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## Commissioners Promote Legislative Priorities At NACo Conference

FAYETTEVILLE – Four Cumberland County Commissioners joined more than 160 county officials from North Carolina at the National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C. More than 1,700 county leaders from throughout the country convened for the conference, which was held Feb. 24 to March 1.

“The conference was an opportunity to focus on federal policy issues, attend educational sessions on important topics facing counties and meet with our North Carolina delegation,” said Chairman Glenn Adams, who was joined by fellow commissioners Charles Evans, Jeannette Council and Marshall Faircloth.

Conference participants met with federal policy makers from the Trump Administration and Congress to promote county legislative priorities, including mental health reform, protection for municipal bonds, enhanced services for opioid and substance abuse, and marketplace fairness measures. More than two dozen educational workshops covered issues facing counties such as the opioid crisis, homelessness, workforce and economic development, transportation and infrastructure, public health and safety, mental health and jails, and cybersecurity and technology.

The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) hosted its annual Congressional Breakfast on Feb. 28. Cumberland County’s two representatives, Richard Hudson and Robert Pittenger, and Senators Richard Burr and Thom Tillis attended the breakfast. Many delegates pledged to work with counties on the [10 federal priorities](#) adopted by the NCACC Board of Directors for 2017-18.

On Feb. 27, Cumberland County commissioners visited with Rep. Richard Hudson in his office to discuss federal priorities such as supporting remote sales tax collection and opposing unfunded mandates to counties.



*(Left to right) Vice chairman Charles Evans, Sen. Richard Burr, Chairman Glenn Adams and Sen. Thom Tillis at the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Congressional Breakfast.*



*(Left to right) Commissioner Jeannette Council, Chairman Glenn Adams, Rep. Richard Hudson and Commissioner Marshall Faircloth met Feb. 27 in Hudson's office.*

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*The [National Association of Counties](http://www.naco.org) (NACo) is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States. Founded in 1935, NACo assists America's 3,069 counties in pursuing excellence in public service to produce healthy, vibrant, safe and resilient counties. NACo promotes sound public policies, fosters county solutions and innovation, promotes intergovernmental and public-private collaboration and provides value-added services to save counties and taxpayers money. More information at: [www.naco.org](http://www.naco.org).*