

## **FCL's Policy Review Process**

The governing body of the Friends Committee on Legislation of California is the General Committee. This body sets the legislative priorities, considers and approves any changes to the policy statements. FCL also has a Board of Directors which has direct oversight responsibility for FCL. The Board of Directors appoints members of the Policy Committee which: a) proposes legislative policies and priorities for approval by the General Committee, b) researches initiatives and referenda placed before the electorate and recommend positions for approval by the Board of Directors and, c) advises on other policy matters that may arise. The Policy Committee will also set times to review and update specific policy statements.

Requests for changes in policy statements or to initiate a statement on a new policy should be forwarded to the Clerk of the Policy Committee with a copy to the clerk of the Board. The Policy Committee may ask Northern Regional Committee and Southern Regional Committee for their participation in the consideration of policy additions or revisions. The FCL Education Fund Board may also be asked to provide background research on policy matters to help assure the factual basis of any policy change. Once a new or revised policy is considered and agreed to by the Policy Committee it should be forwarded to the Board for its consideration and then given to the General Committee for its consideration at the annual meeting.