Legislative Do’s and Don’ts

- Do identify yourself, your role, where you are from, and the purpose of your visit.
- Do address the legislator as Senator or Representative unless they request otherwise.
- Do leave your card with the legislator and the staff you visit.
- Do offer to wait or come back if it seems better.
- Do offer to have the legislator or staff call you in the future if they have any questions or assistance.
- Do not insist on your position. You are providing information to help them make their own decision. Provide your own rationale for your position and answer any questions they have.
- Do not offer criticism of other persons or organizations. If you have to identify possible opposition, do so with respect for the reasons they may have.
- Do not answer a question that you are not sure of; instead offer to follow-up or have a Film Florida representative follow-up on any specific issue or concern.
- Do make a note of any issues or concerns raised by the legislator or staff. We will compile these notes both for future reference and for follow-up.
- Do end up by thanking them for taking time out of their busy schedule to hear your concerns.