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# THE MONTHLY ADVOCATE

*Student Academy of Audiology*



## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

LB753 was introduced into the Nebraska Health and Human Services Committee on January 8, 2020. This legislation would establish the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP-IC) in Nebraska, enabling providers in Nebraska to care for patients from other states that also belong to the compact. [Send a quick email of support to the members of the Committee!](#)

## INTERSTATE COMPACTS: WHY ADVOCATE?

- The ASLP-IC is critical for the expansion of telehealth, patient access, and continuity of care.
- Practicing providers in the compact adhere to their receiving state's scope of practice and continuing education requirements only, no longer having to maintain multiple state licenses.
- Once ten states enact ASLP-IC, audiologists can apply to practice in-person and through telehealth in ASLP-IC states.
- Visit <https://aslpcompact.com/> for the latest updates on legislation and enactment across states.

## VIRTUAL ADVOCACY

- Planning an advocacy presentation to educate your local chapter members? [Visit the Advocacy Tools page](#) for pre-made presentations or modify it to meet your chapter needs.
- Interested in scheduling phone meetings with legislators? [Check out tips](#) for developing a concise, effective message!
- Never met with your legislators before? [Role-play with your chapter](#) and practice discussing audiology-related legislation.

## ADVOCACY IN ACTION

Laci Le, AuD, is a private practice audiologist in Arizona. When she isn't helping patients, she's helping future audiologists through her [Instagram page](#) by providing tangible student-related tips and advice to help audiology students navigate through their graduate programs. This platform has allowed Dr. Le to engage not only the audiology community, but also the general public, by providing information about hearing loss, prevention, intervention, and related conditions. As a virtual advocate, Dr. Le uses this platform to share her own clinical experiences, insights, and pitfalls with the hopes of helping students learn and gain perspectives about the profession of audiology.

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