

Legislative Affairs Panel Discussion

PANELIST INTRODUCTIONS

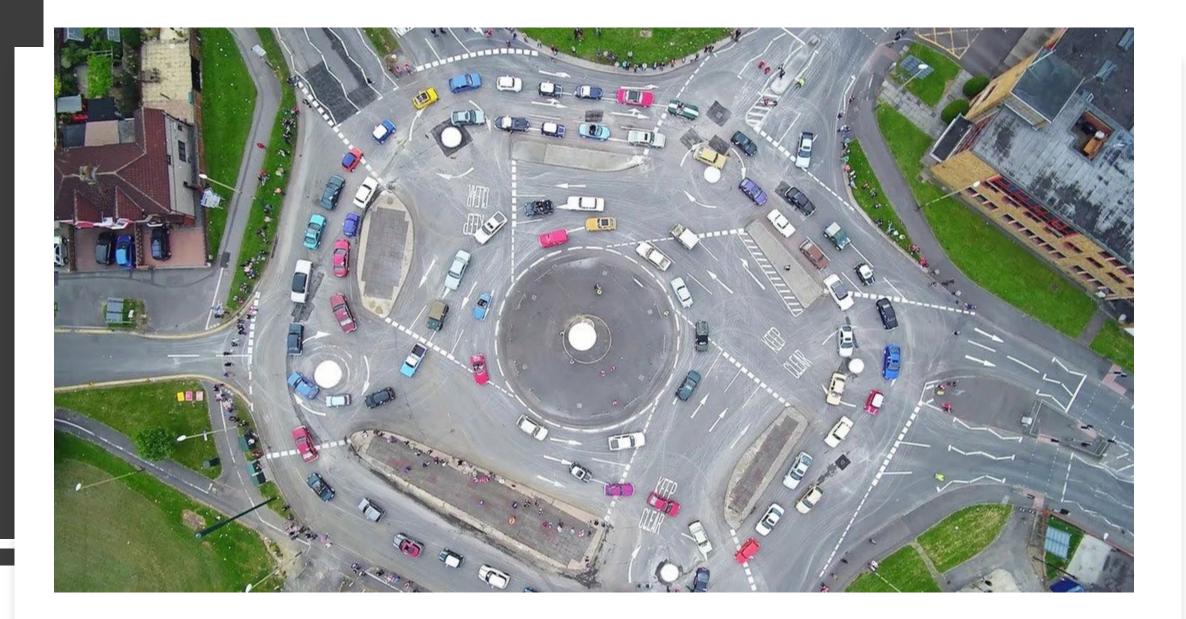
- Moderator: Omar Santana-Gomez, Legislative Director, Office of Equity
- Panelist: Amy Martinez, Chief Executive Officer, South Central Workforce
- Panelist: Senator Curtis King, Legislative District 14
- Panelist: Senator Rebecca Saldana, Legislative District 37



UNDERSTANDING THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

Can you walk us through the key steps of the legislative process in Washington State, for example how ideas for bills come up... through final passage?





UNDERSTANDING THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS – PART 1

What are the most challenging aspects of navigating the legislative process as a legislator? During session, outside of session?



UNDERSTANDING THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS – PART 2

How do you prioritize which bills to support or potentially oppose when there are so many competing interests?



ROLE OF COMMUNITY INPUT – PART 1

How do you incorporate community feedback into your legislative decision-making? Are there specific methods you rely on?



ROLE OF COMMUNITY INPUT -PART 2

Can you share an example of a piece of legislation that was directly influenced by community input, and what that process looked like?



ROLE OF COMMUNITY INPUT -PART 3

How do you ensure that the voices of underrepresented communities are heard in the legislative process?



ENGAGING CONSTITUENTS/ COMMUNITY MEMBERS - PART 1

What methods do you find most effective for engaging with communities during a legislative session or during the interim? Is there a way to measure effectiveness?



ENGAGING CONSTITUENTS/ COMMUNITY MEMBERS – PART 2

How can community members effectively communicate their needs and concerns to you, especially if they are unfamiliar with the legislative process?



ENGAGING CONSTITUENTS/COMMUNITY MEMBERS – PART 3

Are there particular platforms or tools that you recommend for community members to stay informed and engaged?



THANK YOU