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# Trivia

Thanksgiving was first celebrated in November to commemorate what?

- A. The November 1620 settling of the Pilgrims in Plymouth, MA
- B. The U.S. Constitution becoming the law of the land
- C. A U.S. and Canadian joint celebration of the end of World War I in 1918
- D. Lincoln celebrating Union victory at Gettysburg in 1863



# Agenda

- 1. Key Strategic Questions
- 2. Approaches to Monitoring
- 3. Finding the Right Mix
- 4. Evaluating Performance



### Key Questions to Consider

- Staffing of Your Organization?
- What is Your Overall Legislative Engagement Approach?
- Timeliness of Legislative Information?



#### Key Questions to Consider

- Your Audience for Legislative Information?
- What Are Your GOALS for State Legislative Engagement?
- Your Budget?



#### **Approaches to Monitoring**

- Electronic State Legislative Tracking Platform
  - Key Words
  - Issue Buckets
  - Human Intel
  - Predictive Modeling
  - Relationship Modeling
  - Local Legislative Tracking



#### **Approaches to Monitoring**

- In-State/Municipal Lobbyists
  - -Select States/Municipalities
  - -Blanket Approach
  - -Retainer?
  - -"Call me if …"



### **Approaches to Monitoring**

- In-State/City Coalitions
- Local Organizations
  - Chambers of Commerce
  - Manufacturers Associations, Technology Councils, etc.
  - Affiliate groups
- Your Grassroots
- Your Network & Presence in the State
- Predictive Social Media?



## Finding the Right Mix

- Can I find the bad legislation?
- Can I take appropriate action in time?
- Am I delivering effective information to my organization?



# **Evaluating Performance**

- Timeliness?
- Accuracy?
- Effective Analysis?
- Streamlined Enough?
- Appropriate for my organization?
- Can I now be <u>Proactive</u>?





#### The Best Way to Predict the Future...

Is to Create It.



# Thank You

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