

2017 Legislative Conference Agenda

Association of County Commissions of Alabama
December 6 - 7, 2017
Marriott Shoals Conference Center
Florence, Alabama



Wednesday, December 6

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ACCA Legislative Conference Registration

10 a.m. - Noon

AAEM Work Session

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.

ACCA Board of Directors Meeting

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

ACCA Minority Issues Steering Committee Meeting

Noon - 1:15 p.m.

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1:30 - 5 p.m.

Opening General Session

Hon. Steve McKinnon, ACCA President, presiding

- **1:30 - 1:40 p.m.**
Welcome and Announcements,
Hon. Danny Pettus, Lauderdale County
Commission Chairman
- **1:40 - 2:10 p.m.**
Private/Public Partnerships,
Dr. Kenneth Kitts, President of the
University of North Alabama
- **2:10 - 2:40 p.m.**
Preview of 2018 Session,
The Honorable Mac McCutcheon,
Speaker of the Alabama House of
Representatives

- **2:40 - 3:10 p.m.**
Statewide Impact of Insufficient
Infrastructure Funding, Dr. Shashi
Nambisan, Alabama Transportation
Institute Executive Director
- **3:10 - 3:30 p.m.**
Break
- **3:30 - 4 p.m.**
How Broadband Access Could
Change Alabama, Dennis Leonard,
AL-VITA President & CEO
- **4 - 4:30 p.m.**
Changing Alabama's Approach to
Disaster Response, Brian Hastings,
Alabama EMA Director
- **4:30 - 5 p.m.**
Investing in Your Local Workforce,
Ed Castile, Alabama Deputy Secretary
of Commerce / AIDT Director

5 - 6 p.m.

Opening Reception

Dinner on your own.

Thursday, December 7

7:30 - 9:15 a.m.

ACCA Legislative Conference Registration

8 - 9 a.m.

Breakfast

Hon. Tony Cherry, ACCA President-Elect, presiding

*Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive
Director, speaking*

- 2018 Alabama County Platform Review
- ATRIP2: Driving Forward
- Get in the Game 2018

9:15 - 11:30 a.m.

Commissioners & Administrators
Breakout Session

Hon. David Money, ACCA Vice President, presiding

- **9:15 - 9:35 a.m.**
Revenue Officers: The Key to
Protecting County Budgets, Kim
Creech, Baldwin County Clerk/
Treasurer; Kirk Keith, Tuscaloosa
County Special Tax Board Manager; &
Betty Peterson, Madison County Sales
Tax Director
- **9:35 - 10:10 a.m.**
County Participation in RSA,
Liane Kelly, ARSEA / APEAL Executive
Director
- **10:10 - 10:45 a.m.**
Juvenile Justice Reform, Sonny
Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director
- **10:45 - 11:15 a.m.**
Legislative Lingo, Terri Reynolds,
ACCA Legislative Counsel
- **11:15 - 11:30 a.m.**
ALCountiesTweet, Abby Luker &
Jeannie Gaines, ACCA Staff

9:15 - 11:30 a.m.

Engineers Breakout Session

Josh Harvill, ACEA President, presiding

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- **9:15 - 9:45 a.m.**
Introducing the Local Transportation Bureau, Ed Phillips, Local Transportation Bureau Chief, Alabama Department of Transportation
- **9:45 - 10:10 a.m.**
Annual Bid Process How-To, Josh Harvill, Chambers County Engineer
- **10:10 - 10:35 a.m.**
Incentivizing Your Employees to Work Safely, Bill Dempsey, Houston County Chief Administrative Officer
- **10:35 - 10:50 a.m.**
ALCountiesTweet, Jeannie Gaines, ACCA Public Relations Manager
- **10:50 - 11:30 a.m.**
ATRIP Success Stories & Driving Forward, Eric Hill, Lauderdale County Engineer; John Lang, Cullman County Engineer; & Chris Champion, Henry County Engineer

9:15 - 11:30 a.m.

Emergency Managers Breakout Session
Reggie Chitwood, AAEM Vice President, presiding

- **9:15 - 10:05 a.m.**
Alabama EMA: People, Process & Product, Brian Hastings, Alabama EMA Director
- **10:05 - 10:20 a.m.**
ALCountiesTweet, Jeannie Gaines, ACCA Public Relations Manager

- **10:20 - 10:40 a.m.**
Past & Emerging Legislation, Chase Cobb, ACCA Governmental Relations Manager
- **10:40 - 11 a.m.**
Legislative Lingo, Chase Cobb, ACCA Governmental Relations Manager
- **11 - 11:30 a.m.**
Utilizing FirstNet, Chuck Murph, FirstNet Region IV Lead

9:15 - 11:30 a.m.

9-1-1 Directors Breakout Session
Johnny Hart, AAND President, presiding

- **9:15 - 9:35 a.m.**
Legislative Lingo, Chase Cobb, ACCA Governmental Affairs Manager
- **9:35 - 10:05 a.m.**
Utilizing FirstNet, Chuck Murph, FirstNet Region IV Lead
- **10:05 - 10:20 a.m.**
ALCountiesTweet, Abby Luker, ACCA Director of Communication & Engagement
- **10:20 - 10:40 a.m.**
COLA for 9-1-1 Rate, Leah Missildine, Alabama 9-1-1 Board Executive Director
- **10:40-11:10 a.m.**
Emerging 9-1-1 Issues, Leah Missildine, Alabama 9-1-1 Board Executive Director, & Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director
- **11:10 - 11:30 a.m.**
Statewide Board Election

9:15 - 11:30 a.m.

CROAA Breakout Session

Kim Creech, CROAA President, presiding

- **9:15 - 9:50 a.m.**
Administration of Local Sales Tax Exemptions & Other Issues, Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director
- **9:50 - 10:25 a.m.**
Emerging Legislative Issues, Terri Reynolds, ACCA Legislative Counsel
- **10:25 - 10:40 a.m.**
ALCountiesTweet, Abby Luker, ACCA Director of Communication & Engagement
- **10:40 - 11:10 a.m.**
Tobacco Taxes, Randy Winkler, Business & License Tax Division Revenue Manager, Alabama Department of Revenue
- **11:10 - 11:30 a.m.**
CROAA's Next 20 Years

11:30 a.m. - Noon

ACCA Business Session

Hon. Steve McKinnon, ACCA President, presiding

- **2018 Alabama County Platform**

Noon

Adjourn Legislative Conference

Noon - 1:30 p.m.

- PLAN 2018 Meeting
- ACAA Board of Directors Meeting
- CROAA Board of Directors Meeting
- ACEA Board of Directors Meeting

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