

HB1001

STATE BUDGET (THOMPSON J) Appropriates money for capital expenditures, the operation of the state, K-12 and higher education, the delivery of Medicaid and other services, and various other distributions and purposes. Requires a researcher to execute a data sharing agreement that is approved by the management performance hub (MPH) to receive access to confidential records. Provides that the auditor of state is officially known as the state comptroller. Provides that, after June 30, 2023, the auditor of state shall use the title "state comptroller" in conducting state business, in all contracts, on business cards, on stationery, and with other means of communication as necessary. Provides that the change in title does not invalidate any documents or transactions conducted in the name of the auditor of state. Requires the legislative services agency, under the direction of the code revision commission, to prepare legislation for introduction in the 2024 regular session of the general assembly to make appropriate amendments to the Indiana Code to change references from the "auditor of state" to the "state comptroller" and to make any other necessary implementation changes. Establishes the opioid settlement fund into which funds received from opioid litigation settlements must be deposited. Allows the budget committee to submit the budget report and budget bill or bills to the governor on or before the second Monday of January, or the third Monday of January in the year in which a gubernatorial election is held (instead of before that date). Provides that each taxing unit and soil and water conservation district shall be charged an amount equal to 50% of the actual direct and indirect cost of performing an examination for certain individuals engaged in making examinations or investigations. Allows the Indiana economic development corporation (corporation) to certify an applicable tax credit that exceeds the maximum allowable amount after review by the budget committee. Provides that a taxpayer is entitled to a refund of a research expense tax credit if the taxpayer meets certain conditions. Provides the corporation with discretion to refund unused amounts of certain credits. Defines "core public health services" for purposes of public health laws. Provides a process by which a county or a health and hospital corporation may elect to establish a maximum permissible ad valorem health services property tax levy. Provides that a new city health department cannot be established after December 31, 2022, but allows current city health departments to continue to operate. Requires each local board of health to establish a local public health services fund to receive state funding from the local public health fund. Provides a method of allocation of state funding to local boards of health. Allows certain members of the public employees' retirement fund or Indiana state teachers' retirement fund to file an election to begin receiving retirement benefits while holding a position. Changes the state police pre-1987 benefit and supplemental pension benefit calculation from being based on the sixth year of service to the fourth year of service. Repeals the public mass transportation fund. Repeals the financial responsibility compliance verification fund. Changes the number of years of service on which the salary matrix for state police employees is based to 15 years (instead of 20 years). Requires the department of correction to deposit the amount appropriated for the county misdemeanor fund by a county's multiplier. Deletes minimum allocation amounts for purposes of the county misdemeanor fund. Provides that a part of state user fees shall be deposited in the Indiana secured school fund. Repeals the distribution schedule for appropriations made for certain child development programs. Deletes reimbursement rate parameters for reimbursement of managed care organizations under the healthy Indiana plan. Extends the sunset of the collection of hospital assessment fees and health facility quality assessment fees from June 30, 2023, to June 30, 2025. Increases the total number of adult learner students at the Excel Centers for Adult Learners for whom the school may receive state funding. Establishes early literacy achievement grants and requires that the grants be used to pay cash stipends to certain teachers, instructional coaches, and other staff employed in the classroom. Requires each public school to provide curricular materials at no cost to each student enrolled in the public school. Provides that the parent of a student or an emancipated minor who attends an accredited nonpublic school and who meets financial eligibility requirements may request reimbursement of fees charged for curricular materials. Establishes the curricular materials fund to provide state advancements for costs incurred by public schools in providing curricular materials to students at no cost and reimbursements to parents of certain students and emancipated minors who attend an accredited nonpublic school. Appropriates from the state general fund to the office of the secretary of family and social services an amount sufficient to meet maintenance of effort requirements in the state budget for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025. Establishes the Indiana education scholarship account donation fund to accept donations for administration of the Indiana education scholarship account program. Repeals the special education fund. Establishes the outcomes based formula fund from which the commission for higher education may annually request distributions from the outcomes based formula fund for each state educational institution. Provides that state user fees remaining after required distributions shall be distributed to the state general fund (instead of the court technology fund). Requires the auditor of state to deposit distributions of pro bono legal services fees received from the: (1) clerk of a circuit court; (2) clerk of a city or town court; or (3) Marion County small claims court; in the pro bono legal services fund. Removes the prohibition on the use of money in the public defense fund for reimbursement of misdemeanor cases. Provides for the calculation of salary increases for the governor and state elected officials. Provides for the calculation of salary increases for court officers. Provides that \$10,000,000 of unexpended and unencumbered amounts appropriated to the department of education in the state fiscal year ending before July 1, 2023, do not revert to the state general fund but remain available to fund matching grants from the Lilly Endowment for early literacy improvements. Requires the auditor of state to transfer \$80,000,000 from the tobacco master settlement agreement fund to the state construction fund on July 1, 2023. Provides that unexpended and unencumbered amounts appropriated from the federal economic stimulus fund in the state fiscal year ending before

July 1, 2023, do not revert to the state general fund. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

- HB1005 HOUSING (MILLER D) Establishes the residential housing infrastructure assistance program (program) and residential housing infrastructure assistance revolving fund (fund). Provides that the Indiana finance authority (authority) shall administer the fund and program. Provides that political subdivisions may apply to the fund for loans for certain infrastructure projects related to the development of residential housing. Provides that money in the fund may not be used for: (1) debt repayment; (2) maintenance and repair projects; (3) upgrading utility poles; or (4) consulting or engineering fees for studies, reports, designs, or analyses. Provides that loans from the fund must be allocated as follows: (1) 70% of the money in the fund must be used for housing infrastructure in municipalities with a population of less than 50,000. (2) 30% of the money in the fund must be used for housing infrastructure in all other political subdivisions. Requires the authority to establish a project prioritization system for the purpose of awarding loans from the fund, and specifies the criteria that must be included in the project prioritization system. Allows the authority to establish a leveraged loan program to or for the benefit of program participants. Requires the public finance director to prepare an annual report of the fund's activities for the legislative council and the budget committee. Makes a continuing appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 1/24/2023 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1006 MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS (STEUERWALD G) Specifies the circumstances under which a person may be involuntarily committed to a facility for mental health services and specifies that these services are medically necessary. Establishes a local mental health referral program to provide mental health treatment for certain persons who have been arrested. Repeals obsolete provisions.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1012 EXCLUSION OF DISCHARGED STUDENT LOANS AS INCOME (PORTER G) Provides that the Indiana adjusted gross income add back of forgiven federal student loan debt that is excluded under the Internal Revenue Code applies only to the 2021 taxable year and does not apply to forgiven federal student loan debt forgiven in subsequent taxable years.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1015 WORKSITE SPEED CONTROL PILOT PROGRAM (PRESSEL J) Requires the Indiana department of transportation (department) to establish the worksite speed control pilot program (pilot program) for the purpose of enforcing worksite speed limits. Requires that the department: (1) work with the state police department to administer the pilot program; and (2) enter into an agreement with the state police department to share information regarding the pilot program. Permits the department to contract with a third party vendor to assist in implementing the pilot program. Provides that an individual who is recorded by a worksite speed control system may not be assessed a civil penalty unless the violation is at least 11 miles per hour above the established worksite speed limit. Replaces the term "work zone" with "worksite" throughout the relevant statutes.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1016 POLICE AND FIRE MERIT SYSTEMS (PRESSEL J) Allows a fire protection district or fire protection territory to establish a merit system. Provides that unless a resolution or ordinance to establish a merit system is rejected not later than July 1, 2024, a merit system is established on January 1, 2025, for eligible: (1) city and town police and fire departments and township fire departments; and (2) fire protection districts and fire protection territories. Provides that the merit system may be dissolved after January 1, 2025. Repeals a provision containing definitions and moves the definitions to another location.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Second Reading
- HB1024 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (TORR J) Provides that a governmental body may not enter into a debt instrument unless it first receives a written financial analysis. Requires a person who engages in certain activities on behalf of either a governmental body or a potential operator with whom a governmental body is negotiating a BOT agreement to be registered as a broker with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. Provides that a contractor that employs 10 or more employees on a design-build public works project must provide its employees access to a training program applicable to the tasks to be performed in the normal course of the employee's employment with the contractor on the public project. Provides that a tier 1 or tier 2 contractor that employs 50 or more journeymen must participate in an apprenticeship or training program that meets certain standards. Requires design-builders and any member of a team working on a design-build public works project to comply with certain statutes. Provides that a public agency awarding a contract for a construction manager as constructor project may not take certain actions based on a bidder's, offeror's, or contractor's entering into, refusing to enter into, adhering to, or refusing to adhere to an agreement with a labor organization.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

- HB1025 FIREFIGHTER DISCIPLINE (TORR J) Provides that a fire department of a fire protection district or fire protection territory is subject to certain disciplinary and due process requirements.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Second Reading
- HB1030 REGISTRATION OF RENTAL UNITS (OLTHOFF J) Allows a political subdivision to impose an annual registration fee of up to \$10 per rental unit that is not part of a rental unit community. (Current law allows for an annual registration fee of up to \$5 per rental unit that is not a part of a rental unit community.) Provides that a political subdivision may impose an additional fee or penalty on an owner or landlord for failure to pay a registration fee for a rental unit or to register a rental unit in an amount not greater than: (1) \$50 per rental unit, if at least 30 days but not more than 90 days have passed since the owner or landlord was given notice of the violation; and (2) \$100 per rental unit, if more than 90 days have passed since the owner or landlord was given notice of the violation. Caps the total amount of additional fees or penalties imposed on an owner or landlord at \$7,500. Requires a political subdivision with a rental registration program to provide notice to each owner or landlord that registered a rental unit for the previous year not later than 60 days before the current year's registration deadline.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1032 CREDIT TIME ASSIGNMENTS (FRYE R) Provides that a person who is imprisoned for a crime or imprisoned awaiting trial or sentencing for a crime that resulted in death or serious bodily injury to a public safety official, for a crime committed after June 30, 2023, is initially assigned to Class D and may not be assigned or reassigned to any other credit time class.  
*Current Status:* 1/18/2023 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1033 LOCAL UNIT WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (FRYE R) Establishes the local unit water infrastructure fund (fund) to provide grants, loans, and other financial assistance to counties, cities, and towns for projects to: (1) repair, replace, or increase the capacity of water infrastructure; or (2) replace lead water service lines; in community water systems. Requires the Indiana finance authority (authority) to administer the fund. Provides that the fund consists of appropriations from the state general fund and money from other sources. Requires the authority to adopt guidelines to establish criteria for the making of grants and the providing of loans and other financial assistance from the fund. Provides that an application for a grant, a loan, or other financial assistance must be accompanied by all supporting materials required by the authority. Requires a local unit that applies for a grant, a loan, or other financial assistance to develop an asset management program for its community water system. Authorizes the authority to establish a maximum amount that one county, city, or town may receive as a grant. Requires the authority, if possible, to allocate at least 50% of the total amount of grants to counties having a population of less than 50,000 and cities and towns located in counties having a population of less than 50,000. Authorizes the authority to make the award of a grant conditional upon the local unit contributing a local match of funds to be combined with the grant, but imposes an upper limit on the amount of a matching grant that can be required of a county, city, or town falling within certain population parameters. Requires the authority to establish the interest rate or interest rate parameters for each loan from the fund, and allows the authority to take into account certain factors in setting interest rates or interest rate parameters. Provides that the authority may require a local unit that receives a loan to enter into a binding financial assistance agreement. Requires a biennial report on grants awarded and loans and other financial assistance provided from the fund.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Andrade M
- HB1035 TOWNSHIP ASSESSORS (PRESSEL J) Provides that, in counties that have one or more township assessors, the county election board shall place on the ballot at the November 2024 general election a public question asking whether the office of township assessor should be abolished or continued. Provides that a county election board shall tabulate the votes cast on the public question and certify the results to the department of local government finance. Provides that if a majority of the voters voting on the public question vote "yes", the office of each township assessor in the county is abolished, effective January 1, 2026. Provides that if a majority of voters voting on the public question vote "yes": (1) employment positions as of December 31, 2025, of each township assessor in the county are transferred to the county assessor; (2) real and personal property duties of each township assessor in the county are transferred to the county assessor; (3) obligations outstanding on December 31, 2025, of each township assessor in the county are transferred to the county assessor; and (4) the funds of each township assessor in the county on hand for the purpose of carrying out the property assessment duties in the amount determined by the county auditor are transferred to the county assessor. Provides that before October 1, 2025, the county assessor shall interview, or give the opportunity to interview to, each individual who: (1) is an employee of a township assessor in the county; and (2) applies before September 1, 2025, for an employment position. Provides that the township shall transfer to the county assessor all revenue received after the date of the transfer that is received by the township for the purpose of carrying out property assessment duties in the amount determined by the county auditor.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Third Reading

- HB1039 MEDICAL AND ADULT USE CANNABIS (TESHKA J) After marijuana is removed as a federal schedule I controlled substance, permits the use of cannabis by: (1) a person at least 21 years of age; and (2) a person with a serious medical condition as determined by the person's physician. Establishes the adult use cannabis excise tax, and requires a retailer to transfer the tax to the department of state revenue for deposit in the state general fund. Exempts veterans from payment of the sales tax on medical or adult use cannabis. Establishes a cannabis program to permit the cultivation, processing, testing, transportation, and sale of cannabis by holders of a valid permit. Establishes the Indiana cannabis commission (ICC) as a state agency to oversee, implement, and enforce the program, and establishes the ICC advisory committee to review the effectiveness of the program. Requires that permit holders take steps to prevent diversion of cannabis to unauthorized persons. Requires that cannabis and cannabis products be properly labeled, placed in child resistant packaging, and tested by an independent testing laboratory before being made available for purchase. Prohibits packaging cannabis in a manner that is appealing to children. Authorizes research on cannabis in accordance with rules set forth by the ICC. Establishes a procedure for the expungement of a cannabis related conviction if the act constituting the conviction becomes legal. Makes conforming amendments.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Public Health
- HB1040 REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS (LEHMAN M) Provides that if an examination of an audited entity is unable to be performed because the audited entity's accounts, records, files, or reports are not properly maintained or reconciled, the entity may be declared unauditible. Requires an unauditible entity to bring its accounts, records, files, or reports into an auditable condition within 90 days. Requires the state board of accounts (SBOA) to publish a list of entities declared to be unauditible on the SBOA's website. Provides that if an entity is declared unauditible and the fiscal officer is unable to perform the fiscal requirements of their position, the fiscal officer is required to hire outside assistance for guidance or to perform the fiscal requirements. Clarifies an exception regarding the liability of an elected official for acts that constitute gross negligence or intentional disregard of the official's duties. Requires the SBOA to annually call a conference for: (1) city and town controllers and clerk-treasurers, newly appointed city and town controllers, and city and town clerk-treasurers elect; and (2) township trustees and township trustees elect. Provides that elected officials must attend training every two years and that the SBOA shall keep attendance of elected officials and publish it on the SBOA's website. Makes an exception for school corporation treasurer personal liability. Provides that if there is an office of town clerk-treasurer that is vacant, and the town legislative body is unable to fill the office, the town legislative body may either: (1) enter into a local agreement with the town clerk-treasurer and town legislative body of another town in the state to assist a selected town legislative body member in performing the duties of the clerk-treasurer's office; or (2) enter into a contract with a certified public accountant to assist the town legislative body member in performing the duties of the clerk-treasurer's office. (Current law provides that the town legislative body may only enter into a contract with a certified public accountant after the town legislative body is unable to reach an agreement with another town.) Provides that newly elected officials shall complete five hours of training before taking office. Provides that elected officials shall certify completion of training requirements to the SBOA annually. Excludes self-supporting school lunch and the rental or sale of curricular materials as programs that may be established as separate funds. Repeals obsolete provisions. Makes technical corrections.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Third Reading
- HB1041 STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS (LEHMAN M) Provides that the state board of accounts (SBOA) is designated as the independent external auditor of audited entities and is subject to applicable professional accounting standards. Requires annual reports to be prepared, verified, and filed with the state examiner as set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines. Requires all appointments of field examiners be made solely upon the ground of fitness in accordance with professional accounting and auditing standards. Provides that if an examination of an audited entity is unable to be performed because the audited entity's accounts, records, files, or reports are not properly maintained or reconciled, the audited entity may be declared to be unauditible. Provides that an audited entity that is declared unauditible shall bring its accounts, records, files, or reports into an auditable condition within 90 days. Requires the SBOA to publish a list of audited entities declared unauditible on its website. Revises conditions under which the state examiner may undertake an examination based on a violation of the law. Requires the SBOA to approve a request by an audited entity to opt out of examinations and engage a certified public accountant to conduct examinations if, within the last six years, the SBOA has not issued an examination or special investigation report critical of the audited entity's internal controls and there have been no adverse reports. Provides that the SBOA may terminate its approval of the use of a certified public accountant if certain requirements are not met. Revises the provision regarding field examiner traveling expenses. Makes changes to certain reporting, resolution, and disclosure requirements. Simplifies the provision regarding parties and a plaintiff's right of recovery. Removes provisions regarding additional powers of the state examiner and attorney general. Provides that if the attorney general brings an action against an official bond, official bonds, or a crime insurance policy, the cause may be brought in the name of the state of Indiana upon the relation of the attorney general as plaintiff. Repeals a provision regarding the withdrawal or removal of counties from solid waste management districts. Repeals a provision regarding bonds and crime policies for faithful performance. Repeals a provision regarding examination reports, requisites, performance of public works, and SBOA powers. Repeals a provision regarding copies of reports filed with libraries, public inspections, and request renewals. Makes technical and conforming changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Third Reading

- HB1046 LOCAL ROAD AND BRIDGE MATCHING GRANT FUND (MORRISON A) Provides that a military base reuse authority (reuse authority) is qualified to receive funds for an eligible project from the local road and bridge matching grant fund (fund). Provides that the required local matching amount by the reuse authority to receive a grant from the fund is equal to 25% of the total cost of the eligible project.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1048 TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS (ENGLEMAN K) Addresses technical errors in the Indiana Code, including spelling, tabulation, formatting, grammatical, and cross-reference issues. Makes conforming amendments to align the style of population parameter wording. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision commission.)  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Second Reading
- HB1049 BICYCLE TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNALS (PRESSEL J) Defines a "bicycle traffic control signal". Provides that a person may make a left turn from a designated left-turn lane on a one-way street to another one-way street with the flow of traffic. (Current law allows for turning left from the left lane of a one-way street to another one-way street with the flow of traffic.) Provides for the requirements and explanations of colors for bicycle traffic control signals exhibiting colored lights. Makes conforming and technical changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1050 VARIOUS MOTOR VEHICLE MATTERS (PRESSEL J) Defines "lawful status". Repeals the term "credential". Defines "physical credential". Provides for when a credential issued by the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) must be in the form of a physical credential or a mobile credential. Provides for the form of the mobile credential. Provides that, beginning July 1, 2023, and each year thereafter, the bureau is required to provide the executive director of the legislative services agency the name of a special group for whom: (1) 10 years have elapsed since the special group was admitted into the special group recognition license plate program; or (2) 10 years have elapsed since the previous review of the special group by the interim study committee on roads and transportation. Provides that if a special group was subject to a decennial review before July 1, 2023, then the next review occurs in the year which is a multiple of 10 years after the year of the special group's admittance to the special group recognition license plate program. Replaces the terms "legal status", "legal presence", and "legal permanent resident" with "lawful status" throughout the relevant statutes. Provides that the term "driver training school" does not include a business enterprise that educates or trains a person or prepares a person to operate a commercial motor vehicle. Provides that certain entities are immune from civil liability for an act or omission occurring during a motorcycle operator safety course that results in an injury or property damage. Provides that administrative procedures of the bureau do not apply to a hearing requested by a nonresident regarding the suspension of the driving privileges of the nonresident for failure to meet the terms of a citation. Makes conforming changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1051 PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (PRYOR C) Permits counties, cities, and towns (including Marion County) to establish a neighborhood enhancement property tax relief program (program) to provide an assessed value deduction for longtime owner-occupants of homesteads having an assessed value of not more than \$200,000 in certain designated areas. Authorizes the redevelopment commission (or the metropolitan development commission in the case of Marion County) to identify the areas for purposes of the program based on specified conditions. Requires the county auditor to notify each owner of property that qualifies for a deduction under a program and provide the owner with an application for the deduction. Requires an owner of property that qualifies for a deduction to apply to the county auditor to receive the deduction. Provides a penalty for wrongly receiving the deduction that is the same as the penalty for wrongly receiving the homestead standard deduction.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1053 DISCRIMINATORY PROFILING AND PRETEXTUAL STOPS (PRYOR C) Honors the memory of Byron Ratcliffe Sr. by doing the following: (1) Prohibits discriminatory profiling and pretextual stops (discriminatory profiling and stops) by law enforcement based on perceived age, gender, race, or ethnicity. (2) Requires law enforcement agencies to: (A) adopt policies regarding discriminatory profiling and stops; (B) submit discriminatory profiling and stops data to the attorney general for inclusion in an annual report to the legislative council; and (C) establish standards for the use of vehicle and body cameras. (3) Establishes law enforcement officer training regarding discriminatory profiling and stops. (4) Establishes the discriminatory profiling review commission to review complaints. (5) Provides for a civil action based on discriminatory profiling and stops. Makes technical corrections.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
- HB1055 PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS (FRYE R) Increases the number of deputies, from two to six, that a town marshal may have to participate in the town marshal training program (Tier II training program) established by the law enforcement training board. Makes changes to the jurisdiction of a hospital police department. Makes changes to

certain definitions of "law enforcement officer" to include officers employed by a hospital police department. Provides that a member of a city police or fire department is not subject to residency requirements. Eliminates a provision that provides that a city with a population of less than 7,500 may adopt an ordinance that requires a member of a city police or fire department to reside within the county in which the city is located. Provides that members of the police and fire departments of a town or special service district are not subject to residency requirements but must: (1) have adequate means of transportation into the jurisdiction served by the member's department; and (2) maintain telephone service to communicate with the department. Provides that members of the fire department of a township, fire protection district, or fire protection territory are not subject to residency requirements but must: (1) have adequate means of transportation into the jurisdiction served by the member's department; and (2) maintain telephone service to communicate with the department. Repeals provisions: (1) relating to the establishment of residency requirements for a police or fire department of a town with a population of less than 7,500; (2) relating to the establishment of residency requirements for a township fire department of a township with a population of less than 7,500; and (3) that exempt a member of a town police or fire department or a township fire department from residency requirements under certain circumstances. Repeals a provision relating to the jurisdiction of hospital police departments.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

HB1059 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDERS (ENGLEMAN K) Amends the definition of "emergency medical services provider" for the offense of battery to include a staff member in the emergency department of a hospital.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Fleming

HB1060 DISSOLUTION OF TOWNS (ENGLEMAN K) Repeals a statute relating to the dissolution of a small town (a town with a population of less than 500) and included towns in Marion County. Restates this statute and additionally provides that if the county election board of the county in which the greatest percentage of the population of a small town is located finds that the town has not elected town officers during the preceding 10 years, that county election board shall certify that fact to the county executive of each county in which the town is located. Removes from the statute as a reason for dissolving a small town that the town has not had a "functioning town government" during the preceding 10 years. Provides the following if a small town is dissolved: (1) The property owned by the dissolved town after payment of debts and liabilities shall be disposed of by the county executive of the county in which the property is located. (2) Any money remaining after payment of the dissolved town's debts and liabilities shall be deposited in the general fund of each county in which the town was located, in proportion to the assessed value of the dissolved town located in each county. (3) Beginning with the date of the town's dissolution, the following apply: any town ordinance relating to the town's budget, tax rates, and tax levies for the calendar year is void; a budget, tax rate, and tax levy may not be certified for the dissolved town; any distribution of funds due to the town from the state shall be paid to the county; and the county shall deposit any distribution payments made by the state in the county's general fund. (4) Dissolution of the town does not affect the validity of a contract to which the town is a party. (5) After dissolution, the books and records of the dissolved town become the property of the county executive of the county in which the greatest assessed value of the dissolved town was located. (6) Provides that if a dissolved small town was located in more than one county, the county executives may enter into appropriate agreements concerning the disposition of the property of the dissolved town, access to the town records, and other matters considered relevant by the county executives of the respective counties.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Payne Z

HB1061 LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS ROSTER (ENGLEMAN K) Requires the election division to create an electronic roster of local elected officials that contains certain information about all individuals who hold a local or school board office. Requires circuit court clerks and town clerk-treasurers to enter information into the roster not later than January 1 after an election and whenever an individual is selected to fill a vacancy in a local office.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2023 - House Elections and Apportionment, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

HB1062 REORGANIZATION OF MUNICIPALITY AND TOWNSHIP (ENGLEMAN K) Allows a municipality in a county (excluding Marion County) to reorganize with a township that has at least 70% of its population within the municipality, if: (1) the municipality adopts a reorganization plan; and (2) more than 50% of the sum of all voters in the municipality and the unincorporated area of the township approve the reorganization plan. Allows the reorganized political subdivision to provide township assistance within the former boundaries of the reorganizing township by contracting with nonprofit organizations.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Local Government

HB1063 TOWN OF HARDINSBURG (ENGLEMAN K) Legalizes the action of the county commissioners of Washington County dissolving the town of Hardinsburg. Repeals an 1893 act that legalized the incorporation of the town of Hardinsburg.

*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Third Reading

- HB1067 DELAWARE COUNTY COURTS (ERRINGTON S) Allows the judges of the Delaware circuit court to appoint a full-time magistrate.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1077 SPEED LIMITS (HEINE D) Increases the speed limit on certain U.S. highways throughout Indiana.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1078 GOVERNANCE OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE AGREEMENTS (HEINE D) Requires a governmental body to entertain more than one bidder before entering into a public-private agreement for a qualifying project. Provides that for both performance and payment bonds, the amount must be an amount not less than 100% of the cost to design and construct the qualifying project. Requires the operator to perform at least 30% of the work on the qualifying project. Requires the governmental body and the operator to provide full disclosure in the public-private agreement and to the public of any imputed interest rate regarding the qualifying project. Requires the governmental body to report to the department of local government finance the amount and duration of any availability payment related to the qualifying project. Requires the governmental body to hold a public comment hearing regarding the necessity of the qualifying project.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- HB1079 SPECIAL PERMIT FOR OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES AND LOADS (HEINE D) Establishes a special permit for oversize or overweight vehicles and loads for multiple routes for a period of not more than 90 days.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1081 RESIDENTIAL TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (HEINE D) Amends the threshold conditions that apply to a municipality for establishing a residential housing development program and a tax increment allocation area for the program.  
*Current Status:* 1/24/2023 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1082 ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES (TESHKA J) Requires a township or county assessor to document any changes made to the parcel characteristics of real property from the previous year's assessment in an assessment of the real property. Provides that in an appeal of the assessment, the township or county assessor has the burden of proving the validity of any change to the parcel characteristics. Allows a taxpayer to submit a preferred appraisal approach for assessment of certain rental property. Provides that, on appeal, if a township or county assessor has failed to use the preferred appraisal approach, the taxpayer shall be awarded reasonable attorney's fees, court costs, and other reasonable expenses.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1085 TAX INCENTIVE FINANCING (CHERRY R) Provides that 20% of the incremental property taxes of a tax increment financing area established after June 30, 2023, shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid to school corporations that maintain an attendance area that includes all or part of the allocation area. Requires a school corporation to use the distribution for career and technical education programs. Provides that, for an allocation area established before July 1, 2023, a redevelopment commission is strongly encouraged to make allocations to a school corporation for use in the school corporation's career and technical education programs. Provides that, after June 30, 2023, at least one of the members appointed to a redevelopment commission by a municipal executive or county executive must also be a member of the school board of a school corporation that includes all or part of the territory served by the redevelopment commission or an individual recommended by the school board.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1086 ROAD FUNDING (MOED J) Provides that the amounts currently distributed from the motor vehicle highway account and the local road and street account to counties, cities, and towns based upon the proportionate share of road and street mileage shall instead be distributed based on the proportionate share of road and street vehicle miles traveled. Provides that the Indiana department of transportation shall establish guidelines outlining the procedures required to determine vehicle miles traveled.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1105 DUBOIS COUNTY COURTS (LINDAUER S) Allows the Dubois County judicial district to establish a second superior court. Makes conforming changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1114 NEW COURTS AND NEW MAGISTRATES (TORR J) Allows the judges of the Daviess circuit and superior courts to appoint a full-time magistrate. Allows the judges of the Delaware circuit court to appoint a full-time magistrate. Establishes a second superior court in the Dubois County judicial district. Allows the judges of the Elkhart circuit and superior courts to appoint four full-time magistrates (effective July 1, 2023) and two additional full-time magistrates

beginning January 1, 2024. (Current law allows for the appointment of two magistrates.) Allows the judge of the Spencer circuit court to appoint a magistrate. Allows Vigo superior court to appoint six judges. (Current law allows for the appointment of five judges.) Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Prescott

- HB1119 ELKHART COUNTY COURTS (WESCO T) Allows the judges of the Elkhart circuit and superior courts to appoint four full-time magistrates and beginning January 1, 2024, to appoint two additional full-time magistrates. (Current law allows for the appointment of two magistrates.)  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1130 MATERIAL HARMFUL TO MINORS (CASH B) Removes schools and certain public libraries from the list of entities eligible for a specified defense to criminal prosecutions alleging: (1) the dissemination of material harmful to minors; or (2) a performance harmful to minors. Adds colleges and universities to the list of entities eligible for a specified defense to criminal prosecutions alleging: (1) the dissemination of material harmful to minors; or (2) a performance harmful to minors.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Education
- HB1136 MENTAL HEALTH CARE FOR FIRST RESPONDERS (JACKSON C) Establishes the Indiana first responders mental health wellness fund and program. Provides that the division of mental health and addiction of the office of the secretary of family and social services shall administer the program and fund. Provides that a first responder who meets certain requirements may apply to the division for: (1) costs associated with the first responder's active participation in a mental health treatment plan as determined by a psychologist or physician treating the first responder; and (2) compensation if the first responder is unable to work. Establishes requirements for obtaining compensation. Makes a continuous appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Pressel
- HB1140 RAILROAD CROSSINGS (JACKSON C) Requires a railroad corporation to inform the local law enforcement authority of a blocked railroad-highway grade crossing in certain instances.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1141 CAP ON ASSESSED VALUATION INCREASE FOR HOMESTEADS (PRESCOTT J) Limits the annual increase in assessed value of a homestead to 5% unless: (1) ownership of the homestead changes; or (2) the increase results from physical changes to the homestead. Limits the increase in assessed value of a homestead over a 10 year period to 40%.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1142 LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORDINGS (PRESCOTT J) Provides that the direct cost that a state or local agency may charge for providing a copy of a law enforcement recording (recording) includes labor costs incurred to: (1) obscure nondisclosable information in the recording; and (2) perform an administrative review of the recording to determine if all nondisclosable information has been obscured. Provides that if a court issues an order for disclosure of a law enforcement recording, any copy of the recording must be made by the public agency.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Bartels
- HB1145 DELAWARE COUNTY MAGISTRATE (PRESCOTT J) Allows the judges of the Delaware circuit court to appoint a full-time magistrate.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1147 LAND BANKS (ERRINGTON S) Allows a county to adopt an ordinance requiring every person who wishes to participate in a tax sale as a bidder to pay a neighborhood investment fee of not more than \$150 and specifies the manner in which neighborhood investment fees collected are to be distributed to land banks. Allows a county to adopt an ordinance to impose, in addition to the 5% penalty for delinquent real property taxes, an additional penalty of not more than 3% for a total penalty that may not exceed 8% of the amount of delinquent real property taxes (additional penalty ordinance). Exempts delinquent tax payments attributable to real property receiving the homestead standard deduction for the most recent assessment date from an additional penalty ordinance. Specifies the manner in which the amounts collected attributable to an additional penalty ordinance are to be distributed to land banks. Allows a county to adopt an ordinance imposing a \$15 fee for each document recorded on a tract located in the territory of a land bank and specifies the manner in which the fee is to be distributed to land banks. Makes various changes to the statutes governing land banks that concern certain land bank powers, objectives, and duties. Provides that a majority of the directors of a land bank's board must have demonstrated competency in an occupation or discipline that is relevant to the primary purpose of a land bank. Allows a land bank to establish advisory committees composed of specified community members to consult with and advise the land bank on: (1) properties within the territory of the

land bank that are imposing the greatest harm on residents and neighborhoods; (2) resident and neighborhood priorities for new uses of land bank properties; and (3) options for potential transferees of land bank properties. Provides, subject to certain limitations, that a land bank may use an interlocal agreement to establish processes to improve the quality of title and marketability of property the land bank owns by extinguishing any liens that exist on the property. Provides that, if a land bank enters into an interlocal agreement, any employees of an eligible unit who may be contracted to provide staffing services to the land bank pursuant to the interlocal agreement retain their status as public employees of the eligible unit. Requires a county executive to provide a land bank in the county with a list of tracts located in the territory of the land bank that: (1) are delinquent on property taxes; and (2) have been offered for public sale at least two times and remain unsold; on an annual basis. Specifies that list must be provided to the land bank within 60 days after the end of the last tax sale for which the tracts went unsold. Allows the county executive to transfer its interest in a tract on the list to a land bank if requested by the land bank not later than 90 days after it receives the list.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Moed

- HB1157 RESIDENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (MOED J) Makes the following changes regarding Marion County redevelopment: (1) Revises allocation area requirements for the redevelopment commission (commission) to establish a housing program. (2) Allows the commission to establish a residential housing development program (residential housing program) and a tax increment funding allocation area for the residential housing program, if the construction of new houses fails to reach a benchmark. Requires the department of local government finance, in cooperation with the city of Indianapolis, to determine eligibility for the residential housing program. Specifies the rights, powers, privileges, and immunities of the commission in implementing a residential housing program.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1163 ELIMINATION OF LOCAL INCOME TAX COUNCILS (HALL D) Eliminates local income tax councils beginning July 1, 2024, and instead provides that the county fiscal body is the adopting body in all counties for purposes of the LIT.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Lauer
- HB1165 ELIMINATION OF LOWER SPEED LIMIT FOR TRUCKS (AYLESWORTH M) Reconciles the conflicting provisions regarding the maximum speed limit in an alley. Provides that an alley is not subject to the statutory maximum speed limit of 55 miles per hour. Increases the maximum speed limit for a vehicle having a declared gross weight greater than 26,000 pounds from 65 miles per hour to 70 miles per hour when the vehicle is operated on a highway that is: (1) on the national system of interstate and defense highways located outside an urbanized area with a population of at least 50,000; or (2) the responsibility of the Indiana finance authority.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1167 LIVE STREAMING AND ARCHIVING MEETINGS (SMALTZ B) Requires governing bodies of state and local agencies (excluding a state supported college or university) to provide, on a publicly accessible platform: (1) live transmissions of public meetings; and (2) an archive of copies of the live transmissions with links to any meeting agendas, minutes, or memoranda. Provides that if a governing body does not have Internet capability for live transmission of public meetings, the governing body shall record the meeting. Provides that live transmissions and recordings of public meetings are permanent records that must be: (1) retained by the public agency for at least three years; and (2) subsequently transferred to the Indiana state archives and records administration for safekeeping.  
*Current Status:* 1/24/2023 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1168 OPERATING A VEHICLE WITH ILLEGAL WINDOW TINTING (SMALTZ B) Provides that it is a Class A infraction for a person to drive a motor vehicle that has windows treated with sunscreening material or is tinted with material that has total solar reflectance of visible light above the treatment percentage prescribed by law.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1170 LOCAL REGULATION OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS (SCHAIBLEY D) Allows a county or municipality to limit the use of consumer fireworks between certain hours on June 29, June 30, July 1, July 2, July 6, July 7, July 8, and July 9.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Torr
- HB1173 UTILITY SCALE BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS (PRESSEL J) Provides that construction of a utility scale battery energy storage system (BESS) is subject to approval by the department of homeland security (department), and establishes minimum requirements for the construction of a BESS. Requires the operator of a BESS to provide annual training that provides the fire department responsible for providing fire protection services in the area in which the BESS is located with information reasonably necessary to allow the fire department to safely and effectively respond to a: (1) fire at; or (2) discharge or threatened discharge of environmental contaminants by; the BESS. Requires the department to issue to the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunication, not later than July 31, 2023, a report regarding the progress made by the department's fire prevention and building safety

commission in developing standards for the construction of a BESS.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

- HB1174 HIGHWAY FINANCES (ABBOTT D) Reduces the required percentage amount of the motor vehicle highway account distributions that counties, cities, and towns must use for the construction, reconstruction, and preservation of highways from 50% in current law to 40% in calendar years beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2025. Provides that, for a period in which the reduction applies, the term "preservation" includes both snow removal and expenditures for deicing road salt or similar deicing agents. Requires counties, cities, and towns that apply the reduced required percentage amounts authorized under the bill to submit to the local technical assistance program (LTAP) at Purdue University in conjunction with the Indiana department of transportation a detailed itemization of the uses of the funds in the calendar year that were for: (1) purposes other than construction, reconstruction, and preservation; and (2) preservation that included only snow removal and expenditures for deicing road salt or similar deicing agents. Requires the LTAP to present a statewide aggregate report of the results received from counties, cities, and towns to the budget committee for each year.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1184 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS OF LOCAL CANDIDATES (FLEMING R) Requires the circuit court clerk of each county to place a copy of each campaign finance report, notice, or other instrument filed with the county election board on the circuit court clerk's or county election board's website in portable document format.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment
- HB1186 ENCROACHMENT ON AN INVESTIGATION (MCNAMARA W) Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally approaches within 25 feet of a law enforcement officer after the law enforcement officer has ordered the person to stop commits a Class C misdemeanor.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Bartels
- HB1187 DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREAS (LYNESS R) Allows a city or town to designate an outdoor location as a refreshment area with the approval of the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission). Provides that if a refreshment area is approved, the commission designates retailer permittees that may sell alcoholic beverages for consumption within the refreshment area. Prohibits a refreshment area from being located near a school or church unless the school or church does not object. Allows a minor to be within the refreshment area. Makes it a Class C misdemeanor for a participating retailer permittee or vendor to: (1) sell a person more than one alcoholic beverage at a time or an alcoholic beverage that exceeds the volume limitations; or (2) allow a person who is not wearing a wristband identification to enter the refreshment area with an alcoholic beverage.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Bartels
- HB1200 GOVERNMENT REFORM TASK FORCE (BARTELS S) Establishes the government reform task force (task force). Provides for members of the task force. Requires the task force to submit a report. Prohibits the consideration of the number or amount of fines or civil penalties imposed on regulated entities by an employee in an agency's evaluation of the employee.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Bills on Third Reading
- HB1202 STATE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF PROPERTY TAXES (BARTELS S) Requires the state to make payments in lieu of property taxes (PILOTs) for qualified parcels in counties in which at least 19% of all land in the county is: (1) in the aggregate, owned or leased by the state or the federal government; and (2) subject to an exemption from property taxes. Defines "qualified parcel" as a parcel that is: (1) owned or leased by the state; (2) subject to an exemption from property taxes; and (3) located in a county to which this act applies. Provides that a county containing qualified parcels is entitled to receive PILOTs from the state. Provides that for purposes of calculating a PILOT, each acre of the qualified parcel is considered to have an assessed value of 1/2 of the statewide agricultural land base rate value. Provides that money received from the PILOTs must be used by the taxing units for capital expenditures related to public safety. Annually appropriates from the state general fund the amount necessary to pay the required PILOTs.  
*Current Status:* 1/18/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1207 911 FEES (KARICKHOFF M) Authorizes the statewide 911 board to increase the following fees one time in the period beginning after April 30, 2023, and ending before July 1, 2026: (1) The enhanced prepaid wireless charge. (2) The statewide 911 fee. (Current law allows the board to adopt one time increases to each fee in the period that began after April 1, 2020, and ends before July 1, 2023.)  
*Current Status:* 1/18/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1208 OPIOID SETTLEMENT (KARICKHOFF M) Specifies that the distribution of funds from an opioid litigation settlement is

subject to a bankruptcy court order or settlement. Provides that an annual distribution of less than \$5,000 payable to a city or town pursuant to an opioid litigation settlement agreement must be paid instead to the county. (Under current law, the threshold is \$1,000.) Specifies that amounts owed to the state for attorney's fees and costs incurred in connection with opioid litigation must be deducted from the opioid settlement distribution payable to the state. Permits a city, county, or town that receives an opioid litigation settlement payment to transfer all or part of the payment to another city, county, or town to be used for the benefit of both communities. Permits a city, county, or town that receives an opioid litigation distribution to sell the right to receive the distribution. Excludes from the agency settlement fund any amount owed for outside counsel attorney's fees, costs, or expenses.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - removed as coauthor Representative GiaQuinta

- HB1241 EMPLOYMENT LEAVE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS (CAMPBELL C) Provides that a state agency, political subdivision, or private employer may provide not more than five days of paid leave to an employee who is a volunteer firefighter and takes a leave of absence: (1) to respond to a fire or emergency call; or (2) for an injury that occurs while the employee is engaged in emergency firefighting or other emergency response activity.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
- HB1242 PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTING FOR RENTAL HOUSING (CAMPBELL C) Allows tenants to report unsafe rental housing conditions to the local health department (department). Requires the department to investigate allegations of unsafe rental housing conditions. Provides that the hearing authority shall hold a hearing if probable cause exists, make findings of fact, and make recommendations for department action. Provides certain procedural requirements for the hearing. Requires the department to do one or more of the following if the allegations are true: (1) Issue a warning to the landlord. (2) Impose a civil penalty on the landlord not to exceed \$1,000. (3) Bring a cause of action against the landlord to compel necessary repairs to alleviate the unsafe rental housing condition. Allows a person to file a complaint requesting judicial review of the hearing authority's finding or the department action within 10 days of the finding or action. Requires a request for judicial review to be filed in a verified complaint including the findings and action taken. Provides that a reviewing court may affirm, modify, or reverse an action taken by the department.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Public Health
- HB1245 TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT MATTERS (CAMPBELL C) Requires a township legislative body to approve a claim in a meeting before payment, unless: (1) the township legislative body has adopted a resolution authorizing the township executive to pay the claim in advance of the township legislative body's approval; or (2) the claim is for township assistance. Requires a township legislative body to meet at least quarterly to approve claims.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1246 AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SAFETY DEVICES (JOHNSON B) Authorizes a county or municipality to adopt and enforce an ordinance that regulates the use of an automated traffic enforcement safety device (device) to detect certain violations. Provides a civil penalty for a violation. Specifies that a civil penalty must first be applied to defray the cost of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the device. Specifies the manner in which the remaining money from the civil penalty must be distributed. Prohibits: (1) reporting a violation on a driving record; (2) using a violation to determine rates for motor vehicle insurance; (3) assessing points under the point system by the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) for a violation; and (4) reselling data collected by an agent operating a device. Requires notification to the bureau, and the suspension of the registration of a motor vehicle if a violation is not paid. Makes conforming changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1248 CANNABIS (JOHNSON B) Establishes a procedure for the lawful production and sale of cannabis in Indiana. Makes conforming amendments. Makes an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1250 DUTY TO NOTIFY WATER UTILITY OF SPILL (HATFIELD R) Requires the environmental rules board to amend the administrative rules concerning spill reporting to require the party responsible for a spill or release of a substance into a body of water to give timely notice of the spill or release to the operator of a water utility or water treatment plant if there is a substantial risk that the spill or release: (1) will cause a threat to human health or the environment; or (2) will: (A) impair the operation of; or (B) adversely affect the quality of the water produced by; the water utility or water treatment plant.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs
- HB1253 OVERTIME COMPENSATION (HATFIELD R) Provides that, after December 31, 2023, certain employees must be paid compensation for employment in certain circumstances at a rate not less than 1.5 times the regular rate at which the employee is employed and, under certain circumstances, not less than two times the regular rate at which the employee is employed.

- HB1261 SELF-DEFENSE (LUCAS J) Specifies that "reasonable force" includes the pointing of a loaded or unloaded firearm for purposes of arrest or to prevent an escape, or for self-defense.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Payne Z
- HB1262 EMERGENCY POWERS (LUCAS J) Provides that the orders, rules, and regulations made, amended, or rescinded by the governor must be narrowly tailored to serve a compelling public health or safety interest. Provides that if the governor declares a state of disaster emergency, the state of disaster emergency expires not later than 30 days after the declaration and may not be renewed. Provides that the governor may suspend certain regulatory statutes only to the extent necessary to carry out certain emergency responses. Provides that the governor may not suspend any provision of any regulatory statute if that suspension infringes upon any right or protection guaranteed or provided in the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the State of Indiana. Provides that nothing may be construed to authorize the executive board of the Indiana department of health to suspend any law, ordinance, or regulation enacted by the general assembly or other legislative body as part of a rule adopted by the executive board. Provides that the Indiana department of health may establish quarantine and may do what is reasonable and necessary for the prevention and suppression of disease if the Indiana department of health is authorized to do so in a declared disaster emergency. Provides that the Indiana department of health may order schools closed and forbid public gatherings when considered necessary to prevent and stop epidemics if the Indiana department of health is specifically authorized to do so in an emergency declaration. Provides that certain actions authorized by the commissioner of the Indiana department of health, local health boards, or local health officers may not be construed to authorize the commissioner, board, or official to suspend any law or regulation enacted by the general assembly or other legislative body unless otherwise specifically authorized by a declared disaster emergency. Repeals provisions relating to the governor's authority to establish an energy emergency.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Public Health
- HB1263 MEDICAL MARIJUANA (LUCAS J) Permits the use of medical marijuana by persons with serious medical conditions as determined by their physician. Establishes a medical marijuana program to permit the cultivation, processing, testing, transportation, and dispensing of medical marijuana by holders of a valid permit. Requires the Indiana department of health (state department) to implement and enforce the medical marijuana program. Requires that permit holders undertake steps to prevent diversion of medical marijuana to unauthorized persons. Requires that medical marijuana and medical marijuana products be properly labeled, placed in child resistant packaging, and tested by an independent testing laboratory before being made available for purchase. Prohibits packaging medical marijuana in a manner that is appealing to children. Authorizes research on medical marijuana in accordance with rules set forth by the state department. Prohibits discrimination against medical marijuana users. Prohibits harassment of medical marijuana users by law enforcement officers, and prohibits cooperation with federal law enforcement officials seeking to enforce federal laws that criminalize the use of marijuana authorized in Indiana. Establishes the medical marijuana oversight board to review appeals and grievances concerning the medical marijuana program. Provides a defense to prosecution for a person who operates a vehicle or motorboat with marijuana or its metabolite in the person's blood under certain conditions that involve medical marijuana. Makes conforming amendments.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Lindauer
- HB1266 VOLUNTEER CYBER CIVILIAN CORPS (JUDY C) Establishes the Indiana cyber civilian corps program (program). Provides that the adjutant general of the military department shall administer the program. Provides that the program includes civilian volunteers who have expertise in addressing cybersecurity incidents and who volunteer at the invitation of the adjutant general to provide rapid response assistance to a cybersecurity client in need of expert assistance after recognition of a cybersecurity incident or potential cybersecurity incident. Provides that the work product of a cyber civilian corps volunteer or advisor, including any information voluntarily submitted to the volunteer or advisor, is exempt from disclosure. Provides that a cyber civilian corps volunteer or advisor is immune from tort liability for an injury to a person or damage to property that occurs while the volunteer or advisor is deployed and acting on behalf of the adjutant general if certain conditions are met.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1276 TAX MATTERS RELATING TO VETERANS (PACK R) Eliminates the assessed value cap that applies to the property tax deduction for a veteran who: (1) has a total disability; or (2) is at least 62 years of age and has at least a 10% disability. Provides a property tax deduction for an individual or surviving spouse of a veteran who has been rated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as individually unemployable. Allows a disabled veteran who rents a dwelling as a principal place of residence to claim an additional renter's deduction of up to \$3,000 from the disabled veteran's adjusted gross income.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

- HB1288 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (GOODRICH C) Provides that certain public works statutes do not apply in the context of design-build public construction. Provides that a contractor that employs 10 or more employees on a design-build public works project must provide its employees access to a training program applicable to the tasks to be performed in the normal course of the employee's employment with the contractor on the public project. Provides that a tier 1 or tier 2 contractor that employs 50 or more journeymen must participate in an apprenticeship or training program that meets certain standards. Provides that a public agency awarding a contract for a construction manager as constructor project may not take certain actions based on a bidder's, offeror's, or contractor's entering into, refusing to enter into, adhering to, or refusing to adhere to an agreement with a labor organization.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
- HB1289 FAIR AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (GOODRICH C) Provides that a public agency may not do any of the following: (1) Require a potential bidder on a public works project to provide any information that the potential bidder considers confidential or proprietary as a requirement for the public agency finding the bidder to be a responsive or responsible bidder. (2) By rule, ordinance, or any other action relating to contracts for public works projects for which competitive bids are required impose any requirement that directly or indirectly restricts potential bidders to any predetermined class of bidders defined by experience on similar projects, size of company, union membership, or any other criteria. (3) Take certain actions based on a bidder's, offeror's, or contractor's entering into, refusing to enter into, adhering to, or refusing to adhere to an agreement with a labor organization.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
- HB1297 DECRIMINALIZATION OF MARIJUANA (VANNATTER H) Decriminalizes possession of two ounces or less of marijuana.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Cash B
- HB1298 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (LEHMAN M) Provides that a contract, bid specification, or agreement that is entered into, issued, amended, or renewed after June 30, 2023, may not contain a provision requiring an employer to have or maintain a specified experience rating. Requires the worker's compensation rating bureau of Indiana to nominate a president and submit the nominee for approval or denial to the commissioner of the department of insurance. Requires certain insurance companies that make a successful subrogation claim to revise an insured party's prior experience ratings in a specified manner. Provides exceptions. Defines terms and makes a conforming amendment.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - House Employment, Labor and Pensions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1300 STATE GRANTS DATA BASE (MCGUIRE J) Requires the Indiana department of administration (department) and the office of technology to create a state grants website to serve as a central location for information on grants administered by executive branch state agencies. Requires an executive branch state agency to provide grant information to the department before commencing a grant solicitation or award process.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- HB1308 INDIANA CRIME GUNS TASK FORCE (CARBAUGH M) Provides that the Indiana crime guns task force area may include Allen County.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
- HB1309 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS (CHERRY R) Provides a property tax exemption for veterans who meet certain criteria.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Pack R
- HB1311 ADOPTION OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAXES (SLAGER H) Provides that a local unit fiscal body may impose a uniform food and beverage tax if the local unit is not required or authorized to impose a food and beverage tax under any other law (other than the stadium and convention funding food and beverage tax). Provides that a local unit must receive legislative approval to impose a food and beverage tax. Provides that the local business community or a group of local businesses that would be required to collect the tax must show support for the tax. Provides that a local unit fiscal body must pass a resolution of support and intent to approve a food and beverage tax under this chapter. Provides that after a local unit passes a resolution of support to approve a food and beverage tax, the local unit may adopt an ordinance to impose an excise tax. Specifies that the tax rate may not exceed 1% and must be imposed in increments of 0.25%. Provides that a group of three or more local units working toward a common project may impose a tax rate of up to 3%. Provides that revenue from the tax may be used by the local unit, after appropriation by the local unit fiscal body, only for: (1) capital improvements that promote economic development and complement and enhance the level of visitation in the local unit, including fairgrounds, convention centers, or conference centers; (2) certain costs that are necessary or useful for such a capital improvement; and (3) paying the principal and interest of any bonds issued or lease rental payments for a lease entered into for these purposes. Specifies that the tax revenue may not be used to: (1) pay for any operating expenses of an operating capital project; or (2) pay any local

unit operating expenses. Authorizes the local unit fiscal body to pledge the tax revenue to pay bonds issued, loans obtained, and lease payments or other obligations incurred by or on behalf of the local unit for purposes authorized under the uniform food and beverage tax law. Specifies that a uniform food and beverage tax imposed in a local unit remains in effect until the expiration of the capital improvement bond or lease being used to carry out the capital improvements.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

- HB1312 PUBLIC SAFETY FUNDING FOR STATE BORDER COMMUNITIES (SLAGER H) Establishes the Indiana border safety grant program (program) and the Indiana border safety grant fund (fund). Provides that the program and fund are administered by the Indiana criminal justice institute (institute). Defines a "qualified law enforcement agency". Provides that a qualified law enforcement agency may apply to the institute for a grant for certain law enforcement equipment. Makes an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1315 ZONING AND HOME WARRANTIES (MILLER D) Allows a builder to disclaim implied warranties for a new home that is first occupied by a person renting the home as a residence from the initial home buyer. Allows a builder to disclaim implied warranties on a model home in the same manner as a home that is first occupied as a residence. Prohibits a county, city, or town from exercising its planning and zoning authority in a way that differentiates between fraternity and sorority houses based upon whether the fraternity or sorority is officially approved or recognized by the college or university.  
*Current Status:* 1/24/2023 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1321 POLICE OFFICER TRAINING (GARCIA WILBURN V) Requires the law enforcement training board to establish minimum standards for basic training and annual inservice training that address the mental health and wellness of law enforcement officers. Requires the executive training program to include training in mental health and wellness and suicide prevention of law enforcement officers.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Andrade M
- HB1325 PENALTIES FOR DRUG DEALING (HAGGARD C) Provides that a person who manufactures or delivers certain controlled substances commits a Level 2 felony if use of the controlled substance causes serious bodily injury and that it is a Level 1 felony if use of the controlled substance causes catastrophic injury. Defines "fentanyl or a dangerous opiate containing substance" and enhances the penalty for dealing or possession of fentanyl or a dangerous opiate containing substance. Makes conforming changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1331 PLAINFIELD PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC TRANSIT PROJECT (MAY C) Allows the town of Plainfield to be a part of central Indiana transportation projects without Hendricks County participating. Provides that if a resolution is adopted, the amount of the certified distribution attributable to the additional tax rate imposed must be: (1) received by the county auditor; (2) distributed to the town of Plainfield for deposit into a separate fund titled the town of Plainfield public transportation fund; and (3) used for certain purposes instead of as a property tax replacement distribution. Makes conforming changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1332 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FEES (MAY C) Eliminates the \$100,000 fee cap for purposes of the formula specifying the amount of the fee paid to the county treasurer by a property owner receiving a property tax abatement.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1333 ANNEXATION REMONSTRANCE SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS (MAY C) Provides that an annexation is void (except for an annexation of land located within an economic development project site) if a remonstrance petition is signed by: (1) at least 51% (instead of 65%) of the landowners in the annexation area; or (2) the owners of 60% (instead of 80%) in assessed value of land in the annexation area.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1335 ELECTION DATE SCHEDULES (WESCO T) Removes and updates obsolete date references from Indiana election law.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment
- HB1336 VARIOUS ELECTION LAW MATTERS (WESCO T) Provides that electronic signatures may be used for the reporting of campaign contributions and expenditures. Requires the election division to declare a form obsolete if the form is incorporated into the statewide voter registration system. Provides that an individual is considered to have resigned as an elected official of a unit when the person becomes an employee of the unit the individual serves as an elected

official. Provides that the secretary of state may provide registration information, upon written request, to a law enforcement official conducting an investigation. Repeals the law concerning the affidavit eligibility of a precinct election officer. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles commission to forward the voter registration part of an application and any declination to register to the election division for transmittal to the appropriate county voter registration office. Provides that the statewide voter registration system must contain a feature that identifies potential nonresidential addresses submitted on voter registration applications. Provides that a notice to an absentee voter to supply additional residence documentation does not need approval by forms management. Revises the procedure concerning the cancellation of duplicate voter registrations. Provides that, for purposes of determining whether a candidate is affiliated with a particular major political party, the candidate must have voted in that party's two most recent primary elections. (Under current law, a candidate is required to have voted in the political party's most recent primary election.) Provides that if an election district is included entirely within one precinct, and does not include the entire precinct, the petition of nomination must be signed by at least five voters of the election district. Makes changes to the procedure for filing a political party device with the election commission. Provides that an officeholder is not entitled to salary until a statement of economic interest is filed, if required. Requires a campaign finance report or statement to be filed electronically. Clarifies that the permitted methods for filing a campaign finance report with a county election board would apply to candidates for local office and their candidate's committees, regular party committees, and political action committees that are not required to file with the election division. Provides for a civil penalty for failure to file a campaign finance report or statement electronically. Provides that the statute requiring reporting of "large" campaign contributions does not require the reporting of a contribution unless it is accepted by the candidate's candidate committee. Eliminates the requirement that counties send duplicate copies of state election returns to the election division. Provides that a county executive is not required to establish precincts so that a precinct contains not more than 2,000 active voters or 2,300 active voters if the precinct is in a county designated as a vote center county. Provides that in addition to precinct boundaries, the name of a precinct as included in the federal decennial census data becomes the official name of the precinct. Provides that all absentee ballots must be printed on security paper that incorporates features that can be used to authenticate the ballot. Provides that a voter must file residence documentation before 6 p.m. on election day. Provides that a county election board may send a signed form from a public test to the election division by electronic mail. Provides that an application fee for certification of a voting system is waived if the application is for a de minimis change. Provides that a county election board may scan a voted absentee ballot card using an optical scan ballot scanner not earlier than seven calendar days before election day if the optical scan ballot system permits the retraction of a previously scanned absentee ballot card. Revises the procedure concerning the updating of electronic poll books and the counting of absentee ballots. Requires a county election board to notify the absentee ballot counters of the receipt of the absentee ballots for consideration. Revises the procedure concerning when an absentee ballot mismatch has occurred. Provides that if there is a discrepancy between political party primary ballot choice between the federal write-in absentee ballot and the federal post card application, the federal post card application will supersede. Provides that a post-election audit must be completed not later than: (1) the final Friday in June following a primary election; or (2) December 20 following a general election. Exempts a member of a fiscal or legislative body from assuming certain duties during a vacancy. Requires a magistrate to deposit a copy of the magistrate's oath in the office of the circuit court clerk of the county in which the magistrate resides or serves. Requires the certification of a question on a referendum to occur not later than noon 74 days before a special election. Provides that a personal representative of a decedent who was a treasurer or candidate for office may disband the committee associated with the decedent's office or campaign. Makes technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

HB1337

EMERGENCY POWERS (LINDAUER S) Provides that in the event of a disaster emergency, an emergency order issued by a state agency must be narrowly tailored to serve a compelling public health or safety interest. Entitles a person to relief if a court determines that the person seeking judicial relief has been prejudiced by an agency action issued during a disaster emergency that has not been: (1) applied equally to a similarly situated person; and (2) narrowly tailored to serve a compelling public health or safety interest. Provides that the orders, rules, and regulations made, amended, or rescinded by the governor must be narrowly tailored to serve a compelling public health or safety interest. Requires any state or local agency, including the Indiana department of health and local boards of health, to only impose a restriction that is narrowly tailored to serve a compelling public health or safety interest. Provides that any order or proclamation declaring, continuing, or terminating a local disaster emergency must be narrowly tailored to serve a compelling public health or safety interest. Provides that, if the disaster which is the basis of the emergency order impacts an area of the state which does not exceed the lesser of: (1) 31 counties; or (2) an area which is inhabited by less than 33 1/3% of the population of the state; the state of emergency expires in 30 days. Provides that the governor may renew the emergency declaration in 30 day increments not to exceed a period of 12 months. Provides that all other emergency declarations expire 30 days after the initial date of the governor's executive order and may not be renewed or extended by the governor without the approval of the general assembly. Removes the governor's ability to suspend certain provisions relating to the general assembly, judicial relief of an agency action during an emergency declaration, or provisions relating to emergency management disasters. Repeals provisions authorizing the general assembly to conduct emergency sessions.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Rules and Legislative Procedures

- HB1341 PFAS-FREE FIREFIGHTER GEAR (OLTHOFF J) Provides that, after June 30, 2024, an Indiana fire department may not purchase firefighting gear unless it contains a permanently affixed label indicating whether or not the firefighting gear contains PFAS.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2023 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- HB1348 DISPOSAL OF FIREARMS BY TRADE FOR NEW EQUIPMENT (LUCAS J) Permits a law enforcement agency to dispose of certain confiscated firearms by trade with a licensed firearms dealer, a licensed firearm manufacturer, or another law enforcement agency in exchange for new firearms and other law enforcement equipment. Sets forth the recording and reporting requirements for the trade of firearms by a law enforcement agency.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
- HB1349 OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREAS (LINDAUER S) Allows a city or town to designate an outdoor location as a refreshment area with the approval of the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission). Provides that if a refreshment area is approved, the commission designates retailer permittees that may sell alcoholic beverages for consumption within the refreshment area. Prohibits a refreshment area from being located near a school or church unless the school or church does not object. Allows a minor to be within the refreshment area. Makes it a Class C infraction for a participating retailer permittee or vendor to: (1) sell a person more than one alcoholic beverage at a time or an alcoholic beverage that exceeds the volume limitations; or (2) allow a person who is not wearing a wristband identification to enter the refreshment area with an alcoholic beverage.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthors Representatives Manning, Lyness, Moed
- HB1351 CONDUCT OF CDL PHYSICAL BY PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (LAUER R) Defines "certified medical examiner". Provides that, unless there is a conflict with federal law or the orders, standards, or regulations of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), a licensed physical therapist may perform an examination (exam) for an applicant for an initial or a renewal commercial driver's license or commercial learner's permit that is within the physical therapist's scope of practice. Provides that a physical therapist who performs an exam is subject to the requirements of the FMCSA for a certified medical examiner.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1355 TOWNSHIP MERGER PILOT PROGRAM (MILLER D) Establishes a pilot program that provides for merger of townships into: (1) a single township government in Blackford, Crawford, and Switzerland County; and (2) not more than five township governments in LaPorte County.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1360 VIOLENCE PREVENTION SERVICES (BAUER M) Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to, before December 1, 2023, apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services for a waiver or an amendment to the state Medicaid plan to require reimbursement for eligible community violence prevention services provided by a certified violence prevention professional for certain eligible Medicaid recipients. Requires the Indiana department of health to approve at least one accredited violence prevention professional training and certification program (program) that includes certain criteria. Provides that in order to be certified as a violence prevention professional, a prevention professional shall complete the program.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Public Health
- HB1362 CHILD PROTECTION (NEGELE S) Adds a school's human resources professional to the list of people to whom records that are sealed by the central repository for criminal history information maintained by the state police department may be disclosed. Provides that a person at least 18 years of age who knowingly or intentionally communicates with an individual whom the person believes to be a child less than 18 years of age concerning sexual activity with the intent to gratify the sexual desires of the person or the individual commits inappropriate communication with a child, a Class B misdemeanor. (The current law is less than 14 years of age for the child victim.)  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1363 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF AND CRIMINAL TRESPASS (NEGELE S) Provides that a person who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally damages the property of a scientific research facility without the consent of, or with consent which was fraudulently obtained from, the owner, possessor, or occupant of the property that is damaged commits criminal mischief, a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that a person who, not having a contractual interest in the property, knowingly or intentionally enters the real property of a scientific research facility without the permission of, or with permission which was fraudulently obtained from, the owner of the scientific research facility or an authorized person, and knowingly or intentionally engages in conduct that causes property damage to: (1) the owner of or a person having a contractual interest in the scientific research facility; (2) the operator of the scientific research facility; or (3) a person having personal property located on the property of the scientific research facility; commits criminal

trespass, a Level 6 felony.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1364 ELEMENTS OF RAPE (NEGELE S) Provides that a person commits rape, a Level 3 felony, if the other person submits to the sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct under the belief that the person committing the act is someone the victim knows, other than the person committing the act, and such belief is intentionally induced by any artifice, pretense, or concealment practiced by the person.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1365 MACHINE GUNS (GORE M) Revises, for purposes of an enhancement and certain criminal offenses, a definition of "machine gun" to include a particular part or combination of parts designed and intended for use in converting a weapon into a weapon that fires automatically more than one shot, without manual reloading, by a single function of the trigger. Modifies a separate definition of "machine gun".

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Judiciary

HB1366 FIREARM STORAGE (GORE M) Prohibits a person from keeping or storing a loaded firearm on any premises controlled by the person if the person knows, or reasonably should know, that a child is likely to gain access to the firearm. Provides that a child's possession of a firearm resulting from a person's knowing or intentional failure to secure a firearm is a Class C misdemeanor. Provides that the offense is a Class B misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for the offense. Specifies certain defenses. Provides that a child's use of an unsecured firearm resulting in injury or death to any other person due to a person's knowing or intentional failure to secure a firearm is a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that the offense is a Level 6 felony if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for the offense. Specifies certain defenses. Specifies certain sign requirements for retail dealers. Defines certain terms. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1369 PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT APPEALS (STEUERWALD G) Changes references to the "supreme court" to the "court of appeals" in provisions relating to the payment of taxes pending appeals. Provides that decisions of the tax court may be appealed directly to the court of appeals (rather than the supreme court).

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Judiciary

HB1378 WORKSITE SAFETY (MOSELEY C) Requires the state police and the Indiana department of transportation to establish a pilot program for the deployment of a worksite speed control system to enforce a worksite speed limit. Provides that a worksite speed limit violation recorded by a worksite speed control system may not be enforced unless the violation is at least 12 miles per hour above the established worksite speed limit. Creates the worksite speed control pilot fund. Replaces the term "work zone" with "worksite" throughout the relevant statutes. Makes an appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

HB1379 WORKSITE SPEED CONTROL PILOT PROGRAM (MOSELEY C) Requires the Indiana department of transportation (department) to establish the worksite speed control pilot program (pilot program) for the purpose of enforcing worksite speed limits. Requires that the department: (1) work with the state police department to administer the pilot program; and (2) enter into an agreement with the state police department to share information regarding the pilot program. Permits the department to contract with a third party vendor to assist in implementing the pilot program. Provides that an individual who is recorded by a worksite speed control system may not be assessed a civil penalty unless the violation is at least 11 miles per hour above the established worksite speed limit. Replaces the term "work zone" with "worksite" throughout the relevant statutes.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

HB1381 ERASING, ALTERING, OR TAMPERING WITH MEETING VIDEO (MOSELEY C) Provides that a public servant who tampers with the official video or audio recording of a public meeting with the intent to make all or part of the official recording unavailable, materially inaccurate, or misleading commits tampering with an official recording, a Level 6 felony.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1389 ANIMAL FIRE SAFETY (ANDRADE M) Requires new construction at an animal facility to have a fire alarm system or staff on duty any time a dog or cat is present on the premises. Authorizes periodic local or state fire inspections to determine compliance.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

HB1401 ASSESSMENT OF WIND POWER DEVICES (NEGELE S) Requires a public utility company that owns or operates wind

power devices following a change in ownership, when filing its first statement of value and description of property with the department of local government finance (department), to report the valuation of the devices at the same valuation amount that the previous owner reported the valuation of the devices on the previous owner's last annual report prior to the change in ownership. Requires the new owner, for years subsequent to the first year after the change in ownership, to calculate and report the valuation of the wind power devices in accordance with the rules prescribed by the department. Requires the department to make necessary conforming changes to the annual report form. Provides that not more than 30 days after the Indiana utility regulatory commission becomes aware of a change in ownership of a public utility company that owns or operates wind power devices, the Indiana utility regulatory commission shall report the change in ownership to the department. Requires that before November 1, 2024, and before November 1, 2025, the department shall prepare, submit in an electronic format, and present a progress report to the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunications.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Culp K

HB1402 WASTE MANAGMENT MATTERS (PRESSEL J) Requires the technical review panel (a body consisting of individuals with technical or scientific knowledge relating to onsite sewage systems): (1) to review the International Private Sewer Disposal Code (Code); (2) to decide whether, in the opinion of a majority of the panel members, any modifications of the text of the Code are necessary or advisable to adapt the Code to the particular conditions and needs of Indiana; (3) if the panel decides that any modifications are necessary or advisable, to draft the language of the proposed modifications; and (4) to submit the Code and any proposed modifications to the executive board of the Indiana department of health. Requires the executive board to: (1) incorporate into the Code any modifications proposed by the technical review panel that the executive board accepts; and (2) adopt rules to incorporate the Code into the Indiana Administrative Code. Provides that, after the Code is incorporated into the Indiana Administrative Code: (1) every county or city ordinance concerning residential onsite sewage systems; (2) every decision of a local health department concerning the construction of a residential onsite sewage system; and (3) the contents of every residential onsite sewage system construction permit; must be consistent with the Code, with the exception that a county or city may adopt an ordinance that varies from the Code and that takes effect if approved by the technical review panel. Requires written notice by certified mail to the property owner at the address of the property at least ninety (90) days before a stated date for connection to include applicable exemptions from connecting to the sewer system that are available to the property owner.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

HB1404 LAKE MICHIGAN SEAWALLS (PRESSEL J) Provides that if an application for a permit or license to construct or repair a seawall or revetment on or near the shore of Lake Michigan is submitted to a local authority and the site or proposed site of the seawall or revetment is on the side of the ordinary high water mark opposite Lake Michigan when the application is submitted but is at other times on the Lake Michigan side of the ordinary high water mark: (1) the applicant shall prepare plans for the construction or repair of the seawall or revetment; (2) the local authority shall refer the application and the applicant's plans to the department of natural resources (department); (3) the department shall study the application and plans and may advise the applicant and the local authority that changes must be made in the plans before the plans may be approved; (4) the department shall approve or disapprove the plans; and (5) if the department approves the plans, the local authority shall grant the application for a permit or license for the construction or repair of the seawall or revetment.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Natural Resources

HB1409 LOCAL INCOME TAX EXCESS BALANCE (SMALTZ B) Requires the budget agency to make a supplemental distribution to a county from the county's trust account if the budget agency determines that the balance in the county's trust account exceeds 11% (which is a decrease from 15% under current law) of the certified distributions to be made to the county in a determination year. Provides that the amount of the supplemental distribution is equal to the amount by which: (1) the balance in the county trust account; minus (2) the amount of any supplemental or special distribution that has not yet been accounted for in the last known balance of the county's trust account; exceeds 11% (which is a decrease from 15% under current law) of the certified distributions to be made to the county in the determination year.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

HB1411 SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION ON COUNTY STREETS OR HIGHWAYS (SMALTZ B) Provides that if the county executive of a county determines that the maximum speed permitted is greater or less than reasonable and safe under the conditions found to exist on a street or highway, or part of a street or highway, the county executive may determine and declare a reasonable and safe maximum limit on the street or highway, or part of the street or highway, without performing an engineering and traffic investigation. Provides that the maximum limit declared by the county executive may decrease the limit on the street or highway in the county, or part of the street or highway in the county, but not to less than 35 miles per hour.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

- HB1412 PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT APPEALS (SMALTZ B) Provides that if a taxpayer presents an appraisal to the county property tax assessment board of appeals (county board) that is prepared by a certified appraiser in compliance with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice, the appraisal is presumed to be correct. Provides that if the county board disagrees with the taxpayer's appraisal, the county board may seek review of the appraisal by a third party independent certified appraiser. Provides that if the county board's appraisal differs from the taxpayer's appraisal, the assessor shall assign an assessed value for the year or years at issue at an amount between the county board's appraisal and the taxpayer's appraisal. Provides that after the assignment of value, the parties shall retain their rights to appeal the assessment or assessments to the Indiana board of tax review.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1413 PROPERTY TAX INCREASE LIMITS (SMALTZ B) Provides that for each calendar year beginning after December 31, 2023, an annual adjustment of the assessed value of certain real property may not exceed an amount equal to 3% over the assessed value of the real property for the prior tax year. Provides that the limitation does not apply if the assessment is based on substantial renovations or new improvements, a change of ownership, or uses that were not considered in the assessment for the prior tax year. Lists circumstances that do not constitute a change in ownership. Provides that substantial renovations or new improvements that replace all or a portion of a homestead property damaged or destroyed by a disaster may not increase the assessed value of the property when the square footage of the property as renovated or improved does not exceed 110% of the square footage of the property before the damage or destruction. Provides that the property's assessed value may not increase if the total square footage of the property as renovated or improved does not exceed 1,500 square feet. Provides that, subject to the 3% limitation, if the total square footage of the property as renovated or improved exceeds 1,500 square feet, the property's assessed value may be increased proportionately with regard to the renovated or improved portion of the property that is in excess of 110% of the square footage of the property before the damage or destruction.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1417 UTILITY DEFERRED COSTS AND ACCOUNTING PRACTICES (SOLIDAY E) Amends the Indiana Code provision concerning a system of accounting for public utilities to provide the following: (1) That a public utility, municipally owned utility, or not-for-profit utility may defer for future recovery costs incurred or to be incurred in a regulatory asset, as long as the costs are reasonable. (2) That preapproval of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) is not required for the creation of a regulatory asset. (3) That a public utility, municipally owned utility, or not-for-profit utility shall recover through the utility's rates over a reasonable period costs that are: (A) deferred under these provisions; and (B) found to be reasonable and prudent by the IURC. Amends the Indiana Code provision concerning a public utility's depreciation account and depreciation rates to provide the following: (1) That depreciation rates shall be calculated to recover a reasonable estimate of the future cost of removing retired assets of the public utility. (2) That a public utility may account for any asset retirement obligations and recover, through rates charged to customers, reasonably incurred costs associated with asset retirement obligations, to the extent the asset retirement obligation costs have not been included in depreciation rates. (3) That the IURC shall make changes in a public utility's depreciation rates as necessary to reflect changes in: (A) the public utility's estimated asset retirement costs, including costs of removing retired assets; and (B) the estimated retirement dates of the public utility's assets. Amends the Indiana Code chapter concerning federally mandated requirements for energy utilities to specify that recovery of the 80% of IURC-approved federally mandated costs that an energy utility may recover through a rate adjustment mechanism must commence no earlier than: (A) the date of a final agency action regarding the federally mandated requirement; or (B) in the absence of a final agency action, the date on which the federally mandated requirement becomes effective.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
- HB1418 ANNEXATION OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS (SOLIDAY E) Permits a third class city to annex an area that is a proposed residential development in which not all lots have been platted or dwellings have been constructed. Expands the area outside the city in which the annexation can occur from three miles to four and five-tenths miles.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1419 HISTORIC DISTRICT RESTAURANT PERMITS (SOLIDAY E) Increases, within a certain historic district, the number of alcoholic beverage restaurant permits from 10 to 15, and changes certain other requirements.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Public Policy
- HB1420 ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION FACILITIES (SOLIDAY E) Amends the chapter in the Indiana Code concerning electric transmission facilities as follows: (1) Specifies that the term "electric transmission facility" does not include a line installed solely for the purpose of connecting an electric generation facility to facilities owned by a public utility. (2) Repeals the definition of "local reliability electric transmission facility" and makes conforming changes. (3) Amends the provision concerning the right of first refusal of an incumbent electric transmission owner to construct an electric transmission facility that connects to an electric transmission facility owned by the incumbent electric transmission owner, to require the incumbent electric transmission owner to solicit and evaluate bids for the construction of an

electric transmission facility that is designated for construction by a regional transmission organization.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

HB1421 ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITY CONSTRUCTION (SOLIDAY E) Amends the statute concerning certificates of public convenience and necessity (certificates) for the construction, purchase, or lease of electric generation facilities as follows: (1) Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) to issue an order granting or denying a certificate not later than 240 days after the date the application for the certificate is filed with the IURC. (2) Provides that an applicant may include as part of an initial application for a certificate a request for the timely recovery of costs and expenses incurred during the construction of the facility. Provides that the IURC shall consider and approve such a request if the IURC makes certain findings. (3) Provides that if the IURC has approved a request by a public utility for the timely recovery of costs and expenses incurred during the construction of a facility, the IURC must maintain an ongoing review of the construction as it proceeds. Amends the statute providing certain financial incentives for energy utilities in connection with clean energy projects as follows: (1) Provides that an "eligible business" for purposes of eligibility for incentives authorized under the statute includes a joint agency created under the Indiana Code chapter authorizing municipal electric utility programs. (2) Provides (through an amendment to a cross-referenced definition in the Indiana Code chapter governing the Indiana voluntary clean energy portfolio standard program) that for purposes of a clean energy project involving a renewable energy resource project, a "renewable energy resource" includes gas that is derived from the decomposition of organic matter and that: (A) is fully interchangeable with; or (B) can be combined with; conventional natural gas for purposes of generating electricity. (3) Provides that for purposes of the incentive allowing for the timely recovery of costs and expenses associated with certain clean energy projects, such recovery includes the recovery of costs and expenses incurred during: (A) the construction and operation of the project, in the case of a project for which an application is filed with the IURC before July 1, 2023; and (B) the operation of the project, in the case of a project for which an application is filed with the IURC after June 30, 2023. (4) Eliminates the incentive authorizing up to three percentage points on the return on shareholder equity that would otherwise be allowed to be earned on certain clean energy projects.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

HB1429 COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE IN UTILITY EASEMENT (PRESCOTT J) Provides that if an electricity supplier provides a property owner with notice of the electricity supplier's intent to: (1) install new communications infrastructure; or (2) allow: (A) an affiliated entity of the electricity supplier; or (B) a communications service provider; to install new communications infrastructure; within an electric easement on the property, the property owner shall allow the electricity supplier, affiliated entity, or communications service provider to access the electric easement for purposes of the attachment or installation of communications infrastructure within the electric easement. Provides that a property owner is not entitled to damages for a decrease in the value of the property caused by an electricity supplier's use of an electric easement on the property for communications infrastructure if an appraisal of the property cannot determine a value for the property due to a lack of comparable properties.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

HB1430 BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION (MAYFIELD P) Increases the acquisition cost threshold for the business personal property tax exemption from \$80,000 to \$250,000.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

HB1435 CAP ON ASSESSED VALUATION INCREASES FOR HOMESTEADS (JETER C) Limits the annual increase in assessed value of a homestead to the lesser of: (1) 3%; or (2) the change in the Consumer Price Index; unless ownership of the homestead changes during the year or the increase results from physical changes to the homestead.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

HB1436 ONSITE SEWAGE SYSTEMS AND HOLDING TANKS (ENGLEMAN K) Defines "alternative residential onsite sewage system" as a system that: (1) is designed for the collection, storage, treatment, and disposal of sewage from the dwelling of one or two families; (2) is installed in a place that is not suitable for a standard septic system; (3) is a replacement for a standard septic system that did not function properly; (4) is based on a design or plan approved by the National Sanitation Foundation; (5) employs advanced treatment components not used in standard septic systems; (6) discharges treated effluent above ground; and (7) requires more frequent testing and maintenance than a standard septic system. Requires the environmental rules board to adopt rules, including emergency rules, to establish standards and specifications, effluent limitations, and inspection, maintenance, testing, service, and repair requirements for alternative residential onsite sewage systems. Requires the department of environmental management (IDEM) to issue a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System general permit that will authorize the installation and use of alternative residential onsite sewage systems. Requires a local health department to grant a permit for an alternative residential onsite sewage system if certain requirements are met, including: (1) the permit applicant has obtained coverage under the general permit; (2) the applicant affirms in writing that the alternative residential onsite sewage system will be installed and maintained in accordance with the rules of the environmental rules board; and (3) the permit applicant has filed an affidavit for recording in the county recorder's office that will

provide notice to any prospective transferee of the applicant's property that the transferee will be subject to the ongoing inspection, maintenance, testing, service, and repair requirements applying to alternative residential onsite sewage systems. Provides that if the owner of property served by an alternative residential onsite sewage system fails to satisfy any inspection, maintenance, testing, service, or repair requirement, the local health department shall have the needed work done and shall bill the property owner for the cost. Provides that these costs, plus fees, if unpaid, become a lien against the property. Provides that septage that originates from a residential or commercial source may be held in one or more holding tanks of not more than 10,000 gallons until removed and transported from the site. Establishes requirements for septage holding tanks. Requires a permit from the local health department for the operation of a septage holding tank. Requires a septage tank owner to enter into a written contract with a septage management vehicle operator for regular removal of septage from the tank, to provide a copy of the contract to the local health department, and to provide proof to the local health department that the tank owner is regularly paying for the removal of septage from the holding tank. Requires a local health department to report to IDEM concerning the septage tanks in its jurisdiction.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

HB1437 EXTENSION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES (AYLESWORTH M) Allows a water or wastewater utility to extend service to a school or hospital without a deposit or other adequate assurance of performance from the customer.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

HB1438 PUBLICATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT NOTICES (MILLER D) Provides that after June 30, 2024, a political subdivision may publish notices electronically instead of in a newspaper if the political subdivision: (1) publishes notices on its official website; and (2) transmits the notices for publication on a state notice website. Provides for the establishment of a state notice website. Requires notices to be transferred to the Indiana archives and records administration for archiving. Provides that a towing service acting as an agent of a government agency that provides the notice required to dispose of abandoned vehicles or parts is subject to the same public notice advertising rates as a governmental agency.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

HB1439 OVERSIGHT OF REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION SPENDING (MILLER D) Requires a city council to approve all expenditures of a city redevelopment commission.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Local Government

HB1443 UTILITY PERSONAL PROPERTY (CULP K) Establishes appeal rights and procedures for political subdivisions with regard to utility company personal property assessments.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

HB1454 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (SNOW C) Prohibits the department of local government finance (department) from approving a county reassessment plan before the assessor provides verification that the land values determination has been completed. Requires an assessor determining land values to submit the values and any supporting document to, in addition to the county property tax assessment board of appeals (PTABOA), the department. Repeals the provision establishing the division of data analysis of the department. Prohibits a county auditor from denying an application for a standard deduction for a homestead because the applicant does not have a valid driver's license or state identification card with the address of the homestead property. Provides that when a county auditor submits a certified statement of assessed value to the department, the county auditor shall exclude the amount of assessed value for any property located in the county for which an appeal has been filed and for which there is no final disposition as of the date the county auditor certified the statement. Provides that the supplemental county property tax levy in: (1) Dearborn County that is distributed to school corporations in Dearborn County; and (2) Ripley County that is distributed to a school corporation located in both Ripley County and Dearborn County; expires January 1, 2024. Provides that after 2023, a school corporation in Dearborn County may impose a property tax levy for the school corporation's operations fund on real property located within the school corporation's boundaries. Allows each school corporation in Dearborn County to request an increase to its maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy. Provides that the department shall: (1) decrease the Dearborn County government's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy in 2024 by the amount of the property tax levy distributed to school corporations in Dearborn County in 2023; and (2) decrease the Ripley County government's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy in 2024 by the amount of the property tax levy distributed to school corporations in Ripley County in 2023. Provides that a county auditor may appeal to the department to include the amount of assessed value under appeal within a taxing district for that calendar year. Removes the requirement that a majority of a PTABOA, in order to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, must include at least one certified level two or level three assessor-appraiser. Requires the department, in addition to its existing duties, to ensure that: (1) property taxes levied by political subdivisions are timely billed and mailed; (2) assessments of properties are uniform and equal; and (3) restrictions on budgets and levies are enforced. Allows the department to enforce the manner of submission for

forms prescribed by the department. Provides that, in the assessment of tangible property, confidential information may be disclosed to an official or employee of a county assessor or a county auditor. Provides that the required annual visit between a representative of the department and each county may take place virtually. Provides that the department may conduct required training sessions for newly elected or appointed assessing officials virtually or in person. Makes minor technical changes to referendum levy extension questions. Provides filing and reporting requirements for provider units of fire protection territories.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

HB1456 CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGY PARKS (SNOW C) Specifies additional information that a certified technology park (park) is required to provide to the Indiana economic development corporation (corporation) in the course of a review. Provides that if a park has reached the limit on deposits and maintains its certification, the park shall become a Level 2 park. Increases, from \$100,000 to \$500,000, the annual additional incremental income tax deposit amount that a park captures once it has reached its limit on deposits. Clarifies the calculation of the additional incremental income tax deposit amount in the year in which a park reaches its limit on deposits. Provides that when the corporation certifies a Level 2 park, the corporation shall make a determination of whether the park shall continue to be designated as a Level 2 park.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

HB1462 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SUBSTANCE USE PLANS (VERMILION A) Requires an emergency department to: (1) annually submit to the Indiana department of health (department) a plan to initiate interventions with patients who have a substance use related emergency department visit; and (2) implement a continuing education and training program to emergency department personnel on substance use disorder and best practices for emergency medical care delivery for patients who are most at risk of dying after emergency room discharge. Provides that the services provided to a patient under a substance use disorder treatment plan provided to the department are considered to be medically necessary. Provides that the office of the secretary of family and social services shall require managed care organizations to consider services provided to an individual under a substance use disorder treatment plan as medically necessary.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Steuerwald

HB1464 DOCTORED MEDIA REGARDING CANDIDATES (JOHNSON B) Provides that: (1) if a communication contains media depicting a candidate for office that is doctored in a manner that would lead a reasonable person to believe that the candidate is conveying a message that the candidate has not conveyed (doctored media); and (2) the doctored media is used in a communication with the purpose of influencing the outcome of the election in which the candidate is seeking elected office or influencing legislative or other public policy; the communication must include a disclaimer. Specifies requirements for the content, placement, and duration of the disclaimer based on the format of the communication. Provides that a person that creates a communication that: (1) contains doctored media but does not include a disclaimer as required; and (2) is disseminated; commits a Class A infraction. Provides that the offense is a Class A misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated adjudication or conviction for the offense. Provides that the secretary of state may: (1) issue an order requiring a person to cease and desist dissemination of a communication that contains doctored media without including a required disclaimer; and (2) bring a civil action to enjoin further dissemination of the communication by the person.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

HB1465 THREATS AGAINST ELECTION WORKERS (JOHNSON B) Provides that a person commits intimidation, a Level 5 felony, if the subject of the threat or the person to whom the threat is communicated is an election worker. Defines "election worker" for this purpose.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1477 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUPPLEMENTAL GRANTS (PIERCE K) Provides that a segregated account (account) shall be established within the rural economic development fund to provide funding for supplemental grants. Provides that an entity that receives a community block grant from the office of community and rural affairs is entitled to a \$50,000 supplemental grant from the account. Makes an appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

HB1486 SURRENDER OF FIREARMS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRIMES (SMITH V) Provides that a person who: (1) has been convicted of a crime of domestic violence; and (2) knowingly or intentionally possesses a firearm; commits a Class A misdemeanor. Specifies certain defenses. Requires a court to issue an order, upon entry of a judgment of conviction for domestic battery or a crime of domestic violence, that: (1) prohibits ownership or possession of a firearm; (2) requires the defendant to surrender: (A) any firearm owned or possessed by the defendant; and (B) any license or permit to carry a handgun (license); and (3) requires confiscation, within 72 hours, of any firearm or license owned or possessed by the defendant. Provides that a domestic batterer who knowingly or intentionally fails to

surrender a certain firearm or license commits a Class A misdemeanor, enhanced to a Level 6 felony in specific instances. Provides certain defenses. Specifies how a confiscated firearm or license shall be returned or disposed of if a defendant's right to possess a firearm is restored. Defines certain terms. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1487 CARRYING OF A HANDGUN (SMITH V) Requires a person who carries a handgun to obtain and continuously maintain a liability insurance policy that covers losses or damages resulting from the negligent or accidental use of the handgun. Makes the failure to do so a Class A misdemeanor, elevated to a Level 5 felony in some instances. Specifies exceptions.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1488 MERRILLVILLE FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (SMITH V) Authorizes the town of Merrillville to impose a food and beverage tax.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

HB1489 SEWER AND STORM WATER FEES INCURRED BY TENANTS (SMITH V) Establishes billing procedures for municipal sewage or storm water user fees assessed for real property that is occupied by someone other than the owner. Provides that a lien does not attach for user fees assessed against real property occupied by someone other than the owner under certain circumstances. Requires the assessing entity to release certain liens and delinquent user fees upon receipt of a verified demand in writing from the owner.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

HB1492 SCHOOL SAFETY (MCNAMARA W) Makes changes to the permissible uses of the Indiana secured school fund. Makes changes to the Indiana secured school fund application procedures. Makes changes to the Indiana secured school fund reporting requirements. Moves provisions in the Indiana Code pertaining to the appointment of a school safety specialist, school safety specialist programs, and school safety plans. Makes various changes to provisions regulating the appointment of a school safety specialist, school safety specialist program, and school safety plans. Requires before December 31, 2023, that each county shall establish a county school safety commission. (Current law provides that a county may establish a county school safety commission.) Makes conforming amendments. Requires each school corporation and charter school to establish a safe school committee. Requires the division of school building physical security and safety of the department of education to establish and maintain guidelines, in consultation with the department of homeland security and institute for criminal justice, for developing and maintaining school safety plans and assist the secured school safety board in conducting the review and submitting certain reports. Provides that the governing body of a school corporation or charter school organizer shall: (1) approve or disapprove all school safety specialists chosen by the superintendent of the school corporation or leadership of the charter school; and (2) review and adopt for a specified period of time a school safety plan. Makes changes to the duties of a school resource officer. Makes changes to information reported by a school corporation or charter school pertaining to a school resource officer that is reported to the department of homeland security. Requires the secured schools safety board to include certain aggregate information relating to the number of school resource officers employed by schools. Provides that an organizer of a charter school shall require each charter school under the authority of the organizer to conduct annual emergency preparedness drills. Makes changes to distribution amounts from the state user fee fund. Repeals provisions establishing the Indiana safe schools fund, school safe haven programs, and existing provisions relating to the establishment of school safety specialists, county school safety commissions, school safety specialist training and safe school programs.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Education

HB1499 TAXATION OF HOMESTEAD PROPERTY (THOMPSON J) Provides that the circuit-breaker credit is equal to the amount by which a person's property tax liability attributable to the person's homestead exceeds, for property taxes first due and payable: (1) in 2024, 0.9%; (2) in 2025, 0.925%; (3) in 2026, 0.95%; and (4) in 2027, 0.975%; of the gross assessed value of the property that is the basis for determination of the property taxes. Provides a supplemental homestead tax credit for property taxes first due and payable in 2024 through 2027 for a person's homestead if the person qualifies for a standard homestead deduction for the same homestead property.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

HB1503 REGULATION OF SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES (SPEEDY M) Provides that a sexually oriented business may not operate within 1,000 feet of specified facilities that cater to minors. Exempts pre-existing businesses that have been in continuous operation. Establishes a civil enforcement mechanism. Repeals the existing law concerning sexually explicit materials. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Local Government

HB1512 SOLID WASTE MATTERS (SPEEDY M) Extends the central Indiana waste diversion pilot project (pilot project) two

additional years and directs the department of environmental management to carry out a second round of grants. Extends eligibility of the pilot project to Marion County and the eight surrounding counties located in central Indiana.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

- HB1515 PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT (BOY P) Provides that a parcel of land that: (1) is at least one-tenth of an acre in size; and (2) contains wetlands, as delineated by a person certified in wetland delineation; may be classified as wildlands for purposes of property tax assessment.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1530 REGULATION OF PESTICIDE USE AND APPLICATION (DVORAK R) Requires the Indiana department of health (department) to establish state maximum contaminant levels for PFAS in water provided by public water systems. Provides that maximum contaminant levels established by the department: (1) must be protective of public health, including the health of vulnerable subpopulations; and (2) may not be less stringent than any maximum contaminant level or health advisory promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs
- HB1540 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS (SOLIDAY E) Provides that a transit development district may be established in a municipality that is located in a county that is a member of the development authority and has operated regularly scheduled commuter bus services to Chicago, Illinois, with prior financial assistance from the development authority, and shuttle bus services that transport riders to a train station or a regular train stop along the Chicago to South Bend line.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1541 UTILITY SERVICE TO RENTAL PREMISES (SOLIDAY E) Amends the statute concerning a landlord's obligations under a residential rental agreement to include within those obligations the duty to remain current on all bills for utility service to the rental premises (other than for utility service for which a tenant is responsible for paying under the rental agreement or state law). Provides that a landlord that: (1) offers for rent at least 100 rental units that are part of one or more structures that: (A) are located on the same parcel of property or on contiguous parcels of property; and (B) are master metered for one or more utility services; and (2) fails to meet this new obligation; may not file or prosecute an eviction action for nonpayment of rent against a tenant of the rental premises until the delinquency for utility service provided to the rental premises has been cured. Requires the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) to do the following not later than August 31, 2023: (1) Designate itself to serve as, or contract to provide, an escrow agent to whom a tenant of a rental premises for which the landlord has failed to meet this new obligation, resulting in a utility bill that is at least 60 days past due, may pay rent until the delinquency has been cured. (2) In collaboration with the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC), create a form that: (A) is accessible on the authority's website and the IURC's website; and (B) allows a utility to: (i) report the delinquency; and (ii) request that the designated escrow agent perform certain duties with respect to the delinquency. Provides that a utility that submits a form to report a delinquency and request the services of the escrow agent must provide to the tenants, through conspicuous signage placed within the utility's property rights on the affected parcels, notice of the landlord's delinquency and of a tenant's right to pay rent to the escrow agent, instead of the landlord, until the delinquency for utility service is cured. Specifies the duties of the escrow agent with respect to: (1) collecting rent from tenants; (2) paying collected rent to the utility; (3) paying remaining amounts of collected rent to the landlord upon the delinquency being cured; (4) reporting to the landlord, the utility, the authority, and the IURC certain collection and payment data on a monthly basis; and (5) providing a final accounting and notice once the delinquency has been cured and the escrow has been closed.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
- HB1549 1977 PENSION AND DISABILITY FUND (JUDY C) Modifies the definition of "salary of a first class patrolman or first class firefighter" for the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund (fund). Increases the fund's maximum annual cost of living adjustment from 3% to 5%.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
- HB1551 STATE POLICE AND CONSERVATION OFFICER SALARIES (JUDY C) Provides that before July 1, 2023, the state police board (board) shall establish a new salary matrix for police employees. Provides that the base salary of a police employee with the rank of trooper (excluding longevity increases) must be equal to or greater than the average of the 10 highest base salaries (excluding longevity increases) for a nonpromoted patrolman employed by any law enforcement department in Indiana. Requires the natural resources commission to categorize conservation officer years of service through the fifteenth year after June 30, 2023, rather than through the twentieth year. Provides that the department of natural resources shall adjust the salaries of conservation officers in accordance with changes made by the board. Requires the department of workforce development to provide certain information relating to salaries to the board. Provides that, after June 30, 2023, the number of salary increase increments for each rank for

state police officers and conservation officers is reduced from 20 years to 15 years.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

- HB1552 LOCAL INCOME TAX FUNDING FOR EMS SERVICES (CULP K) Removes provisions that require a county to meet certain qualifications before it is authorized to adopt an emergency medical services local income tax rate (EMS LIT rate). (Under current law, only counties that provide emergency medical services for all local units in the county and pay 100% of the costs to provide those services are authorized to adopt an EMS LIT rate.)  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1553 TOWNSHIP FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES FUNDING (CULP K) Provides that the current township firefighting fund shall be referred to as the township firefighting and emergency services fund. Provides that a township may elect to establish a township firefighting fund and a township emergency services fund in lieu of the township firefighting and emergency services fund. Provides that a township may levy ad valorem property taxes for each fund. Provides that if a township elects to establish separate levies for the township firefighting fund and the emergency services fund, the levies are combined for purposes of calculating a township's maximum permissible levy. Makes conforming amendments.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1562 INTIMIDATING PUBLIC SERVANTS (ROWRAY E) Provides that a person commits intimidation, a Level 5 felony, if the subject of the threat or the person to whom the threat is communicated is a public servant.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1574 FOOD HUB PILOT PROJECT (HARRIS JR. E) Establishes the food hub pilot program (pilot program) for the purpose of developing, financing, and constructing a food hub in the city of Gary. Provides that the northwest Indiana regional development authority: (1) shall administer the pilot program; (2) may contract with one or more qualified nonprofit organizations or community development financial institutions to administer the pilot program through a public-private partnership; (3) shall develop, finance, and construct the food hub in cooperation with public and private sector partners; and (4) may issue bonds to fund the pilot program.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1575 RESIDENTIAL BUILDING COMMISSION (O'BRIEN T) Establishes the residential building commission (building commission) within the department of homeland security. Provides that the building commission has exclusive jurisdiction for the review and adoption of building codes and standards that regulate the construction of dwellings.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- HB1576 DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR STANDARD DEDUCTION (O'BRIEN T) Provides that to obtain the homestead standard deduction for a desired calendar year in which property taxes are first due and payable, the statement to obtain the deduction must either be completed and dated in the immediately preceding calendar year and filed with the county auditor on or before January 5 of the calendar year in which the property taxes are first due and payable, or, subject to a processing fee of \$100, completed, dated, and filed with the county auditor on or before April 30 of the year in which the property taxes are first due and payable.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Andrade M
- HB1578 COVERED PERSONS FOR RESTRICTED ADDRESSES (O'BRIEN T) Provides that a regular, paid firefighter and a volunteer firefighter are "covered persons" under the statute that requires local government units that operate a public data base website containing the names and addresses of property owners to restrict disclosure to the general public of the covered person's home address. Removes an obsolete date reference.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Local Government
- HB1583 HEALTH PLANS AND AMBULANCE SERVICE PROVIDERS (HEATON R) Amends the law requiring a health plan operator to fairly negotiate rates and terms with any ambulance service provider willing to become a participating provider with respect to the operator's health plan. Provides that, if negotiations between an ambulance service provider and a health plan operator that occur after June 30, 2022, do not result in the ambulance service provider becoming a participating provider with respect to the health plan, each party, beginning May 1, 2023, is required to provide to the department of insurance (department) a written notice: (1) reporting the unsuccessful conclusion of the negotiations; and (2) stating the points that were discussed in the negotiations but on which agreement was not reached. Requires the department, not later than May 1, 2024, to submit to the legislative council and the interim study committee on public health, behavioral health, and human services a report summarizing the written notices that the department has received from ambulance service providers and health plan operators.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Insurance

- HB1585 SALE OF COLD ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES (MANNING E) Makes it a Class B misdemeanor for a grocery store or drug store to sell an iced or cooled alcoholic beverage. (Current law prohibits the sale of iced or cooled beer by a grocery store or drug store.) Specifies that a package liquor store may sell any alcoholic beverage iced or cooled. Makes conforming amendments.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Public Policy
- HB1588 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS (MCGUIRE J) Provides that there shall be no dedicated lanes for any portion of a public street that is located outside of the one square mile area surrounding Monument Circle at the intersection of Meridian Street and Market Street in the city of Indianapolis for the exclusive use of public transit vehicles. Provides an exception for certain rapid transit lines. Defines the term "blue line". Provides that bonds may not be used to fund a dedicated lane for any portion of a public street that is located outside of the one square mile area.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- HB1603 KOSCIUSKO COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AREA (SNOW C) Establishes the community development area board (board) in Kosciusko County. Establishes procedures for appointing members to the board. Allows the board to adopt a resolution establishing a community development area (tax area). Requires that the tax area include a facility or complex of facilities used by certain businesses in the medical industry. Requires the board to submit a resolution establishing a tax area to the budget committee and budget agency for review and approval. Allows a tax area to receive incremental state income tax revenue attributable to the tax area. Provides that a tax area terminates not later than 20 years after incremental tax revenues are first allocated to the tax area.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1614 REPEAL OF INVOLUNTARY FIREARM REMOVAL PROCESS (PAYNE Z) Repeals provisions concerning the: (1) confiscation and retention of firearms from a dangerous person; (2) compilation and publication of statistics related to the confiscation and retention of firearms from a dangerous person; and (3) making of a false report that a person is dangerous. Modifies a provision concerning a petition to find that an individual is no longer dangerous.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- HB1615 LEGALIZATION OF CANNABIS (PAYNE Z) Legalizes the sale and use of cannabis by a person at least 18 years of age. Requires the Indiana department of health to establish a program to issue a medical cannabis identification card to a patient whose physician has recommended cannabis to treat a medical condition. Permits the sale of cannabis to a person less than 18 years of age if the person has been issued a medical cannabis identification card, and exempts purchases by a medical cannabis cardholder from sales tax. Makes conforming amendments.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Public Health
- HB1616 ASSESSED VALUE (PAYNE Z) Limits the annual increase in assessed value of real property to 5% unless ownership of the real property changes during the year or the increase results from physical changes to the real property.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1618 EXEMPTION FOR NEW BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY (PAYNE Z) Provides that for business personal property purchased after December 31, 2023, the total acquisition cost of a taxpayer's total business personal property in a county for an assessment date is exempt from taxation.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- HB1623 ADMINISTRATIVE RULEMAKING (BARTELS S) Requires: (1) authorization from the budget agency and the office of management and budget; and (2) two public comment periods of 30 days for all proposed rules (except emergency rules and agency corrections); before the rules may be adopted. Standardizes the economic and fiscal impact information that must be prepared by an agency in order to adopt a rule. Requires rules to either expire or be readopted every five years rather than every seven years. Eliminates provisions that exempt certain rules from expiring. Provides for additional information concerning a readoption action to be published with a notice of readoption. Requires an agency to conduct a hearing on a proposed readoption. Adds definitions and publication standards. Eliminates differences between readoption procedures applicable to environmental rules and other rules. Validates readoption actions that become effective before July 1, 2023. Relocates readoption requirements to a new chapter. Repeals IC 4-22-2.5 and IC 13-14-9.5. Establishes criteria for use of emergency rulemaking procedures. Provides that rules formally adopted as emergency rules to implement a change in law or certain other circumstances may be adopted through emergency rule, interim rule, or expedited rule procedures. Requires preapproval by the governor to adopt rules through these procedures in the case of emergency rules and interim rules. Requires preapproval by the office of management and budget to adopt rules through expedited rule procedures. Authorizes the attorney general or the governor to suspend the operation of these rules. Eliminates indefinite expiration dates for emergency rules and reorganizes provisions related to expiration dates and extension periods in a new chapter. Provides transitional provisions. Requires the code revision commission to prepare conforming legislation for

introduction in the 2024 legislative session. Provides that a party prevailing against the agency is entitled to attorney's fees if the agency has acted without legal authority having the force of or enforceable as law. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

HB1625 VARIOUS PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS (BARTELS S) Provides that a conservancy district (district) in which each director of the board has been elected to the board may employ a district marshal or deputy district marshal. Provides that the law enforcement training board shall adopt rules establishing a town marshal and conservancy district marshal basic training program. (Current law provides that the law enforcement training board shall adopt rules establishing a town marshal basic training program.) Provides that the district marshal is the chief police officer of the district and has the powers of other law enforcement officers in enforcing laws. Adds a district marshal or deputy district marshal to certain definitions of "police officer", "officer", or "law enforcement officer". Provides that after obtaining an initial permit or authorization to conduct fire training exercises, a fire department, including a volunteer fire department, is not required to obtain subsequent permits or authorization from the department of environmental management or a unit of local government before conducting fire training exercises located at the same location authorized in the initial permit or authorization. Makes conforming and technical amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

HB1636 INDIANAPOLIS INFRASTRUCTURE (BEHNING R) Provides that the amount of the gasoline excise tax and special fuel tax revenue that is derived from the annual 1% inflationary increase during the state budget biennium shall be distributed to recipients under the motor fuel tax fund of the motor vehicle highway account based on the vehicle miles traveled in the unit compared to vehicle miles traveled in the state, but not including interstate vehicle miles traveled. Appropriates money from the state general fund to the Indiana department of transportation in an amount necessary to repay all outstanding debt obligations as of June 30, 2023, that are financed with money in the crossroads 2000 fund. Provides that, beginning July 1, 2023, money in the crossroads 2000 fund must be used for projects only in urban areas, as defined by the United States Census Bureau. Authorizes Marion County to establish a local road funding district (district) to capture 20% of the incremental local income tax (LIT) revenue of the county (not including LIT revenue obligated for debt service). Requires the Marion County treasurer to establish a Marion County roads and bridges fund (fund) if a district is established. Provides that the incremental LIT revenue captured in the district shall be deposited in the fund and used for the preservation and reconstruction of roads and bridges of thoroughfares in Marion County that cross into an adjacent county. Prohibits any additional funding for a professional soccer stadium project until and unless certain conditions are met. Amends the maximum grant amount from the local road and bridge matching grant fund based on annual vehicle miles traveled in the local unit. Provides that, if the city-county council in Marion County adopts a maximum county vehicle excise tax or a maximum county wheel tax, then the transportation infrastructure improvement fees that are attributable to motor vehicles registered in Marion County shall be transferred to the Marion County treasurer for deposit in a separate account to be used for the preservation and reconstruction of roadways in Marion County. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to reacquire certain portions of roadways in Marion County that were previously designated as a state highway for administration in the state highway system, to occur before January 1, 2030. Provides that, for purposes of determining the right of the consolidated city of Indianapolis to receive a distribution of money from the motor vehicle highway account based on population, the population of all the territory of the consolidated city is considered its population. Specifies that the board of directors of an urban mass transportation system may incorporate services of a "transportation network company" or "TNC" that connects riders to individuals for prearranged rides through a digital network exchange as a part of its urban mass transportation system within the taxing district of the corporation. Makes an appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

HB1639 WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS (AYLESWORTH M) Provides that the executives of one or more counties may adopt ordinances designating their counties as members of a proposed watershed development commission (commission) and that the proposed commission is established as a legal entity with the counties as its members if it is recognized by the natural resources commission. Requires the natural resources commission, in deciding whether to recognize a proposed commission, to answer certain questions. Provides that a nonmember county may become a member of an established commission if its membership is accepted by the member counties and recognized by the natural resources commission. Requires the department of natural resources (department), with the approval of the natural resources commission, to certify the area of a member county that is within a commission's designated watershed. Sets forth certain flood damage reduction and drainage purposes for which a commission may be established. Provides that a commission may also have water quality purposes if the board develops a water quality improvement plan that is approved by the natural resources commission. Requires a commission to develop a flood damage reduction and drainage plan for its designated watershed and grants a commission exclusive authority to perform drainage and flood damage reduction activities within the channel of the river that is the surface water outlet of the commission's designated watershed. Authorizes, however, a commission to enter into an interlocal cooperation agreement with an existing local governmental entity having some flood damage reduction authority to apportion authority and financial support between the two entities. Provides for a commission to be governed by a board that includes the director of the department (or the director's designee) and

one representative of each member county. Provides that the board of a single county commission also includes the county surveyor. Establishes an advisory committee for each commission to provide counsel to the board. Provides for the funding of a commission through an annual special assessment against each taxable parcel of real property that is located: (1) in a member county; and (2) within the designated watershed of the commission. Establishes maximum assessment levels and allows the board of a commission to reduce the special assessment to lower levels. Authorizes a member county to adopt any of three alternative methods of funding the commission. Authorizes a commission to give preference to an Indiana business over an out-of-state business in contracting for public works. Allows the Maumee River basin commission, the St. Joseph River basin commission, or the Upper Wabash River basin commission to transform into a watershed development commission if the county executives of all participating counties, by vote of at least two of the three members of the county executive, approve the proposed transformation. Provides that if the St. Joseph River basin commission is transformed into a watershed development commission, the members of the St. Joseph River basin commission become members of the watershed development commission's advisory committee.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Natural Resources

HB1644 DRIVING PRIVILEGE CARDS (KING J) Provides that an individual who is an Indiana resident and cannot provide proof of identity and lawful status in the United States may apply for a driving privilege card to obtain driving privileges. Sets forth the requirements to obtain a driving privilege card. Provides that a driving privilege card may not be used as identification for any state or federal purpose other than to confer driving privileges, for the purpose of voting, or to verify employment. Requires an individual who holds a driving privilege card and operates a motor vehicle to verify and continuously maintain financial responsibility on any motor vehicle operated by the individual who holds the driving privilege card in the amount required by law. Provides that the bureau of motor vehicles may not disclose certain information unless presented with a lawful court order or judicial warrant. Requires an applicant for a driving privilege card or driving privilege card renewal to sign up for selective service. Makes conforming amendments. Makes technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Representative Karickhoff

HB1645 UTILITY RECEIPT TAX ON WATER (MORRIS R) Imposes a receipts tax on the provision of water utility services and a corresponding use tax on the consumption of water utility services. Provides that the taxes apply to receipts received in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2023, and to the consumption of water utility services billed after December 31, 2023. Provides that the tax rate for both taxes is 1.4%. Requires tax revenues to be distributed to the cities, towns, and counties from which the taxes were derived. Requires cities, towns, and counties to use tax revenues for infrastructure necessary to promote economic development.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Ways and Means

HB1646 CHILD SEXUALLY ABUSIVE MATERIALS (MORRIS R) Authorizes the attorney general to assess a civil penalty of \$1 million on a corporation with a market capitalization of at least \$100 billion for each instance in which the corporation knowingly makes available child sexually abusive material, and establishes a procedure for the investigation of a complaint relating to child sexually abusive material. Establishes the child sexually abusive material facilitation prevention fund. Specifies that money in the fund shall be used to: (1) fund the Internet crimes against children fund; and (2) offset forgone tax remittances. Makes an appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Judiciary

HB1647 RESIDENTIAL ONSITE SEWAGE SYSTEMS (MORRIS R) Provides that, not more than 90 days before the sale of a fee simple interest in a residential property that is served by a residential onsite sewage system, the residential onsite sewage system must be inspected by a licensed septic system installer or inspector, a licensed onsite sewage system technician, or a registered professional engineer to determine whether the residential onsite sewage system is functioning properly. Requires that a written report of the inspection be provided to the local health department and retained for at least one year. Prohibits the installation of a residential onsite sewage system less than 25 feet from the edge of a sinkhole. Provides that a residential onsite sewage system installed after June 30, 2023, must include a riser attached to the distribution box. Provides that if a professional soil scientist has determined that a site is suitable for the installation of the residential onsite sewage system and a registered professional engineer, a registered soil scientist, a septic system installer or inspector licensed by the county, or the designer of the system has approved the design and specifications for the residential onsite sewage system, the local health department shall issue a permit for the residential onsite sewage system not more than 30 business days after receiving a complete application for the permit. Provides that: (1) if a lot has an area of at least one acre, a residential onsite sewage system may be installed on the lot if at least one site on the lot is determined to be suitable for the installation of the residential onsite sewage system; but (2) if a lot has an area of less than one acre, a residential onsite sewage system may not be installed on the lot unless at least two sites on the lot are determined to be suitable for the installation of the residential onsite sewage system. Provides that a local health department that determines that a residential onsite sewage system is in system failure may issue an order requiring that the failure be corrected, but provides that the order is stayed if the owner or occupant of the residence served by the residential onsite sewage system, within 14 days, enters into a

contract with a licensed septic system installer or inspector, a licensed onsite sewage system technician, or a registered professional engineer for the inspection of the residential onsite sewage system. Provides that if the installer or inspector, technician, or engineer determines that the residential onsite sewage system is not in system failure, the local health department shall: (1) withdraw its order; or (2) conduct an investigation to make a new determination whether the residential onsite sewage system is in system failure. Establishes an onsite sewage system technician licensing board (board) and provides that after July 1, 2025, an individual may not install, inspect, or provide maintenance or repair services for onsite sewage systems unless the individual has obtained a license from the board. Establishes exceptions to the licensing requirement. Authorizes the board to adopt rules concerning fees, continuing education requirements, and other matters, and authorizes the board to take disciplinary action.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

- SB3 STATE AND LOCAL TAX REVIEW COMMISSION (HOLDMAN T) Establishes the state and local tax review commission (commission). Specifies the membership of the commission and the topics the commission is required to review.
- Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as second author Senator Baldwin
- SB4 PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION (CHARBONNEAU E) Defines "core public health services" for purposes of public health laws. Adds members to the executive board of the Indiana department of health (state department). Requires the state department to provide district or regional services to local health departments. Allows the state department to issue guidance to local health departments. Requires the state department to make annual local health department reports available to the public. Changes the qualification requirements for a local health officer and requires certain training. Requires local health departments to report to the state department activities and metrics on the delivery of core public health services. Sets political affiliation limitations on local boards of health and adds two members to local boards of health. Requires a multiple county health department to maintain at least one physical office in each represented county. Provides that a new city health department cannot be created after December 31, 2022, but allows current city health departments to continue to operate. Creates the Indiana trauma care commission and sets forth the commission's duties. Specifies that certain vision screenings in schools for students may be performed by an ophthalmologist or an optometrist. Requires vision screening in kindergarten and first grade (current law allows for the screening in either grade). Modifies the list of vision tests that may be used. Requires the school to send to the parent of a student any recommendation for further testing by the vision screener. Allows for standing orders to be used for emergency stock medication in schools. Allows the state health commissioner or designee to issue a statewide standing order, prescription, or protocol for emergency stock medication for schools. Removes the distance requirement for an access practice dentist to provide communication with a dental hygienist.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services
- SB12 MATERIAL HARMFUL TO MINORS (TOMES J) Removes schools and certain public libraries from the list of entities eligible for a specified defense to criminal prosecutions alleging: (1) the dissemination of material harmful to minors; or (2) a performance harmful to minors. Adds colleges and universities to the list of entities eligible for a specified defense to criminal prosecutions alleging: (1) the dissemination of material harmful to minors; or (2) a performance harmful to minors.
- Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Senator Young M
- SB13 ELIMINATION OF LOWER SPEED LIMIT FOR TRUCKS (TOMES J) Excepts an alley from the maximum speed limit of 55 miles per hour. Increases the maximum speed limit for a vehicle having a declared gross weight greater than 26,000 pounds from 65 miles per hour to 70 miles per hour when the vehicle is operated on a highway that is: (1) on the national system of interstate and defense highways located outside an urbanized area with a population of at least 50,000; or (2) the responsibility of the Indiana finance authority.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation
- SB18 TAX SALE PROCEDURES (RANDOLPH L) Provides that a person who acquires a certificate of sale (certificate) may not assign the certificate to a person who was not eligible under the tax sale laws to bid on or purchase real property at a tax sale. Requires a person to acknowledge that the person will not assign a certificate for any real property purchased to a person who is prohibited from bidding on or purchasing real property at a tax sale.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Local Government
- SB19 DRIVER INSTRUCTIONS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES (RANDOLPH L) Requires the driver education advisory board to consult with the commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles (commissioner) and the state police department, and advise the commissioner in the administration of the policies of the commission and the bureau regarding driver education in: (1) the procedures of a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop; and (2) the actions a person should take during a traffic stop, including appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to include in any driver education manual published by the bureau the

following: (1) A description of the procedures of a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop. (2) An explanation of the actions a person should take during a traffic stop, including appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer. Provides that driver education curriculum must include instruction about actions to take during a traffic stop, and the appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation

- SB20 DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREAS (BROWN L) Allows a city or town to designate an outdoor location as a refreshment area with the approval of the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission). Provides that if a refreshment area is approved, the commission designates retailer permittees that may sell alcoholic beverages for consumption within the refreshment area. Prohibits a refreshment area from being located near a school or church unless the school or church does not object. Allows a minor to be within the refreshment area. Makes it a Class C misdemeanor for a participating retailer permittee or vendor to: (1) sell a person more than one alcoholic beverage at a time or an alcoholic beverage that exceeds the volume limitations; or (2) allow a person who is not wearing a wristband identification to enter the refreshment area with an alcoholic beverage.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Public Policy
- SB21 SCHOOL BUS STOPS (BOHACEK M) Provides that a person driving a vehicle who approaches a stationary school bus displaying alternately flashing amber lights must take certain actions to yield the right-of-way. Provides that under certain conditions, including the display of alternately flashing amber lights, a school bus driver may load or unload students without extending the school bus stop arm.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Withdrawn
- SB25 CIGARETTE TAX EVASION (CRIDER M) Makes it a Level 6 felony for a person to knowingly or intentionally fail to carry invoices or delivery tickets containing certain information while transporting cigarettes that do not bear an Indiana tax stamp over Indiana highways.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB27 DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREAS (PERFECT C) Allows the city of Lawrenceburg to designate an outdoor location as a refreshment area with the approval of the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission). Provides that if a refreshment area is approved, the commission designates retailer permittees that may sell alcoholic beverages for consumption within the refreshment area. Prohibits a refreshment area from being located near a school or church unless the church or school does not object. Allows a minor to be within the refreshment area. Makes it a Class C misdemeanor for a participating retailer permittee or vendor to: (1) sell a person more than one alcoholic beverage at a time or an alcoholic beverage that exceeds the volume limitations; or (2) allow a person who is not wearing a wristband identification to enter the refreshment area with an alcoholic beverage.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Public Policy
- SB28 DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREAS (PERFECT C) Allows a city or town to designate an outdoor location as a refreshment area with the approval of the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission). Provides that if a refreshment area is approved, the commission designates retailer permittees that may sell alcoholic beverages for consumption within the refreshment area. Prohibits a refreshment area from being located near a school or church unless the school or church does not object. Allows a minor to be within the refreshment area. Makes it a Class C misdemeanor for a participating retailer permittee or vendor to: (1) sell a person more than one alcoholic beverage at a time or an alcoholic beverage that exceeds the volume limitations; or (2) allow a person who is not wearing a wristband identification to enter the refreshment area with an alcoholic beverage.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Public Policy
- SB29 DISABLED VETERANS (NIEZGODSKI D) Removes the assessed value limit for a property tax exemption for an individual or the surviving spouse of an individual who is killed in action or who receives an honorable discharge and is totally disabled or 62 years of age with a disability of at least 10%.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as third author Senator Qaddoura
- SB37 FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAXES (GASKILL M) Requires each local unit that imposes a food and beverage tax to annually report information concerning distributions and expenditures of amounts received from the food and beverage tax. Provides that food and beverage taxes currently authorized under IC 6-9 and that do not otherwise contain an expiration date (other than the stadium and convention building authority food and beverage tax and the historic hotels food and beverage tax) shall expire on the later of: (1) January 1, 2045; or (2) the date on which all bonds or lease agreements outstanding on May 7, 2023, are completely paid. Requires each local unit that imposes a food and beverage tax that is subject to the expiration provision to provide to the department of local government finance (department) a list of each bond or lease agreement outstanding on May 7, 2023, and the date on which each will be completely paid. Requires the department to publish the information on the gateway website. Declares the

intention of the general assembly to only authorize local units to impose new food and beverage taxes based on specified criteria.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

- SB41 PENALTIES FOR ACTS OF ANIMAL CRUELTY (FORD J) Enhances the criminal penalty of animal cruelty from a Level 6 felony to a Level 5 felony.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB42 REPORTING OF LOST OR STOLEN FIREARMS (FORD J) Makes it a Class C infraction for a person to fail to report a lost or stolen firearm to a specified law enforcement agency within 30 days after the firearm is lost or stolen.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB43 RESIDENCY OF 911 OPERATORS (SANDLIN J) Provides that a public safety agency may not establish or maintain residency requirements for a public safety telecommunicator employed by a public safety agency.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as second author Senator Baldwin
- SB45 ELIMINATION OF ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS TO ASSESSED VALUES (NIEMEYER R) Eliminates the annual adjustments (or "trending") to assessed values of certain real property for assessment dates beginning after December 31, 2023. Retains the provisions in current law that require four year cyclical reassessments. Allows a reassessment plan for the four year cyclical reassessments to include trending factors in the plan. Does not eliminate the annual adjustment for agricultural land. Makes conforming changes. Makes technical corrections.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB46 COUNTY OPTION CIRCUIT BREAKER TAX CREDIT (SANDLIN J) Authorizes a county fiscal body to adopt an ordinance to provide a credit against property tax liability for qualified individuals. Defines a "qualified individual" for purposes of the credit. Provides that the ordinance may designate: (1) all of the territory of the county; or (2) one or more specific geographic territories within the county; as an area in which qualified individuals may apply for the credit. Provides that the credit amount is equal to the amount by which property taxes on the property increased by more than 2% from the prior year (excluding any property tax liability imposed in a voter approved referendum levy). Provides that the credit does not affect the allocation of taxes to a referendum fund. Requires a qualified individual who desires to claim the credit to file a certified statement with the county auditor. Provides that the county auditor shall apply the credit in succeeding years after the certified statement is filed unless the auditor determines that the individual is no longer eligible for the credit or the county fiscal body rescinds the ordinance. Provides a penalty for wrongly receiving the credit that is the same as the penalty for wrongly receiving the homestead standard deduction.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as third author Senator Buchanan
- SB48 CHILD SEX OFFENSES (CRIDER M) Provides that a criminal prosecution of a sex offense committed against a child that is otherwise barred by the statute of limitations may nevertheless be commenced within five years from the date on which: (1) the state discovers DNA evidence; (2) the state learns of a recording that provides evidence sufficient to charge the offender; or (3) a person confesses to the offense. Specifies that a person commits human trafficking if the person pays money to a human trafficking victim. (Current law provides that the person commits the offense by paying money for a human trafficking victim.)  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthors Senators Freeman, Sandlin, Koch, Glick
- SB67 SEX WITH A MINOR (BOHACEK M) Adds the criminal offense of sex with a minor, which is committed when a person who is at least 22 years of age engages in sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct, fondling, or touching with a child who is at least 16 years of age but less than 18 years of age. Makes conforming amendments.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB70 MARIJUANA (BOHACEK M) Decriminalizes possession of one ounce or less of marijuana.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as coauthor Senator Ford J.D
- SB74 LOCAL USE OF RESTRICTED FUNDS (ALEXANDER S) Defines "preservation" for purposes of provisions that require counties, cities, and towns to use at least 50% of the money distributed from the motor vehicle highway account for construction, reconstruction, and preservation of highways.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
- SB75 DELAWARE COUNTY MAGISTRATE (ALEXANDER S) Allows the judges of the Delaware circuit court to appoint a full-time magistrate.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

- SB76 ELKHART COUNTY COURTS (ROGERS L) Allows the judges of the Elkhart circuit and superior courts to appoint four full-time magistrates (effective July 1, 2023) and two additional full-time magistrates beginning January 1, 2024. (Current law allows for the appointment of two magistrates.)  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - added as second author Senator Doriot
- SB78 DISTRIBUTIONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY INCOME TAX REVENUE (NIEMEYER R) Requires the distribution of public safety local income tax revenues to a township that provides fire protection or emergency medical services (other than a township in Marion County). Permits a qualified fire protection territory and a qualified fire protection district (other than in Marion County) to be eligible to receive distributions of public safety local income tax revenues.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau
- SB79 SCHOOL BUS STOP ARM VIOLATION ENFORCEMENT (NIEMEYER R) Provides that the registered owner of a vehicle commits an infraction if the registered owner's vehicle does not stop on a roadway or a private road when the arm signal device is in the device's extended position. Provides a defense for a registered owner who was not driving the vehicle at the time of the violation. Requires a registered owner who uses a defense to provide any documentation, and to fully cooperate with law enforcement regarding the person who may be responsible for the violation. Specifies that: (1) the bureau of motor vehicles may not assess points for a violation; and (2) an adjudication for a violation does not create a presumption of liability in a civil action.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB82 INTOXICATION AND MARIJUANA (BOHACEK M) Establishes a defense to operating a vehicle or motorboat with a controlled substance in the person's blood if: (1) the controlled substance is marijuana or a metabolite of marijuana; and (2) the person was not intoxicated.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB83 UNLAWFUL TRACKING OF ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL (BROWN L) Provides that a person who, with the intent to track an individual, and without the individual's knowledge, places a tracking device on an individual or the individual's property commits remote criminal tracking, a Class C misdemeanor. Provides certain exceptions. Increases the penalty to a Class A misdemeanor if the person is the subject of a protective order issued on behalf of the individual. Establishes a sentence enhancement if a person uses a tracking device to commit or facilitate the commission of a felony.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB85 UNLAWFUL TRACKING OF ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL (YOUNG M) Provides that a person who, with the intent to track an individual, and without the individual's knowledge, places a tracking device on an individual or the individual's property commits remote criminal tracking, a Class C misdemeanor. Increases the penalty to a Class A misdemeanor if the person is the subject of a protective order issued on behalf of the individual. Establishes a sentence enhancement if a person uses a tracking device to commit or facilitate the commission of a felony.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB89 SENTENCING FOR RAPE CONVICTION (BOHACEK M) Provides that the definition of "credit restricted felon" includes a person who has been convicted of rape, for a crime committed after June 30, 2023.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB90 PROPERTY TAX FREEZE FOR SENIORS (FORD J) Freezes the property tax liability on a homestead of an individual who is at least 65 years of age and has maintained a qualified interest in the homestead for at least 10 years. Provides that a taxing unit may recover from the state general fund 100% of the amount by which the property tax imposed on the homestead of an individual in the usual manner exceeds the amount of property tax billed for a calendar year to an individual whose property tax liability is frozen under the bill's provisions. Makes an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as third author Senator Qaddoura
- SB132 RIGHT-OF-WAY AND THOROUGHFARES (DORIOT B) Requires a county to use eminent domain to increase the apparent right-of-way for a county highway, instead of by requiring dedication of additional right-of-way as part of a subdivision plat. Requires a county, city, or town (unit) to use eminent domain to establish or expand a thoroughfare, instead of by requiring dedication of private property as part of a subdivision plat. Prohibits a unit that must proceed with eminent domain regarding a right-of-way or thoroughfare from imposing an additional fee on an applicant for filing a subdivision plat.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Local Government

- SB133 RIGHT TO FOOD (DORIOT B) Provides that an individual has the right to: (1) save and exchange seeds to grow food; and (2) grow, raise, produce, harvest, and consume the food that the individual chooses for the individual's own nourishment, sustenance, bodily health, and well-being. Specifies certain acts that are prohibited. Provides that a zoning ordinance may restrict but may not prohibit the growing or raising of food. Specifies that the board of animal health and the United States Department of Agriculture may enforce a state or federal law, rule, or regulation concerning animals. Specifies that the right to grow and raise food may not impair the terms of a lease or contract.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Committee on Agriculture
- SB134 SALE OF COMPANION ANIMALS (DORIOT B) Defines "companion animal" as a dog or cat. Defines "casual breeder" as a person who maintains at least five but not more than 20 unaltered female dogs that are at least 12 months of age and is recognized by a kennel society. Defines "hobby breeder" as a person who: (1) maintains four or less female breeding dogs; (2) only sells the offspring of the breeding female dogs raised on the breeder's premises as pets or for exhibition; and (3) is recognized by a kennel society. Prohibits the adoption or enforcement of an ordinance or regulation prohibiting the sale of a companion animal in certain circumstances.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as second author Senator Leising
- SB139 FENTANYL (TOMES J) Defines "fentanyl containing substance" and increases the penalty for dealing a drug that is a fentanyl containing substance.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB140 COVID-19 IMMUNIZATIONS FOR MINORS (TOMES J) Prohibits a city, town, county, or state agency from requiring an individual who is less than 18 years of age to receive an immunization for COVID-19. Removes an expired cross-reference.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services
- SB145 LAKE AND ST. JOSEPH COUNTY MAGISTRATES (RANDOLPH L) Provides that in appointing magistrates, the judge of the St. Joseph County probate court and the judge of the juvenile division of the Lake County superior court shall strive to reflect the ethnic and racial demographics of their respective counties.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
- SB147 ELECTION OF LAKE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES (RANDOLPH L) Provides that the superior court judges of Lake County are elected as are other superior court judges. Provides that the change to the election of a judge does not occur until the general election that occurs immediately before the expiration of the term of a judge sitting on the court under current law. Repeals superseded provisions.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Elections
- SB149 PRIVATELY MADE FIREARMS (RANDOLPH L) Defines a "privately made firearm" and other related terms. Makes it a Level 5 felony to possess a privately made firearm. Makes it a Level 5 felony to alter, obliterate, or remove certain marks of firearm identification or to possess a firearm on which those marks of identification have been altered, obliterated, or removed.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB156 TAX SALES (NIEMEYER R) Provides that a person who acquires a certificate of sale (certificate) may not assign the certificate to a person who was not eligible under the tax sale laws to bid on or purchase real property at a tax sale until the person satisfies the eligibility requirements as determined by the county auditor. Requires a person to acknowledge that the person will not assign a certificate for any real property purchased to a person who is prohibited from bidding on or purchasing real property at a tax sale. Requires the county auditor to determine that an assignee of a certificate is eligible to receive the assignment for an assignment to be valid. Provides for the manner by which the recording fee to record an assignment of a tax sale purchaser's certificate is to be paid, including costs for recording a release of the certificate. Provides that assignments of a certificate must be included on the county auditor's tax sale record.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as second author Senator Dernulc
- SB157 PARCELS OFFERED AT SUCCESSIVE TAX SALES (NIEMEYER R) Requires that the county auditor's notice of tax sale include a statement providing that if a tract or item of real property has been offered for sale at a county treasurer's tax sale (treasurer's sale) and a county executive's tax sale (executive's sale) on two or more occasions without a bid, the tract or item of real property may be subject to an ordinance authorized by the bill. Adds a person who claims a substantial property interest of public record to a statute concerning the county auditor's provision of notice of tax sale to certain persons who annually request a copy of the notice. Provides that a person who owns any tract or item of real property that has been offered for sale at a treasurer's sale and executive's sale on two or more occasions without a bid is prohibited from bidding on or purchasing tracts offered for sale. Adds language that allows a county

legislative body to adopt an ordinance with respect to parcels of real property that have been offered for sale at a treasurer's sale and an executive's sale on two or more occasions without a bid. Specifies that such a parcel (subject to certain criteria) is considered a public hazard. Establishes a procedure for a county to transfer a tax sale certificate to a municipality or retain a tax sale certificate and for a county or municipality to file a petition with the circuit court (court) requesting the issuance of a deed for the property to the requesting county or municipality. Provides that, at the request of a municipality, the county auditor and county treasurer (subject to available funding) shall enter into a mutual agreement for the county auditor to perform certain duties concerning notification of a party's right to redeem such a parcel and the filing of a petition to the court for issuance of a tax deed for the parcel. Provides that the court shall hold a hearing on the petition for issuance of a tax deed. Provides requirements that apply to a quiet title action with respect to a parcel placed into the name of a county or municipality. Provides that an owner of a parcel of real property that has been offered for sale at a treasurer's sale and an executive's sale on two or more occasions without a bid may transfer the real property, subject to any liens and encumbrances, by warranty deed to a county or municipality.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as second author Senator Dernulc

SB158 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (CRIDER M) Specifies that certain offenses, if committed against a family or household member, are considered a crime of domestic violence. Increases the period of time that a person arrested for a crime of domestic violence may not be released on bail to 24 hours. (The current time period is eight hours.) Provides that a charge of invasion of privacy is elevated to a Level 6 felony if the person has a prior unrelated criminal stalking conviction. Provides that certain crimes are considered a serious violent felony for the purposes of unlawful possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthors Senators Sandlin, Bohacek, Freeman, Koch, Glick

SB159 COMPUTER TRESPASS (CRIDER M) Defines "financial information". Enhances the sentence of an offense against intellectual property to a Level 5 felony if the data, computer program, or supporting documentation that is modified, destroyed, or disclosed contains protected health information or financial information. Provides that an offense against computer users is a Level 5 felony if the computer, computer system, or computer network that is the subject of the unauthorized use contained an individual's protected health information or financial information. Provides that an offense of computer trespass is a Level 6 felony if the computer system, computer network, or any part of the computer system or computer network that was subject to the unauthorized use contained protected health information or financial information.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

SB161 STALKING THROUGH USE OF TRACKING DEVICE (CRIDER M) Provides that a person who, with the intent to track an individual, and without the individual's knowledge, places a tracking device on an individual or the individual's property commits remote criminal tracking, a Class C misdemeanor. Provides certain exceptions. Increases the penalty to a Class A misdemeanor if the person is the subject of a protective order issued on behalf of the individual. Establishes a sentence enhancement if a person uses a tracking device to commit or facilitate the commission of a felony.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

SB162 COMMUNITY CROSSING GRANTS (WALKER K) Sets maximum grant application amounts for local units based on vehicle miles traveled. Repeals the requirement that the department of transportation (department) must allocate at least 50% of the amount available to make grants in a state fiscal year to local units located in counties having a population of less than 50,000. Requires the department, prior to January 1, 2024, to pay off any outstanding debt related to crossroads 2000 bonds and repurpose the annual payment to urban redevelopment authorities.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

SB165 WELDING CERTIFICATIONS ON PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (DORIOT B) Requires that contractors on a public works project meet certain standards relating to the welding of structural steel.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as second author Senator Niezgodski

SB169 GRANTS FOR AMBULANCE PURCHASE (LEISING J) Establishes the rural community ambulance grant pilot program and fund. Provides that the program and fund are administered by the emergency medical services commission (commission). Provides that the commission shall award grants on a competitive basis. Makes an appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services

SB170 INTIMIDATION AGAINST UTILITY WORKERS (LEISING J) Provides that a person who communicates a threat to another person with the intent of interfering with the provision of utility service or communications service for a dwelling, building, or other structure commits intimidation, a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that the offense is a Level 6 felony if the person to whom the threat is communicated is an employee or agent of: (1) a utility company; or (2) a communications service provider; who is engaged in the performance of the person's duties on behalf of the

utility company or the communications service provider. Defines the following terms for purposes of these provisions: (1) "Communications service". (2) "Communications service provider". (3) "Utility company". (4) "Utility service".

*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

- SB175 1977 PENSION AND DISABILITY FUND (WALKER K) Urges the legislative council to assign certain topics concerning the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund to an appropriate interim study committee for study during the 2023 interim.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
- SB180 ALLOCATION OF WASTEWATER UTILITY COSTS (KOCH E) Allows a utility company that: (1) provides both water and wastewater service; and (2) has acquired wastewater utility property; to request authorization from the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) to allocate a portion of the eligible costs of the utility company's wastewater utility property to the utility company's water customers. Provides that the IURC may approve the request if the IURC finds that: (1) because of reasonable and necessary improvements that are proposed for the wastewater utility property, the resulting rates charged to wastewater customers would reach levels necessitating the provision of financial assistance to those customers; and (2) the total rates charged by the utility company for water service will not increase unreasonably as a result of the allocation. Specifies the factors that the IURC must consider in making such a determination.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2023 - Referred to Senate Utilities
- SB182 TOWNSHIP MERGERS (KOCH E) Allows a township that does not have a township trustee or township board to merge with another township, if identical resolutions approving the merger are adopted by the following: (1) The township trustee and legislative body of the other township. (2) The county executive.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
- SB185 1977 FUND MEMBERSHIP (BALDWIN S) Allows an airport authority to participate in the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as second author Senator Rogers
- SB187 POLICE RESERVE OFFICERS (SANDLIN J) Provides that a unit shall provide by ordinance the number of police reserve officers a law enforcement agency may appoint. Provides that the law enforcement training board may revoke, suspend, modify, or restrict a document showing compliance and qualifications for a unit's police reserve officer who has committed misconduct. Provides that a law enforcement agency hiring a police reserve officer must contact every other law enforcement agency that employed (or employs) the applicant and request the applicant's employment file and disciplinary record.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
- SB189 ASSESSED VALUE GROWTH CAP (ALEXANDER S) Limits the annual increase in the gross assessed value of real property for property tax purposes to the lesser of 5% or the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers. Provides that the limit does not apply if: (1) the ownership of the property changes; or (2) the increase is attributable to one or more physical changes to the property. Precludes agricultural land for the limit.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB200 LOCAL STREET SAFETY MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM (QADDOURA F) Establishes the local street safety matching grant program and fund administered by the Indiana department of health to provide municipalities with matching grants to expand or improve pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
- SB202 VARIOUS HOUSING MATTERS (QADDOURA F) Allows a city, county, or town to bring a nuisance action against a tenant or other person responsible for a nuisance. Defines "essential services" as certain utility services needed for the safe and habitable occupation by a tenant of the tenant's rental unit. Defines "essential systems" as certain systems used to deliver essential services to a rental unit. Requires a landlord to repair or replace an essential system not later than 24 hours after being notified by a tenant that the tenant's rental unit is without essential services under certain circumstances. Allows for certain remedies to the tenant for the landlord's noncompliance. Provides that, during the pendency of a court action brought by a tenant, the court may order the tenant to make the regular rental payments otherwise due under the rental agreement to the clerk of the court or an attorney trust account, to be held in trust for disbursement to the prevailing party, as ordered by the court. Provides that a landlord may apply for release of rent deposits. Provides that, after June 30, 2023, a landlord may not manage a rental property in Indiana unless: (1) the landlord resides, is domiciled, or is authorized to do business in Indiana; (2) the landlord maintains an office at one or more physical locations in Indiana; or (3) the landlord has appointed a licensed real estate broker or broker company to manage the rental property. Makes conforming changes.

- SB203 LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING (QADDOURA F) Amends the percentage split between the state highway fund and local road and street account to 60%/40%. Amends the allocation percentage for the motor vehicle highway account. Amends the grant amount determination and the maximum amount for grants made from the local road and bridge matching grant fund. Requires the Indiana department of transportation to approve certain eligible projects for a grant from the local road and bridge matching grant fund. Appropriates \$300,000,000 from the state general fund or money received by the state from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, or a combination of both, to the local road and bridge matching grant fund for each state fiscal year of the budget biennium. Changes the allocation determination for distributions from the local road and street account.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
- SB204 GRANTS FOR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (QADDOURA F) Establishes the community relations and fund the police grant program to be administered by the Indiana criminal justice institute (ICJI). Specifies that the program is a matching grant program requiring recipients to match each dollar received. Establishes the community relations and fund the police grant fund (fund). Annually appropriates \$25,000,000 to the ICJI for deposit in the fund. Annually allocates \$5,000,000 for grants to local law enforcement agencies in Marion County and \$20,000,000 for grants to local law enforcement agencies in the other counties of the state. Provides that the maximum amount of a grant awarded to a local law enforcement agency in a particular state fiscal year is \$250,000. Specifies certain restrictions on and the permissible uses of a grant awarded to a local law enforcement agency.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB205 TASK FORCE FOR THE REDUCTION OF VIOLENT CRIME (QADDOURA F) Establishes the task force for the reduction of violent crime (task force). Requires the task force to study potential statutory changes to reduce violent crime and submit a report for distribution to the general assembly.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - added as coauthor Senator Hunley
- SB210 ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTIONS (BREAUX J) Allows the fiscal body of a county, city, or town to adopt an ordinance designating a geographic territory as an alternative energy zone (zone) to provide for property tax deductions: (1) at an annual percentage amount; and (2) for a duration of not more than 15 years; for alternative energy projects located in the zone. Specifies that the ordinance must also include provisions concerning: (1) annual service payments to the county treasurer based on nameplate capacity; (2) maintenance of a specified ratio of Indiana full-time equivalent employees to total employees employed in the construction or installation of the alternative energy project; and (3) relationships with organizations that educate and train individuals for careers in the alternative energy industry.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Withdrawn
- SB219 ANNEXATION (BUCK J) With certain exceptions, requires a municipality that initiates an annexation to file with the court an annexation petition approved by the signatures of: (1) at least 51% of the owners of non-tax exempt land in the annexation territory; or (2) the owners of at least 75% in assessed valuation of non-tax exempt land in the annexation territory. Requires the court to hold a hearing if the petition has enough signatures. Adds provisions for determining the validity of signatures. Eliminates the following: (1) Remonstrances and remonstrance waivers. (2) Reimbursement of remonstrator's attorney's fees and costs. (3) Adoption of a fiscal plan for annexations requested by 100% of landowners in the annexation territory. (4) Settlement agreements in lieu of annexation. (5) Provisions regarding contiguity of a public highway.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 6; Nays: 4
- SB220 COMPENSATION FOR THE TAKING OF A BUSINESS (BUCK J) Provides that if a city or town (municipality) condemns property located outside of the municipality, a person operating a business on the property may be compensated for business losses resulting from the condemnation. Provides that a municipality may not acquire property using an alternative condemnation procedure conducted by the public works board if the municipality is notified of the person's intent to claim compensation for business losses.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to Senate Local Government
- SB242 DNR BEST FLOODPLAIN MAPPING DATA (LEISING J) Repeals a provision that requires a local floodplain administrator to use the "best floodplain mapping data available" when reviewing an application for a permit to authorize construction in or near a floodplain.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Senate Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- SB251 CAUSE OF ACTION FOR BUSINESS DAMAGES (DORIOT B) Provides that if a unit enacts an ordinance that causes a business's profit to decline by at least 15%, the business may bring an action for damages against the unit. Exempts

certain ordinances and specifies which businesses may bring an action. Provides that a unit is not liable for damages if the unit repeals the ordinance, amends the ordinance in a manner that will not cause the business's profit to decline by at least 15%, or grants a waiver to the affected business.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2023 - Referred to Senate Local Government

- SB261 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS (BUCHANAN B) Creates a procedure to establish a community infrastructure improvement district (district). Specifies that the procedure added by the bill allowing for the establishment of a district does not authorize the unit to establish a district that overlaps with an economic improvement district. Requires a petition for the establishment of a district to include a rate and methodology report. Specifies the contents of the report. Specifies the basis upon which benefits accruing to parcels of real property within a district may be apportioned among those parcels. Requires a determination that the aggregate assessments within a district: (1) do not exceed 30% of the projected assessed value of property within the district; or (2) in the case of a district that is established for single family residences, do not exceed 10% of the projected assessed value per single family residence within the district; before a legislative body may adopt an ordinance to establish a district. Requires a community infrastructure improvement board (board) to assist the county treasurer in order to make certain specified determinations and designations regarding annual assessments within a district. Adds specific provisions that apply to the board's issuance of revenue bonds. Sunsets these provisions after five years.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB271 CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGY PARKS (BUCHANAN B) Specifies additional information that a certified technology park (park) is required to provide to the Indiana economic development corporation (corporation) in the course of a review. Provides that if a park has reached the limit on deposits and maintains its certification, the park shall become a Level 2 park. Increases, from \$100,000 to \$500,000, the annual additional incremental income tax deposit amount that a park captures once it has reached its limit on deposits. Clarifies the calculation of the additional incremental income tax deposit amount in the year in which a park reaches its limit on deposits. Provides that when the corporation certifies a Level 2 park, the corporation shall make a determination of whether the park shall continue to be designated as a Level 2 park.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
- SB274 EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN CEMETERY PROPERTY (JOHNSON T) Makes various changes to a provision granting a property tax exemption to cemetery owners.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as second author Senator Brown L
- SB281 BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION (FREEMAN A) Increases the acquisition cost threshold for the business personal property tax exemption from \$80,000 to \$250,000.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB283 MARION COUNTY ROAD FUNDING (FREEMAN A) Provides that, for purposes of determining the right of the consolidated city of Indianapolis to receive a distribution of money from the motor vehicle highway account based on population, the population of all the territory of the consolidated city is considered its population.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
- SB294 CRITICAL INCIDENT TRAINING AT ILEA (SANDLIN J) Requires the law enforcement training board to develop a 40 hour critical incident or crisis intervention response training program in consultation with the technical assistance center. Requires that the program's curriculum be equivalent to curriculum developed by the National Alliance on Mental Illness and Crisis Intervention Teams International (NAMI/CIT International). Requires a law enforcement training school or academy to include the program as part of the basic training requirements. Makes technical corrections and removes an unused definition.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2023 - Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation
- SB295 RED FLAG LAWS (SANDLIN J) Specifies a process for the state to request, and a court to order, release of mental health records of an individual who is alleged to be dangerous. Provides that a court that: (1) issues a warrant to search for and seize a firearm in the possession of an individual who is dangerous; or (2) finds probable cause that an individual is dangerous; may issue an order enjoining the individual from possessing a firearm until a hearing may be held. Requires the prosecuting attorney for the judicial district to represent the state at a hearing concerning an individual alleged to be dangerous. Requires a court in certain circumstances to issue an order prohibiting the owner of a firearm from providing access to or possession of a firearm to an individual found to be dangerous. Allows the state to request a court order requiring a mental health evaluation of an individual alleged to be dangerous.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

- SB298 UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT CHARGES (KOCH E) Amends the statute governing infrastructure improvement charges for water or wastewater utilities as follows: (1) Provides that in the case of a municipally owned utility or a not-for-profit utility, the adjustment amount to an eligible utility's basic rates and charges for the recovery of infrastructure improvement costs shall be recovered over a 12 month period, regardless of the amount of time over which the infrastructure improvement costs were incurred. (2) Provides that when an eligible utility files a petition for an adjustment amount with the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC), the office of utility consumer counselor (OUCC) may examine information of the eligible utility, limited to confirming: (A) that the infrastructure improvements for which recovery is sought are eligible for cost recovery under the statute; and (B) the proper calculation of the proposed adjustment amount. (Existing law provides that the OUCC may examine the information of an eligible utility to confirm these matters, but does not specify that the OUCC's examination is limited to the confirmation of these matters.) (3) Provides that if the IURC finds that an eligible utility's proposed adjustment amount has not been calculated correctly, the IURC shall: (A) provide the correct calculation of the adjustment amount; and (B) allow the eligible utility to implement the corrected adjustment amount. (4) Amends the factors that the IURC may consider in determining the amount of allowable recovery of infrastructure improvement costs for a municipally owned utility or a not-for-profit utility to provide that the IURC may consider other expenses that the IURC considers appropriate, including money for the payment of any taxes that may be assessed against: (A) a municipally owned utility; or (B) a not-for-profit utility or its property; as applicable. (5) Specifies that the statute's cap limiting total adjustment revenues to 10% of an eligible utility's approved base revenue level applies over the course of each 12 month recovery period. (6) Amends the statute's provisions requiring an eligible utility to reconcile the difference between adjustment revenues and infrastructure improvement costs as follows: (A) Specifies that the reconciliation must occur at the end of each 12 month recovery period. (B) Provides that in the case of a municipally owned utility or a not-for-profit utility, the adjustment amount shall be reset to zero after all previously approved infrastructure improvement costs have been collected.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Utilities
- SB299 PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS (ROGERS L) Provides that a person who refuses to follow the lawful commands of a law enforcement officer to move a specified reasonable distance away from the scene of an active investigation commits a Class B misdemeanor. Establishes a defense if the order: (1) is unreasonable under the circumstances; or (2) would endanger the person. Permits a person to be placed in a community corrections program even if the person's sentence is suspendible.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB300 RESIDENTIAL TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (ROGERS L) Removes the threshold conditions for establishing a residential housing development program and a tax increment allocation area for the program, including the condition that the governing body of each school corporation affected by the program pass a resolution approving the program before the program may go into effect. Provides that the fiscal body of a county may adopt an ordinance to designate an economic development target area.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as second author Senator Holdman
- SB304 EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN CEMETERY PROPERTY (BROWN L) Makes various changes to a provision granting a property tax exemption to cemetery owners.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB306 HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX LIABILITY CAP (BUCHANAN B) Provides a credit against an individual's homestead property tax liability equal to the amount by which the property tax liability increases by more than 10% from the prior year. Requires the county auditor to apply the credit against an individual's homestead property tax liability without the need to file an application.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB317 ADVANCE PAYMENTS BY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (ZAY A) Provides that a political subdivision may make advance payments to contractors to enable the contractors to purchase materials needed for a public works project of the political subdivision. Provides that a political subdivision may make advance payments for goods or services before the goods are delivered or services are completed if the fiscal body of the political subdivision authorizes advance payments.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
- SB325 HOMESTEAD STANDARD DEDUCTION (BUCHANAN B) Specifies the scope of residential property improvements that constitute a dwelling for purposes of the homestead standard deduction. Amends the statute of limitations for an appeal of a property tax assessment that is based on a change in statutory or administrative law, or a judicial interpretation that changes existing law, and which takes effect after February 22, 2022, to require the appeal be filed

within a specified time similar to the time required for an error related to assessed value.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

- SB326 PROFESSIONAL SPORTS AND CONVENTION DEVELOPMENT AREAS (MISHLER R) Increases the maximum amount of covered taxes that may be captured in the South Bend professional sports and convention development area (PSCDA) from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000. Provides that the first \$2,500,000 of captured taxes each year shall be transferred to the city of South Bend to be used for capital improvements for a facility owned by the city and used by a professional sports franchise. Provides that the remaining captured taxes each year shall be transferred to the city of South Bend to be used consistent with specified uses under current law. Provides that the South Bend PSCDA terminates not later than June 30, 2044.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
- SB329 DUBOIS COUNTY COURTS (MESSMER M) Allows the Dubois County judicial district to establish a second superior court. Makes conforming changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
- SB330 PAYROLL INFORMATION ON PUBLIC FINANCE CONSTRUCTION (BOHACEK M) Requires a contractor in any contractor tier on a public works project or on a tax advantaged construction project to complete a weekly report of wages and hours of the contractor's employees who work on the public works project or the tax advantaged construction project.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Local Government
- SB332 PLANNING AND ZONING AFFECTING MILITARY BASES (MESSMER M) Allows a unit to establish a military impact zoning district for an area adversely impacted by the effects of military operations. Establishes a state area of interest that is comprised of land within one or both of the following: (1) Within three miles of certain military installations. (2) Within a military impact zoning district. Makes planning, zoning, and development activity (activity) in a state area of interest subject to the military installation commander's determination regarding the activity's impact on military operations. Allows a representative of the military installation to serve as a nonvoting adviser to the unit's plan commission. Requires a lease or real estate sales disclosure form to disclose that the property is within a state area of interest.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Local Government
- SB344 NORTHEAST INDIANA STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT FUND (HOLDMAN T) Establishes the northeast Indiana strategic development fund (fund) administered by the northeast Indiana strategic development commission (commission). Prohibits money in the fund from being used for the purposes of expanding or increasing access to broadband. Adds additional purposes to be carried out by the commission in the development area. Appropriates \$30,000,000 to the fund from the state general fund for the commission.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB346 HERITAGE COMMERCE DISTRICT (HOLDMAN T) Establishes the Indiana heritage commerce district program. Permits a municipality with a population of not more than 50,000 and that has been designated as an Indiana main street program area for not less than two years to establish a heritage commerce district. Establishes the heritage commerce district fund. Provides that the office of community and rural affairs may make grants not exceeding \$500,000 annually to qualified districts. Provides that grant applicants must provide local matching funds. Specifies sources from which a grant applicant may solicit and accept local matching funds for purposes of a grant. Makes an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
- SB348 CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (BALDWIN S) Makes the penalty for battery on a public safety official a Level 4 felony if it results in serious bodily injury or it involves certain bodily fluids or waste. Increases the penalty for making a false report concerning law enforcement misconduct from a Class B misdemeanor to a Level 6 felony. Makes it residential harassment, a Class C misdemeanor, to picket before or about a person's dwelling with the intent of disturbing the person in the person's dwelling, but specifies that a person may only be taken into custody for residential harassment if the person refused an order to disperse.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB349 OVERLAPPING ALLOCATION AREAS (BALDWIN S) Permits counties and municipalities in a case in which a municipality annexes an area in the county after the county has established a redevelopment district in that area to mutually approve the allocation of property tax proceeds derived from the municipality's component of the tax rate applied to the allocation area to be transferred to the redevelopment commission of the annexing municipality.  
*Current Status:* 1/12/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

- SB355 PROPERTY TAX MATTERS (ROGERS L) Repeals the property tax deduction for a surviving spouse of a WWI veteran. Makes certain changes to the qualification requirements and amounts for the deduction for individuals who are at least 65 years of age and the additional credit for certain homesteads. Requires the true tax value of a privately owned wastewater facility to be determined by applying the income capitalization approach. Provides that, if the application of the income capitalization method for an assessment year results in a zero or negative assessment, the privately owned wastewater facility is exempt from property taxation for that assessment year. Makes corresponding changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB372 FIDUCIARY DUTIES OF PENSION SYSTEM ADMINISTRATORS (KOCH E) Provides that a fiduciary, in making and supervising investments of a reserve fund of the public pension system, shall discharge the fiduciary's duties solely in the financial interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the public pension system. Establishes certain requirements for fiduciaries, proxy advisors, service providers, and proxy voting. Requires a governmental entity to, at least annually, tabulate and report all proxy votes made in relation to the administration of a fund of the public pension system. Provides that the attorney general shall enforce these provisions. Imposes a civil penalty if a company serving as a fiduciary in regards to a fund of the public pension system violates these provisions.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
- SB374 REGIONAL WATER, SEWAGE, OR SOLID WASTE DISTRICTS (KOCH E) Increases the maximum amount that may be paid to a member of the board of trustees of a regional water, sewage, or solid waste district from \$50 to \$150 per day. Removes a provision that allows for the payment of not more than \$125 per day to members of the board of trustees of a regional water and sewage district that meets certain requirements.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Utilities
- SB379 DRUG SCHEDULES (SANDLIN J) Adds specified substances to the list of controlled substances.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
- SB385 FLOODPLAIN DISCLOSURES (RAATZ J) Requires an owner of residential real estate to disclose on the sales disclosure form if any portion of the real estate is located in a floodplain. Repeals a statute concerning floodplain mapping.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
- SB388 FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAXES (HOLDMAN T) Requires each local unit that imposes a food and beverage tax to annually report information concerning distributions and expenditures of amounts received from the food and beverage tax. Authorizes the city of Columbia City to impose a food and beverage tax.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB390 COMMERCIAL SOLAR AND WIND ENERGY READY COMMUNITIES (MESSMER M) Establishes the commercial solar and wind energy ready communities development center (center) within the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC). Requires the center to: (1) provide comprehensive, easily accessible information concerning permits required for commercial solar projects, wind power projects, and related business activities in Indiana; and (2) work with permit authorities concerning those projects. Requires the center to create and administer a program to certify counties and municipalities as commercial solar energy ready communities and wind energy ready communities. Requires the IEDC to certify a county or municipality as a commercial solar energy ready community or a wind energy ready community if the county or municipality meets certain requirements, including the adoption of a commercial solar regulation or wind power regulation that includes standards that are not more restrictive than the default standards established by Indiana law. Establishes the commercial solar and wind energy ready communities incentive fund (fund). Provides that if: (1) a county or municipality receives certification as a commercial solar energy ready community; and (2) a project owner develops a commercial solar project in the county or municipality; the IEDC shall authorize the county or municipality to receive from the fund, for a period of 10 years, \$1 per megawatt hour of electricity generated by the commercial solar project. Provides that if: (1) a county or municipality receives certification as a wind energy ready community; and (2) a project owner develops a wind power project in the in the county or municipality; the IEDC shall authorize the county or municipality to receive from the fund, for a period of 10 years, \$1 per megawatt hour of electricity generated by the wind power project. However, provides that if the IEDC determines that a county or municipality has failed during the 10 year period to continue meeting the requirements for certification, the corporation shall discontinue the incentive and require the county or municipality to return to the fund the amounts collected after the county's or municipality's breach of the requirements for certification. Appropriates from the state general fund for deposit in the fund: (1) \$10,000,000 for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023; and (2) \$10,000,000 for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024.  
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- SB397 INNOVATION DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS (BUCHANAN B) Provides that before the state purchases more than 100 acres of land for economic development purposes, the state must give notice to the executive of each local unit in which the land is located. Provides that a school corporation that receives a portion of the aggregate percentage of incremental property tax revenue transferred may use those funds with no restrictions or specified uses.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- SB401 GAMING REVENUE DISTRIBUTION (NIEMEYER R) Establishes the gaming revenue fund (fund). Provides that tax revenue collected after June 30, 2023, from the imposition of the wagering tax, the supplemental wagering tax, the graduated slot machine wagering tax, the county gambling game wagering fee, the sports wagering tax, and taxes and fees imposed on pari-mutuel wagering, except for tax revenue collected from an operating agent, are deposited in the fund. Provides that the auditor of state administers the fund. Provides for distribution of the money in the fund. Provides that if the Indiana gaming commission (gaming commission) imposes civil penalties in an amount that exceeds 120% of the average amount of penalties or fines imposed for violations of gaming requirements by state gaming oversight regulating bodies nationwide, the amount that exceeds 120% is deposited in the state general fund. Makes corresponding changes. Makes an appropriation. Reconciles conflicting statutes.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as coauthor Senator Niemeyer
- SB406 PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES (DERNULC D) Establishes the law enforcement recruitment and retention fund to provide county, city, and town law enforcement agencies with grants to foster recruitment and retention of law enforcement officers. Modifies the computation of the monthly benefit amount for a member of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund who retires or receives actuarially reduced benefits after June 30, 2023. Requires a county, municipality, or township that has a police department to increase in 2024 and 2025 the salary of a police officer employed by the unit by at least the same percentage increase in the unit's total levies that are subject to certain maximum levy limitations. Makes an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
- SB411 COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM (WALKER G) Authorizes counties, cities, and towns (local units) to adopt a commercial property assessed clean energy program (PACE program) as a financing mechanism to allow commercial property owners to obtain financing for energy efficient improvements, with the repayment of the financing obligation for those improvements made from a voluntary tax assessment (special assessment) on the property. Defines an "energy efficient improvement". Requires a property owner to petition a local unit that has adopted a PACE program to impose a special assessment on the property, the proceeds of which would be transferred to the financing provider for the purchase and installation of the energy efficient improvement. Requires all owners of record of a property to sign the petition. Requires the petition to contain the written consent of each mortgage lien holder on the property stating that the lien holder does not object to the imposition of the assessment. Requires certain provisions to be included in an assessment contract. Specifies the procedures for imposing the special assessment and the priority of any tax lien. Prohibits the local unit from issuing bonds secured by tax revenue from any special assessment and further specifies that a local unit shall have no financial obligation or liability for the payment of tax revenue from a special assessment, other than to transfer the proceeds to the financing provider for the improvements.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - added as second author Senator Garten
- SB412 NATURAL RESOURCES MATTERS (GLICK S) Authorizes the division of water of the department of natural resources to file, in the deed records of a county recorder's office, an affidavit stating that a violation or deficiency that is the subject of an enforcement action exists on a particular property in the county. Provides that: (1) the affidavit must be designed to provide notice of the violation or deficiency to any prospective transferee of the property or any contractor that intends to perform work on the property; and (2) the affidavit shall be removed from the deed records of the county when the violation or deficiency is resolved. Amends the law requiring the natural resources commission to adopt certain rules concerning lakes and reservoirs. Amends the flood control law, which requires a permit to create or maintain a structure, obstruction, deposit, or excavation in a floodway, to: (1) require a person who files a permit application to provide documentation of the person's ownership of the site where the proposed work will be performed or an affidavit from the owner of the site authorizing the performance of the proposed work; (2) allow an applicant to file an amendment to the person's permit application; and (3) provide that two or more persons may jointly apply for a permit. Amends the floodplain management law to: (1) require a permit for the creation, use, or maintenance of a structure, obstruction, deposit, or excavation on any state owned property or state managed property in a floodplain; and (2) provide that the lowest floor of any structure erected on state owned property or state managed property in a floodplain must be least two feet above the 100 year frequency flood elevation. Amends the timber buyers law to provide that information in a timber buyer's records about the timber buyer's transactions with a particular timber grower may be disclosed to that timber grower.  
*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources

SB414      ONSITE SEWAGE SYSTEMS AND HOLDING TANKS (BYRNE G) Defines "alternative residential onsite sewage system" as a system that: (1) is designed for the collection, storage, treatment, and disposal of sewage from the dwelling of one or two families; (2) is installed in a place that is not suitable for a standard septic system; (3) is a replacement for a standard septic system that did not function properly; (4) is based on a design or plan approved by the National Sanitation Foundation; (5) employs advanced treatment components not used in standard septic systems; (6) discharges treated effluent above ground; and (7) requires more frequent testing and maintenance than a standard septic system. Requires the environmental rules board to adopt rules, including emergency rules, to establish standards and specifications, effluent limitations, and inspection, maintenance, testing, service, and repair requirements for alternative residential onsite sewage systems. Requires the department of environmental management (IDEM) to issue a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System general permit that will authorize the installation and use of alternative residential onsite sewage systems. Requires a local health department to grant a permit for an alternative residential onsite sewage system if certain requirements are met, including: (1) the permit applicant has obtained coverage under the general permit; (2) the applicant affirms in writing that the alternative residential onsite sewage system will be installed and maintained in accordance with the rules of the environmental rules board; and (3) the permit applicant has filed an affidavit for recording in the county recorder's office that will provide notice to any prospective transferee of the applicant's property that the transferee will be subject to the ongoing inspection, maintenance, testing, service, and repair requirements applying to alternative residential onsite sewage systems. Provides that if the owner of property served by an alternative residential onsite sewage system fails to satisfy any inspection, maintenance, testing, service, or repair requirement, the local health department shall have the needed work done and shall bill the property owner for the cost. Provides that these costs, plus fees, if unpaid, become a lien against the property. Provides that septage that originates from a residential or commercial source may be held in one or more holding tanks of not more than 10,000 gallons until removed and transported from the site. Establishes requirements for septage holding tanks. Requires a permit from the local health department for the operation of a septage holding tank. Requires a septage tank owner to enter into a written contract with a septage management vehicle operator for regular removal of septage from the tank, to provide a copy of the contract to the local health department, and to provide proof to the local health department that the tank owner is regularly paying for the removal of septage from the holding tank. Requires a local health department to report to IDEM concerning the septage tanks in its jurisdiction.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

SB417      VARIOUS TAX MATTERS (BALDWIN S) Repeals the threshold sales amount after which certain nonprofit organizations are required to collect state sales tax on sales (currently, \$20,000 in annual sales). Provides that all sales by the nonprofit organizations made in furtherance of a nonprofit purpose are exempt from the state sales tax regardless of the amount of annual sales. Authorizes a county to impose a local income tax (LIT) rate for county staff expenses of the state judicial system in the county. Provides that the expenses paid from the LIT revenue may not comprise more than 50% of the county's total budgeted operational staffing expenses related to the state judicial system in any given year. Requires certain reporting requirements related to the use of the LIT revenue. Makes certain changes to provisions that apply to taxpayers who file a combined return for the financial institutions tax. Specifies a three business day grace period following the postmark date of a document during which the department of state revenue will consider the document received to be timely filed for purposes of a due date. Removes the threshold conditions for establishing a residential housing development program (program) and a tax increment allocation area for the program, including the condition that each school corporation affected by the program passes a resolution approving the program before it may take effect. Extends the maximum duration of a program from 25 to 30 years.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

SB419      STATE TAX MATTERS (HOLDMAN T) Makes certain changes regarding net operating losses for purposes of determining state adjusted gross income. Provides for successor tax liability for unpaid sales taxes following a business asset sale. Repeals an outdated provision requiring separate exemption certificates for manufacturers and wholesalers. Makes a clarifying change to the sales tax exemption that applies to power subsidiaries. Clarifies the acquisition date for purposes of adding back interest from tax exempt bonds issued by another state in determining Indiana adjusted gross income. Amends provisions regarding the exemption for certain income derived from patents. Provides that tax paid by an electing partnership is deposited in the state general fund. Makes clarifying changes and technical corrections to the affordable and workforce housing tax credit. Specifies the deposit and distribution of interest and penalties associated with certain taxes. Authorizes the department of state revenue to publish or disclose the status of a governmental or nonprofit entity's sales tax exemption certificate. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally sells, purchases, installs, transfers, or possesses: (1) an automated sales suppression device or a zipper; or (2) phantom-ware; commits a Level 5 felony. Makes clarifying and technical corrections to provisions under the electronic cigarette tax.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

SB420      DELINQUENT ACTS (POL R) Provides that a juvenile commits a delinquent act if: (1) the juvenile commits an act that would be a felony if committed by an adult (under current law, a juvenile commits a delinquent act if the juvenile

commits an act that would be a felony or a misdemeanor if committed by an adult); (2) the juvenile commits an offense related to unlawful carry of a firearm; or (3) the juvenile commits indecent display by a youth or an act that would be a misdemeanor if committed by an adult, and either of the following apply: (A) The child has also committed a delinquent act that would be a felony if committed by an adult. (B) The child needs care, treatment, or rehabilitation that: (i) the child is not receiving; (ii) the child is unlikely to accept voluntarily; and (iii) is unlikely to be provided or accepted without the coercive intervention of a court.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

SB422 CIVIL CLAIMS JURISDICTION OF CITY COURTS (LEISING J) Provides a city court concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit court in civil cases in which the amount in controversy does not exceed \$10,000. Makes a technical correction and conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

SB424 LAKE MICHIGAN RESCUE EQUIPMENT (POL R) Requires the owner of a pier or drop-off on Lake Michigan to install public rescue equipment, including at least one ring life buoy, on the pier or drop-off. Establishes requirements concerning ring life buoys installed on piers and drop-offs. Requires a unit of local government that owns one or more piers or drop-offs on Lake Michigan, at least twice per year, to publish on the unit's website a report on lakefront drownings that occur within 100 feet of the unit's piers or drop-offs. Provides that if more than one fatal drowning occurs not more than 100 feet from a particular pier or drop-off in a span of five years, the owner of the pier or drop-off shall: (1) disseminate in the area of the pier or drop-off a water safety plan pertaining to the pier or drop-off; and (2) upgrade the public rescue equipment installed on the pier or drop-off, such as by installing equipment that automatically contacts the local 911 service in an emergency.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources

SB428 MERRILLVILLE FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (MELTON E) Authorizes the town of Merrillville to impose a food and beverage tax.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

SB429 VARIOUS FIREARMS MATTERS (MELTON E) Provides that a member of the firearm industry shall comply with certain firearm industry standards of conduct. Makes an act or omission by a member of the firearm industry in violation of these standards of conduct actionable by: (1) a person who has suffered harm in Indiana because of the member's conduct; (2) the attorney general; (3) a city attorney; and (4) a county attorney. Prohibits a licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, licensed dealer, or licensed collector from selling or delivering a: (1) firearm that is not a handgun to a person who is less than 21 years of age; or (2) semiautomatic assault weapon. Repeals the offense of unlawful carrying of a handgun. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor to carry a handgun without being licensed to carry a handgun. Specifies exceptions. Enhances the offense to a Level 5 felony in particular instances. Provides that a person who has been convicted of domestic battery may not possess or carry a handgun unless the right has been restored. Allows a person who is protected by a protection order and meets other requirements to carry a handgun without a license for 60 days after the protection order is issued. Provides that licenses to carry handguns are either qualified or unlimited and describes the distinction between the two. Specifies the burden of proof and grounds for dismissal for certain firearms offenses. Prohibits a person from keeping or storing an unsecured firearm on any premises controlled by the person under certain circumstances. Makes the failure to secure a firearm a Level 6 felony if the offense results in injury or death, enhances the offense to a Level 5 felony in particular instances, and provides a defense. Requires a person wishing to transfer a firearm to another person to transact the transfer through a firearms dealer (dealer), subject to certain exceptions, and specifies the procedure to be used by the dealer to effect the transfer. Grants a dealer civil immunity in certain circumstances. Provides that a person who makes a false statement to a dealer for the purpose of completing a transfer commits firearm transfer fraud, a Level 6 felony, and enhances the penalty in particular instances. Specifies that a dealer or other person who transfers a firearm in violation of certain requirements commits unlawful transfer of a firearm, a Level 6 felony, and enhances the offense to a Level 5 felony in particular instances. Defines terms. Makes conforming amendments and technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

SB430 FUNDING THE DEMOLITION OF BLIGHTED PROPERTIES (MELTON E) Establishes the blighted property demolition fund (fund). Provides that the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) shall administer the fund. Allows the city of Gary (city) to apply to receive a grant from the fund to assist the city in paying the costs associated with demolishing a qualified property. Requires the department of state revenue to deposit, beginning after June 30, 2025, a portion of wagering tax revenue collected from a riverboat operating within the city in the fund.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

SB431 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN GARY (MELTON E) Appropriates money to the Indiana bond bank for the purposes of: (1) providing matching funds to the city of Gary to develop food sustainability programs; (2) acquiring

equipment and to provide for training connected with running a retail grocery store in low income areas where access to resources for food is limited in the city of Gary; and (3) providing matching funds for the establishment of a community development financial institution in the city of Gary. Appropriates money to the Indiana housing and community development authority to administer and provide funding for a tiny home senior village pilot program in the city of Gary.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

SB432 REGULATION OF SHORT TERM RENTAL PROPERTIES (MELTON E) Repeals provisions that restrict a local government's authority to regulate short term rental properties.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Local Government

SB434 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN LAKE COUNTY (MELTON E) Establishes the Lake County convention and economic development fund (fund). Specifies permissible uses for money in the fund. Provides that the northwest Indiana regional development authority and the northern Indiana commuter transportation district jointly administer the fund. Requires the department of state revenue to deposit, beginning after June 30, 2025, a portion of wagering tax revenue collected from a riverboat operating within the city of Gary in the fund. Allows the Lake County fiscal body to adopt an increase in the county innkeeper's tax. Provides that part of the revenue from an increase in the county innkeeper's tax must be deposited in the fund. Makes an appropriation from the state general fund to the Gary/Chicago International Airport.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

SB444 JUDICIAL TRANSPARENCY (GASKILL M) Requires the office of judicial administration to prepare, publish, and transmit the public safety and judicial accountability report containing certain information about judicial officers who exercise criminal jurisdiction.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

SB445 ELECTRONIC MONITORING STANDARDS (WALKER K) Requires the justice reinvestment advisory council to develop electronic monitoring standards and submit an annual report as to the standards. Requires the justice reinvestment advisory council to conduct a workload study of local supervising agencies concerning electronic monitoring and home detention, make certain findings, and submit a report to the legislative council not later than July 1, 2025. Makes an appropriation to conduct the workload study. Provides that a contract employee of a supervising agency is required to notify the supervising agency of certain actions with respect to a tracked individual not later than 12 hours after the action occurs. Requires this notification to be sent within 15 minutes if the tracked individual is serving a sentence for a crime of violence or a crime of domestic or sexual violence. Specifies that a supervising agency must include in a quarterly report the number of tracked individuals who are on parole supervision and the number of false location alerts, device malfunctions, or both. Provides that a local supervising agency and the division of parole services shall report directly to the local justice reinvestment advisory council each quarter. Requires the statewide justice reinvestment advisory council to transmit an annual electronic report to the legislative council and to the judicial conference of Indiana not later than March 15 of each year.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

SB448 HIGHWAY FINANCES (DORIOT B) Reduces the required percentage amount of the motor vehicle highway account distributions that counties, cities, and towns must use for the construction, reconstruction, and preservation of highways from 50% in current law to 40% in calendar years beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2025. Provides that, for a period in which the reduction applies, the term "preservation" includes both snow removal and expenditures for deicing road salt or similar deicing agents. Requires counties, cities, and towns that apply the reduced required percentage amounts authorized under the bill to submit to the local technical assistance program (LTAP) at Purdue University in conjunction with the Indiana department of transportation a detailed itemization of the uses of the funds in the calendar year that were for: (1) purposes other than construction, reconstruction, and preservation; and (2) preservation that included only snow removal and expenditures for deicing road salt or similar deicing agents. Requires the LTAP to present a statewide aggregate report of the results received from counties, cities, and towns to the budget committee for each year.

*Current Status:* 1/19/2023 - Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation