This session will provide an opportunity for legislative editors and other interested participants to discuss a selection of issues submitted by editors who attended the editors' roundtable discussion at the 2015 Legal Services Staff Section Seminar in Austin, TX.

Discussion will focus on interactions between editors and drafters, tools that simplify and speed editing, and policies that affect editors. We will address the following questions:

| INTERACTIONS | 1. How to communicate errors to the drafter in a nonthreatening manner.  
|              | a. What do you do if a drafter will not accept a change?  
|              | b. How do you encourage drafters to read and apply provisions in the drafting manual?  
|              | 2. How to work with existing language and new language.  
|              | a. What do you do when drafters use incorrect grammar in new statutory sections because they want to match existing sections?  
|              | b. Also, what do you do when drafters are reluctant to make changes to existing subsections if they weren’t already being amended?  
|              | 3. How to set reasonable expectations for timely editing during busier times.  
|              | a. Are there methods that can be implemented at slower times to manage the anticipated workload?  
| TOOLS | 4. How to embrace changing technology.  
|       | a. How do you develop and incorporate new technology that is still compatible with the paper system?  
|       | b. How do you use technology to enhance editing?  
|       | 5. How to revise a drafting manual or an editing manual.  
| POLICIES | 6. How to make technical corrections in existing law.  
|         | a. How do states find and correct errors in current law?  
|         | b. How are editors involved in this process?  

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