act (PRIA 6), which streamlines, funds, and staffs EPA’s Office of Pesticide Programs so that the office can ensure timely registration of disinfectants, sanitizers, and other cleaning-related products.
- Continuation of EPA’s Salesforce initiative to establish a system that provides real-time tracking for all regulatory submissions.
- Encourage EPA to implement process and infrastructure improvements identified by the independent third-party assessment under PRIA 5.

4. Ensuring Cleaner, Healthier, and More Accessible Spaces: Promote policies that foster environmentally sustainable cleaning practices and cleaner, healthier, and more accessible spaces for all.

- Advocate for policies, standards, and incentives to help create cleaner, safer, and more accessible schools, workplaces, and public spaces.
- Support science-based pandemic and infectious disease preparedness policies.
- Help End Period Poverty by expanding access to period products in bathrooms and the removal of the tampon tax in relevant states.

5. Supporting Industry Best Practices: Support policies that advance cleaning industry best practices and industry standards while opposing those that do not.

- Ensure regulations or policies are based on the industry’s best practices, standards, and sound scientific evidence.
- Engage with stakeholders to ensure worker-safety proposals around ergonomics, workloading, etc. that are based on industry best practices rather than imposing arbitrary productivity limits.
- Encourage governments to include best practices, certifications, and standards in their procurement processes.

ISSA will continue to advocate on behalf of the cleaning and facility solutions industry to ensure the industry can innovate, support public health, lead sustainably, and increase accessibility across the built environment.

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