



National Safety Council

Position/Policy Statement

Federal Government Relationship

Policy guiding the relationship between the Council and the Federal Government was set forth in a report adopted by the Board of Directors on April 11, 1961.

Extracts from that report are supporting documents are reproduced below.

Finally, the committee proposed affirmation of the following principles as a basis for the Council's continued service to the nation:

The Council will continue to function as a privately directed, privately financed, non-political organization, under the terms of its Congressional Charter.

The Council will strive to improve its leadership of the safety movement. In doing so it will seek cooperation from, and extend cooperation to, governmental agencies and to all other elements in the movement.

The Council will continue to operate on the principle that its responsibility to the nation for achieving maximum results in accident prevention can best be served by retaining full freedom of action and independence of decision in its relationships with governmental agencies.

The Council will continue its traditional policy of not requesting or accepting general government subsidies. The Council may however accept payment for services performed for government, and grants for programs in the general field of research, when provisions are made to insure that the operating policies of the Council are not compromised in any way.

This position statement reflects the opinions of the National Safety Council but not necessarily those of each member organization.

Adopted by the Board of Directors, April 11, 1961