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# Design Community Unites for Legislative Day

For the very first time, the major associations representing the design community in North Carolina are joining forces to deliver their legislative messages to the state General Assembly. On **Wednesday, May 4, 2005** the state chapters of the American Institute of Architects, the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) and the Professional Engineers in North Carolina (PENC) will hold a joint Legislative Day in Raleigh.

"Because of the similarities in our issues and the fact that we have always worked closely with the engineering community on legislative and regulatory issues, we felt it would be a natural fit for all our members to leverage the political capital we bring to the General Assembly as a united community," said Alan McGuinn, 2005 President of AIA North Carolina.

The three groups have been meeting over the past year to define common interests and goals for its members, North Carolina public policy and future needs of the organizations. The joint Legislative Day is an outgrowth of the new direction for the groups and a good first step in solidifying a stronger political base for the design industry in the state.

Legislative involvement is a key component of the AIA's missions and it's one of the most important commitments you can make this year on behalf of your profession. So mark your calendars to be in Raleigh on May 4 for this historic event.

### Preliminary Schedule of Events:

**8:30am – 10:00am**  
Keynote Speaker and  
Member Briefing

**10:30am – 2:00pm**  
Member Visits to Legislator's  
Offices

**11:30am – 1:00pm**  
Lunch for Members &  
Legislators on Halifax Mall

**2:00pm**  
Conclude Visits, Legislators  
Go into Session



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