



November 14, 2018 Public Policy Committee Meeting Summary

Election Results

Senate President Miller's Chief of Staff, Jake Weissmann, joined us to talk about the 2018 general election results. When they are sworn in this January, a third of the Senate will be new, with 10 of the 18 newcomers moving up after serving in the House. Jake noted that the mean age of the Senate has gone down and the leadership team will be more diverse than ever. There will be more women serving in the Senate this Session. One third of the Democratic caucus are women.

Update: Since our November meeting, [Senate Committee assignments](#) have been announced.

In the House of Delegates, 42 of the 141 members are new (among them two former delegates who are returning to office). In July, Speaker Busch announced [changes to the House leadership](#).

Update: On December 18, [additional committee assignments](#) were announced.

Child Care Aware Cost of Care Report

Steve Rohde shared Child Care Aware's cost of care report, [US and the High Cost of Child Care: A Review of Prices and Proposed Solutions for a Broken System](#), which provides a brief review of child care as a sound return on investment and offers policy recommendations for supporting families and child care providers.

Additional resources, including customizable infographics and parent tip sheets, are available from [Child Care Aware](#).

Other Announcements & Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Public Policy Committee will take place on December 12.