

How to Track State and Federal Legislation

- For tracking **state legislation**, we recommend using Open States (www.openstates.org). Users can search both pending and recently voted on legislation in their respective states based on keywords, lawmakers, and a number of other functions. Users can also register and receive email updates legislation, as well as committee and individual official actions.
 - Michigan Legislative Page: <http://bit.ly/MILegislatureBills>
 - American Atheists Tracker: <https://www.atheists.org/activism/state-legislation/>
- For tracking **federal legislation** (in the U.S. House and Senate), we recommend using GovTrack (www.govtrack.us). As with Open States, users can search both pending and recently voted on legislation based on keywords, lawmakers, and a number of other functions. Users can also register and receive email updates on legislation, as well as committee and individual official actions.
- For tracking **federal legislation specific to science and secularism**, also check the Office of Public Policy's Bills We're Tracking page (<http://bit.ly/OPPbills>). And make sure you are signed up for the Office of Public Policy's Action Alerts (<http://bit.ly/OPPaction>). We will send an alert on each measure when it comes up for a vote.
- For **both state and federal issues**, you should also follow your elected officials on social media, including their email newsletter, Facebook page, and Twitter account. This is a good way to learn which specific issues your elected officials care about.
- For **both state and federal issues**, you should also think about traditional outlets: read your local newspapers and political journals!