

HB1003 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW (STEUERWALD G) Makes the office of administrative law proceedings the ultimate authority in any administrative proceeding under its jurisdiction. Provides certain exceptions. Specifies when a state agency may be required to pay reasonable attorney's fees for judicial review proceedings. Outlines procedures for the ultimate authority regarding nonfinal orders and procedures to file objections to final orders. Provides that the court shall decide all questions of law, including any interpretation of a federal or state constitutional provision, state statute, or agency rule, without deference to any previous interpretation made by the state agency. Requires the state agency to transmit the agency record to the court for judicial review. Eliminates the office of environmental adjudication and transfers proceedings to the office of administrative law proceedings. Creates requirements for administrative law judges that are assigned to certain environmental matters. Provides that until the office of administrative law proceedings adopts or amends rules related to environmental matters, it must continue to follow and implement rules under 315 IAC. Requires the office of administrative law proceedings to continue to index and make publicly available, in a substantially similar online searchable format, the final orders of contested appeals currently maintained by the office. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate sponsors: Senators Carrasco, Koch, Garten
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Bartels
1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 27: yeas 85, nays 10
1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/17/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/17/2024 - House Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/16/2024 - removed as coauthor Representative DeLaney
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Jeter, Meltzer, DeLaney
1/8/2024 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald

HB1004 THIRTEENTH CHECK (CHERRY R) Provides for a thirteenth check in 2024 for certain members, participants, or beneficiaries of the: (1) Indiana state teachers' retirement fund; (2) Indiana public employees' retirement fund; (3) state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan; (4) state police pre-1987 benefit system; and (5) state police 1987 benefit system.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Rule 105.1 suspended
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - Cosponsor: Senator Niezgodski
1/22/2024 - Senate sponsors: Senators Buchanan, Bray, Crider
1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 17: yeas 97, nays 0
1/22/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/18/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/11/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 20; Nays: 0
1/11/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Porter, Karickhoff, Meltzer
1/8/2024 - Authored By Robert Cherry

HB1013 CONSERVANCY DISTRICT ROAD FUNDING (CHERRY R) Provides that if a conservancy district assumes responsibility in its district plan for the road construction and maintenance of the public highways, bridges, and streets in the conservancy district (eligible conservancy district), distributions from the motor vehicle highway account to a county, city, or town that shares territory with the eligible conservancy district are proportionately reduced and the amount of the reduction is instead distributed to the eligible conservancy district. Provides that if a county, city, or town shares territory with an eligible conservancy district, distributions from the local road and street account are proportionately reduced and the amount of the reduction is instead distributed to the eligible conservancy district. Provides that an eligible conservancy district may apply for a loan from the distressed road fund. Provides that an eligible conservancy district may apply for a matching grant from the local road and bridge matching grant fund. Eliminates the primary highway system special account.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

- HB1019 CHILD OPERATED REFRESHMENT STANDS (JOHNSON B) Provides that a local health department, the health and hospital corporation of Marion County, a county, a municipality, or a township may not adopt or enforce a law, rule, ordinance, or resolution that prohibits or regulates, including by requiring a license, permit, or fee, the sale of lemonade or other nonalcoholic beverages from a stand on private property by an individual who is less than 18 years of age. Provides that the individual who operates the stand must comply with certain requirements. Provides that a stand is not considered a food establishment and does not require a certified food protection manager. Provides that the governing documents of a homeowners association may not prohibit or regulate, including by requiring a permit or fee, the sale of lemonade or other nonalcoholic beverages from a stand on property located in the subdivision by an individual who is less than 18 years of age. Provides that a homeowners association: (1) does not owe a duty of care to persons participating in a beverage sale; and (2) is not liable for any injury to persons participating in a beverage sale; except for willful or wanton acts or gross negligence of the homeowners association.
Current Status: 1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Morris
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - Reassigned to Committee on Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development
1/8/2024 - Referred to Committee on Public Health
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Pressel and King
1/8/2024 - Authored By Blake Johnson
- HB1021 GREEN ALERT FOR MISSING AT RISK VETERANS (GORE M) Defines "veteran at risk". Creates the green alert program to provide for public notification regarding missing veterans at risk. Changes the name of the Indiana clearinghouse for information on missing children and missing endangered adults to the Indiana clearinghouse for information on missing children, missing veterans at risk, and missing endangered adults (clearinghouse). Makes conforming changes to the duties of the clearinghouse. Creates certain duties and reporting requirements for law enforcement agencies concerning missing veterans at risk. Provides immunity for a broadcaster who broadcasts, or an electronic billboard operator who displays, a green alert notification and a person who establishes or maintains a green alert website under an agreement with the state police department. Makes technical corrections.
Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Bartels and Jeter C
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Pack
1/8/2024 - Authored By Mitch Gore
- HB1022 AUTOMATED TRACTOR-TRAILERS (LEDBETTER C) Provides that an automated tractor-trailer may not be operated on a highway to transport passengers or goods unless a human operator who meets all state and federal qualifications to operate a tractor-trailer is physically present in the automated tractor-trailer to monitor the performance of the automated tractor-trailer and to take control of all or part of the automated tractor-trailer's operation if necessary. Provides that an automated tractor-trailer operated in Indiana must meet federal motor vehicle standards and regulations.
Current Status: 1/30/2024 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Karickhoff and Hatfield
1/8/2024 - Authored By Cindy Ledbetter
- HB1023 VIOLENCE PREVENTION SERVICES (BAUER M) Requires Medicaid reimbursement for eligible community violence prevention services provided by a qualified violence prevention professional to certain Medicaid recipients. Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to: (1) issue guidance on the use of; and (2) determine the reimbursement for; community violence prevention services. Requires the Indiana department of health to approve at least one accredited violence prevention professional training and certification program that meets certain criteria. Sets forth the requirements for a qualified violence prevention professional.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Committee on Public Health
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Maureen Bauer
- HB1026 COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, AND BOARD ADMINISTRATION (ENGLEMAN K) Specifies certain duties and responsibilities relating to the operations of various task forces, committees, boards, and councils (statutory entities).

Renames the Indiana code revision commission, probate code study commission, and other statutory entities. Specifies that certain statutory entities are subject to the general law governing legislative committees rather than to the law governing the statutory list of interim study committees. Authorizes a designee of the revisor of statutes to serve as a member of the uniform law commission (ULC). Repeals statutes governing the Medicaid oversight committee and relocates them to the law governing interim study committees. Identifies certain state employees serving on statutory entities by their specific job titles. Provides for the reimbursement of expenses of state employees, lay persons, and members of the general assembly serving on statutory entities. Specifies the expiration dates of the terms of members of certain statutory entities. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision commission.)

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - First Reading

1/23/2024 - Referred to Senate

1/22/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Freeman

1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 18: yeas 93, nays 0

1/22/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

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1/18/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/16/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/16/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/16/2024 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/9/2024 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Pierce K, Boy and DeLaney

1/8/2024 - Authored By Karen Engleman

HB1027 FIRE DEPARTMENT WORK SCHEDULE (HOSTETTLER M) Provides that a fire department may deviate from the required maximum work hours for members of the fire department only if authorized by a collective bargaining agreement, memorandum of understanding, or other similar written mutual agreement with an exclusive recognized representative of employees of the fire department.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/25/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/23/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/23/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/23/2024 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to House Local Government

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Matt Hostettler

HB1029 ASSESSMENT OF COMMUNITY LAND TRUST PROPERTY (BAUER M) Provides for the true tax value of land and improvements in a community land trust for purposes of property tax assessment.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Maureen Bauer

HB1038 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR QUALIFIED VETERANS (KLINKER S) 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.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Sheila Klinker

HB1039 COLLEGE SAVINGS TAX CREDIT (KLINKER S) Beginning in taxable year 2025, increases the credit provided for a contribution to a college choice 529 education savings plan against a taxpayer's adjusted gross income from \$1,500 to \$2,000 (and from \$750 to \$1,000 in the case of a married individual filing a separate return), subject to other requirements.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Sheila Klinker

- HB1043 GOLD AND SILVER AS LEGAL TENDER (LEDBETTER C) Defines "specie" as: (1) coin having gold or silver content; or (2) refined gold or silver bullion. Provides that the following specie are recognized as legal tender in Indiana ("specie legal tender"): (1) Specie coin that is issued by the United States government or by a foreign government at any time. (2) Any other specie that a United States court, in a final nonappealable judgment, determines to be within state authority to make or designate as legal tender under the Constitution of the United States. Provides that except as otherwise specifically provided by law or contract, a person may not compel any other person to tender or accept specie as legal tender. Provides that a prevailing party in an action for breach of any contract provision that specifically provides for a type or form of specie as tender, regardless of whether the specie is recognized as legal tender in Indiana, is entitled to specific performance of the contract provision. Provides that specie and specie legal tender: (1) are not subject to assessment and taxation under Indiana's property tax statute; and (2) are exempt from the state gross retail tax.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Teshka, Lucas, Morrison
1/8/2024 - Authored By Cindy Ledbetter
- HB1044 MINIMUM AGE TO PURCHASE FIREARMS (ERRINGTON S) Makes it a Level 5 felony for a: (1) licensed importer, licensed manufacturer, licensed dealer, or licensed collector (licensee); or (2) person who is not a licensee (private seller); to knowingly or intentionally sell, trade, give, transport, deliver, or otherwise transfer a firearm to a person whom the licensee or private seller knows is less than 21 years of age. Specifies exceptions that apply to a private seller. Requires a court to impose consecutive sentences upon a private seller who is convicted of certain offenses.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Sue Errington
- HB1046 WAGE HISTORY AND WAGE RANGE (ERRINGTON S) Prohibits, with certain exceptions, an employer from relying on the wage history of an applicant in the hiring process and in determining wages. Prohibits an employer from failing or refusing to: (1) disclose the wage or wage range and a general description of benefits in a posting for a job, promotion, transfer, or other employment opportunity; and (2) provide an employee with the current wage or wage range and a general description of the benefits upon hire, promotion, transfer, and the employee's request. Prohibits an employer from retaliating against an applicant under the wage history provisions and an applicant or employee under the wage range provisions. Provides that an applicant or employee may file a complaint alleging a violation with the department of labor (department), or the department on its own may initiate an investigation and file a complaint alleging a violation. Sets forth civil penalties for a violation. Requires the department to provide a list of employers that have four or more violations to the office of the chief equity, inclusion, and opportunity officer (office). Requires the office to post the list on the equity data portal.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Garcia Wilburn and Pfaff
1/8/2024 - Authored By Sue Errington
- HB1048 VARIOUS GAMING ISSUES (MORRISON A) Provides that a hold harmless agreement or an agreement to offset a financial loss between a casino, riverboat, or unit of government and another unit of government concerning potential losses of revenue by the other unit of government is prohibited and unenforceable. Repeals the requirement that the licensed owner of a riverboat operating in Vigo County pay certain payments to the city of Evansville. Repeals language concerning a supplemental payment to East Chicago, Hammond, and Michigan City under certain circumstances. Repeals the historic hotel district community support fee.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Alan Morrison
- HB1049 CRIMES INVOLVING FRAUD (ZIMMERMAN A) Increases the penalty for fraud to a Level 4 felony if the pecuniary loss is at least \$100,000 or if the pecuniary loss is at least \$50,000 and the victim is an endangered adult or less than 18 years of age.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Pierce K
1/8/2024 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1050 CONCURRENT JURISDICTION OF JUVENILE COURT (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides concurrent jurisdiction over adoption proceedings to the juvenile court in which a child in need of services (CHINS) proceeding, termination of parental

rights (TPR) proceeding, or a juvenile delinquency proceeding is open or pending. Requires notice of a pending adoption be given to the juvenile court if the child to be adopted is the subject of an open or pending CHINS, TPR, or juvenile delinquency proceeding. Provides that the juvenile court receiving notice of a pending adoption has 10 days after receiving notice to exercise jurisdiction over the adoption, decline jurisdiction over the adoption, or take matters under consideration pending a hearing. Requires a petition for adoption to include whether the child to be adopted is the subject of an open or pending CHINS, TPR, or juvenile delinquency proceeding. Requires the probate court to order the adoption proceeding with all papers and files to be transferred to the juvenile court exercising jurisdiction over the CHINS, TPR, or juvenile delinquency proceeding if the juvenile court elects to exercise jurisdiction over the adoption.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman

HB1052 STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR CERTAIN SEX CRIMES (ZIMMERMAN A) Allows the prosecution of Level 1 and Level 2 felony sex offenses to be commenced at any time. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Prescott

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman

HB1053 TEST STRIPS (GARCIA WILBURN V) Removes provisions related to testing the strength, effectiveness, or purity of a controlled substance in the criminal laws concerning possession of controlled substance paraphernalia.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/24/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

1/24/2024 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Miller K

1/8/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Meltzer and Negele

1/8/2024 - Authored By Victoria Garcia Wilburn

HB1055 ELIMINATION OF LOWER SPEED LIMIT FOR TRUCKS (AYLESWORTH M) 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. Reconciles the conflicting provisions regarding the maximum speed limit in an alley.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth

HB1060 ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY BEFORE PROPERTY TRANSFER (AYLESWORTH M) Requires a qualified inspector to inspect a residential onsite sewage system (residential system) before a sale of a dwelling connected to the residential system. Requires that the sales disclosure form must disclose if the inspection indicated that the residential system is failing. Provides that a failure of the owner of the dwelling to satisfy the notice requirement makes transfer of ownership of the dwelling voidable at the election of the buyer even after the closing. Requires a qualified inspector to inspect a commercial onsite sewage system (commercial system) before a transfer of the nondwelling structure connected to the commercial system. Requires that the results of the inspection must be disclosed to the local health department, the county recorder, and the transferee. Requires that the transferee must present to the county recorder an affidavit stating that the cause of the commercial system failure has been eliminated or will be eliminated before the transferee uses the nondwelling structure for the transferee's intended purpose. Provides that the county recorder may not record a deed transferring the nondwelling structure unless certain requirements are satisfied. Provides that the failure of the nondwelling structure owner to provide the required documents is a complete defense to an action for breach of contract to purchase the nondwelling structure and is a breach of a legal duty for which the transferee may bring civil action for compensatory damages. Requires water from a water well to be tested by a qualified tester before transferring a lot containing both a water well and a dwelling connected to a residential onsite sewage system. Requires that the test results must be disclosed to the local health department, the county recorder, and the transferee. Provides that the county recorder may not record a deed transferring the lot unless certain requirements are satisfied. Provides that the failure of the lot owner to provide the required documents is a complete defense to an action for breach of contract to purchase the lot and is a breach of a legal duty for which the transferee may bring civil action for compensatory damages. Makes certain exceptions. Requires the Indiana department of health to adopt rules to: (1) establish requirements and standards for inspections of residential onsite sewage

systems and commercial onsite sewage systems and testing of water wells; and (2) establish qualifications for inspectors of residential onsite sewage systems and commercial onsite sewage systems and testers of well water.

Current Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Hall D

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth

- HB1063 AGE VERIFICATION (KING J) Requires an adult oriented website operator that displays material harmful to minors to use a reasonable age verification method to prevent a minor from accessing an adult oriented website. Creates a cause of action to permit: (1) the parent or guardian of a child harmed by a violation of the age verification requirement to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees; and (2) the attorney general to bring an action based on a violation of the age verification requirement or data retention requirements to obtain injunctive relief, and, after providing notice and an opportunity to cure, a civil penalty of not more than \$5,000 per day of violation. Prohibits a person that conducts age verification from: (1) retaining the identifying information of an individual seeking to access an adult oriented website; (2) using identifying information for a purpose other than age verification; or (3) collecting identifying information that is not reasonably necessary for purposes of age verification. Permits an individual whose identifying information is misused to bring an action to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees.
- Current Status:* 1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Davis M
- All Bill Status:* 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Goss-Reaves
- 1/11/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Teshka J
- 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
- 1/8/2024 - First Reading
- 1/8/2024 - Authored By Joanna King
- HB1070 MENTAL HEALTH GRANTS (CASH B) Allows the division of mental health and addiction to award mental health grants to for-profit community mental health organizations if a nonprofit organization does not qualify for the grant.
- Current Status:* 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
- All Bill Status:* 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
- 1/25/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 1
- 1/25/2024 - House Family, Children and Human Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- 1/23/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Lauer and Pack R
- 1/18/2024 - House Family, Children and Human Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- 1/9/2024 - Reassigned to Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs
- 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Health
- 1/8/2024 - First Reading
- 1/8/2024 - Authored By Becky Cash
- HB1076 CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDY COMMITTEE AND REFORM (BARTLETT J) Establishes the criminal justice study committee to conduct a comprehensive study of the criminal justice system in the 2024 and 2025 interims. Establishes a permanent criminal justice reform committee to study sentencing, corrections, services provided to offenders, and other topics affecting the criminal justice system.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2024 - First Reading
- 1/8/2024 - Authored By John Bartlett
- HB1078 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (TORR J) 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:* 1/16/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Goodrich and Wesco
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
- 1/8/2024 - First Reading
- 1/8/2024 - Authored By Jerry Torr
- HB1079 CRAFT HEMP FLOWER (TESHKA J) Defines "work in progress hemp extract" for purposes of the statute concerning

industrial hemp. Provides that a licensed hemp handler may possess, manufacture, store, transport, or sell work in progress hemp extract. Defines "craft hemp flower". Provides for purposes of the statute concerning the adulteration or misbranding of foods, that a food is not considered adulterated for containing low THC hemp extract or craft hemp flower. Sets forth certain restrictions with respect to the packaging of low THC hemp extract. Prohibits the sale of low THC hemp extract to a person less than 21 years of age, if the low THC hemp extract contains certain elements. Establishes certain regulatory testing and packaging requirements for the distribution of craft hemp flower and establishes certain infractions applicable to the possession, distribution, or sale of craft hemp flower in violation of these requirements. Adds craft hemp flower to statutes imposing an infraction with regard to persons less than 21 years of age and involving the sale, distribution, purchase, and possession of tobacco, e-liquids, or electronic cigarettes. Provides that craft hemp flower is not included in the definition of: (1) "controlled substance analog"; (2) "hashish"; (3) "low THC hemp extract"; (4) "marijuana"; or (5) "controlled substance" for purposes of the criminal statute concerning controlled substances. Repeals the definitions of: (1) "hemp bud"; (2) "hemp flower"; and (3) "smokable hemp"; in the criminal statute concerning controlled substances. Makes conforming amendments in other sections of the Indiana Code. Repeals the Indiana Code provision that establishes dealing in smokable hemp as a Class A misdemeanor.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/22/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/22/2024 - Amendment #1 (Errington) ruled out of order voice vote

1/22/2024 - Amendment #3 (Teshka) prevailed; voice vote

1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

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1/17/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 9; Nays: 3

1/17/2024 - House Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to House Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Manning, Bartels, Hatfield

1/8/2024 - Authored By Jake Teshka

HB1080 RESERVE DEPUTY TOWN MARSHALS (CRISWELL C) Provides that a reserve deputy town marshal may not act in an official capacity as a reserve deputy town marshal unless the reserve deputy town marshal is wearing a distinctive uniform and identification authorized by the town marshal. Provides that, if the reserve deputy town marshal's official duties include patrolling with the use of a motor vehicle, the motor vehicle used as part of the reserve deputy town marshal's official duties must be marked as a police vehicle and identify the particular town served by the reserve deputy town marshal.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Garcia Wilburn V

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Prescott

1/8/2024 - Authored By Cory Criswell

HB1083 COMMUNITY EMERGENCY CABINETS (CAMPBELL C) Provides that a local health department may, in consultation with the executive of a unit or a library board, establish one or more community emergency cabinets within a unit or public library.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Chris Campbell

HB1084 PRIVACY OF FIREARMS FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS (TESHKA J) Prohibits a governmental entity or any other person from knowingly or willfully keeping any list, record, or registry of: (1) privately owned firearms; or (2) the owners of firearms; with respect to Indiana consumers. Defines a "firearms code" as a merchant category code approved by the International Organization for Standardization specifically for firearms retailers. Provides that in a payment card transaction, a merchant acquirer or a payment card network may not: (1) use; or (2) require the use of; a firearms code in a way that distinguishes a firearms retailer with at least one physical location in Indiana from general merchandise retailers or sporting goods retailers. Prohibits a financial services provider from declining or otherwise refusing to process a lawful payment card transaction based solely on the assignment or nonassignment of a firearms code to the payment card transaction. Prohibits a financial services provider from disclosing a financial record that: (1) is related to a payment card transaction; and (2) includes protected financial information, including a firearms code used, collected, or assigned in violation of the bill's provisions. Specifies that the bill's provisions apply

only to a payment card transaction that is initiated after June 30, 2024, at a firearms retailer that is physically located in Indiana. Requires the attorney general, upon receiving notice of an alleged violation of the bill's provisions from: (1) a firearms retailer whose business is the subject of the alleged violation; or (2) an Indiana consumer involved in a payment card transaction that is the subject of the alleged violation; to investigate the alleged violation and, upon finding a violation, to provide written notice to any person, public or private, found to be in violation. Provides that upon receiving a written notice from the attorney general of a violation, a person has 30 calendar days to cease the violation. Requires the attorney general to seek injunctive relief in a court having jurisdiction for continued violations of the bill's provisions. Provides that if a person violates an injunction issued by a court, the attorney general shall petition the issuing court for a civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000 per violation of the injunction. Sets forth certain factors that a court must consider in determining the amount of the civil penalty. Specifies that the remedies set forth in the bill are the exclusive remedies for a violation of the bill's provisions.

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1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Manning and Haggard

1/8/2024 - Authored By Jake Teshka

HB1085 PFAS WATER SAFETY STANDARDS (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.

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All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Ryan Dvorak

HB1087 PROHIBITED DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING (PACK R) Expands the Indiana fair housing statute to prohibit discrimination on the basis of a person's: (1) source of income; (2) military active duty status; or (3) veteran status. Defines the terms "source of income", "active duty", and "veteran".

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Moed and Culp K

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1/8/2024 - Authored By Renee Pack

HB1088 BIAS CRIMES (PACK R) Adds gender identity to the definition of "bias crime".

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All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Renee Pack

HB1089 PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER BENEFIT ADVISORY BOARD (SCHAIBLEY D) Establishes the public safety officer benefit advisory board (board). Requires the state police department to provide staff support for the board. Requires the board to provide a report to the legislative council and interim study committee on pension management oversight before October 1 of each year.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Donna Schaibley

HB1090 TRANSPORTATION MATTERS (PRESSEL J) Provides that a conveyance to the state is excepted from the definition of a "conveyance document" requiring a sales disclosure form. Amends the annual reporting requirements for the Indiana department of transportation. Requires a unit to hold a public hearing before agreeing with a railroad to the closure of a public railroad crossing within the unit's jurisdiction. Allows evidence of a failure to comply with passenger restraint system statutes to be admitted in a civil action as to mitigation of damages for a plaintiff who is at least 15 years of age or older. Provides that an engineering and traffic investigation is not required to decrease the speed limit to 20 miles per hour on a highway with a functional classification of minor collector or local road in an urban district.

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1/16/2024 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1093 EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS (CULP K) Provides certain exemptions from the employment of minors law. Repeals a provision concerning conditions for the employment of a minor as a performer. Provides exemptions from certain hour and time restrictions for the employment of a minor who is at least 14 years of age and less than 16 years of age. Removes language providing that a minor who is at least 14 years of age and less than 16 years of age may only work until 7 p.m. on a day that precedes a school day from June 1 through Labor Day. Repeals provisions concerning hour and time restrictions for the employment of a minor who is at least 16 years of age and less than 18 years of age. Specifies that the prohibition on a minor from working in a hazardous occupation does not apply to a minor who is at least 16 years of age and less than 18 years of age who is employed in agriculture. Repeals a provision concerning restrictions on an employer who employs a minor to work after 10 p.m. and before 6 a.m. Makes corresponding changes.

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1/25/2024 - Amendment #1 (Garcia Wilburn) failed; Roll Call 46: yeas 26, nays 68
1/25/2024 - Amendment #4 (Culp) prevailed; Roll Call 45: yeas 67, nays 27
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1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Kendell Culp

HB1095 VARIOUS ELECTIONS MATTERS (FLEMING R) Requires the circuit court clerk of each county to place a copy of each 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. Removes a voter's option to vote for all candidates of a political party or an independent ticket at one time (straight ticket voting) in a general or municipal election. Repeals superseded statutes relating to straight ticket voting.

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All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Clere
1/8/2024 - Authored By Rita Fleming

HB1098 PUBLIC VOYEURISM (SCHAIBLEY D) Provides that the penalty for a person who commits public voyeurism: (1) without the use of a camera is a Class B misdemeanor; or (2) by means of a camera is a Class A misdemeanor. Clarifies the mens rea for the Class B misdemeanor public voyeurism.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Donna Schaibley

HB1100 SALE OF BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES INFORMATION (PORTER G) Prohibits the bureau of motor vehicles (BMV) from selling the personal information of an individual who: (1) is less than 21 years of age; (2) is 65 years of age or older; or (3) opts out of the sale of the individual's personal information. Prohibits a person to which the BMV provides such information from selling or disclosing the information (sales prohibition). Requires the BMV to provide an easily understandable and easily accessible means by which an individual may opt out of the sale of the individual's personal information. Permits the state board of finance, upon approval by the governor, to transfer funds to the BMV to offset a shortfall in funding for the BMV that occurs in a state fiscal year beginning before July 1, 2026, as a result of the sales prohibition.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Gregory Porter

- HB1102 CHILD CARE (HEINE D) Revises the definition of "child care home". Provides that certain child care programs are exempt from licensure. Amends certain licensing requirements for a class II child care home and a child care center. Provides that certain child care providers are eligible for voucher payments. Allows certain child care programs at schools to provide services to business employees' children when the business enters into a contract with the school.
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1/25/2024 - House Family, Children and Human Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
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1/16/2024 - removed as coauthor Representative Heaton
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Family, Children and Human Affairs
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Snow, Barrett, Heaton
1/8/2024 - Authored By Dave Heine
- HB1104 SCHOOL SAFETY (DAVIS M) Provides that a school safety plan developed by a school corporation or charter school must establish an armed intruder drill protocol. Requires safe school committees to develop a policy that considers the effect of armed intruder drills on the safety and mental health of students, faculty, and staff. Prohibits an armed intruder drill that includes sensory components or activities from: (1) requiring student participation; or (2) taking place during regular school hours if a majority of the student body is present on school property. Allows a school corporation or charter school that: (1) employs a school resource officer; or (2) enters into a contract or a memorandum of understanding with a local law enforcement agency, private entity, or nonprofit corporation to employ a school resource officer; to participate in the 1977 fund. Provides that a school resource officer hired or rehired after June 30, 2024, who is a member of the 1977 fund shall remain in the 1977 fund. Provides that a school resource officer may become a member of the 1977 fund by meeting certain age and training requirements. Makes corresponding changes.
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1/23/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives McNamara, Criswell C, Pfaff
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1/17/2024 - House Education, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Education
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Michelle Davis
- HB1106 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGRITOURISM FACILITIES (CULP K) Defines "qualified agritourism provider" (provider). Amends the definition of a "regulated amusement device" to exclude certain barrel trains. Requires the department of homeland security (department) to include on the department's website a page to allow a provider to obtain a safety permit instead of obtaining a permit from the department as a regulated place of amusement or entertainment or for a regulated amusement device. Establishes requirements for obtaining a safety permit from the department. Requires a provider to submit a safety plan before a safety permit may be approved by the department. Provides that a safety permit is valid for five years. Provides that, if the provider adds a regulated amusement device or builds or modifies a structure inspected prior to the expiration of a current safety permit, the provider must immediately notify the department and submit a revised safety plan within a time frame prescribed by the department. Provides that, if the provider timely submits a revised safety plan, the safety permit's expiration date shall be extended to a date five years from the date the revised safety plan is received by the department. Requires a provider who obtains a safety permit to maintain certain records relating to the regulated amusement device. Provides that the department may, upon demand by the department, inspect a regulated amusement device of a provider who has a current safety permit at any time following: (1) The report of an accident involving the regulated amusement device. (2) A complaint concerning the regulated amusement device. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/29/2024 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Aylesworth, Bartels, Cherry
1/8/2024 - Authored By Kendell Culp

- HB1107 LOCAL REGULATION OF CONSUMER FIREWORKS (SCHAIBLEY D) Prohibits a county or municipality (unit) from limiting the use of consumer fireworks between certain hours on July 4, December 31, and January 1. (Current law prohibits a unit from limiting the use of consumer fireworks between certain hours on June 29, June 30, July 1, July 2, July 3, July 5, July 6, July 7, July 8, and July 9.)
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Torr
1/8/2024 - Authored By Donna Schaibley
- HB1108 DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS ON SLOPES (HALL D) Prohibits a unit from preventing development exclusively on the basis of slope, if the predevelopment slope of the site is less than 25%, unless the site is within a watershed area of a reservoir that is a source of a municipality's drinking water.
Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Koch
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1/8/2024 - Referred to House Natural Resources
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives May, Heaton, Lindauer
1/8/2024 - Authored By David Hall
- HB1109 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: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Pressel
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Miller D
1/16/2024 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Dave Heine
- HB1112 DISCRIMINATORY APPRAISAL PRACTICES (PRYOR C) Adds the following to the duties of the homeowner protection unit (unit) of the office of the attorney general: (1) Cooperating with law enforcement agencies in investigating violations of the federal Fair Housing Act. (2) Investigating and enforcing: (A) existing law prohibiting improperly influencing the preparation of a real estate appraisal; and (B) provisions prohibiting discriminatory practices in the appraisal of residential real property. Prohibits a person whose business includes appraising residential real property from making an excessively low appraisal of the value of real estate that is the subject of a mortgage loan on the basis of the race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin of the: (1) loan applicant; or (2) residents of the neighborhood in which the real estate is located. Establishes the fair housing practices fund (fund), to be administered by the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority), for the purpose of: (1) providing: (A) down payment assistance; (B) financial assistance for closing costs; and (C) restitution; to individuals injured by a violation of provisions prohibiting discriminatory appraisal practices; and (2) providing grants for: (A) community education and outreach efforts; and (B) community reinvestment initiatives; to neighborhoods or communities adversely impacted by the prohibited discriminatory appraisal practices. Requires the authority to adopt rules to develop certain criteria and procedures necessary to: (1) administer the fund; and (2) provide assistance from the fund. Requires the unit to: (1) amend the form that creditors are required to provide to mortgage loan applicants to include information about how prospective borrowers can report suspected violations of provisions prohibiting discriminatory appraisal practices; and (2) accept complaints concerning these suspected

violations. Provides that a person that knowingly or intentionally violates provisions prohibiting discriminatory appraisal practices: (1) commits an act that is actionable by an aggrieved individual and the attorney general under the deceptive consumer sales act; and (2) is liable for a civil penalty. Provides that any civil penalty collected shall be deposited in the fund. Requires the real estate appraiser licensure and certification board (board) to, not later than January 1, 2025, submit recommendations to the Indiana real estate commission (commission) concerning the following: (1) Rules requiring as a condition of initial licensure or certification: (A) at least one hour of instruction in cultural competency training; and (B) at least one hour of instruction in implicit bias training. (2) Rules requiring as a condition of renewal for licensure and certification: (A) at least one hour of continuing education instruction in cultural competency training; and (B) at least one hour of continuing education instruction in implicit bias training. (3) Policies to foster diversity in the real estate appraisal profession. Requires the commission to adopt the recommended rules not later than July 1, 2025. Provides that the office of the attorney general and the Indiana professional licensing agency (agency) may use an existing investigative fund to investigate and enforce: (1) existing law prohibiting improperly influencing the preparation of a real estate appraisal; and (2) provisions prohibiting discriminatory appraisal practices. Requires the board to submit, on at least a quarterly basis, a request to the attorney general for certain information concerning complaints filed against real estate appraisers. Requires the agency to publish and update on the board's web page, on at least a quarterly basis, certain data received by the board in the most recent quarterly report from the attorney general. Requires, beginning in 2026, the agency to submit an annual report to the legislative council concerning: (1) the cultural competency and implicit bias training educational requirements adopted by the commission; and (2) the policies to foster diversity in the real estate appraisal profession implemented by the commission.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Financial Institutions

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1/8/2024 - Authored By Cherrish Pryor

HB1113 PURCHASE OF SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES (PRYOR C) Provides that an investment firm may not enter into an executory contract for the purchase of a single family residence until not less than 90 days after the residence is listed for sale. Requires an investment firm to be represented by a real estate broker who: (1) is licensed in Indiana; and (2) is not an employee of the investment firm or any of its subsidiaries; to enter into an executory contract for the purchase of a single family residence.

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All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Cherrish Pryor

HB1116 HAMMOND FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (JACKSON C) Authorizes the city of Hammond to impose a food and beverage tax.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Harris and Soliday

1/8/2024 - Authored By Carolyn Jackson

HB1118 MENTAL HEALTH CARE FOR FIRST RESPONDERS (JACKSON C) Establishes the Indiana first responders mental health wellness fund and program (fund and program). Provides that the division of mental health and addiction of the office of the secretary of family and social services (division) shall administer the fund and program. 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: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Pressel

1/8/2024 - Authored By Carolyn Jackson

HB1120 PROPERTY TAXES (THOMPSON J) Increases the assessed value limit for the disabled veteran property tax deduction from \$200,000 to \$240,000. Requires a county assessor to apply throughout the county an influence factor to recognize the reduced acreage value of residential excess land. Provides that the influence factor required must reduce the base land value of residential excess land by no less than 50%. Provides, however, that the assessed value per acre of the residential excess land may not be less than the base rate of agricultural land unless a different classification of land with a lower assessed value per acre applies. Allows that, for purposes of the standard homestead deduction, an individual has until January 15 of a calendar year in which property taxes are first due and payable to: (1) complete, date, and file the required certified statement with the county auditor; and (2) satisfy any recording requirements required to own a principal place of residence or buy a principal place of residence under contract. Increases the amount by which a civil taxing unit must exceed the statewide average assessed value growth

for purposes of an appeal for relief from property tax levy limits. Extends the current cap on operating referendum tax that may be levied by a school corporation. Provides a formula for determining the cap on the operating referendum tax levy using the school corporation's recent average daily membership counts. Extends the threshold amounts used for determining whether a political subdivision's project is a controlled project and whether the petition and remonstrance process or the referendum process applies based on the political subdivision's total debt service tax rate. Specifies that a political subdivision's total debt service tax rate does not include a tax rate approved by voters for a referendum debt service tax levy. Provides that distributions for curricular materials may not be considered for purposes of determining whether a school corporation met the requirement to expend a minimum amount of state tuition support for teacher compensation. Repeals the requirement that each school maintained by a school corporation and each charter school establish a curricular materials account. Requires a public school to deposit distributions for curricular materials in: (1) the education fund of the school corporation that maintains the school; or (2) the fund in which a charter school receives state tuition support. Prohibits a redevelopment commission from removing a parcel of real property from an existing economic development district or an existing tax increment financing district, and subsequently adding the same parcel of real property back into the economic development district or tax increment financing district during the life of the economic development district or tax increment financing district. Adds a provision to allow a redevelopment commission to expend revenues from its allocation fund that are allocated for police and fire services on both capital expenditures and operating expenses as authorized in the 2023 session in House Bill 1454. Provides that, if a township transitions from a single township firefighting and emergency services fund to two separate funds as authorized under current law, the township legislative body must approve a transfer of the remaining cash balance from the single fund to the two new separate funds and determine the amounts attributable to each fund. Makes conforming changes.

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HB1121

LOCAL INCOME TAXES (THOMPSON J) Extends the expiration of provisions concerning a county with a single voting bloc and the allocation of votes for a local income tax council. Specifies the amount of revenue from a local income tax rate imposed for correctional facilities and rehabilitation facilities in a county that may be used for operating expenses of those facilities. Allows a county fiscal body to adopt a local income tax rate for an acute care hospital located in the county. Allows the adopting body in Marion County to adopt a local income tax rate to be used for improvement and services projects located within the boundaries of the Mile Square area. Provides that, for the purpose of distributing the local income tax (LIT), if two or more school corporations or civil taxing units merge or consolidate to form a single school corporation or civil taxing unit, the school corporation or civil taxing unit is entitled to the combined pro rata distribution of the LIT revenue allocated to each applicable school corporation or civil taxing unit in existence on January 1 of the immediately preceding calendar year prior to the merger or consolidation. Provides that the department of local government finance shall make certain adjustments pertaining to the distribution of LIT for Floyd County in 2025, which provide that the Highlander Fire Protection District (district) shall receive an amount equal to the combined distribution that would have been distributed to the Greenville Fire Protection District (FPD) and the Lafayette Fire Protection District (FPD) in 2024, but for their elimination resulting from the merger to establish the district. Requires corresponding adjustments in 2025 to reduce the distribution for each applicable civil taxing unit and school corporation in Floyd County, excluding the district, by an amount that equals the proportionate share of the amount of LIT received in 2024 of the combined distribution that would have been distributed to the Greenville FPD and the Lafayette FPD in 2024, but for their elimination. Provides, for purposes of calculating distributions of the financial institutions tax to local taxing units, how to calculate distributions for a taxing unit that did not receive distributions in 2012 because the unit was subsequently established from the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units that received distributions from the financial institutions tax fund in 2012. Provides, for purposes of calculating qualified distributions of the commercial motor vehicle excise tax to local taxing units, how to calculate base revenue distributions for a taxing unit that did not receive a base revenue distribution in 2001 because the taxing unit was subsequently established from the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units that received base revenue distributions in 2001. Provides that, for purposes of determining the apportionment or distribution of the motor vehicle excise tax, that the county auditor may make adjustments to reflect the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units. Authorizes the city of Hammond to impose a food and beverage tax. Authorizes the town of Cicero to impose a food and beverage tax.

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1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
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1/8/2024 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson

- HB1122 UNDERGROUND FACILITY PROTECTION (DEVON D) Amends the law governing demolitions and excavations in the area of underground facilities as follows: (1) Provides that for purposes of required notifications regarding excavation or demolition: (A) the time of receipt of a notice is the time as observed in Indianapolis ("prevailing time"); and (B) a "working day" is the period of time beginning at 7 a.m. and ending at 6 p.m. prevailing time. (2) Defines the "tolerance zone" of a physical plant for purposes of the clearance that must be maintained between the physical plant and an excavation or demolition. (3) Provides that the route or boundary of a proposed excavation or demolition may be marked by electronic means approved by the Indiana Underground Plant Protection Service (association). (4) Requires documentation of required actions through submission of electronic positive responses to the association. (5) Provides that: (A) notice of intent to conduct an excavation or demolition must be received by the association not more than 10 calendar days (rather than 20 calendar days, under current law) before the commencement of the work; and (B) a notice is considered received by the association at the prevailing time the association receives the notice from the person responsible for the excavation or demolition. (6) Provides that a notice of intent to conduct an excavation or demolition may specify a starting date and time of the excavation or demolition, which may not be later than 10 days after the time of the association's receipt of the notice, and that required notifications, communication, and marking with regard to the excavation or demolition must be completed not later than: (A) the starting date and time specified in the notice, if the notice specifies a starting date and time; or (B) 7 a.m. prevailing time on the next working day that follows the elapse of two full working days after the association's receipt of the notice; whichever is later. (7) Provides that a notice of intent to conduct an excavation or demolition expires at 11:59 p.m. prevailing time 20 days after the date the notice is submitted to the association. (8) Requires that the association develop and implement guidelines to provide notice to an operator regarding the association's receipt of a notice of intent of: (A) an excavation or demolition; or (B) preliminary engineering studies or construction planning activities; at the prevailing time the association receives the notice of intent. (9) Requires a person responsible for an emergency excavation or demolition to provide notice to the association in the manner prescribed by the association. (Under current law, notice of an emergency excavation or demolition must be provided orally.) Makes technical corrections.
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1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Dale DeVon
- HB1124 PROHIBITION OF RACE BASED HAIR DISCRIMINATION (SUMMERS V) Prohibits race discrimination based on traits historically associated with race, such as hair texture and protective hairstyles.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Education
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Vanessa Summers
- HB1126 FUNDING OF LACTATION ROOMS IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS (SUMMERS V) Establishes a grant program to promote the installation of lactation rooms in public buildings. Requires the Indiana housing and community development authority (IHCDA) to administer the grant program. Authorizes public agencies to apply for grants. Appropriates \$5,000,000 to the IHCDA for deposit in the grant fund.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Vanessa Summers
- HB1129 TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS (MANNING E) Defines "J-turn intersection". Adds a provision allowing the general

assembly to pass a bill that disapproves funding for one or more projects on the Indiana department of transportation's project priority list. Prohibits money in the state highway fund from being used for the study, design, development, survey, construction, reconstruction, operation, or maintenance of a J-turn intersection that is not completed before June 30, 2024.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Prescott

All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Pressel
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Ethan Manning

HB1130 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS (MANNING E) 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: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Ethan Manning

HB1134 LOCAL INCOME TAX (CLERE E) Provides that, for the purpose of distributing the local income tax (LIT), if two or more school corporations or civil taxing units merge or consolidate to form a single school corporation or civil taxing unit, the school corporation or civil taxing unit is entitled to the combined pro rata distribution of the LIT revenue allocated to each applicable school corporation or civil taxing unit in existence on January 1 of the immediately preceding calendar year prior to the merger or consolidation. Provides that the department of local government finance shall make certain adjustments pertaining to the distribution of LIT for Floyd County in 2025, which provide that the Highlander Fire Protection District (district) shall receive an amount equal to the combined distribution that would have been distributed to the Greenville Fire Protection District (FPD) and the Lafayette Fire Protection District (FPD) in 2024, but for their elimination resulting from the merger to establish the district. Requires corresponding adjustments in 2025 to reduce the distribution for each applicable civil taxing unit and school corporation in Floyd County, excluding the district, by an amount that equals the proportionate share of the amount of LIT received in 2024 of the combined distribution that would have been distributed to the Greenville FPD and the Lafayette FPD in 2024, but for their elimination. Provides, for purposes of calculating distributions of the financial institutions tax to local taxing units, how to calculate distributions for a taxing unit that did not receive distributions in 2012 because the unit was subsequently established from the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units that received distributions from the financial institutions tax fund in 2012. Provides, for purposes of calculating qualified distributions of the commercial motor vehicle excise tax to local taxing units, how to calculate base revenue distributions for a taxing unit that did not receive a base revenue distribution in 2001 because the taxing unit was subsequently established from the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units that received base revenue distributions in 2001. Provides that, for purposes of determining the apportionment or distribution of the motor vehicle excise tax, that the county auditor may make adjustments to reflect the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units. Makes technical corrections.

Current Status: 1/17/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Engleman, Jordan, Fleming
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Edward Clere

HB1140 AGE VERIFICATION FOR MATERIAL HARMFUL TO MINORS (GOSS-REAVES L) Requires an adult oriented website operator that displays material harmful to minors to use a reasonable age verification method to prevent a minor from accessing an adult oriented website. Creates a cause of action to permit: (1) the parent or guardian of a child harmed by a violation of the age verification requirement to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees; and (2) any other person to bring an action to obtain injunctive relief and reasonable attorney's fees. Prohibits a person that conducts age verification from retaining the identifying information of an individual seeking to access an adult oriented website that displays material harmful to minors, and permits an individual whose identifying information is retained to bring an action to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative King J
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Speedy
1/11/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Wesco
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Lori Goss-Reaves

- HB1141 CRIMES AGAINST UNBORN CHILD (GOSS-REAVES L) Provides that a pregnant woman charged with a drug crime may be referred to the forensic diversion program or a drug court at an initial hearing.
Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Withdrawn
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Lori Goss-Reaves
- HB1142 HOOSIER FIRST RESPONDER MEDAL OF SELF-SACRIFICE (LUCAS J) Establishes the Hoosier first responder medal of self-sacrifice (medal) for an Indiana first responder killed or seriously injured in the line of duty (Indiana first responder). Provides that the department of homeland security (department) is responsible for the design, adoption, and procurement of the medal. Provides that a public safety agency may submit to the department a nomination of an Indiana first responder to be awarded a medal. Provides that, upon approval of a nomination, the department shall notify the governor of the nomination. Provides that the governor may award the medal to the Indiana first responder or the Indiana first responder's next of kin at a public ceremony.
Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Payne Z
1/22/2024 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1143 DISPOSAL OF FIREARMS VIA 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: 1/29/2024 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1144 INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR FIREARMS SAFETY EXPENSES (LUCAS J) Provides a state income tax credit for expenses incurred to receive qualified firearms instruction or to purchase a qualified firearms storage device. Provides that the tax credit is equal to the amount of the incurred expenses. Provides that the maximum amount allowed as a tax credit is \$300 for individuals filing single returns or \$600 for married couples filing joint returns. Provides that a tax credit may not exceed the taxpayer's state income tax liability. Provides that a taxpayer is not entitled to a carryover, carryback, or refund of any unused tax credit.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1145 EMERGENCY POWERS (LUCAS J) Provides that the governor shall declare a disaster emergency by executive order or proclamation only to the extent necessary to provide assistance or otherwise implement measures directly related to a federal declaration of emergency for all or a portion of Indiana. 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 14 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 (department) 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 department may establish quarantine and may do what is reasonable and necessary for the prevention and suppression of disease if the department is authorized to do so in a declared disaster emergency. Provides that the department may order schools closed and forbid public gatherings

when considered necessary to prevent and stop epidemics if the department is specifically authorized to do so in an emergency declaration. Provides that certain actions authorized by the commissioner of the department, local health boards, or local health officers may not be construed to authorize the commissioner, board, or officer 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: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Payne Z

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Lucas

HB1146

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 committee 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: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Lucas

HB1148

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (CHERRY R) Provides that at a county auditor's discretion, the county auditor may choose not to require the inspection of certain items otherwise required to claim a disabled veteran's property tax deduction if the following criteria have been satisfied with regard to an individual seeking to claim the deduction: (1) The county auditor has inspected the individual's items in a previous year and approved the deduction for that year. (2) There has been no change to the individual's property or the individual's qualifying status since the last year that the county auditor approved the deduction. (3) The individual has signed a sworn statement, as prescribed by the Indiana department of veterans' affairs, subject to the penalty of perjury, affirming the requirement that there has been no change to the individual's property or the individual's qualifying status since the last year that the county auditor approved the deduction. (4) The county auditor has not disapproved the individual's claim for the deduction in a year since the county auditor most recently approved the deduction. Requires the proper officers of a political subdivision that desire to appropriate more money for a particular year than the amount prescribed in the budget for that year as finally determined to hold a public hearing after submitting the following information regarding the proposed additional appropriation to the department of local government finance's (DLGF) computer gateway (gateway): (1) The amount of the additional appropriation. (2) The name of the affected fund. (3) The name and account number of the affected account. (4) The date, time, and place at which the political subdivision will hold a public hearing on the proposed additional appropriation. Requires the proper officers of a political subdivision to submit the required information, in a manner prescribed by the DLGF, to the gateway at least 14 days prior to the public hearing. Requires the DLGF to make the information submitted by the political subdivision available to taxpayers through the gateway at least 10 days prior to the public hearing. Provides that if the date, time, or place of the public hearing changes following the original submission of the information to the gateway, the political subdivision shall submit the updated information to the gateway as soon as possible. Provides that a county fiscal body may establish a salary schedule that includes a stipend to be paid to the county auditor for the county auditor's duties when warranted as determined by the county fiscal body. Provides that the county fiscal body may consider factors such as: (1) required attendance at additional meetings; (2) meetings held outside of usual work hours; (3) increased workload volume; or (4) any other relevant factor as determined by the county fiscal body.

Current Status: 1/17/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Robert Cherry

HB1149

ASSESSED VALUE DEDUCTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS (CHERRY R) Increases the assessed value cap, from \$200,000 to \$240,000, 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 that for purposes of determining the assessed value of the real property, mobile home, or manufactured home for an individual who has received a deduction in a previous year, increases in assessed value that occur after December 31, 2024, are not considered for purposes of determining whether an individual is eligible to receive the deduction.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Robert Cherry

HB1152 ASSESSED VALUE DEDUCTIONS FOR DISABLED VETERANS (LAUER 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.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Aylesworth
1/8/2024 - Authored By Ryan Lauer

HB1153 HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES WAIVERS (GREENE R) Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services for an amendment to each home and community based services Medicaid waiver to exclude the income and resources of a spouse when determining an individual's eligibility for the waiver.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Robb Greene

HB1154 PROHIBITION ON TAKING OF DESIGNATED HOMESTEAD (GREENE R) Creates the Hoosier homestead farm program administered by the Indiana state department of agriculture (department) to: (1) commemorate as Hoosier homestead farms, those properties that have been owned by the same family for at least 100 years; and (2) maintain an electronic registry of Hoosier homestead farms. With certain exceptions, provides that if a public project involves condemnation of a Hoosier homestead farm, the Indiana land resources council (council) must approve condemnation of the farm before the condemnor may take steps to acquire any other property for the project. Provides that the council may only approve a condemnation if the council finds that: (1) there is no feasible and prudent alternative to using the Hoosier homestead farm for the project; and (2) condemnation of the Hoosier homestead farm would not have an unreasonably adverse effect upon the preservation and enhancement of agriculture within the county. Requires a real estate sales disclosure form to: (1) indicate transfers of Hoosier homestead farms and the familial relationships (if any) between transferors and transferees; and (2) requires the local assessor to forward the forms to the department for use in updating the Hoosier homestead farms registry.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Agriculture and Rural Development

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Robb Greene

HB1157 NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (GREENE R) Provides that the Indiana economic development corporation, the state, any instrumentality of the state, or any other public authority, or any party negotiating on behalf of any of those entities, may not, after June 30, 2024, enter into an economic development agreement or contract that contains any provision, clause, or language that provides that the agreement or contract, or any of its terms, is confidential, or that the parties to the agreement or contract are prohibited from disclosing, discussing, describing, or commenting upon the terms of the agreement or contract.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Teshka J

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Robb Greene

HB1158 COUNTY CONTRACTS (LEHMAN M) Provides that contracts made by the county, excluding Marion County, must meet certain requirements. Provides that the county executive is the body charged with executing contracts for goods and services on behalf of the county with certain exceptions. Provides a review process for certain contracts.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - First Reading
1/23/2024 - Referred to Senate
1/22/2024 - Senate sponsors: Senators Holdman and Garten
1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 20: yeas 94, nays 0
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives May, Steuerwald, Johnson, Zimmerman

1/22/2024 - Rule 105.1 suspended
1/22/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
1/18/2024 - Amendment #2 (Zimmerman) prevailed; voice vote
1/18/2024 - Amendment #1 (Meltzer) prevailed; voice vote
1/18/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays:
0
1/16/2024 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Local Government
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Matt Lehman

HB1159 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (LEHMAN M) Provides that a bid specification that is entered into, issued, amended, or renewed after June 30, 2024, may not contain a provision requiring an employer to have or maintain a specified experience rating. 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: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Matt Lehman

HB1160 CIVIL PROCEEDING ADVANCE PAYMENT CONTRACTS (LEHMAN M) Prevents a CPAP provider from making any decision, having any influence, or directing the consumer claimant or the consumer claimant's attorney with respect to the conduct of the underlying civil proceeding. Prohibits a CPAP provider from taking certain other actions. Requires a consumer claimant or the consumer claimant's attorney to provide a copy of a CPAP contract entered into by the consumer claimant to: (1) each of the other parties in a civil proceeding; and (2) each insurer that has a duty to defend another party in the civil action.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Matt Lehman

HB1161 GAMING REVENUE DISTRIBUTION (PRESSEL J) Establishes the gaming revenue fund (fund). Provides that tax revenue collected after June 30, 2024, 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, is deposited in the fund. Provides that the state comptroller administers the fund. Provides for distribution of the money in the fund. Makes corresponding changes. Makes an appropriation. Reconciles conflicting statutes.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Jordan, Engleman, Lyness

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1162 BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES (PRESSEL J) Makes a technical correction regarding the calculation of a county's allocation from the motor vehicle highway account fund. Provides that a commercial driver's license and a commercial learner's permit may be issued as a mobile credential. Amends the definition of "parole". Allows an individual who is at least 18 years of age and holds a valid commercial driver's license to be issued an intrastate hazardous materials endorsement. Amends provisions regarding proof of a veteran's discharge from the armed forces or its reserves or the national guard. Changes the number of commercial vehicles that must be owned for the state department of revenue to issue a license plate for each commercial vehicle from 25 to five. Amends provisions requiring the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) to provide notice to allow the bureau to provide notice electronically when the individual has indicated a preference for receiving electronic notices from the bureau. Provides that a driver's license or identification card expires upon the bureau receiving notice of the death of the holder. Allows an individual to electronically apply for the individual's driver's license or learner's permit to be converted into an identification card.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Jim Pressel

- HB1163 CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (HALL D) Provides that: (1) a rural electric membership corporation (REMC); (2) a nonprofit corporation that is an electric cooperative and that has at least one member that is an REMC; and (3) certain corporations resulting from a merger or consolidation of an REMC and a telephone cooperative corporation; are exempt from the requirement that a public utility obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity before beginning the construction, purchase, or lease of certain facilities to be used for furnishing public utility service.
- Current Status:* 1/23/2024 - Referred to Senate
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Koch
1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 21: yeas 94, nays 0
1/22/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/18/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 12; Nays: 0
1/16/2024 - House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Soliday, Zimmerman, Pierce M
1/8/2024 - Authored By David Hall
- HB1165 REGULATORY SANDBOX PROGRAM AND RIGHT TO START ACT (TESHKA J) Effective July 1, 2025: (1) establishes a regulatory sandbox program (program) and advisory council; and (2) creates the regulatory relief office within the Indiana economic development corporation. Directs that the secretary of commerce, who serves as executive director of the regulatory relief office, to prepare an annual report on the activities of the office. Provides for program application requirements and describes the program scope. Makes consumer protection provisions. Describes requirements for exiting the program and for extensions to remain in the program. Makes record keeping and reporting requirements. Provides requirements for the creation and maintenance of a regulatory relief office web page. Effective July 1, 2024, establishes a right to start act. Requires the secretary of state, the department of administration, and the department of workforce development to annually file reports with the general assembly. Requires the state to encourage 5% of the total number of state contracts to be awarded to businesses that have been in operation for fewer than five years and whose principal place of business is in Indiana. Requires the state to encourage 5% of workforce development funding, including funding allocated by workforce development boards across Indiana, to be used to support organizations or programs for individuals starting new businesses or to those organizations or programs that provide services to businesses established within the previous five years and whose principal place of business is located within Indiana.
- Current Status:* 1/23/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/23/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 3
1/23/2024 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/16/2024 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jake Teshka
- HB1168 RACIAL EQUITY IMPACT NOTES (SHACKLEFORD R) Requests the legislative council to assign a study of directing the legislative services agency to prepare a racial equity impact note for a legislative bill introduced in a session of the general assembly, if requested by an author or sponsor of the bill, the chair of a standing committee to which the bill is assigned, or the ranking minority member of a standing committee to which the bill is assigned.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Rules and Legislative Procedures
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Gore
1/8/2024 - Authored By Robin Shackelford
- HB1169 ADDITIONAL RENTER'S DEDUCTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS (AYLESWORTH M) Provides an additional tax deduction for a disabled veteran who rents a dwelling for use as the disabled veteran's principal place of residence.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth
- HB1172 COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH (HAMILTON C) Establishes a committee to study

the impact of climate change in Indiana and annually report findings to the general assembly and the governor from December 1, 2024, to December 1, 2027.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Garcia Wilburn V

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Carey Hamilton

HB1173 CLASSROOM BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM (BAUER M) Requires a school safety plan to include a plan to implement a classroom based violence prevention program for students.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to House Education

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Maureen Bauer

HB1174 PROFESSIONAL SPORTS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (HARRIS JR. E) Establishes the northwest Indiana professional sports development commission. Authorizes the commission to study various plans and recommendations that are proposed with respect to attracting a professional sports franchise to northwest Indiana. Authorizes the commission to prepare a comprehensive master plan for building the facilities and other infrastructure necessary for attracting and developing one or more professional sports franchises in northwest Indiana. Creates the professional sports development fund.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Earl Harris Jr

HB1182 REGULATION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (MCNAMARA W) Relocates requirements that the board of pharmacy must comply with when adopting interim rules declaring a substance a synthetic drug from the professional licensing law to the statutes governing administrative rulemaking. Makes certain changes to the lists of controlled substances.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Glick

All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 33: yeas 95, nays 0

1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/17/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

1/17/2024 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/9/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Steuerwald

1/9/2024 - Authored By Wendy McNamara

HB1185 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. Changes references from the "auditor of state" to the "state comptroller" to conform with P.L.201-2023.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Justin Moed

HB1186 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION COVENANTS (OLTHOFF J) Requires the owner of a property to disclose in the disclosure form the following: (1) That the property is in a community governed by a homeowners association. (2) A copy of the recorded governing documents. (3) A statement indicating whether there are assessments and the amount of any assessments. (4) The name and business or home address of a board member, homeowners association agent, or other person who has a contract with the homeowners association to provide any management services for the homeowners association. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Financial Institutions

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Julie Olthoff

HB1193 COMMUNITY SOLAR FACILITIES (HAMILTON C) Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) to adopt rules governing community solar facilities not later than July 1, 2025. Provides that, not later than 180 days

after adoption of the rules, an electricity provider shall begin: (1) allowing interconnection of the electricity provider's facilities with community solar facilities in which three or more of the electricity provider's customers have entered into a subscription; and (2) crediting the electricity provider's subscribing customers for the amount of electricity from the community solar facility for which the customer subscribes. Requires the commission to: (1) establish an interconnection working group composed of representatives of electricity suppliers and other stakeholders with respect to electric utility service; and (2) implement the working group's recommendations regarding creation, revision, or elimination of policies, processes, tariffs, rules, or standards relating to the interconnection of community solar facilities and electricity suppliers as necessary for transparent, accurate, and efficient implementation of community solar facilities.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Errington

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Carey Hamilton

HB1197

ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION (MANNING E) Allows the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission) to provide notices electronically. Allows the commission to issue 10 new three-way permits to the city of Noblesville, allowing the issuance of: (1) three new three-way permits in 2024; (2) three new three-way permits in 2025; and (3) four new three-way permits in 2026; with any permits not issued in a year allowed to be issued in a subsequent year. Repeals provisions related to beer gardens and patio alcohol service for certain premises. Exempts a food hall that: (1) contains not less than 10 distinct nonaffiliated food and beverage vendors; and (2) is located within a mixed use development or redevelopment project with a total investment of at least \$100,000,000; from certain requirements that apply to the issuance of a food hall master permit. Repeals a provision concerning residency requirements for beer wholesalers. Removes the requirement that a property tax clearance form provided to the alcohol and tobacco commission include an embossed seal from the county treasurer. Includes a craft manufacturer in the definition of a host permittee for purposes of a temporary craft manufacturer hospitality permit. Modifies the definition of "designated permittee" in relation to a designated refreshment area. Replaces references to the federal bureau of alcohol, tobacco, and explosives with the federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau or its successor agency.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/25/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/23/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/23/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays: 0

1/23/2024 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/9/2024 - Referred to House Public Policy

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Ethan Manning

HB1199

REPEAL OF ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT DISTRICT LAW (MCGUIRE J) Repeals the chapter in the Indiana Code authorizing the legislative body of a first class city to establish a special assessment district known as an economic enhancement district.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/24/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 15; Nays: 9

1/24/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/17/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Manning

1/9/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Thompson and Speedy

1/9/2024 - Authored By Julie McGuire

HB1204

NOTICE OF DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY (MELTZER J) Provides that if a newspaper or locality newspaper publishes a print edition or an electronic edition of the newspaper less than three times a week, a notice may be published on the website of the newspaper or locality newspaper instead of being published in the newspaper or locality newspaper. Provides that if a newspaper or locality newspaper publishes a print edition of the newspaper less than four times a week, a notice that must be published may be published in the electronic edition of the newspaper or locality newspaper. Specifies the publication of notice requirements for the sale of a tract of real property when the disposing agent or redevelopment commission makes a certain determination, and the tract of real property has a certain value or was previously part of a public right-of-way. Provides that if the assessed value of a tract is less than \$10,000, based on the most recent assessment of the tract or of the tract of which it was a part before it was acquired, the disposing agent or redevelopment commission is not required to have the tract appraised.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/24/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/24/2024 - House Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Zimmerman, Moed, Smaltz
1/9/2024 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

HB1205 MENTAL HEALTH STANDARDS AND REPORTING (MELTZER J) Requires the secretary of family and social services to provide that the standards for services provided by recovery community organizations for behavioral health recovery, when used as a recovery community organization, be certified through a certain entity and meet other standards established by the division of mental health and addiction. Specifies information that must be reported by a community mental health center as part of the community mental health center's annual report.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
1/25/2024 - Amendment #1 (Meltzer) prevailed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/23/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Garcia Wilburn V
1/23/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 0
1/23/2024 - House Public Health, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative O'Brien T
1/9/2024 - Referred to House Public Health
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Jeter
1/9/2024 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

HB1206 VOTING BY SMALL WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITIES (MELTZER J) Amends as follows the statute setting forth the procedures by which certain small water or wastewater utilities may withdraw from and return to the jurisdiction of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC): (1) Specifies that a sewage disposal company that is subject to the jurisdiction of the IURC for having been issued more than one enforcement order from the department of environmental management (department) may not seek to withdraw from the IURC's jurisdiction during the rate regulation prescribed in the statute setting forth various requirements with respect to wastewater utilities that have been issued one or more enforcement orders by the department. (2) Authorizes a member or shareholder of the utility to cast a vote by secret absentee ballot on the question of the IURC's jurisdiction over the utility. (3) Provides that the notice of the meeting on the question of the IURC's jurisdiction over the utility must be sent not less than 45 days (instead of 30 days, under current law) before the meeting and must include: (A) instructions for how a member or shareholder who wishes to cast a vote by absentee ballot may request an absentee ballot; (B) a statement that a request for an absentee ballot precludes a member or shareholder from voting in person at the meeting held on the question of withdrawal from the IURC's jurisdiction; (C) instructions for returning or delivering an absentee ballot; and (D) the deadline for returning an absentee ballot, which must be: (i) not earlier than 10 calendar days; and (ii) not later than five calendar days; before the meeting on the question, along with information as to when an absentee ballot will be considered received by the board. (4) Provides that the 5% quorum required for members or shareholders to transact business and to take official action regarding the question of the IURC's jurisdiction over the utility includes votes cast by absentee ballot. (5) Provides that if: (A) a utility successfully withdraws from the IURC's jurisdiction; (B) after the withdrawal, a referendum is held on the question of the utility returning to the IURC's jurisdiction; and (C) less than a majority of the votes cast are in favor of returning to the IURC's jurisdiction; another referendum on the question of returning to the IURC's jurisdiction may not be conducted for two years (instead of four years, under current law) following the date of the meeting at which the vote is conducted. (6) Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Koch
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 34: yeas 94, nays 1
1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Zimmerman
1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 0
1/16/2024 - House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications, (Bill Scheduled for

Hearing)
1/9/2024 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

- HB1207 MAXIMUM LEVY DETERMINATION (MELTZER J) Provides that Washington Township in Decatur County may increase its maximum township property tax levy for 2025 and thereafter.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman
1/9/2024 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer
- HB1208 ASSESSMENT OF WIND POWER DEVICES (NEGELE S) Requires a new owner of a wind power device (device) to report, when filing the owner's statement of value and description of property with the department of local government finance (department) in years after the first year of ownership, the valuation of the device at the same valuation amount entered in the public utility company's first annual report after the transfer of ownership, less adjustments for depreciation according to a schedule prescribed by the department. Urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate interim study committee the task of studying utility scale wind and solar power taxation.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Sharon Negele
- HB1212 LAND BANKS (ROWRAY E) Allows a county to adopt an ordinance requiring a 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). 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 shall 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: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Errington
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Local Government
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Elizabeth Rowray
- HB1218 INDECENT DISPLAYS BY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS (HEATON R) Creates the crime of indecent exposure in a penal facility, a Class C misdemeanor.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Robert Heaton
- HB1220 TAX DEDUCTION AND CREDIT FOR PERSONS 65 OR OLDER (ABBOTT D) Increases, for purposes of the deduction for persons 65 or older: (1) the adjusted gross income threshold for an individual from \$30,000 to \$40,000; (2) the combined adjusted gross income threshold for an individual filing a joint return with the individual's spouse from \$40,000 to \$50,000; (3) the combined adjusted gross income for an individual and all other individuals that are joint

tenants or tenants in common from \$40,000 to \$50,000; and (4) the maximum assessed value of the property subject to the deduction from \$240,000 to \$350,000. Increases, for purposes of the over 65 circuit breaker credit: (1) the adjusted gross income threshold for an individual from \$30,000 to \$40,000; (2) the combined adjusted gross income threshold for an individual filing a joint return with the individual's spouse from \$40,000 to \$50,000; and (3) the maximum assessed value of the property subject to the credit from \$240,000 to \$350,000. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Payne
1/9/2024 - Authored By David Abbott

HB1222 RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE SERVICE AGREEMENTS (HAGGARD C) Defines a "residential real estate service agreement" as an agreement: (1) under which a service provider agrees to provide one or more services: (A) in connection with the maintenance, purchase, or sale of residential real estate; and (B) that are not to be performed in their entirety within one year after the agreement is entered into; and (2) that: (A) purports to run with the land or to be binding on future owners; (B) allows for the assignment of the right to provide one or more of the services under the agreement without the consent of the owner of the residential real estate; or (C) purports to create a lien or an encumbrance on, or a security interest in, the residential real estate. Provides that a residential real estate service agreement that is entered into after March 14, 2024, is void and unenforceable. Prohibits a person from recording after March 14, 2024, a residential real estate service agreement in Indiana, regardless of when the residential real estate service agreement is entered into. Provides that a person who knowingly and willfully records or causes to be recorded a residential real estate service agreement in violation of this prohibition commits a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that a county recorder, or an employee of a county recorder, who records a residential real estate service agreement that is presented to the county recorder's office for recording is not civilly or criminally liable under the bill's provisions, regardless of when the recording occurs. Provides that if a residential real estate service agreement (agreement) is recorded in Indiana after March 14, 2024, any person with an interest in the residential real estate that is the subject of the agreement may: (1) apply to a court in the county in which the agreement is recorded for a declaratory judgment declaring the agreement unenforceable; and (2) recover the person's actual damages against any service provider that: (A) is a party to the agreement; and (B) recorded, or caused to be recorded, the agreement. Provides that a service provider that: (1) enters into a residential real estate service agreement with any person; or (2) records, or causes to be recorded, a residential real estate service agreement in Indiana; after March 14, 2024, commits a deceptive act that is subject to the remedies and penalties under the deceptive consumer sales act (act), including an action by the attorney general under the act. Provides that the bill's provisions do not apply to: (1) a residential real estate service agreement entered into before March 15, 2024 (except as otherwise provided in the bill); or (2) certain specified products, contracts, rights, agreements, services, or liens.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Torr and Miller D
1/9/2024 - Authored By Craig Haggard

HB1223 PENALTIES FOR DRUG DEALING (HAGGARD C) Makes dealing in certain controlled substances a Level 2 felony if use of the substance results in serious bodily injury. Makes certain collateral consequences (such as licensure, forfeiture, racketeering, or designation as a serious violent felon) for committing the offense the same as the collateral consequences of committing dealing in a controlled substance resulting in death.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Meltzer and Garcia Wilburn
1/9/2024 - Authored By Craig Haggard

HB1226 LANDLORD PET POLICIES (MILLER K) Provides that a rental agreement may not require a tenant to declaw a cat as a condition of the rental agreement.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Kyle Miller

HB1229 LEAD TESTING (BOY P) Allows a local health officer to order an environmental inspection of a building in which a child who has an elevated blood lead level has resided for at least six months. Requires a local health department to: (1) identify grants and resources to assist property owners and occupants with lead abatement; and (2) publish the information on the local health department's website. Requires that the guidance developed by the Indiana department of health for health care providers for blood lead level screening for children are consistent with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. Amends the requirements for certain health care

providers concerning childhood blood lead screening. Removes the expiration date of these provisions. Beginning in the 2025-2026 school year, requires a qualified school to require a child or student who meets specified criteria to receive a blood lead screening test. Provides that a child or student who meets specified criteria may not be initially enrolled in a qualified school unless: (1) the child or student has received a blood lead screening test and documentation of the test is provided to the qualified school; or (2) if the child's parent, student's parent, or student, if the student is an emancipated minor, declines the test, a written explanation for declining the test is provided to the qualified school. Defines "qualified school" for purposes of these provisions.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Pat Boy

HB1231

SERVICE OF SAFETY ORDERS AND PENALTY ASSESSMENTS (GOODRICH C) Permits the commissioner of labor or the commissioner's representative to serve safety orders or penalty assessments by electronic mail. Expands where the commissioner of labor or the commissioner's representative may serve physical copies of safety orders or penalty assessments.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Rogers

All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 35: yeas 93, nays 0

1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/18/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/18/2024 - House Employment, Labor and Pensions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/9/2024 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives VanNatter and Hostettler

1/9/2024 - Authored By Chuck Goodrich

HB1232

FAIR AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR PUBLIC 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 requiring the use of union labor, 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: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives VanNatter and Torr

1/9/2024 - Authored By Chuck Goodrich

HB1234

PROPERTY TAX LIMITS ON AGRICULTURAL REAL PROPERTY (PRESCOTT J) Applies the 2% limitation on property taxes applicable to agricultural land to all agricultural real property, including buildings.

Current Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Payne Z

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Culp

1/9/2024 - Authored By J.D. Prescott

HB1235

PROHIBITED CAUSES OF ACTION CONCERNING FIREARMS (JETER C) Provides that only the state of Indiana may bring or maintain an action by or on behalf of a political subdivision against a firearm or ammunition manufacturer, trade association, seller, or dealer, concerning certain matters. Prohibits a political subdivision from otherwise independently bringing or maintaining such an action. Specifies an exception.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Freeman

All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 37: yeas 68, nays 27

1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2024 - Amendment #1 (Errington) ruled out of order voice vote

1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Torr

1/18/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/17/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 2
1/17/2024 - House Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Manning and Davis
1/9/2024 - Authored By Chris Jeter

- HB1237 ANNEXATION (ABBOTT D) Allows a town to annex: (1) a noncontiguous residential development; and (2) the right-of-way of a public highway connecting the development to the city. Provides that annexation is initiated by: (1) the filing of a petition requesting annexation by the owner of the residential development; and (2) the town legislative body adopting a resolution approving initiation of the annexation process. Requires the town to satisfy statutory requirements for annexation, including adopting a written fiscal plan and annexation ordinance.
Current Status: 1/11/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Snow C
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Local Government
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Soliday
1/9/2024 - Authored By David Abbott
- HB1240 CRIMINAL LAW ISSUES (STEUERWALD G) Makes numerous changes to the criminal law, including: (1) changing references from "county prosecuting attorney" to "prosecuting attorney"; (2) specifying the membership of county school safety commissions; (3) removing and replacing the organized theft statute; (4) increasing the penalty for fraud and battery under certain circumstances; and (5) defining "abusive head trauma" and permitting it to be used as an aggravating circumstance. Makes certain other changes for consistency.
Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/24/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
1/24/2024 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Zimmerman
1/9/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative McNamara
1/9/2024 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald
- HB1245 WORKER CLASSIFICATION ON PUBLIC PROJECTS (MOSELEY C) Requires a contractor in any contractor tier except for tier 1 (a general or prime contractor) on a: (1) public works project; or (2) tax advantaged construction project; to complete a weekly report of wages and hours of the contractor's employees who work on the project. Requires the department of labor to employ an investigator to investigate complaints of employee misclassification. Provides that the investigator shall be located at the Marion County prosecutor's office. Extends certain protections to an employee who reports, complains, or testifies about employee misclassification.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Chuck Moseley
- HB1248 TAX DEDUCTION AND CREDIT FOR PERSONS AGE 65 OR OLDER (MOSELEY C) Increases the maximum assessed value of the real property of an individual at least 65 years of age to be eligible for the over 65 deduction from \$240,000 to \$340,000 for an assessment date between December 31, 2024, and January 1, 2026. Increases the maximum assessed value limitation for the over 65 deduction by \$1,000 per assessment year thereafter. Increases the maximum assessed value of the real property of an individual at least 65 years of age to be eligible for the additional credit for certain homesteads (the over 65 circuit breaker credit) from \$240,000 to \$340,000 for an assessment date between December 31, 2024 and January 1, 2026. Increases the maximum assessed value limitation for the over 65 circuit breaker credit by \$1,000 annually per assessment year thereafter. (Current law provides that for an individual who has received the over 65 circuit breaker credit in a previous year, increases in assessed value that occur after the later of December 31, 2019, or the first year that the individual has received the over 65 circuit breaker credit, are not considered unless the increase in assessed value is attributable to substantial renovation or new improvements.)
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Chuck Moseley
- HB1250 ELECTIONS IN SMALL CITIES AND TOWNS (CRISWELL C) Repeals provisions concerning municipal elections in small

towns located outside Marion County, including provisions that allow for the creation of a town election board. Provides that a municipal election in a certain town or city with a population of less than 3,500 may be held only in an even-numbered year and only at the same time as a primary or general election. Requires the county election board to conduct the elections. Specifies that an officeholder in a municipality whose term was scheduled to expire on November 2, 2027, is entitled to remain in office until a successor is elected on November 7, 2028, qualified, and begins the successor's term on January 1, 2029. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Cory Criswell

HB1251 ADJUSTING COUNTY PORTION OF NIRPC BUDGET (SLAGER H) Requires the northwestern Indiana regional planning commission (NIRPC), beginning with NIRPC's 2026 budget and for each year thereafter, to annually adjust each participating county's portion of the budget for the ensuing year by the greater of the following: (1) The annual percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers. (2) The participating county's maximum levy growth quotient for the ensuing year.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Harold Slager

HB1258 MOBILE RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS (KING J) Requires a local health department to: (1) establish standards for the issuance of a mobile retail food establishment permit (permit) and the inspection and operation of a mobile retail food establishment; (2) prescribe a permit application form; and (3) establish an annual permit fee and inspection fee. Requires a local health department, not later than January 1, 2025, to begin: (1) receiving applications for mobile retail food establishments; (2) collecting annual permit fees and inspection fees; (3) issuing mobile retail food establishment permits; and (4) conducting inspections of mobile retail food establishments. Sets forth limitations on permit fees and inspection fees. Provides that, beginning January 1, 2025, a person may not operate a mobile retail food establishment within the jurisdiction of a local health department unless the person obtains a permit from the local health department.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - House Public Health, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Joanna King

HB1265 VARIOUS ELECTIONS MATTERS (WESCO T) Modifies the definition of "chute". Defines "scantron" and provides that a scantron complies with certain absentee ballot endorsement requirements if it is endorsed with the initials of certain individuals. Allows a circuit court clerk, voter registration official, or county election board to make certain filings by fax or electronic mail. Requires the county election board of a county that is not designated as a vote center county to establish a plan that specifies the method and timing of providing absentee reports to persons who are entitled to receive the reports. Specifies that a nondiscriminatory uniform policy concerning certain voter registration information must apply to all records maintained in the computerized list, including election administration records and absentee activity reports. Requires the NVRA official to conduct, at least once each calendar year, a review and identification of particular voter registration records. Specifies that a provision concerning the delivery, retention, confidentiality, and disposal of election materials does not prohibit county election officials from performing a duty under statutes concerning provisional voting. Exempts a political party office on a primary ballot from the ballot arrangement requirement that all candidates for the same office appear on the same page or screen. Permits certain persons credentialed by the Indiana protection and advocacy services commission to be in the polls during an election. Allows a county election board that adopted a resolution for a primary election allowing absentee voting at satellite offices to amend the resolution, by unanimous vote, to modify, for the subsequent general or municipal election, the locations and hours of the satellite offices. Requires each member of an absentee voter board to sign and print the member's name on a voter's affidavit after the voter has signed and dated the affidavit. Allows a vote center plan amendment to be filed with the election division by fax or electronic mail. Modifies provisions applicable to the notice that must be sent to a voter when a signature mismatch has occurred. Allows a voter to deliver a signature verification affidavit signed by the voter to an absentee voter board at a circuit court clerk's office or satellite location during the period of early voting. Provides that the county election board or board of elections and registration shall not reject an absentee ballot with a missing security envelope signature in certain circumstances if the voter delivers an affidavit of unsigned ballot that is signed by the voter to an absentee voter board at a circuit court clerk's office or satellite location during the period of early voting. Specifies certain employment provisions that apply when a county election board appoints a member of an absentee voter board, absentee ballot counter team, or courier team. Specifies the deadline that applies to fill certain candidate vacancies when the vacancy is due to the successful challenge of a candidate in a judicial proceeding. Prohibits the appointment of a particular person to fill a vacancy by a political party that differs from the party with which the person affiliated when the person was defeated in a primary election or a town or state convention. Specifies the circumstances that create a late candidate vacancy. Extends certain early candidate vacancy

provisions to apply to late candidate vacancies. Requires that action to fill a late candidate vacancy be taken not later than 6 a.m. on election day. Modifies a provision concerning the delivery and retention of affidavits. Permits the bureau of motor vehicles to disclose certain identifying information for voter registration and election purposes under certain laws. Prescribes the ballot language for the proposed constitutional amendment that would remove the state superintendent of public instruction from the line of succession to the governor. Makes conforming amendments.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Timothy Wesco

HB1267

ELIMINATION OF CERTAIN GENDER SPECIFIC TERMS (ERRINGTON S) Replaces the term "chairman" with the term "chairperson" in certain statutes. Replaces chairmen, committeeman, committeemen, and certain gender specific job titles in certain statutes with gender neutral terminology. Changes the alcoholic beverage permit for salesmen to a permit for salespersons. Removes obsolete internal section headings within certain sections of the alcoholic beverage and tobacco law. Removes masculine pronouns in certain statutes. Makes technical corrections.

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1/9/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Boy

1/9/2024 - Authored By Sue Errington

HB1270

OPTIONAL CIRCUIT BREAKER TAX CREDIT (HATCHER R) Authorizes the city of Gary 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 city; or (2) one or more specific geographic territories within the city; as a neighborhood enhancement district in which qualified individuals may apply for the credit. Provides that the amount of the credit in a particular year is equal to the amount by which an individual's property tax liability increases by more than the percentage of increase specified by the city fiscal body from the prior year. 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 that the penalty for wrongly receiving the credit is the same as the penalty for wrongly receiving the homestead standard deduction. Provides that an individual may not receive both the optional circuit breaker tax credit and an over 65 property tax credit in the same year. Provides that an ordinance must specify that the credit does not apply for property taxes first due and payable after December 31, 2027. Sunsets the optional circuit breaker tax credit on January 1, 2028.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Ragen Hatcher

HB1271

TAX SALE DEEDS (HATCHER R) Provides that a tax sale purchaser may file a petition with the court not later than 30 days after the date of the sale to seek a determination that the real property is vacant or abandoned. Specifies that the effect of a court's determination that the real property is vacant or abandoned is that: (1) the owner has no right to redeem the real property; and (2) the county auditor shall issue a deed to the real property that conveys a fee simple interest to the purchaser. Sets forth the: (1) contents of notices required to be given before the court hearing on vacancy or abandonment; and (2) standards to be used in determining vacancy or abandonment. Provides that the procedure to seek a post-sale petition to determine vacancy or abandonment does not apply to vacant or abandoned real property that is on the list prepared by the county auditor under current law.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Ragen Hatcher

HB1272

BAIL (HATCHER R) Prohibits a court from requiring an arrestee to pay bail as a condition of pretrial release, unless: (1) the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the arrestee is a flight risk or danger to the community; (2) the arrestee is charged with murder or treason; (3) the arrestee is on pretrial release not related to the incident that is the basis for the present arrest; or (4) the arrestee is on probation, parole, or other community supervision. Requires that the amount of bail be the lowest amount required, based on the defendant's financial circumstances, to assure the arrestee's appearance at trial and to protect the community.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Ragen Hatcher

HB1273 UNIFORM RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF CANADIAN PROTECTION ORDERS (DELANEY E) Codifies the Uniform Recognition and Enforcement of Canadian Domestic Violence Protection Orders Act. Provides procedures for enforcement of a Canadian domestic violence protection order (protection order) by a law enforcement officer and the court. Provides that a protection order may be registered in Indiana.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Edward DeLaney

HB1276 NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OR MEETING (SOLIDAY E) Provides that the commissioner of the department of environmental management (department) may, not later than 10 days after the last day of a public comment period, decide to hold a public hearing or meeting before the issuance or denial of a permit. Requires the department to provide notice if a public hearing or meeting will be held.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Edmond Soliday

HB1277 STATE ADMINISTRATION OF FEDERAL BEAD PROGRAM (SOLIDAY E) Specifies that the existing Indiana statute concerning the awarding of grants by the office of community and rural affairs for certain eligible broadband projects does not apply to subgrants awarded by the Indiana broadband office (office) under the federal Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Program (program). Establishes a new Indiana Code chapter governing the administration of the program by the office. Requires the office to administer the program in Indiana in compliance with all mandatory provisions set forth in: (1) the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Act); and (2) the BEAD Notice of Funding Opportunity (BEAD NOFO); with respect to the program. Provides that before awarding a subgrant to an eligible broadband service provider during any round of funding under the program, the office shall submit to the budget committee for review the proposed amount and terms of the subgrant. Provides that in awarding subgrants for the deployment of a broadband network using program funds, the office may not exclude cooperatives, nonprofit organizations, public-private partnerships, private companies, public or private universities, public utility districts, or local governments from eligibility for those funds, as set forth in the Act. Provides that the final proposal submitted by the office to the National Telecommunications Information Administration (NTIA) with respect to the program must include the specifications for the required low cost broadband service option that are set forth in the office's initial proposal, as submitted to and approved by NTIA.

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1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Edmond Soliday

HB1278 IURC AND OFFICE OF ENERGY DEVELOPMENT MATTERS (SOLIDAY E) Repeals the Indiana Code provisions concerning the following obsolete programs and funds administered by the Indiana office of energy development (office): (1) The alternative fuel fueling station grant program. (2) The alternative fuel vehicle grant program for local

units. (3) The Indiana coal research grant fund. (4) The office of alternative energy incentives. (5) The alternative energy incentive fund. (6) The center for coal technology research. Makes conforming amendments to other sections of the Indiana Code that reference the repealed provisions. Repeals, in the Indiana Code chapter governing the Indiana recycling market development board (board), a provision that authorizes the office to establish and administer a revolving loan program to make low interest loans for energy efficiency or recycling market development projects. Relocates that provision to the Indiana Code chapter governing the office and removes from the provision language authorizing the office to consult with the board in establishing and administering the program. Provides that, notwithstanding the statutory requirements for a local unit to be certified as a commercial solar energy ready community or a wind energy ready community, the commercial solar and wind energy ready communities development center may make a reasonable determination to certify a unit as a commercial solar energy ready community or a wind energy ready community if the unit's commercial solar regulation or wind power regulation does not: (1) materially differ from applicable industry or regulatory standards; or (2) otherwise materially affect the ability of a project owner to develop a commercial solar project or a wind power project in the unit. Amends the Indiana Code section concerning a rate case in which a utility seeks an increase in revenues exceeding \$2,500,000, and with respect to which a public hearing is required, to provide that the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) shall conduct at least one public hearing in one of the following, as determined by the IURC: (1) The largest municipality located within the utility's service area. (2) The municipality containing the largest number of customers served by the utility. (3) The county containing the largest number of customers served by the utility. (Current law requires the IURC to conduct the public hearing in the largest municipality located within the utility's service area.) Makes a corresponding change to the statute concerning rural electric membership corporations. Repeals a provision in the statute concerning incentives for clean energy projects that requires eligible businesses under the statute to file with the lieutenant governor a monthly report concerning purchases of: (1) Illinois Basin coal for energy production or generation; and (2) fuel or energy produced by a coal gasification facility or by a nuclear energy production or generating facility.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Edmond Soliday

HB1280

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.

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1/9/2024 - Authored By Blake Johnson

HB1281

VULNERABLE ROAD USERS (JOHNSON B) Requires the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) to suspend or revoke the current driver's license or driving privileges of an individual who is convicted of a moving traffic offense that causes the serious bodily injury or death of a vulnerable road user. Removes language requiring the bureau to revoke all certificates of registration and proof of registration issued to an individual convicted of certain moving traffic offenses.

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- HB1282 CANNABIS REGULATION (JOHNSON B) Establishes a procedure for the lawful production and sale of cannabis in Indiana. Makes conforming amendments. Makes an appropriation.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Blake Johnson
- HB1286 ELECTIONS (SWEET L) Provides that the state of Indiana shall conduct all elections using secure, hand-marked paper ballots that are: (1) designed and made in Indiana; (2) embellished with a distinctive watermark; and (3) serialized numerically. Provides that no other method of voting may be used in Indiana. Specifies that ballots must be counted by hand. Requires precincts to have video cameras that record and live stream the counting of ballots and the ballot box container. Requires each precinct to have one voting system equipped for individuals with disabilities. Specifies requirements for reporting results of the election. Requires election results to be announced the evening of the election. Prohibits the use of a pollbook in any form other than paper. Provides that ballots are not confidential. Prohibits the state from conducting the voting system technical oversight program (VSTOP) after June 30, 2024. Specifies storage requirements for certain election documents. Requires the secretary of state (secretary) to randomly choose 10 counties for post-election hand recounts and inspections of secured storage facilities. Provides that all Indiana citizens have the right to inspect and copy all election materials at the office of the county clerk. Requires the secretary to establish and maintain a statewide voter registration data base. Requires the secretary to administer voter registration rolls and provides that the secretary may not delegate this function. Requires county clerks to create and print the paper pollbook for each precinct. Specifies requirements for back up lists and daily records of the voter registration data base. Specifies that an election in Indiana may be held only on election day. Prohibits: (1) early in person voting; (2) vote centers; (3) Internet voting; (4) mass mail-in voting; (5) ballot harvesting; and (6) a ballot drop box. Provides that a precinct may contain not more than 1,500 registered active voters. Specifies that absentee voter boards may be used for all voters at extended care facilities. Requires all voter registration applications to include proof of citizenship and a signature. Specifies certain restrictions that apply to a third party organization. Provides that a digital identification is not acceptable for the purposes of registration or voting. Specifies: (1) requirements for absentee ballots; and (2) the individuals who qualify to receive an absentee ballot. Requires an absentee ballot to include a copy of the voter's proof of identification or the last four digits of the voter's Social Security number. Provides that a person who violates these provisions: (1) commits a Class A misdemeanor; and (2) is deprived of the right of suffrage for 10 years. Repeals a provision that designates as confidential certain information maintained by VSTOP. Requires the attorney general to establish an election crimes unit.
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1/9/2024 - Authored By Lorissa Sweet
- HB1295 AGE VERIFICATION FOR MATERIAL HARMFUL TO MINORS (SPEEDY M) Requires an adult oriented website operator that displays material harmful to minors to use a reasonable age verification method to prevent a minor from accessing an adult oriented website. Creates a cause of action to permit: (1) the parent or guardian of a child harmed by a violation of the age verification requirement to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees; and (2) any other person to bring an action to obtain injunctive relief and reasonable attorney's fees. Prohibits a person that conducts age verification from retaining the identifying information of an individual seeking to access an adult oriented website that displays material harmful to minors, and permits an individual whose identifying information is retained to bring an action to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees.
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1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Davis, King, Morris
1/10/2024 - Authored By Mike Speedy
- HB1296 REMITTANCE FEE FOR INTERNATIONAL MONEY WIRING (SPEEDY M) Establishes the Indiana foreign electronic transfer fees property tax relief fund (fund) for the purpose of issuing property tax relief rebates to individuals who qualify for the over 65 property tax credit. Provides that the department of state revenue administers the fund. Requires the sender of a money transmission transaction to pay a fee if the recipient of the money is located outside of the United States. Provides a tax credit for an individual who: (1) is a citizen or national of the United States, or is

an alien who has lawful permanent resident status or conditional permanent resident status; and (2) paid any fees for a money transmission transaction during the taxable year. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

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1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Haggard

1/10/2024 - Authored By Mike Speedy

HB1303 QUALITY OF LIFE INITIATIVES GRANT FUND (CULP K) Establishes the quality of life initiatives grant fund (fund) July 1, 2025, to provide grants to local units for eligible projects. Defines an "eligible project" as a project that would improve the quality of life or quality of place factors for residents of a local unit, including access to child care, health care, and technology, and creation of recreation or green spaces. Requires a local unit to: (1) have a current comprehensive plan; and (2) before choosing an eligible project, collaborate with the community to determine the local unit's priorities for improving the quality of life or quality of place factors for residents; before applying for a grant from the fund. Establishes the fund board to evaluate applications and award grants from the fund. Provides that money in the fund is continuously appropriated. Makes an appropriation.

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1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Negele and Pack

1/10/2024 - Authored By Kendell Culp

HB1305 MAJOR GROUND WATER WITHDRAWAL FACILITIES (NEGELE S) Defines a facility as a "major ground water withdrawal facility" if: (1) the facility includes one or more wells that have the capability of withdrawing at least 10,000,000 gallons of ground water from one or more aquifers in one day; and (2) the facility is connected, or plans provide for the facility to be connected, to pipeline facilities through which at least 10,000,000 gallons of ground water withdrawn by the facility's well or wells could be transported in one day to a destination located at least 20 miles from the facility. Provides that, after June 30, 2024, a person may not establish a major ground water withdrawal facility if the ground water withdrawn by the facility will be used primarily for: (1) commercial purposes; (2) industrial purposes; or (3) a combination of commercial purposes and industrial purposes; unless the person has obtained a permit from the natural resources commission (commission). Establishes the following prerequisites to the commission's issuance of a permit: (1) Public notice of the permit application must be provided through publication on the website of the department of natural resources (department). (2) Public notice of the permit application must be provided by first class mail to the executive of the county and to the executives of certain cities or towns. (3) At least two public hearings concerning the proposed major ground water withdrawal facility must be held. (4) A written feasibility study concerning the proposed major ground water withdrawal facility must be prepared. (5) The written feasibility study must be peer reviewed. (6) The feasibility study and the written results of the peer review must be published on the website of the department. Provides that the commission shall issue the permit if: (1) all of the prerequisites are satisfied; and (2) the commission determines that the establishment of the major ground water withdrawal facility, if permitted, will fulfill the health, economic, environmental, and other needs of present and future generations of Indiana citizens. Provides that, depending on the determinations of the feasibility study and the peer review, the permit may limit the maximum amount that the major ground water withdrawal facility may withdraw and transfer per year. Provides that a permit, if issued, must require the permit holder to regularly monitor the aquifer or aquifers from which the major ground water withdrawal facility withdraws ground water and must report the monitoring data to the department. Provides that the owner of a major ground water withdrawal facility may be ordered to provide timely and reasonable compensation to the owner of a nonsignificant ground water withdrawal facility or significant ground water withdrawal facility if water withdrawals by the major ground water withdrawal facility cause the nonsignificant ground water withdrawal facility or significant ground water withdrawal facility to fail to furnish the supply of water it normally furnishes or to fail to furnish potable water.

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1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Genda, Aylesworth, VanNatter

1/10/2024 - Authored By Sharon Negele

HB1306 LIVE STREAMING AND ARCHIVING MEETINGS (SMALTZ B) Exempts the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) from providing a live transmission of hearings, regarding which a stenographic record is required to be made and kept by statute. Adds language to the chapter in the Indiana Code governing the IURC to require the IURC to: (1) provide on a publicly accessible platform a live transmission of any IURC proceeding that the IURC reasonably determines will include: (A) an examination of witnesses; or (B) a matter of public interest; and (2) issue a general administrative order to implement a policy that governs the live transmission of IURC proceedings and that includes: (A) criteria to be used by the IURC in determining matters of public interest for purposes of determining whether to provide a live transmission of an IURC proceeding; and (B) processes: (i) by which members of the public may request the live transmission of an IURC proceeding; and (ii) for archiving the live transmission of an IURC proceeding.

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1/10/2024 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

HB1307 SEX OFFENDERS (SMALTZ B) Specifies that a person required to register as a sex offender in another jurisdiction who moves to Indiana is required to register for life in Indiana. Prohibits a serious sex offender from entering a public park while a child is present, makes a violation a Class A misdemeanor, and increases the penalty to a Level 6 felony for a subsequent offense.

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HB1308 SPEED LIMITS (SMALTZ B) Increases the maximum speed limit, from 70 to 75 miles per hour, on: (1) a highway on the national system of interstate and defense highways located outside of an urbanized area with a population of at least 50,000; and (2) a highway that is the responsibility of the Indiana finance authority; for a bus or other vehicle that has a gross weight that does not exceed 26,000 pounds.

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1/10/2024 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

HB1309 PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS FOR NONPROFIT HOSPITALS (SMALTZ B) Requires a nonprofit hospital to pay a certain amount to the county treasurer based on the property tax liability that would be due based on the nonprofit hospital's gross assessed value of exempt property if no exemptions were applied, depending on the extent to which the nonprofit hospital's average of aggregate prices charged in a year exceeds the nationwide average of aggregate prices charged in the immediately preceding calendar year. Requires a nonprofit hospital to submit information each year concerning the nonprofit hospital's average of aggregate prices charged.

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1/10/2024 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

HB1311 REMEDIATION OF TAX SALE PARCELS (MOED J) Permits a county treasurer to require purchasers of designated parcels of real property that are: (1) located in a consolidated city; and (2) subject to tax sale, and purchased at or as a separate part of a tax sale; to submit remediation plans describing how the purchasers will bring the parcels of real property into compliance with a building code or ordinance of a consolidated city after the redemption period ends.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Justin Moed

HB1313 REAL ESTATE LAND CONTRACTS (MOED J) Defines "principal dwelling land contract" (contract) as a land contract for the sale of real property: (1) designed for the occupancy of one to two families; and (2) that is or will be occupied by the buyer as the buyer's principal dwelling. Provides that a buyer who has completed the buyer's obligations under the contract is entitled to the homestead deduction regardless of whether the seller has conveyed title. Provides that the seller under a contract must provide the buyer with certain information concerning any liens that encumber the property 10 days before the contract is executed. Sets forth disclosures that must be included in a contract. Requires all preexisting liens on the property to be satisfied by the seller by the end of the contract term. Provides that a contract must permit a buyer to pay the balance owed and receive the deed at any time. Prohibits prepayment penalties or additional charges for an early payoff. Provides a three day cancellation period for both the buyer and seller. Allows the seller and the buyer to transfer their respective interests in the contract to other parties, subject to certain conditions. Requires the seller to provide the buyer with an annual statement of account. Sets forth certain rights and responsibilities of the parties upon default by either the buyer or the seller. Sets forth acts and omissions

constituting violations and establishes remedies for these violations. Provides that a violation of these provisions constitutes an incurable deceptive act that is actionable by the attorney general under the deceptive consumer sales act. Authorizes the attorney general, in consultation with the department of financial institutions, to adopt rules to implement these provisions. Requires that the executed contract or a memorandum of land contract be notarized.

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1/10/2024 - Authored By Justin Moed

HB1316

NEXT LEVEL TRUST FUND (SNOW C) Repeals the provision establishing the next generation trust fund. Requires that title to any proceeds transferred to and held in the next generation trust fund, including any money and investments held in the next generation trust fund, and under any trust agreement entered into by the Indiana finance authority (authority) and the treasurer of state, be transferred to the next level Indiana trust fund. Provides that upon completion of the transfer to the next level Indiana trust fund, the next generation trust fund shall cease and be of no further force or effect as a charitable trust or otherwise. Provides that the officers, directors, and employees of the authority and the treasurer of state are immune from civil liability in connection with any transfer to the next level Indiana trust fund. Changes the quorum requirement for the next level Indiana trust fund investment board. Provides that not any one investment made from the next level Indiana trust fund in an investment fund may exceed \$25,000,000 unless the investment fund is specifically created to meet a need in Indiana's ecosystem as determined by the next level Indiana trust fund investment board. Provides that the principal of the next level Indiana trust fund may be used to make and secure lease rental payments that: (1) are payable from grant proceeds from the federal government; and (2) will be used to pay bonds or notes issued by the authority. Provides that if grant proceeds received from the federal government are not sufficient to pay a lease rental payment, the authority shall notify the trustee of the next level Indiana trust fund when the lease rental payment is due and the amount of the shortfall. Requires, upon receiving notice from the authority, the trustee of the next level Indiana trust fund to promptly transfer money in the next level Indiana trust fund in the amount of the shortfall, or at the direction of the authority, for the purpose of making the lease rental payment. Requires, if such a transfer is made, the state budget director to transfer funds from the state general fund to the next level Indiana trust fund in an amount equal to the transfer. Requires the state budget director to submit a report to the budget committee within 30 days after the transfer.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Heine

1/10/2024 - Authored By Craig Snow

HB1318

TAX CREDIT FOR SAFE GUN STORAGE EXPENSES (HALL D) Provides that a taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the taxpayer's state income tax liability in a taxable year equal to the lesser of: (1) 20% multiplied by the safe gun storage expenses incurred by the taxpayer during the taxable year; or (2) \$500 in the case of an individual filing a single return (or \$250 in the case of a married individual filing a separate return). Defines "safe gun storage expenses" as the purchase price of a qualified firearms storage device. Defines "qualified firearms storage device" as: (1) a safe, lockbox, cabinet, or other container designed to store firearms securely by restricting access to the firearms by a locking device; or (2) a locking device that, when installed on a firearm, is designed to prevent the firearm from being operated without first deactivating the device. Provides that to obtain the credit, the taxpayer must claim the credit in the manner prescribed by the department of state revenue (department). Requires the taxpayer to submit to the department proof of the taxpayer's safe gun storage expenses and all information that the department determines is necessary for the calculation of the credit. Prohibits the taxpayer from claiming any carryover, carryback, or refund of any unused credit.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Pierce K and Criswell C

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Gore

1/10/2024 - Authored By David Hall

HB1320

UNSAFE BUILDING LAW (ZIMMERMAN A) Defines, for purposes of the unsafe building law, a "building or structure". Increases from \$10,000 to \$25,000 the estimated cost of work required by an order of a unit's enforcement authority which the unit's enforcement authority may perform using its own workers and equipment.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/23/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/23/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/23/2024 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/10/2024 - Referred to House Local Government

1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Meltzer

- HB1321 TAX SALE PROCEDURES (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides immunity from civil liability and civil and criminal trespass to a person who is a tax sale certificate holder or an applicant for a tax deed who enters an abandoned or vacant property during the statutory redemption period to perform routine maintenance in order to remedy an existing or anticipated ordinance violation imposed by a political subdivision.
Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to House Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Pierce K
1/10/2024 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1322 SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR UTILITY SERVICE (DVORAK R) Provides a sales tax exemption for the sale or furnishing of the following services or commodities by a power subsidiary or a person engaged as a public utility to a person for commercial or domestic consumption: (1) Electrical energy. (2) Natural or artificial gas. (3) Water. (4) Steam. (5) Steam heating service.
Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Ryan Dvorak
- HB1324 BALLOT ACCESS FOR MAJOR AND MINOR PARTIES (DVORAK R) Provides, for purposes of certain laws, that the term "major political party" refers to: (1) with respect to the state, any of the parties whose nominees received more than 2,500 votes statewide for secretary of state in the last election; or (2) with respect to a political subdivision, any of the parties whose nominees received more than 250 votes in that political subdivision for secretary of state in the last election. Provides that a political party whose nominee received at least 2,500 votes but less than 25% of the votes cast for secretary of state at the last election shall nominate the party's candidates at a state convention and for certain local offices at a county convention. Permits a petition of nomination for an independent or minor political party to be signed by 250 registered voters in the election district that the candidate seeks to represent.
Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment
All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Ryan Dvorak
- HB1328 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (SNOW C) Requires a political subdivision to upload to the Indiana transparency website any contract: (1) related to the provision of fire services or emergency medical services; or (2) entered into with another unit or entity that provides fire services or emergency medical services. Requires a political subdivision to annually attest that the political subdivision uploaded any contract related to the provision of fire services or emergency medical services. Provides that if a political subdivision does not submit the attestation, the political subdivision's most recent annual appropriations and annual tax levy are continued for the ensuing budget year. Requires the department of local government finance (department) to notify the county assessor of the department's tentative assessment, or information related to tentative valuation changes, of a utility company's distributable property not later than June 1. Requires a county auditor to submit an amended certified statement of the assessed value for the ensuing year to the department by the later of: (1) September 1; or (2) 15 days after the certified statement is submitted to the department. Prohibits certain civil taxing units that determine they cannot carry out their governmental functions for an ensuing calendar year under various levy limitations from submitting an appeal unless the civil taxing unit receives approval from the appropriate fiscal body to submit the appeal. Similarly prohibits a participating unit of a fire protection territory from submitting an appeal unless each participating unit of the fire protection territory has adopted a resolution approving submission of the appeal. Requires the department, regarding the referendum process for bonds or leases for certain projects, to certify its approval or recommendations to the county auditor and the county election board not more than 10 days after both the required certification of the county auditor and the language of the public question are submitted to the department for review. Provides for the staggering of terms for property tax assessment board of appeals members. Provides that if the department determines that certified computer software or a certified provider is not in compliance with certain specifications or standards or the rules of the department, the department may request that the provider develop a corrective action plan. Provides that a contract with a computer provider under a corrective action plan is not void unless the department: (1) determines that the provider has failed to substantially correct the noncompliance; and (2) revokes the provider's certification. Establishes corrective action plan provisions for noncompliant computer providers. Requires the department to approve a lower levy freeze tax rate if it finds that the lower rate, in addition to: (1) the supplemental distribution as determined in an adopted resolution; and (2) the amount in certain repealed stabilization funds, as applicable; would fund the levy freeze dollar amount. Requires the department to send its decision regarding referendum language to the governing body of a school corporation not more than 10 days after: (1) the certification of the county auditor; and (2) the resolution is submitted to the department. Provides that, for purposes of the transportation levy component of an operations fund property tax levy, a school corporation, whose budget for the upcoming year is subject to review by a fiscal body, may not submit an appeal to the department unless the

school corporation receives approval from the fiscal body. Provides that for a county having a United States government military base that is scheduled for closing, the expiration date of the allocation area may be extended for the purposes of paying certain expenses. Provides that for purposes of public purchasing, the term "public funds" does not include proceeds of bonds payable exclusively by, or used by, a private entity to construct a public facility. Provides a 15% procurement price preference to a business offering to provide supplies or services under a contract awarded by a state agency to a business that provides "specialized employee services" to its employees. Reinstates a provision that was repealed in the 2023 legislative session in Senate Bill 325 that includes as a "homestead" property that is an individual's principal place of residence, is located in Indiana, and is owned by an entity, if the individual is a shareholder, partner, or member of the entity that owns the property. Provides that no ordinance or safety board action to fix compensation may provide for any increase in the compensation of any member of a police department or fire department, or any other appointee, from the prior budget year if the city has not fixed a budget, tax rate, and tax levy for the ensuing budget year. Provides that a county fiscal body may provide a stipend, not to exceed \$2,500, to a circuit court clerk that serves as a voter registration officer each year in which a general election is held. Requires the proper officers of a political subdivision that desire to appropriate more money for a particular year than the amount prescribed in the budget for that year as finally determined to hold a public hearing after submitting information regarding the proposed additional appropriation to the department's computer gateway. Provides that a county fiscal body may establish a salary schedule that includes a stipend, not to exceed \$2,500 in a year, to be paid to the county auditor for duties when warranted as determined by the county fiscal body. Provides that certain acute care hospitals may apply to the division of mental health and addiction for certification as a community mental health center. Requires the division of mental health and addiction to review applications for certification as a community mental health center: (1) to ensure an applicant meets certain standards; and (2) without consideration for previously established exclusive geographic primary service restrictions. Requires a county recorder to provide the owner of a farm with: (1) a copy of the recorded document that contains the name of the owner's farm; and (2) documentation of a description of the land to which the name of the farm applies. Provides for a maximum property tax levy increase for Knox Township in Jay County. Provides the amount of the additional penalty added to taxes payable if a person fails to file a personal property return within 30 days after the due date. Allows a qualified taxpayer to file a property tax exemption application before September 1, 2024, for eligible property for assessment dates beginning within assessment dates occurring within the six years prior to the assessment date at issue. Provides that if a qualified taxpayer files a property tax exemption application for eligible property: (1) the property tax exemption for the eligible property is allowed and granted for the applicable assessment date by the county assessor and county auditor of the county in which the eligible property is located; and (2) the qualified taxpayer is not required to pay any property taxes, penalties, interest, or tax sale reimbursement expenses with respect to the eligible property for the applicable assessment date. Provides that, to the extent the qualified taxpayer has paid any property taxes, penalties, or interest with respect to the eligible property for an applicable assessment date, the qualified taxpayer

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/24/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 23; Nays: 0

1/24/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Pryor

1/17/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/10/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Heine and Judy

1/10/2024 - Authored By Craig Snow

HB1329

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (PRESSEL J) Authorizes the solid waste management district of Vanderburgh County to make grants and loans for certain purposes. Prohibits a governmental entity from requiring that a Class 2 structure or a residential onsite sewage system be inspected in connection with or as a condition of the sale of or transfer of title to the property containing the Class 2 structure or residential onsite sewage system. Provides, for purposes of posting a license bond, that a political subdivision may not impose any requirement for the political subdivision to be identified as an obligee on the license bond other than the requirement in statute. Provides that certain obligors may initiate a civil action against a political subdivision that does not recognize or does not allow an obligor to post a license bond that satisfies certain requirements and that, if the obligor prevails in the action, the obligor shall be awarded an amount equal to: (1) 300% of the cost of obtaining the license bond; (2) compensatory damages; and (3) reasonable attorney's fees. Provides that if a contractor: (1) has posted a license bond to obtain one license from a political subdivision; and (2) is required to obtain another license from the political subdivision to perform work that the contractor intends to perform; the contractor may not be required to post a second license bond as a condition of obtaining the second license if the type of work that the first license authorizes the contractor to perform is so closely related to the type of work that the second license will authorize the contractor to perform that both types of work are typically involved in a single residential construction project. Provides that a city, town, or county that requires a building permit for the construction of a Class 2 structure may provide for the inspection to be conducted by: (1) an individual employed by the city, town, or county, or by another city, town, or county, as a building inspector; (2) a

registered architect; (3) a registered professional engineer; (4) a certified building official; or (5) a licensed home inspector.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/25/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/23/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/23/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 2
1/23/2024 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Miller D
1/10/2024 - Referred to House Local Government
1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1337 PREEMPTION OF HOA REGULATION OF BEEKEEPING (ENGLEMAN K) Sets forth a homeowners association's ability to regulate beekeeping on properties subject to covenants of the homeowners association.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/25/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/22/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/22/2024 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/10/2024 - Referred to House Agriculture and Rural Development
1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Clere
1/10/2024 - Authored By Karen Engleman

HB1338 SECURITY OF PROPERTY AND MEETING DECORUM (PRESCOTT J) Allows the governing bodies of certain local government agencies (local agencies) to adopt rules or policies governing the conduct of meetings. Provides that a rule or policy may provide that the presiding member of the governing body of the local agency may: (1) issue warnings to disruptive attendees and direct them to leave the meeting on the third warning; and (2) direct a law enforcement officer to remove disruptive attendees. Provides that the rules and policies must be posted at the meeting entrance or announced before taking public testimony. Specifies that a provision of the tort claims law providing immunity to a government entity or employee in adopting and enforcing a law or rule applies. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally enters or refuses to leave certain restricted areas of a property commits the offense of criminal trespass.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Referred to Senate

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - Senate sponsors: Senators Raatz and Alexander
1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 24: yeas 79, nays 17
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Pressel and Campbell
1/22/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Meltzer J
1/18/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
1/18/2024 - Amendment #2 (Torr) prevailed; voice vote
1/18/2024 - Amendment #1 (Clere) prevailed; voice vote
1/18/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/16/2024 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/10/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By J.D. Prescott

HB1381 PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS (JUDY C) Makes the following property tax changes for assessment dates occurring after December 31, 2024: (1) Increases the assessed value cap from \$240,000 to \$350,000 that applies to an individual's eligibility for the: (A) over 65 property tax deduction; and (B) over 65 circuit breaker credit; without altering the requirement in current law that any subsequent increases in assessed value are not considered unless the increase is attributable to substantial renovation or new improvements to the property. (2) Eliminates the assessed value cap that applies to the property tax deduction for a veteran who: (A) has a total disability; or (B) is at least 62 years of age and has at least a 10% disability.

Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading

- HB1383 WETLANDS (MORRISON A) Clarifies various wetland definitions. Eliminates certain wetland rulemaking requirements. Provides that certain wetland activity requires state authorization. Clarifies the compensatory mitigation that must be offered to offset certain wetland activity. Makes conforming changes and technical corrections.
- Current Status:* 1/31/2024 - Senate Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs
1/25/2024 - First Reading
1/23/2024 - Senate sponsors: Senators Niemeyer, Garten, Goode
1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 42: yeas 64, nays 30
1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/17/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 4
1/17/2024 - House Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/11/2024 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs
1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Miller D, Wesco, Prescott
1/11/2024 - Authored By Alan Morrison
- HB1385 PAYMENT FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES (BARRETT B) Requires a health plan operator to provide payment to a nonparticipating ambulance service provider for ambulance service provided to a covered individual: (1) at a rate not to exceed the rates set or approved, by contract or ordinance, by the county or municipality in which the ambulance service originated; or (2) if there are no rates set or approved by the county or municipality in which the ambulance service originated: (A) at the rate of 500% of the published rate for ambulance services established under the Medicare law for the same ambulance service provided in the same geographic area; or (B) according to the nonparticipating ambulance provider's billed charges; whichever is less. Provides that if a health plan makes payment to a nonparticipating ambulance service provider in compliance with these requirements: (1) the payment shall be considered payment in full, except for any copayment, coinsurance, deductible, and other cost sharing amounts that the health plan requires the covered individual to pay; and (2) the nonparticipating ambulance service provider is prohibited from billing the covered individual for any additional amount. Provides that the copayment, coinsurance, deductible, and other cost sharing amounts that a covered individual is required to pay in connection with ambulance service provided by a nonparticipating ambulance service provider shall not exceed the copayment, coinsurance, deductible, and other cost sharing amounts that the covered individual would be required to pay if the ambulance service had been provided by a participating ambulance service provider. Requires a health plan operator that receives a clean claim from a nonparticipating ambulance service provider to remit payment to the nonparticipating ambulance service provider not more than 30 days after receiving the clean claim. Provides that if a claim received by a health plan operator for ambulance service provided by a nonparticipating ambulance service provider is not a clean claim, the health plan operator, not more than 30 days after receiving the claim, shall: (1) remit payment; or (2) send a written notice that: (A) acknowledges the date of receipt of the claim; and (B) either explains why the health plan operator is declining to pay the claim or states that additional information is needed for a determination whether to pay the claim. Repeals the requirement that a health plan operator negotiate rates and terms with any ambulance service provider willing to become a participating provider and the requirement that the department of insurance, not later than May 1, 2024, submit a report concerning these negotiations.
- Current Status:* 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/24/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 1
1/24/2024 - House Insurance, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/11/2024 - Referred to House Insurance
1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Authored By Brad Barrett
- HB1387 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (MILLER D) Makes various changes to the residential housing infrastructure assistance program. Expands the definition of "economic development facilities" applicable to the economic development and pollution control statutes to include facilities for housing for purposes of redevelopment commission programs outside Indianapolis for age-restricted housing or residential housing development. Makes a technical correction.
- Current Status:* 1/30/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/23/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/23/2024 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/23/2024 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/11/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Representative O'Brien
1/11/2024 - Authored By Doug Miller

- HB1388 USE OF DIGITAL ASSETS (VANNATTER H) Provides an income tax deduction for short term or long term capital gain that is attributable to the sale or exchange of digital assets in a transaction and that is included in federal adjusted gross income, in an amount not to exceed \$200 per transaction for the 2024 taxable year, and adjusted annually for inflation each taxable year thereafter. Provides that a county or municipality may not: (1) impose a tax that is assessed based on use of a digital asset as payment in a transaction; or (2) impose a tax on transactions at a different rate based on the use of a digital asset for payment in the transaction. Prohibits the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) from approving a rate schedule for electricity supplied by an electricity supplier to digital asset mining businesses that is unreasonable or unjustly discriminatory as compared to the rate schedule approved by the commission for electricity supplied by the electricity supplier to industrial customers. Provides that a person is not required to be licensed as a securities broker-dealer solely because the person provides, or offers to provide, specified services with respect to transactions involving digital assets. Provides that specified operations conducted with respect to maintenance of a blockchain do not constitute money transmission for purposes of statutes regarding licensure of money transmitters. Provides immunity from civil liability for a person that performs specified actions with respect to validation of a transaction on a blockchain network. Prohibits a county, municipality, or township from adopting or enforcing an ordinance that would have the effect of prohibiting, restricting, or impairing an individual's ability to: (1) use digital assets to purchase legal goods and services; or (2) use a hardware wallet or self-hosted wallet to store the individual's digital assets. Provides that use of a property for digital asset mining is a permitted industrial use under any applicable zoning ordinance of a unit and may not be disallowed by a zoning ordinance in a zoning district that permits industrial use. Prohibits a unit from applying the unit's zoning ordinances in specified ways to regulate digital asset mining. Makes conforming amendments and technical corrections.
Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Authored By Heath VanNatter
- HB1395 YOUTH SPORTS AND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREAS (JUDY C) Allows the legislative body of a city or town to adopt a resolution establishing a youth sports and tourism development area (tax area). Requires that the tax area include a facility or complex of facilities used by youth sports teams and organizations for practice or competitive sporting events. Requires the legislative body to make findings when adopting a resolution. Requires the legislative body 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 and local income tax revenue and incremental sales tax revenue attributable to the tax area. Requires a city or town that establishes a tax area to establish a youth sports and tourism development area fund. Limits the amount of incremental tax revenue that may be allocated to \$1,000,000 per tax area per state fiscal year. Provides that a tax area terminates not later than 25 years after the date on which the first obligation payable from tax revenues allocated to the tax area is incurred.
Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Snow and GiaQuinta
1/11/2024 - Authored By Chris Judy
- HB1396 GOVERNMENT BOARDS, COUNCILS, AND COMMISSIONS (BARTELS S) Repeals, merges, consolidates, or otherwise modifies various boards, commissions, committees, councils, authorities, and funds. Removes certain appointed members from various boards, commissions, and districts. Modifies the appointing authority for particular funds, boards, and councils.
Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D
1/11/2024 - Authored By Steve Bartels
- HB1397 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 that is the basis of the emergency order impacts an area of the state that does not exceed the lesser of: (1) 31 counties; or (2) an area that is inhabited by less than 33 1/3% of the population of Indiana; 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.

Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Public Health

All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading

1/11/2024 - Authored By Shane Lindauer

HB1399

PFAS CHEMICALS (LINDAUER S) Defines "PFAS chemicals" and requires the environmental rules board to use the definition in certain rules concerning industrial processes and research and development.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - First Reading

1/23/2024 - Senate sponsor: Senator Messmer

1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 43: yeas 64, nays 30

1/23/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Morrison, Criswell C, Haggard C

1/23/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/22/2024 - Amendment #1 (Bauer M) failed; Roll Call 16: yeas 28, nays 66

1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/17/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 7; Nays: 5

1/17/2024 - House Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/11/2024 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

1/11/2024 - First Reading

1/11/2024 - Authored By Shane Lindauer

HB1401

VARIOUS NATURAL RESOURCES MATTERS (LINDAUER S) Requires the county auditor, under certain circumstances, to notify surface property owners of oil or gas interests eligible for sale. Increases the maximum dry weight for a "recreational off-highway vehicle". Provides that certain fees established by the natural resource commission (commission) do not constitute a rule. Adds language to youth hunting and trapping license provisions providing that the nonresident youth turkey licenses include all yearly stamps to hunt wild turkeys and that the resident and nonresident youth license remains valid for the remainder of the license period even after the license holder turns 18 years of age. Provides that certain licenses may still be used if the license holder moves out of state. Provides that a person may perform certain activities without obtaining a permit from the department of natural resources (department). Allows the commission to adopt rules regarding certain activities that are permitted without a license. Provides certain guidelines for cutting, relocating, or removing logs that are crossways in a channel. Establishes requirements for constructing certain structures in a floodway. Requires the department to take certain steps before: (1) making a determination when the department is reviewing the department mapping data being applied to a parcel of real property; and (2) submitting department mapping data in preparation of the Federal Emergency Management Agency flood hazard map. Allows certain persons to request a review by the department of the department mapping data applying to the parcel of real property. Requires the department, in reviewing the department mapping data applying to a parcel of real property, to use a detailed hydrologic modeling method and perform an on-site investigation. Requires the department to notify certain persons within 90 days after determining that a parcel of real property: (1) is included in a flood plain or floodway; or (2) is no longer included in a flood plain or floodway. Establishes the STREAM act fund. Makes technical and conforming changes. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/24/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 22; Nays: 0

1/24/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Representatives Abbott D, Baird, Prescott

1/18/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/17/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/17/2024 - House Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/11/2024 - Referred to House Natural Resources

- HB1402 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERMITS FOR SHORELINE STRUCTURES (SMALTZ B) Amends the law concerning public freshwater lakes to provide that a person who intends to construct a boathouse or any other permanent structure that has both walls and a roof over, along, or lakeward of the shoreline or water line of a public freshwater lake must obtain a construction permit from the local building department of the county or municipality in which the construction would take place and need not obtain a permit from the department of natural resources (department). Amends the law concerning construction in floodways to provide that a person who intends to construct a boathouse or any other permanent structure that has both walls and a roof at the edge of a body of water in a floodway must obtain a construction permit from the local building department of the county or municipality in which the construction would take place and need not obtain a permit from the department.
- Current Status:* 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Natural Resources
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Authored By Ben Smaltz
- HB1403 DETERMINING EXISTENCE AND CLASS OF WETLANDS (BOY P) Amends the definition of Class I wetland to provide that, to be categorized as a Class I wetland, a wetland must be determined by a hydrologist to possess no significant hydrologic function. Defines "hydrologic function" as the capacity of a wetland to store floodwaters by spreading water out over a large, flat area, which decreases runoff velocity, reduces flood peaks, and distributes stormflows over longer time periods. Provides that a wetland that meets the other conditions of the definition of "Class I wetland" but is not determined by a hydrologist to possess no significant hydrologic function is a Class II wetland. Provides that, for purposes of the law on state regulated wetlands, the existence of a wetland and the wetland class of a wetland shall be determined through use of: (1) the National Wetlands Inventory produced by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and made available by the department of environmental management on the Internet for public use; and (2) the soil data and other information available through the Web Soil Survey website operated by the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture.
- Current Status:* 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Authored By Pat Boy
- HB1407 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:* 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Authored By Zach Payne
- HB1409 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:* 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Haggard, Sweet, Prescott
1/11/2024 - Authored By Zach Payne
- HB1411 ELIMINATION OF STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX (PAYNE Z) Eliminates the state individual adjusted gross income tax by reducing the rate to 0%. Provides that in calculating the local income tax (LIT), which is imposed based on a local taxpayer's state adjusted gross income, the calculation of a taxpayer's state adjusted gross income for LIT purposes shall be calculated under the adjusted gross income tax provisions as if those provisions, and the most recent adjusted gross income tax rate before its elimination, were still in effect.
- Current Status:* 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Hostettler, Sweet, Cash
1/11/2024 - Authored By Zach Payne
- HB1412 CANINE STANDARD OF CARE (BAIRD B) Sets forth regulations concerning the retail sale of dogs. Requires retail pet stores, animal care facilities, animal rescue operations, and hobby breeders that sell dogs to a retail pet store to register with the board of animal health. Establishes mandatory disclosures and warranties for a retail pet store selling dogs. Establishes a random inspection program for commercial dog breeders, commercial dog brokers, and retail pet stores beginning July 1, 2025. Voids local ordinances prohibiting the sale of dogs at retail pet stores.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - House Bills on Third Reading
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
1/25/2024 - Amendment #3 (Bauer M) prevailed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Amendment #1 (Andrade) motion withdrawn voice vote
1/25/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/22/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 4
1/22/2024 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/11/2024 - Referred to House Agriculture and Rural Development
1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Representatives Aylesworth and Morris
1/11/2024 - Authored By Beau Baird

HB1413 STATE AND LOCAL POLICIES ON HOMELESSNESS (DAVIS M) Cancels the appropriation in the 2023 budget bill for the state's housing first program and reallocates that appropriation to the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) as follows: (1) Provides that state funds for homelessness must be used for: (A) parking areas; (B) camping facilities; (C) individual shelters; and (D) congregate shelters; and specifies conditions and requirements applicable to those facilities. (2) Provides that state funds otherwise used for permanent housing must be used to assist individuals with substance use, mental health treatment, and other services, including short term housing. Provides that the authority must award certain funds as performance payments for political subdivisions or nonprofit organizations that reduce the number of individuals with days unhoused, days in jail or prison, or days hospitalized. Specifies that a person who owns or operates a private camping facility funded under the bill's provisions is immune from civil liability. Prohibits an individual from camping, sleeping, or using for long term shelter land owned by the state or a political subdivision, unless the land has been authorized for that use under the provisions added by the bill or another law. Provides, if certain elements are met, that a person who knowingly or intentionally uses land owned by the state or a political subdivision for unauthorized camping, sleeping, or for long term shelter commits a Class C misdemeanor. Establishes an affirmative defense to such a prosecution. Prohibits a political subdivision from adopting or enforcing any policy that prohibits or discourages the enforcement of any order or ordinance prohibiting public camping, sleeping, or other obstruction of a sidewalk. Authorizes the attorney general to bring a civil action to enjoin a political subdivision that adopts or enforces such a policy. Makes conforming changes. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
1/11/2024 - Authored By Michelle Davis

HB1424 LAW ENFORCEMENT POWERS OF FIRE INVESTIGATORS (MAYFIELD P) Allows a fire investigator who is a member of a fire department that provides service to a first or second class city (city) to exercise police powers for the city if the city police chief and county sheriff receive written notification from the chief of the city fire department or the fire department providing service to the city. (Under current law, a fire investigator must be a member of the city fire department and must be authorized to exercise police powers in the city by the chiefs of the city police department and fire department.)

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - First Reading
1/16/2024 - Authored By Peggy Mayfield

HB1427 INCOME TAX REPLACEMENT (BORDERS B) Eliminates the state adjusted gross income tax by reducing the rate to 0%. Provides that the reduction in revenue resulting from the elimination of the state income tax must be offset by adjustments to the state gross retail tax. Provides that in calculating the local income tax (LIT), which is imposed based on a local taxpayer's state adjusted gross income, the calculation of a taxpayer's state adjusted gross income for LIT purposes shall be calculated under the adjusted gross income tax provisions as if those provisions, and the most recent adjusted gross income tax rate before its elimination, were still in effect.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - First Reading
1/16/2024 - Authored By Bruce Borders

HB1429 LOW WATER CROSSINGS (PATTERSON L) Defines "low water crossing" as a place where a road crosses a stream having a water level that is normally well below the level of the road but may in times of heavy rain rise above the level of the road to a depth that is difficult for the driver of an oncoming automobile to judge, creating the risk that the driver will attempt to cross at the crossing and the driver's automobile will become buoyant and be swept off the road. Defines "low water crossing project" as a project that consists of installing appropriate road signs to warn automobile drivers as they approach a low water crossing, replacing damaged or undersized road culverts in a low water crossing with culverts that will accommodate a greater quantity of stream flow under the road, or replacing a

low water crossing with a bridge. Authorizes a local county road and bridge board to undertake low water crossing projects. Requires the commissioner of the department of transportation (department) to ensure that the department makes information available to county boards of commissioners and county highway departments about funding from federal and private sources that might be available to the counties for low water crossing projects. Amends the law on the local road and bridge matching grant fund: (1) to allow grants to local units to be used for low water crossing projects; and (2) to provide that funds allocated for grants to local units having a population of less than 50,000 can be used to make grants to counties below the population limit as well as to municipalities located in counties that are below the population limit.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By Lindsay Patterson

HCR1

TO ALLOW THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE 123RD INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ADJOURN AND RECESS SEPARATELY THROUGHOUT THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION (HUSTON T) A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION to allow the House of Representatives and the Senate of the 123rd Indiana General Assembly to adjourn and recess separately throughout the Second Regular Session for periods in excess of three (3) consecutive days as the need, in the judgment of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, respectively, may arise.

Current Status: 11/21/2023 - adopted voice vote

All Bill Status: 11/21/2023 - First Reading

11/21/2023 - Returned to the House

11/21/2023 - Senate sponsors: Senators Bray and Taylor G

11/21/2023 - adopted voice vote

11/21/2023 - First Reading

11/21/2023 - Coauthored by Representative GiaQuinta

11/21/2023 - Referred to Senate

11/21/2023 - Authored By Todd Huston

SB5

LEAD WATER LINE REPLACEMENT AND LEAD REMEDIATION (KOCH E) Specifies that, for purposes of the statute concerning the replacement of customer owned lead service lines by water utilities, a municipally owned utility includes a utility company owned, operated, or held in trust by a consolidated city. Provides that the following apply with respect to the owner of a building, structure, or dwelling, other than a multi-family residential property that contains more than four dwelling units, that is served by a customer owned lead service line within or connected to a water utility's system: (1) That upon request by the water utility, the owner shall replace, or cause to be replaced, the customer owned portion of the lead service line by: (A) enrolling in the water utility's lead service line replacement program; or (B) replacing the customer owned portion of the lead service line through the owner's own agents or contractors and at the owner's own expense. (2) That if the owner: (A) does not enroll in the water utility's lead service line replacement program; (B) does not replace the customer owned portion of the lead service line; or (C) fails to communicate with the water utility regarding the replacement; the water utility or the water utility's agent may enter the property to replace the customer owned portion of the lead service line. (3) That the: (A) water utility; and (B) occupant of the property, if the property is occupied by a person other than the owner; are not liable to the owner with respect to any replacement made under these provisions. (4) That a water utility may, in addition to availing itself of the remedies set forth in these provisions, and in accordance with state law, disconnect water service to the owner's property. Provides that the following apply with respect to the owner of a multi-family residential property that contains more than four dwelling units: (1) That the owner may elect to participate in the water utility's lead service line replacement program. (2) That the owner must communicate to the water utility the owner's election to participate not later than 45 days after receiving the water utility's request. (3) That if the owner does not communicate the owner's election to participate within this 45 day period, the owner, or any future owner of the property, is responsible for replacing the customer owned portion of the lead service line through the owner's own agents or contractors and at the owner's own expense. Provides that in the case of a: (1) building; (2) structure; or (3) dwelling; that a water utility has determined to be abandoned or unserviceable, the water utility may disconnect water service to the property and require the owner, or any future owner, of the property to install a new service line. Provides that these provisions may be incorporated, without the need for further approval by the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC), into a water utility's lead service line replacement plan that has been previously approved by the IURC. Establishes the school lead testing and remediation grant program (program) for the purpose of making grants to public school corporations to perform lead testing and remediation in schools. Requires the Indiana department of health to administer the program. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Walker K, Zay, Carrasco, Busch, Yoder

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski

1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Leising, Messmer, Niemeyer, Walker G

1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Bassler

1/25/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/25/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 12; Nays: 0
1/25/2024 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Garten, Glick, Holdman, Johnson, T
1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Bohacek, Deery, Dernulc, Doriot
1/18/2024 - added as third author Senator Hunley
1/18/2024 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau
1/16/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations
1/11/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
1/11/2024 - Senate Utilities, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Utilities
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Eric Koch

SB10 COMMUNITY CARES INITIATIVE GRANT PILOT PROGRAM (BALDWIN S) Establishes the community cares initiative grant pilot program for the purpose of assisting in the costs of starting or expanding mobile integrated health care programs and mobile crisis teams in Indiana. Establishes the community cares initiative fund.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Maxwell, Taylor G, Bohacek, Alexander, Deery, Doriot, Brown L, Koch

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Hunley
1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Ford J.D
1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Becker
1/25/2024 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations
1/24/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
1/24/2024 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Young M
1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Crane, Busch, Johnson, T, Buck, Gaskill
1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Carrasco and Bassler
1/9/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Walker K
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Senator Garten
1/8/2024 - Authored By Scott Baldwin

SB12 SEX OFFENDER RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS (DERNULC D) Provides that an offender against children who knowingly or intentionally resides within 1,000 feet of certain areas owned, leased, operated, or maintained by a homeowners association or property owners association commits a sex offender residency offense, a Level 6 felony.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB13 SUPPORT; MINORS WHO LOSE A PARENT TO A DWI OFFENSE (DERNULC D) Defines "child restitution order". Requires the court to order a person who is convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated causing death (convicted person) and who caused the death of a victim with a minor child to pay child restitution. Provides certain factors for the court to consider when determining the amount of the child restitution order. Requires that the convicted person make child restitution order payments to the clerk of court and that the clerk of court have certain deadlines to deposit and remit the payment after receiving it. Provides that, if the convicted person is incarcerated, the court may allow not more than one year after release from incarceration for the convicted person to pay the child restitution order. Requires the court to offset a child restitution order by the amount of certain civil judgments.

Current Status: 1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Koch

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB14 RIGHT OF CERTAIN PERSONS TO CARRY A HANDGUN IN THE STATEHOUSE AND STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX (TOMES J) Allows: (1) certain statewide elected officials; (2) members of the general assembly; (3) members of the Indiana lobby registration commission; (4) professional staff of the general assembly; and (5) employees of certain statewide elected offices; to carry a handgun in the statehouse or on the property of the state capitol complex under

certain circumstances.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Amendment #3 (Freeman) prevailed; Roll Call 28: yeas 39, nays 8
1/25/2024 - Amendment #2 (Young M) prevailed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Johnson, T
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 5; Nays: 2
1/16/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/11/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Doriot, Byrne, Buck, Leising, Koch, Young M
1/11/2024 - added as third author Senator Messmer
1/9/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Busch
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By James Tomes

SB17

AGE VERIFICATION FOR MATERIAL HARMFUL TO MINORS (BOHACEK M) Requires an adult oriented website operator that displays material harmful to minors to use a reasonable age verification method to prevent a minor from accessing an adult oriented website. Creates a cause of action to permit: (1) the parent or guardian of a child harmed by a violation of the age verification requirement to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees; and (2) any other person to bring an action to obtain injunctive relief and reasonable attorney's fees. Prohibits a person that conducts age verification from retaining the identifying information of an individual seeking to access an adult oriented website that displays material harmful to minors, and permits an individual whose identifying information is retained to bring an action to obtain monetary damages, injunctive relief, and reasonable attorney's fees.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Referred to House
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski
1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Zay and Byrne
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Young M
1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Crane and Raatz
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Crider
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Charbonneau
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Bassler
1/18/2024 - Cosponsors: Representatives Speedy, Pressel, Goss-Reaves
1/18/2024 - House sponsor: Representative King
1/18/2024 - Third reading passed;
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Koch
1/16/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
1/16/2024 - Amendment #2 (Bohacek) prevailed; voice vote
1/16/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/11/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Buck
1/11/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/10/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
1/10/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Alting, Doriot, Tomes
1/10/2024 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Johnson, T
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Mike Bohacek

SB19

LICENSE SUSPENSION (DERNULC D) Allows the BMV to add an additional compliance period for those seeking material error review regarding certain license suspensions.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Vinzant
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/23/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/23/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/23/2024 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - added as third author Senator Tomes
1/9/2024 - added as second author Senator Niemeyer
1/9/2024 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB20 MUNICIPAL RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT PERMITS (HOLDMAN T) Specifies that the alcohol and tobacco commission may issue restaurant permits for a municipal riverfront development district established by a town.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Lehman
1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 20: yeas 48, nays 0
1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Zay
1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
1/16/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Travis Holdman

SB23 DAMAGE TO A FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM (BECKER V) Provides that a person who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally damages a component of an automatic building fire suppression system commits criminal mischief, a Level 6 felony, and increases the penalty to a Level 5 felony if it is committed in a penal facility or a juvenile facility.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Bohacek, Freeman, Glick
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/23/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 5; Nays: 2
1/23/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Vaneta Becker

SB24 MINIMUM AGE TO CARRY A HANDGUN (RANDOLPH L) Changes the minimum age required to carry a handgun to 21 years of age.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

SB26 PROHIBITION OF FIREARMS AT POLLING PLACES (RANDOLPH L) Prohibits a person from carrying a firearm in or near: (1) a chute; (2) polls; (3) certain areas where voters congregate or are likely to congregate; or (4) any room where ballots are being counted. Provides that the offense is a Class C misdemeanor. Enhances the offense to a: (1) Class A misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for the offense; or (2) Level 6 felony if the firearm is pointed at another person. Specifies: (1) a defense; and (2) certain notice requirements. Prohibits other defenses. Defines particular terms. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

SB27 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 of

motor vehicles (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 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: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

SB29

TOWN PARTY CONVENTIONS (DONATO S) Specifies the manner of nomination applicable to a candidate for town office in a small town, based on the year in which the election occurs. Modifies the deadlines for: (1) filing a copy of an ordinance establishing a primary election for nomination of major political party candidates; and (2) holding a town convention.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as third author Senator Doriot

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Cosponsor: Representative Wesco
1/25/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Smaltz
1/25/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 32: yeas 46, nays 0
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/23/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
1/23/2024 - Amendment #5 (Donato) prevailed; voice vote
1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/11/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/9/2024 - added as second author Senator Gaskill
1/9/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/8/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0; (Voted on Jan. 8)
1/8/2024 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Elections
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Stacey Donato

SB30

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 school bus 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: 1/23/2024 - Referred to House

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski
1/18/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Slager
1/18/2024 - Third reading passed;
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/16/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/16/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/11/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Ford J.D
1/11/2024 - added as third author Senator Dernulc
1/11/2024 - added as second author Senator Buck
1/11/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/9/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/9/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 7; Nays: 0
1/9/2024 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

- SB31 ELIMINATION OF ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS OF ASSESSED VALUES (NIEMEYER R) Eliminates the annual adjustments (or "trending") to assessed values of certain real property for assessment dates beginning after December 31, 2024. 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: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer
- SB32 TAX AND FISCAL CONTROL OVER LIBRARIES (TOMES J) Eliminates the authority of public libraries to impose an ad valorem property tax as a "taxing unit". Requires a public library to prepare and submit an annual budget in the same manner as other departments of county or municipal government. Requires the fiscal body of a county or municipality in which the territory of the public library is located to provide the revenues necessary for the operation and maintenance of the public library by a special tax levy, a specific appropriation, or both. Provides that a special tax levy for public library purposes is included in the calculation of the maximum permissible property tax levy for the county or municipality. Prohibits public libraries from providing a function or service that is not a core public function of the library, unless the specific function or service is included as a line item request in the public library's budget and is approved and funded by the county or municipality to which the budget proposal is submitted. Defines "core public function" for purposes of the statute.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - added as second author Senator Byrne
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By James Tomes
- SB33 DISTRIBUTIONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY INCOME TAX REVENUE (NIEMEYER R) Provides that a qualified township and various fire entities may apply to the county adopting body for a distribution of local income tax revenue that is allocated to public safety purposes. Requires the county adopting body to review a submitted application at a public hearing at which the qualified township or entity must present and explain its application. Provides that after the public hearing on the application, and before September 1, the county adopting body shall adopt a resolution approving the application and requiring that tax revenue be distributed to the qualified township or entity. Provides the calculation for the amount of the allocation to a qualified township. Repeals certain provisions enacted in the 2023 session in HB 1454 regarding distribution of tax revenue allocated to public safety to township fire departments, volunteer fire departments, fire protection territories, or fire protection districts.
Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer
- SB35 TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS (FREEMAN A) Addresses technical issues in the Indiana Code, including those related to spelling, tabulation, formatting, grammar, and cross-references. Repeals an empty chapter. Relocates, without change, provisions enacted at an incorrect citation or at conflicting citations. Resolves technical conflicts from the 2023 legislative session. Changes references from the auditor of state to the state comptroller, and provides directions for publication of affected provisions. Makes conforming amendments. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision commission.)
Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Referred to House
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Engleman
1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 13: yeas 46, nays 0
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/16/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/16/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/11/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/10/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/10/2024 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Aaron Freeman
- SB36 INTERFERENCE WITH BOUNDARY MARKER (DORIOT B) Creates a civil penalty for a person who knowingly or intentionally disturbs or removes a boundary marker, and permits a court to order a person who disturbs or removes a boundary marker to pay for the cost of reestablishing the boundary marker.
Current Status: 1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Buck

All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Cosponsor: Representative Miller D
1/23/2024 - House sponsor: Representative King
1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 21: yeas 48, nays 0
1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Walker G
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Messmer
1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Freeman
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/16/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Blake Doriot

SB37 OVERSIGHT OF CONVENTION AND VISITOR BUREAU (NIEMEYER R) Requires county council review and approval of the Lake County convention and visitor bureau annual budget, if the county council adopts an ordinance to increase the innkeeper's tax rate.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Pol
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Cosponsor: Representative Olthoff
1/25/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Slager
1/25/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 33: yeas 46, nays 0
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
1/23/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
1/23/2024 - Amendment #1 (Dernulc) prevailed; voice vote
1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/11/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
1/11/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

SB38 THIRTEENTH CHECK (NIEZGODSKI D) Provides for a thirteenth check for certain members, participants, or beneficiaries of the: (1) Indiana state teachers' retirement fund; (2) Indiana public employees' retirement fund; (3) state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan; (4) state police pre-1987 benefit system; and (5) state police 1987 benefit system. Provides for a \$50 payment to members of the Indiana state teachers' retirement fund and Indiana public employees' retirement fund, and to participants of the state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Qaddoura
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By David Niezgodski

SB44 ADMINISTRATIVE SUBPOENA FOR CERTAIN INVESTIGATIONS (CRIDER M) Authorizes the state police department to issue an administrative subpoena to obtain certain records, if: (1) the subpoena relates to an investigation of an offense that involves the sexual exploitation of a minor; and (2) there is reasonable cause to believe that an Internet or electronic service account has been used in the sexual exploitation or attempted sexual exploitation of the minor.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Michael Crider

SB45 TRAUMA INFORMED CARE (CRIDER M) Requires the Indiana state board of nursing to study whether trauma informed care should be included as part of the required curriculum for nursing education programs. Requires an individual who holds an active license as a nurse and has direct patient contact to complete a trauma informed care

training program within a specified time. Requires the employer of an employee who is required to obtain the training to maintain a record of the completion of the training in the employee's employment records. States that receiving the training as part of curriculum at a nursing education program satisfies the training requirement.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

All Bill Status: 1/24/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/24/2024 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/16/2024 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau

1/10/2024 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Michael Crider

SB46

PARENTAL RIGHTS (BROWN L) Provides that a governmental entity may not substantially burden certain parental rights unless the burden is in furtherance of a compelling governmental interest and is the least restrictive means of furthering the governmental interest. Prohibits a governmental entity from: (1) advising, directing, or coercing a child to withhold certain information from the child's parent; or (2) denying a child's parent access to certain information. Allows a parent to bring an action against a governmental entity for certain violations and provides for certain relief. Specifies that the parent of a child does not have a right to access certain medical care on behalf of the child if the child does not have an affirmative right of access to such medical care.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Crane

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Bohacek

1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Young M

1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Goode G

1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Maxwell and Alexander

1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Zay

1/16/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Buchanan, Donato, Byrne, Raatz, Rogers, Doriot, Messmer

1/16/2024 - added as third author Senator Gaskill

1/16/2024 - added as second author Senator Garten

1/10/2024 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Liz Brown

SB51

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESSED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM (WALKER G) Authorizes counties, cities, and towns (local units) to adopt an ordinance for a commercial property assessed capital expenditure program (C-PACE program) and enter into an assessment contract with the owner or owners of commercial property to impose a voluntary C-PACE tax assessment and lien on an applicant's property as a means of assisting the applicant in obtaining financing of eligible clean energy improvements on the property. Defines an "eligible improvement". Requires the local unit to obtain written consent of each existing mortgage lienholder on the property stating that the lienholder does not object to the imposition of the C-PACE tax assessment. Requires certain provisions to be included in an assessment contract. Specifies the procedures for imposing the assessment, collection, enforcement, 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: 1/9/2024 - Withdrawn

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Greg Walker

SB52

PROHIBITION ON USE OF DEDICATED LANES (FREEMAN A) Prohibits, until July 1, 2025, a unit of local government from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, resolution, rule, policy, or other requirement concerning a public transportation project, including the blue line, that seeks to: (1) convert; (2) restrict; or (3) otherwise establish; a vehicular traffic lane for use as a dedicated lane. Specifies exclusions from the scope of the bill's temporary prohibition.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Raatz, Zay, Busch, Byrne

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Maxwell, Dernulc, Bohacek, Niemeyer

1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Goode G

1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Doriot, Gaskill, Buchanan, Johnson, T

1/25/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/25/2024 - Amendment #7 (Hunley) failed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Amendment #3 (Qaddoura) failed; Roll Call 30: yeas 9, nays 38
1/25/2024 - Amendment #4 (Qaddoura) failed; Roll Call 29: yeas 9, nays 38
1/25/2024 - Amendment #6 (Freeman) prevailed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Young M, Glick, Leising
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Messmer, Donato, Koch, Tomes
1/22/2024 - removed as second author Senator Doriot
1/22/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
1/18/2024 - added as second author Senator Doriot
1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 7; Nays: 5
1/18/2024 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB54

MARION COUNTY FIRE CONSOLIDATION (BALDWIN S) Authorizes the consolidation of a township fire department or fire protection territory in Marion County into the fire department of the consolidated city if the following occur: (1) The mayor of the consolidated city adopts a resolution approving the consolidation. (2) The city-county council adopts an ordinance approving the consolidation. (3) The mayor of the consolidated city approves the ordinance of the city-county council. Provides that a consolidation is effective on the date set forth in the ordinance adopted by the city-county council. Provides for the transfer of cumulative building and equipment fund balances, debt service balances, and firefighting fund balances on the effective date of the consolidation. Makes changes to a provision concerning the transfer of certain types of indebtedness to the consolidated city incurred before the effective date of the consolidation. Relocates language specifying that indebtedness related to fire protection services that is incurred before the effective date of the consolidation by the consolidated city remains the debt of the consolidated city and property taxes to pay the debt may only be levied within the fire special service district. Specifies that to become a firefighter with the fire department of the consolidated city as part of a consolidation, an individual must pass the work performance evaluation administered by the fire department of the consolidated city. Provides that a physician selected by the fire department of the consolidated city may, upon application by the firefighter, grant the firefighter an extension, for medical reasons, of the date by which the firefighter must pass the work performance evaluation. Provides that for purposes of determining the seniority of a merit firefighter who becomes employed by the fire department of the consolidated city through a consolidation: (1) the time served by the individual as a merit firefighter with the consolidated fire department also includes the total time served by the individual as a merit firefighter with the fire department in which the individual was serving at the time of the consolidation; and (2) the hire date of the individual is the date the individual was hired as a merit firefighter by the fire department in which the individual was serving at the time of consolidation. Specifies that if an individual becomes a firefighter employed by the fire department of the consolidated city through a consolidation, the individual's merit rank may not be reduced below the lesser of the merit rank held by the individual on the effective date of the consolidation or the rank of captain. Specifies that the consolidated city may levy property taxes within the area served by the consolidated fire department to provide for the payment of the expenses for the operation of the consolidated fire department. Provides that beginning with the fifth year after the year in which such a consolidation is effective, the total property tax rate imposed for fire protection within the territory formerly served by the fire department that was consolidated may not exceed the total property tax rate imposed for fire protection in other areas served by the fire department of the consolidated city.

Current Status: 1/17/2024 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Crider
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Scott Baldwin

SB55

ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS TO GOVERNMENTAL BODIES (QADDOURA F) Amends the definition of "electronic payment" for purposes of the statute governing electronic payments to a governmental body (defined as the state or a state agency) to include a payment made by means of any of the following: (1) Interactive voice response. (2) A digital wallet. (3) A digital currency. Provides that after June 30, 2024, a governmental body may not enter into or renew a contract: (1) that is made with a provider or vendor of payment processing services; and (2) the terms of which provide that any: (A) vendor transaction charge; (B) discount fee; (C) or other service charge or fee; assessed in connection with the contract is payable by the person who makes an electronic payment.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura

- SB57 AUTOMATED COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES (TOMES J) Provides that an automated commercial motor vehicle may not be operated on a highway to transport passengers or goods unless a human operator who meets all state and federal qualifications to operate a commercial motor vehicle is physically present in the automated commercial motor vehicle to monitor the performance of the automated commercial motor vehicle and to take control of all or part of the automated commercial motor vehicle's operation, if necessary. Provides that a registered automated commercial motor vehicle must meet federal commercial motor vehicle standards and regulations.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Niezgodski and Ford J.D
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Coauthored by Senators Byrne, Yoder, Bohacek
1/8/2024 - Authored By James Tomes
- SB59 CRAFT HEMP FLOWER PRODUCTS (HOLDMAN T) Establishes certain regulatory testing and packaging requirements for the distribution and sale of craft hemp flower products and specifies penalties applicable to the unlawful possession or distribution of craft hemp flower products. Prohibits the possession of craft hemp flower unless it is being used by a licensee to manufacture a legal hemp product, including a craft hemp flower product. Provides that a food is not considered adulterated for containing low THC hemp extract or craft hemp flower. Provides that craft hemp flower product is not included in the definition of "controlled substance analog", "hashish", "low THC hemp extract", or "marijuana". Prohibits the sale of low THC hemp extract to a person less than 21 years of age, if it contains certain elements. Adds craft hemp flower products to a statute imposing an infraction that applies with regard to persons less than 21 years of age involving the sale, distribution, purchase, and possession of craft hemp flower product. Defines terms. Makes conforming changes. Makes technical corrections.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Travis Holdman
- SB60 SAFE HAVEN INFANTS (HOLDMAN T) Requires the Indiana clearinghouse for information on missing children and missing endangered adults to cooperate with licensed child placing agencies for purposes of locating missing children. Amends the definition of "safe haven infant" to provide that the term means any infant taken into custody by an emergency medical services provider under specified circumstances. Amends the definition of "abandoned infant" for purposes of juvenile law to provide that the term does not include a safe haven infant. Requires an emergency medical services provider who takes custody of a safe haven infant at a location other than a hospital to transport the safe haven infant to a hospital. Requires the department of child services (department) to do the following: (1) Create and maintain: (A) a means by which licensed child placing agencies may opt to receive notice of a safe haven infant having been taken into custody by an emergency medical services provider; and (B) a registry of licensed child placing agencies that have opted to receive notice. (2) Accurately track the number of safe haven infants taken into custody by emergency medical services providers. Requires a licensed child placing agency that assumes custody of a safe haven infant to immediately notify the department that the licensed child placing agency has assumed custody of the safe haven infant. Provides that if a licensed child placing agency assumes custody of a safe haven infant from an emergency medical services provider with which the licensed child placing agency, or an employee of the licensed child placing agency, has a financial relationship that could be construed as providing an incentive for the emergency medical services provider to give custody of the safe haven infant to the licensed child placing agency, the licensed child placing agency: (1) may not place the safe haven infant; and (2) shall, without unnecessary delay after taking custody of the safe haven infant, transfer custody of the safe haven infant to the department. Provides that if the department or a licensed child placing agency files a petition to terminate the parent-child relationship, the petition must be accompanied by an affidavit attesting to the existence of specified conditions. Specifies that notice to an unnamed or unknown putative parent regarding the surrender of a safe haven infant must be published only in Indiana counties. Makes technical corrections.
- Current Status:* 1/29/2024 - Senate Family and Children Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Travis Holdman
- SB61 TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS (HOLDMAN T) Provides that a person may circulate a petition to create a tourism improvement district (district) within the territory of a county, city, or town. Specifies the contents of the tourism improvement district plan that must be filed with a petition to establish a district. Excludes property that receives a homestead standard deduction from inclusion within a district. Provides that owners of real property or businesses located within a district may be charged a special assessment to fund improvements and other district activities. Provides that, after a hearing on a petition to establish a district, a county, city, or town legislative body may adopt the ordinance establishing the district only if it determines that the petition has been signed by at least 50% of the owners of real property or businesses within the district who will pay the special assessment. Specifies the contents of the ordinance establishing a district and the length of time for which a district may exist. Allows a district

to issue bonds. Requires the county, city, or town legislative body to contract with a nonprofit district management association to administer and implement the district's activities and improvements.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph

1/16/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Travis Holdman

SB63

LAW ENFORCEMENT POWERS OF FIRE INVESTIGATORS (FORD J) Provides that a fire investigator appointed after June 30, 2024, who is a member of: (1) a fire department that provides service to a first or second class city (city); or (2) a city fire department; may exercise police powers for the city if certain requirements are satisfied, including meeting basic training standards established by the law enforcement training board (board) and written notification is sent from the city fire chief to the city police chief and county sheriff. (Under current law, the fire investigator must be authorized to exercise police power by the police chief and fire chief of the first class or second class city.) Provides that a fire investigator who exercised police powers before July 1, 2024, and has not completed the basic training standards established by the board must complete supplemental training and education established by the board to continue exercising police powers after June 30, 2026. Allows the board to adopt interim rules to establish the supplemental training and educational requirements for fire investigators.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By J.D. Ford

SB64

HOUSING MATTERS (FORD J) Requires, before November 1, 2024, the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) to prescribe a statement of the rights of a residential tenant in Indiana. Specifies the contents of the statement. Requires the authority to: (1) make the statement available to residential landlords throughout Indiana; and (2) post the statement on the authority's website. Requires, after October 31, 2024, a residential landlord to provide a tenant with the statement at the time the tenant enters into or renews a rental agreement. Provides that a landlord may not increase the rent payable by a tenant who is at least 62 years of age in an amount that exceeds 10% of the rent payable under the rental agreement in effect on June 30, 2024, and for each year thereafter. Specifies that if a tenancy is month to month, a landlord may not increase the rent payable by a tenant who is at least 62 years of age for a succeeding month in an amount that exceeds: (1) 10%; divided by (2) 12 months; of the amount of rent payable under the rental agreement applicable to the month to month tenancy on June 30, 2024, and for each month thereafter. Indicates that the application of the provisions added by the bill concerning rental increases is not affected by a change in the ownership of the property if the new owner continues to use the property to rent dwelling units.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By J.D. Ford

SB66

VARIOUS FIREARMS MATTERS (HUNLEY A) Requires a person wishing to sell, trade, or transfer (transfer) a firearm to another person to transact the transfer through a dealer and provide the dealer with certain information. Specifies the background checks that a dealer must complete prior to the transaction. Permits a dealer to refuse to transact a firearm transfer. Requires a dealer to abort the transaction in other instances. Specifies requirements for a dealer who refuses to transact or aborts a firearm transfer. Makes a dealer immune from civil liability and damages in certain instances. Makes the offenses of firearm transfer fraud and the unlawful transfer of a firearm Level 6 felonies. Enhances both offenses in particular instances. Specifies exceptions and defenses. Requires a retail dealer to display a sign with language stating that failing to secure a firearm against unauthorized access poses a safety risk to children. 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. Defines terms.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Andrea Hunley

SB80

CODE PUBLICATION (FREEMAN A) Repeals and relocates a specific Indiana Code definitions chapter for organization of the defined terms by alphabetical order and to provide for future expansion of the chapter. Makes conforming cross-reference updates. Makes no substantive change to law. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision commission.)

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - Referred to House

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Engleman

1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 14: yeas 46, nays 0
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/16/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/16/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/11/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/10/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/10/2024 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

- SB94 PROHIBITION OF RACE BASED HAIR DISCRIMINATION (QADDOURA F) Prohibits race discrimination based on traits historically associated with race, such as hair texture and protective hairstyles.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura
- SB95 LOCAL REGULATION OF FIREARMS (QADDOURA F) Specifies that certain restrictions on the local regulation of firearms, ammunition, and firearm accessories may not be construed to prevent a county, municipality, or township (unit) from regulating firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories in a manner more restrictive than Indiana law if the regulation is recommended by a law enforcement agency of the unit and a local advocacy group that works to reduce gun violence in the community. Indicates particular regulations that meet these parameters. Provides that a regulation adopted by a unit must comply with the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Indiana.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura
- SB96 POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PARAPHERNALIA (BREAUX J) Defines "fentanyl test strip". Provides that the possession of a fentanyl test strip is not a crime.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jean BreauX
- SB99 CANNABIS REGULATION (POL R) 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 (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: 1/10/2024 - added as third author Senator Qaddoura
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Rodney Pol
- SB100 UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (POL R) Amends the definition of "wage credits". Specifies the rate for unemployment insurance benefits for initial claims filed by an individual who is totally unemployed for any week beginning after June 30, 2024. Specifies, for initial claims filed for any week beginning after June 30, 2024: (1) the maximum weekly benefit amount; and (2) an additional weekly benefit for eligible and qualified individuals with dependents.
Current Status: 1/23/2024 - added as second author Senator Walker G
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - added as third author Senator Qaddoura
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
1/8/2024 - First Reading

- SB105 UPDATED INDIANA DRAINAGE HANDBOOK (LEISING J) Requires the state department of agriculture (department) to oversee and take all actions necessary for the preparation and publication of an updated version of the Indiana Drainage Handbook. Authorizes the department to select a contractor to draft the updated version of the Indiana Drainage Handbook. Requires the secretary of agriculture and rural development to appoint an advisory board to advise the contractor and the department and to review and comment on the structure and the text of drafts of the updated Indiana Drainage Handbook. Provides that the advisory board must include representatives of certain organizations and state agencies and may include other members appointed by the secretary of agriculture and rural development.
- Current Status:* 1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/18/2024 - Senate Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jean Leising
- SB107 CANNABIS REGULATION (NIEZGODSKI D) Establishes a procedure for the lawful production and sale of cannabis in Indiana. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Qaddoura
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By David Niezgodski
- SB108 TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDINANCES (FREEMAN A) Provides that a statutory provision prohibiting a turn at a steady red signal applies retroactively to January 1, 2023. Provides that an ordinance prohibiting such a turn is void and requires the removal of any signs installed under the authority of a voided ordinance.
- Current Status:* 1/23/2024 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/18/2024 - added as second author Senator Doriot
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Aaron Freeman
- SB126 MEDICAL CANNABIS (TAYLOR G) Establishes a medical marijuana program (program), and permits caregivers and patients who have received a physician recommendation to possess a certain quantity of marijuana for treatment of certain medical conditions. Establishes a regulatory agency to oversee the program, and creates the regulatory agency advisory committee to review the effectiveness of the program and to consider recommendations from the regulatory agency. Authorizes the regulatory agency to grant research licenses to research facilities with a physical presence in Indiana. Repeals the controlled substance excise tax and the marijuana eradication program. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Greg Taylor
- SB127 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY (TAYLOR G) Adds various job and employee definitions to the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) laws. Requires that all records related to taxpayer funded economic development incentives must be disclosed under the open records law. Requires that the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report must be published on the Indiana transparency portal Internet web site. Requires the IEDC and the department of state revenue to compile information on all job creation incentives granted, including the total amount of uncollected or diverted state tax revenues resulting from each incentive, and requires that this information must be included as part of the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report. Requires the IEDC to recapture job creation incentives from a recipient that: (1) fails to make the level of capital investment; (2) fails to create or retain the promised number of jobs; or (3) pays less in wages; than specified in an incentive agreement. Requires the IEDC to compile information on all recapture activities and incentives recouped from unfulfilled commitments and to include the information as part of the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report. Requires incentive recipients to prepare an annual compliance report on the number of jobs created or retained, employee pay, and various other information concerning the use of the incentives, and requires the IEDC to compile this information and include it in the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report. Repeals and replaces the definition of "job creation incentive" without change to maintain alphabetical order.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Greg Taylor

SB129 POLICE OFFICER EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COST REIMBURSEMENT (BYRNE G) Allows a county, city, or town (unit) to be reimbursed for some or all of a police officer's employment and training costs from a unit that subsequently employs the police officer less than three years after police officer completes the law enforcement basic training course. Provides that "police officer" does not include a town marshal or town marshal deputy. Provides that if any unit does not claim reimbursement from a subsequent employing unit, any reimbursement right is terminated. Requires a subsequent employer to notify the police officer in writing if the previous employer did or did not submit a claim for reimbursement. Requires a written notification be provided to a police officer before hiring that informs the officer of the employer's right to obtain reimbursement from a subsequent employer.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Vinzant

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Taylor G and Glick

1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Bohacek and Pol

1/25/2024 - Cosponsor: Representative Morris

1/25/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Engleman

1/25/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 34: yeas 46, nays 0

1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/23/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/23/2024 - Amendment #1 (Taylor G) failed;

1/23/2024 - Amendment #2 (Byrne) prevailed; voice vote

1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Alexander

1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph

1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/16/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/11/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/11/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/9/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Dernulc and Tomes

1/9/2024 - added as second author Senator Niemeyer

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Gary Byrne

SB130 DEADLINE TO GRANT OR DENY AN ORDER FOR PROTECTION (BECKER V) Requires a court to issue an ex parte order either granting or denying an order for protection not later than one day after a petition for an order for protection is filed. Requires a court to consider certain factors when issuing an order to grant or deny an ex parte order for protection. Makes conforming changes and a technical correction.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Glick and Pol

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Vaneta Becker

SB133 SUPPLIER DIVERSITY FOR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (BROWN L) Requires a unit of local government to accept the Indiana department of administration's certification of: (1) a minority business enterprise; (2) a women's business enterprise; and (3) a veteran owned small business; as evidence that a business entity is eligible to participate in the unit of local government's initiatives and programs related to the business entity's certification.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - Senate Commerce and Technology, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Liz Brown

SB135 REDISTRICTING DEADLINE (GASKILL M) Requires certain redistricting authorities to redistrict or recertify election districts before June 30, 2025. Assesses a penalty if a redistricting authority fails to redistrict or recertify election districts. Provides a residency exception for certain candidates. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Crane

1/22/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/22/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 7; Nays: 0

1/22/2024 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Elections
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Mike Gaskill

- SB136 JUDICIAL TRANSPARENCY (GASKILL M) Requires the office of judicial administration to compile, transmit, and publish the public safety and judicial accountability report containing certain information about judicial officers who exercise criminal jurisdiction.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Mike Gaskill
- SB137 ADMINISTRATIVE RULEMAKING (GASKILL M) Removes references concerning the adoption of an emergency rule. Amends a reference from emergency rules to provisional or interim rules under certain circumstances. Makes conforming changes. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision commission.)
Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/17/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/17/2024 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Mike Gaskill
- SB138 DRIVING PRIVILEGE CARDS (DORIOT B) 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. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to submit an annual report to the legislative council and the interim study committee on roads and transportation. Makes conforming amendments. Makes technical corrections.
Current Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Alting
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as third author Senator Rogers
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Yoder
1/10/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Crider
1/10/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Bassler
1/10/2024 - added as second author Senator Niezgodski
1/8/2024 - Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Blake Doriot
- SB139 PSILOCYBIN TREATMENT PROGRAM (CHARBONNEAU E) Establishes the therapeutic psilocybin research fund, administered by the Indiana department of health (state department), to provide financial assistance to research institutions in Indiana to study the use of psilocybin to treat mental health and other medical conditions. Sets forth clinical study requirements. Requires a research institution that receives a grant to conduct a clinical study to prepare and submit a report to the interim study committee on public health, behavioral health, and human services, the state department, and the division of mental health and addiction.
Current Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Busch, Yoder, Pol
All Bill Status: 1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations
1/17/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0
1/17/2024 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/16/2024 - added as second author Senator Johnson, T
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services
1/8/2024 - First Reading

- SB140 LOGJAM REMOVAL (LEISING J) Provides that logs removed from a river or stream under the statutory exemption from permit requirements: (1) need not be cut if, in the opinion of the individual removing the logs, the cutting would create an unreasonable risk of bodily harm to the individual; and (2) need not be removed from the floodplain if the logs are dried and burned so completely as to eliminate the risk that the resulting ash and remnants, if the logs reenter the river or stream, will cause a new logjam.
- Current Status:* 1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/18/2024 - Senate Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Jean Leising
- SB142 COVERAGE FOR MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE SERVICES (BUCHANAN B) Provides that: (1) a state employee health plan; (2) a policy of accident and sickness policy; and (3) an individual or group contract; must provide reimbursement beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2027, for emergency medical services that are performed or provided in specified counties by a mobile integrated healthcare program.
- Current Status:* 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
All Bill Status: 1/24/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 7; Nays: 0
1/24/2024 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Brian Buchanan
- SB144 FIREARMS MATTERS (YOUNG M) Allows a juvenile who is at least 16 years of age to be charged in adult court for the commission of certain offenses relating to the unlawful transfer of a firearm. Permits a child to travel with a firearm to or from certain activities where the child is permitted to possess the firearm only if the child is accompanied by the child's parent or legal guardian, or by an adult who has been authorized to accompany the child by the child's parent or legal guardian, as long as the parent, legal guardian, or authorized adult is eligible to purchase or otherwise receive from a dealer a handgun. Prohibits a state entity or a political subdivision (government entity) from regulating or restricting by administrative rule, ordinance, or policy the ownership, possession, or carrying of a handgun on government property by an individual who both: (1) holds a valid license to carry a handgun; and (2) is not prohibited from owning or possessing a handgun under state or federal law (lawful individual). Prohibits a person who enters into a contract with a government entity after June 30, 2024, from regulating or restricting the ownership, possession, or carrying of a handgun on government property by a lawful individual. Specifies that these prohibitions do not apply to, or affect the validity of, a: (1) contract or agreement that is initially entered into before July 1, 2024, even if that contract is later amended or renewed; and (2) statute, administrative rule, ordinance, or policy: (A) enacted by a government entity; and (B) in effect on January 1, 2024. Urges the legislative council to assign to the interim study committee on corrections and criminal code during the 2024 interim the task of creating a consolidated and comprehensive list of the places at which the carrying of a firearm is prohibited under state or federal law.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Michael Young
- SB147 CHILD CARE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION AND EVALUATION (ROGERS L) Makes various changes to a provision granting a property tax exemption to for-profit providers of early childhood education. Provides a partial property tax exemption for an employer that provides onsite child care for employees. Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services, in consultation with the early learning advisory committee, to: (1) evaluate and make recommendations; and (2) submit a report; regarding child care.
- Current Status:* 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Niemeyer, Walker G, Walker K
1/23/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - added as third author Senator Charbonneau
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Linda Rogers

- SB150 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND CYBERSECURITY (BROWN L) Creates the artificial intelligence task force (task force) to study and assess use of artificial intelligence technology by state agencies. Provides that political subdivisions, state agencies, school corporations, and state educational institutions (public entities) may adopt a: (1) technology resources policy; and (2) cybersecurity policy; subject to specified guidelines. Specifies requirements for: (1) public entities; and (2) entities other than public entities; that connect to the state technology infrastructure of Indiana. Provides that a person with which a state agency enters into a licensing contract for use of a software application designed to run on generally available desktop or server hardware may not restrict the hardware on which the state agency installs or runs the software. Provides that an executive or legislative state agency may submit to the office of technology and the task force an inventory of all artificial intelligence technologies in use, or being developed or considered by the state agency for use, by the state agency.
- Current Status:* 1/25/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
- All Bill Status:* 1/25/2024 - Amendment #1 (Hunley) failed; Roll Call 31: yeas 9, nays 38
1/25/2024 - Amendment #4 (Buchanan) prevailed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Baldwin
1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Donato, Koch, Doriot
1/22/2024 - added as third author Senator Charbonneau
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/18/2024 - Pursuant to Senate Rule 68(b); reassigned to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure
1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations
1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 1
1/18/2024 - Senate Commerce and Technology, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/10/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Goode G
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Liz Brown
- SB151 STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS (ALEXANDER S) Allows the prosecution of certain sex offenses to be commenced at any time. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/30/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- All Bill Status:* 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Buck
1/23/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Rogers
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Bohacek
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Becker
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Alting, Doriot, Charbonneau
1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Crider
1/18/2024 - added as third author Senator Donato
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB152 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (ALEXANDER S) Reduces the maximum amount of regular unemployment benefits to 14 times the individual's weekly benefit. (Under current law, the maximum amount of regular unemployment benefits is 26 times the individual's weekly benefit or 28% of the individual's wage credits, whichever is less.) Provides for additional benefits in an amount not to exceed two times the individual's weekly benefit if the individual meets certain conditions. Removes outdated provisions. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB153 CHILD CARE REGULATION MATTERS (ROGERS L) Provides, with respect to the individual with certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) required to be present at all times when a child is in the care of a child care provider that is eligible to receive reimbursement through the federal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) program, that the individual is not required to be recertified in CPR annually. Amends references to funds provided to children under the On My Way Pre-K program or the CCDF program as grants to instead refer to the funds as child

care vouchers. Provides that a child who resides with a parent or guardian who receives disability benefits from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs is eligible for the On My Way Pre-K program. Makes technical corrections.

Current Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Ford J.D

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 6; Nays: 0

1/18/2024 - Senate Family and Children Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/16/2024 - added as third author Senator Charbonneau

1/10/2024 - added as second author Senator Donato

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Linda Rogers

SB155 COMPENSATION FOR BUSINESS LOSSES (BUCK J) Provides that a person operating a business on a property may be compensated for business losses resulting from a condemnation of the property. Provides that a municipality may not acquire property using an alternative condemnation procedure if the municipality is notified of the person's intent to claim compensation for business losses.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Bohacek, Tomes, Dernulc

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as second author Senator Niemeyer

1/18/2024 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 2

1/18/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By James Buck

SB156 DISSOLUTION OR NAME CHANGE OF TOWN (BUCK J) Establishes the following procedure for dissolving a town or changing the name of a town: (1) Requires at least 5% of the registered voters of the town to file a petition for town dissolution or name change with the county auditor. (2) Requires the county commissioners to hold a hearing on a petition. (3) Requires approval of a public question by the town's voters by an affirmative vote of at least 2/3 of the voters voting on the public question. Provides, in the case of a town dissolution, for disposition of funds, property, and records of a dissolved town. Repeals statutes relating to: (1) town dissolutions; and (2) changing the name of a town.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as third author Senator Dernulc

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as second author Senator Niemeyer

1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/23/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 9; Nays: 0

1/18/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By James Buck

SB157 LANDLOCKED PROPERTY (BUCK J) Defines "landlocked property" as real property that has been shut off from all public highways as a result of the vacation of one or more public highways. Provides that if an action of the state, or an agency or political subdivision of the state, causes real property to become landlocked property, the county assessor of the county in which the landlocked property is located must assess the value of the landlocked property at zero for as long as the property qualifies as landlocked property.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/25/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/25/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/18/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By James Buck

- SB158 SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (BUCK J) Eliminates the second regular session and the second regular technical session of the general assembly. Provides that a regular session of the general assembly shall adjourn sine die not later than May 15 of any odd-numbered year. Makes technical and conforming changes.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By James Buck
- SB159 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 voluntary 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: 1/25/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 6; Nays: 4
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/18/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By James Buck
- SB160 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONS (POL R) Increases the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund's maximum annual cost of living adjustment from 3% to 5%. Increases the maximum duration that members of certain funds can participate in the deferred retirement option plan from 36 to 60 months.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Rodney Pol
- SB162 AIR QUALITY (RANDOLPH L) Authorizes a town, city, or county to establish or designate an agency to act for the town, city, or county as a local air pollution control agency (agency). Requires the commissioner of the department of environmental management (department) to enter into a contract with the agency of a town, city, or county if the agency is willing to enter into the contract. Provides that a contract between the department and the agency of a town, city, or county must: (1) require the department to advise, cooperate with, and provide technical assistance to the agency; (2) authorize the agency to undertake air pollution control activities on behalf of the department or in enforcement of ordinances of the town, city, or county; and (3) provide for the payment of fair monetary compensation for the air pollution control activities performed by the agency. Provides that: (1) the compensation paid to an agency under a contract must be at least sufficient to cover the agency's staffing and operating costs; and (2) the rate of compensation must be adjusted each year according to changes in the Consumer Price Index. Requires the department to take certain actions regarding plans and applications submitted to the United States Environmental Protection Agency under 42 U.S.C. 7437.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
- SB163 FIREARMS (RANDOLPH L) Prohibits a person from carrying a firearm in or near: (1) a chute; (2) polls; (3) certain areas where voters congregate or are likely to congregate; or (4) any room where ballots are being counted. Provides that the offense is a Class C misdemeanor, enhanced to a: (1) Class A misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for the offense; or (2) Level 6 felony if the firearm is pointed at another person. Specifies a defense and certain notice requirements. Prohibits other defenses. Changes the minimum age required to carry a handgun to 21 years of age. 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. Defines terms. Makes conforming amendments.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
- SB167 DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION MATTERS (ALTING R) Prohibits the division of mental health and addiction (division) from requiring providers that are required to be accredited or certified by other entities to submit information to the division that would have been submitted to the accrediting or certifying body. Requires the division

to establish a work group to discuss specified issues concerning audits and requires a report to be submitted before November 1, 2024.

Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Ron Alting

- SB170 VARIOUS ELECTIONS MATTERS (WALKER G) Defines "election worker" and makes it a Level 6 felony to take certain actions: (1) for the purpose of influencing an election worker; (2) to obstruct or interfere with an election worker; or (3) that injure an election worker. Provides an exception to the requirement that certain electronic voting systems include a voter verifiable paper audit trail if the voting system is being used to cast an absentee ballot with the absentee voter board.
- Current Status:* 1/30/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Pursuant to Senate Rule 68(b); reassigned to Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Elections
1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Greg Walker
- SB182 REGULATION OF DRONES NEAR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES (KOCH E) Provides that the crime of trafficking with an inmate includes the use of an unmanned aerial vehicle (drone) to deliver contraband, and that the crime of public safety remote aerial interference includes operation of a drone to intentionally obstruct or interfere with the duties of a correctional officer, including a county jail officer.
- Current Status:* 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Messmer
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Gaskill
1/22/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Crider and Rogers
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Buck
1/22/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Steuerwald
1/22/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 17: yeas 46, nays 0
1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Glick
1/18/2024 - added as third author Senator Bohacek
1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Baldwin
1/18/2024 - added as second author Senator Freeman
1/18/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
1/18/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/16/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/16/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/16/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Eric Koch
- SB183 COUNTY OPTION EXEMPTION OF MOBILE HOMES (RAATZ J) Provides that a county fiscal body may adopt an ordinance to exempt mobile homes located in the county from property taxation (exemption ordinance). Specifies that the discretionary adoption of an exemption ordinance does not apply to mobile homes that are assessed as: (1) inventory; or (2) real property; under the property tax laws and administrative rules.
- Current Status:* 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/25/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
1/25/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Jeff Raatz
- SB184 REMOVAL OF DEBRIS FROM STREAMS (RAATZ J) Authorizes a person to remove debris from a stream under certain conditions without the need to obtain a permit from the department of natural resources.
- Current Status:* 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Niemeyer
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/18/2024 - Senate Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Jeff Raatz

- SB186 RIGHT TO FOOD (BYRNE G) 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 Indiana state board of animal health 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: 1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Agriculture
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Gary Byrne
- SB187 PROHIBITION OF FREE OR REDUCED FARES ON ELECTION DAY (BYRNE G) Prohibits certain free or reduced public transportation fares on election day.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Gary Byrne
- SB190 STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND (CARRASCO C) Makes changes to the permissible uses for the state disaster relief fund (fund). Makes changes to the requirements for an eligible entity to receive financial assistance from the fund. Makes changes to the calculations used to determine the amount of financial assistance an eligible entity may receive from the fund. Increases, from \$10,000 to \$25,000, the amount of loss that may be compensated for damages to an individual's property. Repeals provisions that: (1) provide a definition of "public facility"; (2) provide limitations for an entity suffering multiple disaster emergencies; and (3) provide requirements for an application of an eligible entity that is an individual to obtain financial assistance from the fund.
Current Status: 1/23/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Freeman
All Bill Status: 1/18/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Alting and Doriot
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1/16/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/16/2024 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/11/2024 - added as third author Senator Rogers
1/11/2024 - added as second author Senator Walker K
1/9/2024 - Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Cyndi Carrasco
- SB206 IDEM AGENCY BILL (NIEMEYER R) Allows the department of environmental management (IDEM) to use electronic means to complete mail delivery communications, accept applications, post public notices, and provide access to documents for public comment. Requires existing easements to be identified in a corrective action plan before an environmental restrictive covenant is approved. Creates a cause of action for a responsible party to sue a property owner to receive access to a site to perform remediation activities. Requires the IDEM to make a determination, within 90 days, concerning prior approval for constructing or expanding a biomass anaerobic digestion facility or biomass gasification facility.
Current Status: 1/31/2024 - Senate Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs
1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer
- SB207 ASSESSMENT OF COMMUNITY LAND TRUST PROPERTY (YODER S) Provides for the true tax value of land and improvements in a community land trust for purposes of property tax assessment.
Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading
1/9/2024 - Authored By Shelli Yoder
- SB210 PROPERTY TAXES AND SALES AND USE TAXES (YOUNG M) Eliminates property taxes on primary residences for

those who are at least 65 years of age (qualified homesteads) and on business personal property. Decreases the state sales and use tax rate from 7% to 6%, except for business to business transactions, in which case the rate is decreased from 7% to 2.75%. Provides that the sales and use tax applies to transactions involving services, except for legal services, health or mental health services (including insurance premiums for policies covering these services), and services provided for charitable tax exempt purposes. Deposits the increased sales and use tax revenue in the state general fund. Provides an annual state distribution to offset the property tax elimination for qualified homesteads and business personal property based on the amount of property taxes that otherwise would be due on the qualified homesteads and business personal property. Prohibits changes in qualified homestead and business personal property tax deductions, credits, and abatement that were in effect on December 31, 2023. Increases the maximum renter's deduction for income tax purposes from \$3,000 to \$8,000 per taxable year. Freezes the gasoline excise tax and the special fuel tax rates beginning on July 1, 2024, at the rates that were in effect on June 30, 2024. Makes conforming changes and technical corrections. Makes an ongoing appropriation.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Michael Young

SB216 OFFICE OF THE STATE CHEMIST (WALKER K) Limits certain rulemaking authorities for the Indiana pesticide review board and the state chemist to restricted use pesticides only. Specifically identifies and eliminates state rules and requirements that are more restrictive than federal rules or requirements. Replaces more stringent state rules and requirements with federal rules and requirements.

Current Status: 1/31/2024 - Senate Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Gaskill

1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Kyle Walker

SB217 ABORTION MATTERS (YOUNG M) Prohibits the prescribing or possessing of an abortion inducing drug. Provides for the discipline of a practitioner and a Class A misdemeanor for a violation of the prohibition with a Level 6 felony for subsequent offenses. Establishes a defense to possessing an abortion inducing drug. Prohibits a nonprofit organization in Indiana from providing or offering to provide financial assistance to pay for, offset the cost of, or reimburse the cost of an abortion inducing drug. Gives the attorney general concurrent jurisdiction of actions concerning abortion inducing drugs. Prohibits the state or a political subdivision of the state from assisting an individual in seeking or obtaining an abortion. Allows for the state or a political subdivision to inform an individual of alternatives to an abortion. Requires a woman who is pregnant as a result of rape or incest to provide to her physician an affidavit attesting to the rape or incest before the physician performs the abortion. Prohibits state employee health plans, the state Medicaid program, policies of accident and sickness insurance, and health maintenance contracts from providing coverage for an abortion inducing drug. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Authored By Michael Young

SB218 ELECTION OF TWO IURC MEMBERS (FORD J) Increases the membership of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) from five members to seven members. Requires the two new commission members to be elected on a nonpartisan basis starting in the 2028 general election. Prohibits a candidate for the office of the Indiana utility regulatory commissioner from: (1) having an official or professional relationship or connection with; or (2) soliciting or accepting campaign contributions from; any public utility operating in Indiana. Provides that the elected commission members shall serve a term of four years and establishes a procedure to appoint a member if there is a vacancy of an elected member. Requires references to the IURC members to appoint a chair to the IURC annually. Changes "chairman" to "chair". Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Utilities

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By J.D. Ford

SB221 STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS (BASSLER E) Adds the director of the special investigations department of the state board of accounts (state board) to the definition of "criminal justice agency" for purposes of collecting criminal intelligence information. Limits the authority of the director of the special investigations department to investigations involving public monies that are the subject of financial examinations undertaken by the state board. Provides that an internal audit or risk assessment conducted by or on behalf of the state shall remain confidential, and that the state and other individuals may not divulge information related to an internal audit or risk assessment unless required to do so in accordance with a judicial order. Provides an exception allowing the state and other individuals to divulge information related to an internal audit or risk assessment to: (1) the state examiner; (2) the director of the office of management and budget; (3) an external auditor, in accordance with professional auditing standards; or (4) any

other individual for any reason that constitutes good cause as determined by the state examiner and approved by the director of the office of management and budget. Provides that if a majority of a governing body is present during an exit conference, or any conference initiated by the state examiner to discuss an examination status, the governing body shall be considered in an executive session. Requires an individual elected to the office of county auditor to annually certify completion of the individual's training requirements and file the certification with the state board.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Eric Bassler

SB223

CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE TASK FORCE (MESSMER M) Establishes the building Indiana's construction workforce task force (task force). Establishes quorum and voting rules for the task force. Provides that the task force is otherwise subject to the law governing study committees and the policies and rules of the legislative council. Specifies topics for the task force to review. Provides that the task force expires December 31, 2027.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Cosponsor: Representative Lindauer

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Karickhoff

1/25/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 36: yeas 45, nays 0

1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/23/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/23/2024 - Amendment #1 (Young M) prevailed; voice vote

1/23/2024 - Amendment #2 (Messmer) prevailed; voice vote

1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Pol

1/22/2024 - added as third author Senator Rogers

1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - added as second author Senator Doriot

1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/17/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0

1/17/2024 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/9/2024 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

1/9/2024 - First Reading

1/9/2024 - Authored By Mark Messmer

SB225

EXCHANGE OF INSURANCE INFORMATION AFTER ACCIDENT (GASKILL M) Provides that a law enforcement officer present at the scene of an accident shall ensure that each operator complies with the duties required of an operator of a motor vehicle after an accident regardless of the apparent extent of the total property damage resulting from the accident.

Current Status: 1/23/2024 - House sponsor: Representative Lehman

All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 25: yeas 47, nays 0

1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Deery

1/22/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/17/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0

1/17/2024 - Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions

1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Authored By Mike Gaskill

SB228

VARIOUS TAX MATTERS (HOLDMAN T) Amends the economic threshold for sales tax nexus to remove the number of sales transactions in the state as one of the two current triggers that require retail merchants to collect and remit sales tax. Allows a retail merchant that receives 75% or more of its receipts from the sale of prepared food to elect to claim a sales tax exemption on transactions involving electricity equal to 50% of the tax imposed on the transactions. Makes certain changes to statutes of limitations provisions. Requires sheriffs to transfer funds collected through executions of tax warrants twice a month electronically through the department of state revenue (department) payment portal. Specifies that the service of process fee for postjudgment service can only be assessed one time per case. Authorizes the department to disclose a taxpayer's name and other personal identification information with a tax preparer or tax preparation software provider in cases where the department suspects that a fraudulent return has

been filed on behalf of a taxpayer and that the system of a taxpayer's previous year tax preparer or tax preparation software provider has been breached. Specifies the pass through entity tax liability for pass through entities in certain circumstances. Repeals an outdated provision that requires an owner of a truck stop to obtain a license from the department. Reorganizes certain retail merchant certificate provisions. Makes clarifying and technical changes.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Authored By Travis Holdman

SB230

HUMAN OR SEXUAL TRAFFICKING (DONATO S) Provides that before or at the initial hearing regarding a petition alleging that a child is a child in need of services, the court shall appoint an attorney for the child if the child is alleged to be a child in need of services as a result of the child being a victim of human or sexual trafficking. Provides that if a petition alleges that a child is a child in need of services as a result of the child being a victim of human or sexual trafficking: (1) the juvenile court shall make a determination on the petition; (2) the child shall not be required to admit or deny the allegation; and (3) the petitioner must prove the allegation by a preponderance of the evidence.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Authored By Stacey Donato

SB232

STATEWIDE 911 SYSTEM (WALKER K) Removes references to "enhanced 911 service". Changes the offense, from a Class B misdemeanor to a Class A misdemeanor, for false informing. Provides that the offense for false informing is a Level 6 felony if it substantially hinders any law enforcement process or if it results in harm to another person or a Level 5 felony if it results in serious bodily injury or death to another person. (Current law provides that the offense for false informing is a Class A misdemeanor if it substantially hinders any law enforcement process or if it results in harm to another person.) Changes references from the "enhanced prepaid wireless charge" to the "911 service prepaid wireless charge". Provides that information relating to security measures or precautions used to secure the statewide 911 system may be excepted from public disclosure at the discretion of the statewide 911 board. Makes changes to or repeals certain definitions relating to the state 911 system. Provides that all originating service providers that provide 911 service for their customers: (1) shall connect to the state 911 system using an industry standard or functional equivalent; and (2) must establish and maintain the connection in accordance with all applicable regulatory requirements requiring service continuity and ensure access to public safety assistance. Requires the budget committee to review the statewide 911 system for the calendar years ending: (1) December 31, 2026; and (2) December 31, 2030. Provides that if the budget committee does not recommend that the statewide 911 fee assessed should continue to be assessed and collected after June 30, 2031, the statewide 911 fee assessed expires July 1, 2031. Provides that an emergency communications center included in the definition of PSAP may not be construed to create an additional PSAP. Makes a technical correction. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/23/2024 - added as third author Senator Freeman

1/23/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/23/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 0

1/23/2024 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/16/2024 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2024 - Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Kyle Walker

SB233

CERTIFIED COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINICS (CRIDER M) Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services and the division of mental health and addiction to include each community mental health center that meets certain requirements in: (1) the community mental health services demonstration program (program), if Indiana is approved to participate in the program and as a state plan amendment for specified reimbursement after the program; or (2) if Indiana is not approved to participate in the program, a Medicaid state plan amendment or waiver to allow for Medicaid reimbursement for eligible certified community behavioral health clinic services by certain Medicaid providers.

Current Status: 1/17/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0

All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

1/8/2024 - First Reading

1/8/2024 - Authored By Michael Crider

- SB235 LANDLORD-TENANT RELATIONS (ALTING R) Allows a city, county, or town to bring a nuisance action against a tenant or other person responsible for a nuisance. Requires a landlord to repair or replace an essential item not later than 24 hours after being notified by a tenant that the tenant's rental unit is without certain essential services. Provides that a tenant may bring an enforcement action against a landlord by providing notice of the landlord's noncompliance and allows for certain remedies to a prevailing tenant. Allows a court to order that a tenant's regular rental payments are paid into an attorney trust account or to the clerk of the court during the pendency of an enforcement action brought by the tenant.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Ron Alting
- SB236 EXPUNGEMENT AND FIREARMS (CRIDER M) Specifies, for purposes of the expungement statute, that a person whose conviction for a misdemeanor involving the use of a firearm, or for a felony, is expunged is entitled to restoration of the person's right to possess a firearm only if the court finds, following a hearing, that restoration of the person's right to possess a firearm is unlikely to present a danger to the public.
Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Michael Crider
- SB238 JEFFERSON COUNTY INNKEEPER'S TAX (MAXWELL R) Authorizes Jefferson County to impose its innkeeper's tax at a rate of 8% (instead of 5% under current law). Provides that, if the tax rate is increased to more than 5%, the portion of the tax rate that exceeds 5% expires on December 31, 2045.
Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Amendment #1 (Maxwell) prevailed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/23/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/23/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 14; Nays: 0
1/23/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Randy Maxwell
- SB239 MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS COURTS (FREEMAN A) Increases the amount to be distributed to a township trustee from certain fees that are collected in a Marion County small claims case. Makes conforming changes.
Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Aaron Freeman
- SB240 PUBLIC SAFETY (FREEMAN A) Defines "spinning" as the repeated or continuous operation of a motor vehicle with the intent of causing the vehicle to perform a rotational skid, and provides that a person who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally engages in spinning commits reckless spinning, a Class B misdemeanor. Enhances the penalty for reckless spinning to a Class A misdemeanor if the offense endangers a person. Makes obstruction of traffic committed in connection with reckless spinning a Class A misdemeanor, and authorizes the civil forfeiture of a motor vehicle used to commit: (1) reckless spinning; or (2) obstruction of traffic in connection with reckless spinning. Increases the penalty for false informing to a Level 6 felony if it is committed with the intent of causing a law enforcement officer to be dispatched.
Current Status: 1/30/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/23/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/11/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Ford J.D
1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Aaron Freeman
- SB241 TAKING BOBCATS (BALDWIN S) Requires the department of natural resources to establish and implement a season to take bobcats not later than July 1, 2025.
Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading ordered engrossed
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Amendment #2 (Taylor G) failed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Amendment #1 (Taylor G) failed; voice vote
1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Byrne

1/22/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 7; Nays: 1
1/18/2024 - Senate Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Johnson, T
1/16/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Messmer
1/16/2024 - added as third author Senator Garten
1/16/2024 - added as second author Senator Crider
1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources
1/10/2024 - First Reading
1/10/2024 - Authored By Scott Baldwin

SB243 LANDLORD-TENANT RELATIONS (HUNLEY A) Provides that a landlord may not sell a residential rental property that is subject to an unexpired written lease unless the landlord gives written notice to the tenant of the residential rental property not less than 60 days before the landlord lists the property for sale, unless certain exceptions apply. Requires a buyer of a residential rental property to honor an unexpired written lease between the previous owner and a tenant unless the buyer of the residential rental property gives written notice to the tenant that the buyer intends to terminate the lease, not less than 30 days before the lease is terminated, and pays the tenant an amount equal to one month rent plus the full security deposit as specified in the written lease.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as second author Senator Walker G

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Authored By Andrea Hunley

SB244 SPEED CONTROL IN SCHOOL ZONES (HUNLEY A) Authorizes a county or municipality to adopt and enforce an ordinance that regulates the use of a school zone speed control system (system) 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 system. Specifies the manner in which the remaining money from the civil penalty must be distributed. Requires a county or municipality to report data to the interim study committee on roads and transportation. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading

1/10/2024 - Authored By Andrea Hunley

SB245 NATURAL GAS AND ELECTRIC UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE (GLICK S) Provides that an applicant that seeks: (1) the installation or extension of electric or natural gas utility infrastructure; (2) electric or natural gas utility service; or (3) both; in connection with certain development projects is entitled to request and convene, before commencing construction on the project, at least one technical advisory meeting with each utility whose service area includes the project site. Defines a "technical advisory meeting" as a meeting that: (1) includes as participants the applicant and one or more utilities: (A) whose service area includes the project site; and (B) from whom utility infrastructure, utility service, or both, will be required for the project; and (2) is held: (A) in preparation for, or in connection with, certain advance planning activities related to the project; and (B) for the purpose of: (i) sharing planning documents and drawings; (ii) determining the utility infrastructure, utility service, or both, required to serve the project; and (iii) discussing the terms of a potential extension agreement between the utility and the applicant. Sets forth the procedures and time frame for requesting and holding a technical advisory meeting. Requires an applicant and a utility to enter into an extension agreement before construction commences on a project, regardless of whether a technical advisory meeting is requested or held. Defines an "extension agreement" as an agreement that: (1) is entered into between an applicant and a utility whose service area includes the project site of the applicant's project; and (2) sets forth the obligations and commitments of: (A) the utility and the applicant with respect to the extension of utility infrastructure to the project site; and (B) the utility and the customers to be initially served by the extension upon its installation. Sets forth the required elements of an extension agreement. Provides that before agreeing to extend utility infrastructure to a project site in connection with the project, a natural gas utility must provide the applicant with a written summary that explains the obligations and commitments that apply to: (1) the utility; (2) the applicant; and (3) the customers to be initially served by the extension of the utility infrastructure upon its installation; under the Indiana utility regulatory commission's (IURC) rule on the extension of gas distribution mains. Sets forth the information required to be included in the summary. Provides that an applicant or a utility may submit an informal complaint to the IURC's consumer affairs division in connection with the bill's provisions concerning technical advisory meetings and extension agreements. Provides that if the IURC determines that it requires additional staff to handle the volume of informal complaints submitted, the IURC may impose a fee on a party against whom a decision is rendered. Provides that the fee may not exceed the lesser of: (1) the IURC's actual costs in handling the informal complaint; or (2) \$750. Authorizes the IURC to adopt rules to implement the bill's provisions.

Current Status: 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Utilities

All Bill Status: 1/10/2024 - First Reading

- SB247 WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE (KOCH E) Amends the statute concerning the acquisition by a utility company of a water or wastewater utility to provide that if: (1) the appraised value of the utility property to be acquired does not exceed \$3,000,000; and (2) the purchase price for the utility property is less than the appraised value of the utility property; the acquiring utility company may submit to the Indiana utility regulatory agency (IURC) a petition under a procedure, based on the procedures set forth in the IURC's rules governing 30 day administrative filings, to include in the acquiring utility company's rate base specified costs associated with the acquisition. Sets forth certain information that must be included in an acquiring utility company's petition. Provides that if the IURC approves an acquiring utility company's petition, the IURC: (1) may authorize that only the full purchase price be recorded as the acquiring utility company's net original cost of acquisition; and (2) shall provide that incidental and other costs of the acquisition are subject to a reasonableness review as part of the acquiring utility company's next base rate case.
- Current Status:* 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0
 1/25/2024 - Senate Utilities, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
 1/10/2024 - Referred to Senate Utilities
 1/10/2024 - First Reading
 1/10/2024 - Authored By Eric Koch
- SB248 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (GARTEN C) Allows a city on the Ohio River that established a port authority to annex territory that is not contiguous to the city boundaries if a railroad owned by the port authority connects the city to the annexed territory. Prohibits a public official from being appointed to the executive board of a military base reuse authority after June 30, 2024, and sets certain minimum qualifications for members.
- Current Status:* 1/11/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading
 1/11/2024 - Authored By Chris Garten
- SB249 MAJOR GROUND WATER WITHDRAWAL FACILITIES (DEERY S) Defines a facility as a "major ground water withdrawal facility" if: (1) the facility includes one or more wells that have the capability of withdrawing at least 10,000,000 gallons of ground water from one or more aquifers in one day; and (2) the facility is connected, or plans provide for the facility to be connected, to pipeline facilities through which at least 10,000,000 gallons of ground water withdrawn by the facility's well or wells could be transported in one day to a destination located at least 20 miles from the facility. Provides that, after June 30, 2024, a person may not establish a major ground water withdrawal facility if the ground water withdrawn by the facility will be used primarily for: (1) commercial purposes; (2) industrial purposes; or (3) a combination of commercial purposes and industrial purposes; unless the person has obtained a permit from the natural resources commission (commission). Establishes the following prerequisites to the commission's issuance of a permit: (1) Public notice of the permit application must be provided through publication on the website of the department of natural resources (department). (2) Public notice of the permit application must be provided by first class mail to the executive of the county and to the executives of certain cities or towns. (3) At least two public hearings concerning the proposed major ground water withdrawal facility must be held. (4) A written feasibility study concerning the proposed major ground water withdrawal facility must be prepared. (5) The written feasibility study must be peer reviewed. (6) The feasibility study and the written results of the peer review must be published on the website of the department. Provides that the commission shall issue the permit if: (1) all of the prerequisites are satisfied; and (2) the commission determines that the establishment of the major ground water withdrawal facility, if permitted, will fulfill the health, economic, environmental, and other needs of present and future generations of Indiana citizens. Provides that, depending on the determinations of the feasibility study and the peer review, the permit may limit the maximum amount that the major ground water withdrawal facility may withdraw and transfer per year. Provides that a permit, if issued, must require the permit holder to regularly monitor the aquifer or aquifers from which the major ground water withdrawal facility withdraws ground water and must report the monitoring data to the department. Provides that the owner of a major ground water withdrawal facility may be ordered to provide timely and reasonable compensation to the owner of a nonsignificant ground water withdrawal facility or significant ground water withdrawal facility if water withdrawals by the major ground water withdrawal facility cause the nonsignificant ground water withdrawal facility or significant ground water withdrawal facility to fail to furnish the supply of water it normally furnishes or to fail to furnish potable water.
- Current Status:* 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Qaddoura
All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to Senate Utilities
 1/11/2024 - First Reading
 1/11/2024 - Coauthored by Senators Glick and Doriot
 1/11/2024 - Authored By Spencer Deery
- SB250 UNION COUNTY FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (RAATZ J) Authorizes Union County to impose a food and beverage tax.

Current Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - First Reading

1/11/2024 - Authored By Jeff Raatz

SB252 PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (BUCK J) Changes the qualifications required for a newspaper to publish legal notices as follows: (1) A newspaper must have been published for 12 consecutive months (instead of three years). (2) A newspaper must have had an average paid circulation during the preceding year of at least 500 (instead of 200). Requires a locality newspaper to have been published for 12 consecutive months (instead of three years) to be eligible to publish legal notices. Requires political subdivisions to publish legal notices in a newspaper or newspapers published within the county where the political subdivision is located (instead of in a newspaper or newspapers published within the political subdivision). Increases the paid circulation threshold for newspapers published in counties having a population of less than 40,000 to 3% (instead of 2%) of the county population. Adds a paid circulation threshold for newspapers published in counties having a population of at least 40,000. Makes stylistic changes. Makes conforming amendments.

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All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/11/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/11/2024 - First Reading

1/11/2024 - Authored By James Buck

SB253 LAKE MICHIGAN RESCUE EQUIPMENT (POL R) Requires the owner of a pier or public access site on Lake Michigan to install public rescue equipment, including at least one ring life buoy, on the pier or public access site. Establishes requirements concerning ring life buoys installed on piers and public access sites. Provides that the end of the buoy line must not be secured to the shore. Requires a unit of local government that owns one or more piers or public access sites on Lake Michigan, at least twice per year, to publish on the unit's website a report on lakefront drownings that occur within 50 feet of the unit's piers or public access sites. Provides that if more than one fatal drowning occurs not more than 50 feet from a particular pier or public access site in a span of five years, the owner of the pier or public access site shall: (1) disseminate in the area of the pier or public access site a water safety plan pertaining to the pier or public access site; and (2) upgrade the public rescue equipment installed on the pier or public access site, such as by installing equipment that automatically contacts the local 911 service in an emergency.

Current Status: 1/29/2024 - Senate Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Bohacek

1/16/2024 - added as second author Senator Glick

1/11/2024 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources

1/11/2024 - First Reading

1/11/2024 - Authored By Rodney Pol

SB254 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT THREE-WAY PERMITS (POL R) Provides for the issuance of 25 new three-way alcoholic beverage permits to restaurants located: (1) within a transit development district; or (2) not more than 1,500 feet from the boundary of a transit development district.

Current Status: 1/18/2024 - added as second author Senator Alting

All Bill Status: 1/11/2024 - Referred to Senate Public Policy

1/11/2024 - First Reading

1/11/2024 - Authored By Rodney Pol

SB256 STATE FUNDS (MISHLER R) Reinstates provisions concerning meetings of the budget committee. Streamlines the Medicaid oversight committee duties. Extends the funding Indiana's roads for a stronger, safer tomorrow task force for one additional year. Provides that money in the attorney general contingency fee fund is continuously appropriated and is not subject to allotment. Provides that money in the high tech crimes unit fund is continuously appropriated for purposes of the fund. Provides that transfers may not be made by the state budget agency, the state board of finance, or any entity from any source to the Indiana gaming commission without prior budget committee review. Provides that certain appropriations from the state gaming fund in the most recent biennial budget act may not be augmented.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Amendment #2 (Mishler) prevailed; voice vote

1/25/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/23/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/22/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Gaskill

1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Garten

1/22/2024 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/18/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/18/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays:

- SB259 LOCAL WASTEWATER AND CLEAN ENERGY DISTRICTS (QADDOURA F) Authorizes the metropolitan development commission of a consolidated city or city plan commission of a city other than a consolidated city (commission), following a written recommendation from the board of public works or board of public works and safety (works board) of the city, and subject to the approval of the city legislative body, to adopt a resolution designating a wastewater facility improvement district (district) as an allocation area for purposes of the allocation and distribution of property taxes, allowing incremental property tax revenue to be captured to connect properties in the district to the municipal sewer system. Provides that, before making a recommendation to the commission to establish a district, a works board must: (1) establish the boundaries of the district; (2) identify the owners of property in the district; (3) create a proposed plan; and (4) hold a public hearing. Requires the establishment of a wastewater facility improvement fund (fund) for each wastewater facility improvement district and requires the commission to administer the fund. Provides that the incremental property tax revenue from a district shall be deposited in the fund and may be used only to connect properties in the district to the municipal sewer system. Authorizes the issuance of bonds payable from the fund. Requires the commission to make an annual report on each district to the fiscal body of the city and the department of local government finance. Authorizes a local governmental unit (or two or more local governmental units) to: (1) designate an area as a clean energy improvement financing district; (2) establish a voluntary property assessed clean energy program in the district under which qualified clean energy improvements will be made in eligible properties to lower utility costs to consumers through efficient generation and consumption of energy or generate energy through local sources such as community solar facilities; (3) designate a clean energy improvement financing district; and (4) authorize within the financing district the financing of qualified clean energy improvements. Defines "qualified clean energy improvement". Defines "eligible property" as including commercial, industrial, and agricultural property, school buildings, and local government buildings, and provides that a residential property may also be an eligible property for the purposes of connecting the property to a sanitary sewer system. Makes property owner participation in a clean energy improvement program voluntary. Provides for property owners to pay for qualified clean energy improvements to their properties through assessments. Allows liens to be imposed for unpaid assessments. Allows the funding of a clean energy improvement program by the issuance of bonds or through commercial lenders, federal or state grants and loans, or local government sources. Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission to establish technical guidelines for the administration of clean energy improvement programs.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - First Reading
1/16/2024 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura
- SB260 NEIGHBORHOOD AND INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES (BECKER V) Defines a "community based organization" as a private, nonprofit corporation whose purpose includes the provision of services that primarily benefit low income individuals and communities and provides that such an organization is eligible to administer, through a financial institution, an individual development account (account). (Current law limits administration, through a financial institution, of an account to community development corporations.) Provides that: (1) the first \$1,500 (rather than \$800) is eligible for a state deposit in an individual's account; (2) the allocation, for each account that has been established for not more than five years, is \$3 for each \$1 of the first \$1,500 (rather than the first \$400) an individual deposited into the individual's account; and (3) the amount of the allocation may not exceed \$4,500 (rather than \$2,400) for each account. Makes various changes to the administration of and procedure for claiming the neighborhood assistance tax credit and the individual development account tax credit. Removes a reference to an obsolete tax.
- Current Status:* 1/30/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/16/2024 - First Reading
1/16/2024 - Authored By Vaneta Becker
- SB263 LOCAL INCOME TAX DISTRIBUTIONS (BALDWIN S) Provides for local income tax certified shares in Hamilton County and Johnson County to be allocated to civil taxing units according to the location and tax liability of each taxpayer.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - First Reading
1/16/2024 - Authored By Scott Baldwin
- SB264 RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION FROM WORKER'S COMPENSATION (BASSLER E) Provides an exemption from worker's compensation and occupational diseases coverage for a member of certain religious sects or a division of a religious sect who meets certain requirements and obtains a certificate of exemption (certificate) from the worker's

compensation board (board). Provides that if certain information about an individual who holds a certificate is no longer true: (1) the individual and the individual's employer must take certain steps; and (2) the certificate is no longer effective. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

All Bill Status: 1/24/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/24/2024 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By Eric Bassler

SB265 ELIMINATION OF PROPERTY TAX ON HOMESTEADS (BASSLER E) Changes the credit for excessive property taxes for homesteads from the amount by which a person's property tax liability attributable to the person's homestead exceeds 1% of the gross assessed value of the property that is the basis for determination of property taxes for the calendar year to an amount equal to the person's property tax liability attributable to the person's homestead. Excludes from the credit any portion of a person's property tax liability that was approved by voters in a referendum and that would not ordinarily be subject to a credit for excessive property taxes. Allows a county's adopting body to adjust the tax rate imposed on the adjusted gross income of local taxpayers in the county based on the actual property taxes that were due and payable during 2024 to compensate for the amount of any tax revenue shortfall incurred as a result of the reduction in tax revenue attributable to the increase in the credit amount. For years beginning after December 31, 2024, requires the department of local government finance (department) to, before July 1 of the year in which property taxes are first due and payable, estimate the amount of any tax revenue shortfall incurred by the county in the year in which the property taxes are first due and payable as a result of the reduction in tax revenue attributable to the increase in the credit amount. For years beginning after December 31, 2024, allows a county's adopting body to adjust the tax rate imposed on the adjusted gross income of local taxpayers in the county in accordance with the estimate to compensate for the amount of any property tax revenue shortfall incurred by the county in the year in which the property taxes are first due and payable as a result of the reduction in tax revenue attributable to the increase in the credit amount. Provides that the maximum tax rate that may be imposed on the adjusted gross income of local taxpayers in a county after an adjustment may not exceed 2.9% in addition to: (1) the maximum allowed property tax relief rate in the county; (2) the maximum allowed local income tax expenditure rate in the county; and (3) the maximum allowed special purpose tax rate in the county. Provides that a county's adopting body, at its discretion, may increase the adjustment by an additional rate of 0.25%. Requires the revenue collected as a result of the adjustment to the tax rate imposed on the adjusted gross income of local taxpayers in the county to be treated as property taxes for all purposes. Requires the department to approve, in a manner determined by the department, the estimate, the corresponding adjustment, and the use of the revenue for each county. Increases, from \$3,000 to \$9,000, the amount an individual who rents a dwelling for use as the individual's principal place of residence may deduct from the individual's adjusted gross income. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By Eric Bassler

SB268 EMINENT DOMAIN FOR NONPUBLIC USE (VINZANT D) Allows a municipality to acquire a parcel of real property by eminent domain for transfer to a private person for a nonpublic use if certain criteria are satisfied, including nonpayment of property taxes.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By David Vinzant

SB271 WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (FORD J) Makes the Indiana finance authority (authority) the entity with primary authority for the gathering, interpretation, and dissemination of Indiana water resource data. Requires the authority to coordinate and facilitate statewide water resource planning in Indiana. Defines "water supply reservoir" as a body of water that was formed by the construction of a dam and from which water is drawn by a water treatment plant that provides water utility service to the public. Provides that effluent from a wastewater treatment plant shall not be discharged into: (1) a water supply reservoir; (2) a stream that flows into a water supply reservoir; or (3) a wetland associated with a stream that flows into a water supply reservoir; through a pipeline more than 10 miles in length.

Current Status: 1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Utilities

All Bill Status: 1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By J.D. Ford

SB277 RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT MATTERS (WALKER G) Provides that the court may appoint a receiver upon request by a county, city, or town when the property owner of a multifamily residential property with more than four dwelling units has failed to pay damages, costs, or attorney's fees that have been incurred by the multifamily

residential property in a nuisance action brought by the county, city, or town. 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 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 provide and maintain a rental premises that is free from the following: (1) Pests, including rodents and invasive insects. (2) Mold. (3) Rot. Sets forth a procedure for a tenant to use to initiate a request for repairs. Requires a landlord to repair or replace an essential system not later than 72 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, including a procedure for the deposit of rent that is due with the clerk of the court if the landlord fails or refuses to make repairs or take remedial action. 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, 2024, a landlord may not manage a rental property in Indiana unless the landlord: (1) is authorized to do business in Indiana; (2) maintains an office at one or more physical locations in Indiana; or (3) appoints an Indiana licensed real estate broker or broker company to manage the rental property. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Yoder

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Becker and Niemeyer

1/18/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Alting

1/18/2024 - added as second author Senator Qaddoura

1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By Greg Walker

SB285

PROPERTY TAXES (MISHLER R) Provides a property tax credit for homesteads (homestead credit), excluding the property tax liability on a homestead for any voter approved referenda, which applies beginning on January 1 of the year that immediately succeeds the year in which the balance in the pension stabilization fund is sufficient to pay the liabilities of the pre-1996 account without the need for further appropriation by the general assembly. Requires the Indiana public retirement system to determine whether the balance of the pension stabilization fund is sufficient to pay the liabilities of the pre-1996 account without the need for an appropriation by the general assembly and report the determination to the state budget committee on or before March 1, 2025, and on or before March 1 of each odd-numbered year thereafter. Establishes the homestead grant fund (fund) beginning on January 1 of the year in which the homestead credit first applies to provide homestead grants (grants). Provides that appropriations to the fund may not exceed more than: (1) \$1,000,000,000 for the first state fiscal year in which the fund takes effect; and (2) for each state fiscal year after the first state fiscal year in which the fund takes effect, \$1,000,000,000 increased by 2% each year, compounded annually. Provides that, if the total amount of grant funding exceeds the cap, then the total amount of grants that are determined for the year shall be reduced proportionately on a pro rata basis. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - added as third author Senator Young M

1/25/2024 - added as second author Senator Bassler

1/25/2024 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By Ryan Mishler

SB295

INDIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (BUCHANAN B) Provides for appointment to the board of the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) of two nonvoting, advisory members who are members of the general assembly. Requires the IEDC, before purchasing land in a county that exceeds 100 acres, to first give notice to the county or municipality, or both, in which the land is located not later than 30 days before the closing date for the purchase. Provides that a school corporation that receives a transfer of incremental property tax revenue from a local innovation development district fund may use those funds with no restrictions or specified uses.

Current Status: 1/25/2024 - added as coauthors Senators Gaskill and Rogers

All Bill Status: 1/25/2024 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/25/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/25/2024 - Senate Commerce and Technology, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/22/2024 - added as third author Senator Deery

1/22/2024 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau

1/16/2024 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology

1/16/2024 - First Reading

1/16/2024 - Authored By Brian Buchanan

- SJR6 ELECTION OF STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATORS (QADDOURA F) Repeals the constitutional provision for drawing legislative districts by the general assembly. Requires the general assembly to establish an independent redistricting commission to draw congressional and legislative districts. Establishes standards for drawing Indiana congressional districts and Indiana legislative districts. Establishes term limits for members of the general assembly. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Elections
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura
- SJR17 EXEMPTION FROM TAX LIABILITY (YOUNG M) Eliminates any property tax liability remaining after the application of all deductions, credits, or abatements provided under any law: (1) on real property that is the principal homestead residence of an individual who is at least 65 years of age; and (2) on business personal property. Requires the general assembly to replace the lost revenue to local taxing units. Eliminates an obsolete provision. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Michael Young
- SJR18 BALLOT AND INITIATIVE REFERENDUM (TAYLOR G) Provides that the people of Indiana may propose and adopt amendments to the Constitution of the State of Indiana and propose and enact statutes independent of the general assembly through initiative. Provides that the people of Indiana may approve or reject through referendum any statute or part of any statute enacted by the general assembly. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.
Current Status: 1/8/2024 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2024 - First Reading
1/8/2024 - Authored By Greg Taylor