

2010-2011 Legislative Platform

Preamble

The Equal Rights Amendment, as authored by Alice Paul, is the priority above all other issues that may appear on this platform until equal legal rights for women and men becomes guaranteed in the United States Constitution: The Equal Rights Amendment:

“Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex.”

Platform

Economic Equity

- Ensure pay equity and equal educational and economic opportunities at all stages of life;
- Encourage and promote women-owned small businesses;
- Educate on and promote retirement savings incentives; and
- Promote affordable, quality dependent care to help ensure economic self-sufficiency for women.

Health

- Ensure reproductive choice and full access to all reproductive health services and education;
- Ensure funds for research into and protections for women's health care needs;
- Ensure social and work environments protect the health of all; and
- Encourage the development of a state and national health care policy that recognizes the special health care needs of women and children.

Civil Rights

- Ensure equal rights and remedies for women in all phases of their lives;
- Support affirmative action; and
- Eliminate all forms of harassment and violence against women.