



WALPAC Highlights

State & Local Government Affairs

A robust WALPAC amplifies Walmart’s State and Local Government (SGA) teams’ impact at the State Capitol.

Walmart’s SGA team is responsible for:



Telling our story to elected officials and stakeholder organizations



Managing our company’s reputation



Engaging on legislative and regulatory policy proposals which impact our customers, associates and company

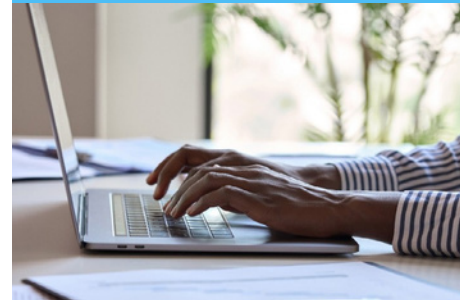
WALPAC’s engagement positions us to WIN in:

Adult Beverage

SGA has worked closely with merchants to expand our license to operate via legislation or ballot initiative, resulting in expanded product categories, delivery and/or pickup and days/hours of operation – benefiting our stores and customers. Recent initiatives include legislative approval of additional licenses, delivery/pickup and municipal Sunday sales referendums.



WAL-PAC provides vital resources, which foster engagement opportunities to advocate our policy agenda with key legislators.





Health & Wellness

SGA continues to prioritize legislation that expands Walmart's health and wellness license to operate and supports expanded pharmacy and clinical services. Because pharmacy and technician scope of practice varies by state, proposals generally focus on test-and-treat authority for common respiratory conditions, limited prescribing authority such as for PrEP and PEP, reimbursement for those services, and expanded roles for pharmacy technicians.



Organized Retail Crime (ORC)

Walmart supports policies which help keep our communities safe and protect associates, customers, and merchandise. One important approach is improving coordination among law enforcement and stakeholders by establishing statewide ORC task forces. To date, 17 states have established an ORC task force within their Attorney General's office to investigate and prosecute organized retail crime. In addition, SGA supports targeted provisions that give law enforcement and prosecutors stronger tools to disrupt ORC networks.



Food Policy and Nutrition Programs

State policymakers continue to show increased interest in food ingredients, product labeling, and SNAP policy. Over the past two years, many states have considered proposals related to certain additives and dyes, front-of-package nutrition information, and changes to SNAP eligibility through federal waiver requests. The SNAP program is also expected to continue evolving as states respond to reduced federal funding and implement additional work requirements for able-bodied adults. These developments could affect assortment, merchandising, compliance, and customer access to affordable food.



Interchange Fees

Walmart supports consumer-friendly legislation to exclude state and local taxes from card swipe fee calculations, helping reduce unnecessary costs impacting consumers. This effort helped lead to Illinois becoming the first state to enact the change in 2024, similar legislation being considered in additional states, and a favorable federal court decision in 2026.



Tort Reform

Walmart supports fair and balanced civil justice policies that help reduce abusive litigation, improve predictability, and protect businesses from excessive costs. Examples of tort reform issues include phantom damages, transparency around litigation funding, anchoring, and premises liability.