

## **Economic Development Committee**

NSBA's Economic Development (ED) Committee oversees all issues relating to small-business finance and access to capital, including credit cards, lending, bankruptcy law, securities issues and venture capital. The committee also deals with federal small-business programs under the U.S. Small Business Administration as well as federal procurement initiatives and international trade, and also handles innovation and technology issues such as patent reform.

## **Environment and Regulatory Affairs Committee**

NSBA's Environment and Regulatory Affairs (ERA) Committee oversees all issues related to regulatory reform, including the SBA Office of Advocacy, the Paperwork Reduction Act and Regulatory Flexibility Act and a variety of broad, regulatory reform efforts such as the National Regulatory Budget. This committee also deals with issues related to energy and the environment such as energy costs and efficiency, the Clean Air Act and fostering clean technology.

## **Health and Human Resources Committee**

NSBA's Health and Human Resources (HHR) Committee oversees all issues having to do with health care and employee benefits, including the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, health benefits taxation, medical malpractice, health savings accounts and more. This committee also oversees all human resources and labor issues ranging from labor union relations to the Family Medical Leave Act, retirement issues to immigration, and minimum wage to unemployment insurance.

## **Taxation Committee**

NSBA's Taxation Committee oversees everything involving federal taxes and the IRS, including expensing, broad tax reform, the Fair Tax, and federal budgetary issues. The committee has played an integral role in some key tax changes in the past several years, including repeal of the burdensome 1099 reporting provision, temporary elimination of the self-employment tax on health care and reforming the estate tax.