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| **Tuesday, Jan. 28**  
 **Board of Directors Meeting**  
 Hotel Coolidge, White River Junction, VT |
| **Wednesday-Friday, Feb. 5-7**  
 **126th LBM Expo**  
 Hynes Convention Center, Boston, MA |
| **Thursday, March 19**  
 **Board of Directors Meeting & Lobby Day**  
 Capitol Plaza Hotel, Montpelier, VT |
| **Monday-Wednesday, March 23-25**  
 **NLBMDA Legislative Conference**  
 Washington, D.C. |
| **Thursday, June 18**  
 **Board of Directors Meeting**  
 TBD |
| **Thursday, Aug. 20**  
 **Board of Directors Meeting**  
 TBD |
| **Thursday, Sept. 17**  
 **Golf Outing & Annual Meeting**  
 TBD |
| **Thursday, Dec. 5**  
 **Board of Directors Meeting with Legislative Priorities Setting**  
 TBD |
| **Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 9-11**  
 **127th LBM Expo & NRLA Annual Meeting**  
 Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence, RI |
During the 2019 Session, VRLDA successfully opposed multiple high-profile issues. The Democratically controlled House and Senate could not reach an agreement on the $15 minimum wage increase, the creation of a Paid Family Leave Program, or the legalization of recreational marijuana use. All three issues will be carried over into the 2020 Session.

The legislature adopted a plastic bag ban that will go into effect next year, expanded the state sales tax to online sales effective June 1, 2019 and dedicated a portion of the existing rooms and meals tax to fund water quality improvements statewide.

In addition to minimum wage and paid family leave, workforce development will continue to be a priority issue for VRLDA. Increase investments in workforce development in the form of technical education in high schools and work-based learning opportunities will help ensure a strong pipeline of quality workers in the trades.

VLDA is proud to offer retail members **Choices in Education and Training** this year with a **$1,000 subsidy** that can be used towards:

- Any VRLDA/LBMDA in-person seminar
- NRLA Learning Management System (LMS) Subscriptions
- NYLE Timber Tour, or
- 2020 LBM Expo.