

- HB1005 HOUSING AND BUILDING MATTERS (MILLER D) Requires (rather than allows) a city, town, or county (unit) that requires a building permit for construction of a Class 2 structure to allow the inspection to be provided by qualified individuals in addition to the unit's inspectors. Creates deadlines and a process for a unit to approve any of the following if required by the unit: (1) A building permit. (2) A plan review. (3) An inspection. Requires the state to give political subdivisions that enact certain land use policies first priority in receiving loans from the residential housing infrastructure assistance revolving fund (fund). Appropriates \$25,000,000 from the state general fund to the fund for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, to provide loans for housing infrastructure benefiting political subdivisions.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Hall and O'Brien
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Doug Miller
- HB1008 INDIANA-ILLINOIS BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT COMMISSION (HUSTON T) Establishes the Indiana-Illinois boundary adjustment commission, including five members appointed by the governor and five members appointed under Illinois law, to discuss and recommend whether it is advisable to adjust the boundaries between the two states.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Jordan and Lindauer
1/21/2025 - Authored By Todd Huston
- HB1012 NOTICE TO OWNER OF THE SITE OF AN ACCIDENT (PRESCOTT J) Provides that, on or before July 1, 2026, each law enforcement agency shall adopt and implement protocols to notify a real property owner of: (1) damage to the owner's real property, crops, or a building, structure, or fixture attached to the owner's real property that is reported to a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency; and (2) debris identified by a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency that is left on the owner's real property that could damage farm equipment or other vehicles or property; resulting from a motor vehicle accident.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By J.D. Prescott
- HB1014 CONSECUTIVE TERMS OF IMPRISONMENT FOR MISDEMEANORS (ZIMMERMAN A) Limits the total of the consecutive terms of imprisonment to which a defendant is sentenced for misdemeanor convictions arising out of an episode of criminal conduct.
- Current Status:* 1/22/2025 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Bascom G
1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1017 TAX SALE PROCEDURES (PIERCE K) 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:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Kyle Pierce
- HB1018 OLD HOME REPAIR TAX CREDIT (PIERCE K) Allows a credit against a qualified taxpayer's state tax liability in an amount equal to: (1) 20% of the qualified expenditures that a taxpayer makes for the preservation or rehabilitation of the taxpayer's residence; or (2) 55% of the qualified expenditures that a taxpayer makes for the replacement of electrical wiring and fixtures that were added to the property prior to 1940. Provides that the property must be: (1) located in Indiana; (2) at least 85 years old; and (3) owned by the taxpayer. Provides that the preservation or rehabilitation work must be completed in not more than two years. Provides that the property must be principally used and occupied by the taxpayer as the taxpayer's residence. Provides that qualified expenditures for preservation or rehabilitation of the property must exceed \$5,500. Provides that the credit may be carried forward 15 years, but may

not be carried back. Provides that the amount of credits allowed may not exceed \$100,000 in a state fiscal year. Provides that a taxpayer that claims the credit may not also claim the residential historic rehabilitation credit for the taxable year.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Kyle Pierce

- HB1019 FILING OF FALSE LIENS (PIERCE K) Makes the filing of a false lien a Level 6 felony.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Kyle Pierce
- HB1020 1977 PENSION AND DISABILITY FUND (HAGGARD C) Increases the following in regard to the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund: (1) the maximum annual cost of living adjustment from 3% to 5%; and (2) the death benefit payable to the heirs or estate of a fund member from \$12,000 to \$15,000.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Craig Haggard
- HB1028 HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX FREEZE (VANNATTER H) Freezes an individual's property tax liability attributable to the individual's homestead based on the date on which the individual acquired an ownership interest in the homestead.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Heath VanNatter
- HB1030 REPEAL OF THE DEATH PENALTY (MORRIS R) Repeals the law concerning the imposition and execution of death sentences and makes conforming amendments. Specifies that if a person was sentenced to death and is awaiting execution of the death sentence, the person's death sentence is commuted to a sentence of life imprisonment without parole. Provides that when a defendant is charged with a murder for which the state seeks a sentence of life imprisonment without parole, the defendant may file a petition alleging that the defendant is an individual with an intellectual disability. Provides that if a defendant who is determined to be an individual with an intellectual disability is convicted of murder, the court may sentence the defendant only to a fixed term of imprisonment.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Genda
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Judy and Teshka
1/8/2025 - Authored By Robert Morris
- HB1032 FOREIGN INTERESTS (HAGGARD C) Prohibits a prohibited person from entering into a contract for the provision of goods or services with the state, a state agency, and a political subdivision. Requires agents acting on behalf of certain countries of concern to register with the attorney general. Establishes the foreign adversary enforcement fund. Requires schools and school corporations in Indiana to disclose certain foreign gifts and contracts. Requires public and private postsecondary educational institutions in Indiana to disclose certain foreign gifts and contracts. Prohibits certain individuals and business entities from acquiring: (1) an interest in business entities governed under Indiana law; and (2) real property located in Indiana. Requires certain individuals and business entities to divest their ownership of any interests in business entities or real property not later than January 1, 2026. Repeals existing statutes regarding foreign ownership of real property.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Craig Haggard
- HB1033 RETAINAGE REQUIREMENTS (PRESSEL J) Establishes a maximum amount of retainage that may be withheld from payments to contractors and subcontractors of a private construction project. Establishes a uniform maximum amount of retainage for private construction projects and certain state and local public works projects.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel
- HB1034 INDECENT DISPLAYS BY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS (HEATON R) Creates the crime of indecent exposure in a

penal facility, a Class C misdemeanor.

Current Status: 1/22/2025 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Borders

1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Robert Heaton

HB1036 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Alan Morrison

HB1037 STORM WATER MANAGEMENT (MILLER D) Provides that a unit does not have the power to adopt a law, rule, ordinance, or regulation that is more stringent than or exceeds in any manner the requirements of the department of environmental management's (IDEM) construction stormwater general permit (CSGP). Provides that if a law, rule, ordinance, or regulation is more stringent than or exceeds the CSGP, then: (1) the law, rule, ordinance, or regulation is void; and (2) the unit must continue to discharge its duties under IDEM's CSGP program.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - added as author Representative Miller D

All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - removed as author Representative Morrison

1/8/2025 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Alan Morrison

HB1039 AGE VERIFICATION FOR ONLINE AMMUNITION SALES (BAUER M) Prohibits the online sale of ammunition unless certain steps are taken to prevent the sale of ammunition to a minor. Makes a violation of the online ammunition sales requirements a Class A misdemeanor, and increases the penalty to a: (1) Level 6 felony for a second or subsequent offense; and (2) Level 5 felony if the violation results in a minor obtaining ammunition.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Maureen Bauer

HB1047 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING (BARTLETT J) Provides that, on or before July 1, 2025, each law enforcement agency shall adopt and implement protocols to administer drug and alcohol testing to a law enforcement officer immediately after the law enforcement officer uses deadly force in the pursuit or apprehension of an individual.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By John Bartlett

HB1050 TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS (ENGLEMAN K) Addresses technical issues in the Indiana Code, including those related to spelling, tabulation, formatting, grammar, and cross-references. Resolves technical conflicts from the 2024 legislative session. Makes conforming amendments. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision committee.)

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 13; Nays: 0

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - House Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Boy, DeLaney, Pierce K

1/8/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Karen Engleman

HB1051 MOBILE INTEGRATION HEALTHCARE GRANTS (PRESSEL J) Provides that an emergency medical services provider agency that is operated by a county is eligible for a mobile integration healthcare grant.

Current Status: 1/14/2025 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - House Public Health, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2025 - Referred to House Public Health

1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Bartels
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel

- HB1052 ONSITE SEWAGE SYSTEMS (PRESSEL J) Requires the Indiana department of health (state department) or the executive board of the state department to adopt, revise, update, or repeal rules concerning residential and nonresidential onsite sewage systems. Alters who may vote on the technical review panel and the process to resolve a tie vote. Provides that the technical review panel may not approve an ordinance concerning residential onsite sewage systems unless certain conditions are met. Voids certain ordinances. Provides that a local board of health is ineligible to receive funding from the local public health fund under certain conditions.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel
- HB1057 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: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthors Representatives Andrade and Karickhoff
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Cindy Ledbetter
- HB1063 DISCRIMINATORY PROFILING AND PRETEXTUAL STOPS (PRYOR C) Honors the memory of Byron Ratcliffe Sr. by doing the following: (1) Prohibits discriminatory profiling and pretextual stops (discriminatory profiling and stops) by law enforcement based on perceived age, gender, race, or ethnicity. (2) Requires law enforcement agencies to: (A) adopt policies regarding discriminatory profiling and stops; (B) submit discriminatory profiling and stops data to the attorney general for inclusion in an annual report to the legislative council; and (C) establish standards for the use of vehicle and body cameras. (3) Establishes law enforcement officer training regarding discriminatory profiling and stops. (4) Establishes the discriminatory profiling review commission to review complaints. (5) Provides for a civil action based on discriminatory profiling and stops.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Cherrish Pryor
- HB1066 PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS (MAYFIELD P) Provides that a board of aviation commissioners and an airport authority are subject to the same procedures as a school corporation for certain public work projects. Provides that if a federal grant is to be issued to fund a portion of the construction on a public work project, the successful bidder has 90 days to proceed with the contract.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Meltzer
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman
1/8/2025 - Authored By Peggy Mayfield
- HB1072 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INVESTIGATIONS (BAUER M) Requires law enforcement agencies to use a domestic violence risk assessment when responding to a domestic violence incident.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Maureen Bauer
- HB1075 PROPERTY TAXES (HAGGARD C) Provides that, for assessments beginning in 2026, the assessed value of homestead property shall not be subject to annual adjustments (trending), but instead shall be determined based on the assessed value of the homestead on the January 1, 2025, assessment date, the assessed value of the homestead on the first assessment date that it becomes homestead property, if it was not a homestead on the January 1, 2025, assessment date, or the sales price or fair market value of the homestead, if there is a change of ownership after January 1, 2025. Increases the amount of the assessed value deduction for disabled veterans. Phases in the increase over five years from \$24,960 under current law to \$50,000 for assessments beginning in 2030. Provides for a five year phase in of a 100% property tax credit for the property tax liability imposed on the homestead of an individual who is or will be

at least 65 years of age on or before December 31 of the calendar year immediately preceding the current calendar year in which the individual's property taxes are first due and payable. Specifies, beginning with property taxes first due and payable in 2026, the annual amounts of the phased in property tax credit for such an individual's homestead. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Craig Haggard

HB1078 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth

HB1079 PROPERTY MATTERS (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides that if a tenant does not claim the tenant's property within 30 days after receiving a certain notice, a warehouseman or storage facility may sell the tenant's property (current law requires a warehouseman or storage facility to wait 90 days). Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the real property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the property owner; or (3) another legal interest in the real property; authorizing the individual to occupy the real property. Provides that, under certain circumstances, a property owner may obtain an expedited removal of a squatter from the property owner's residential real property or commercial real estate.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Pierce K and Engleman

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman

HB1080 MONROE COUNTY FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (MAYFIELD P) Provides that the parts of the Monroe County food and beverage tax collected in the town of Ellettsville must be distributed to the town of Ellettsville.

Current Status: 1/15/2025 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Heaton
1/8/2025 - Authored By Peggy Mayfield

HB1083 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS (PRESSEL J) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the residential real property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the residential real property; authorizing the individual to occupy the residential real property. Provides that under certain circumstances, a property owner may obtain an expedited removal of a squatter from the property owner's residential real property.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Haggard and Smaltz
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1085 ROAD FUNDING (MOED J) Provides that the amounts currently distributed from the motor vehicle highway account and the local road and street account to counties, cities, and towns based upon the proportionate share of road and street mileage shall instead be distributed based on the proportionate share of road and street vehicle miles traveled. Provides that the Indiana department of transportation shall establish guidelines outlining the procedures required to determine vehicle miles traveled.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Justin Moed

HB1086 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Justin Moed

- HB1087 LANE EXPANSION OF I-70 (PFAFF T) Requires the Indiana department of transportation to take action necessary to construct one or more additional lanes of traffic across Indiana for: (1) eastbound; and (2) westbound; Interstate Highway 70 in areas of Interstate Highway 70 where there are four lanes of traffic. Makes an appropriation.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Tonya Pfaff
- HB1091 SEXUAL BATTERY AGAINST A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (GARCIA WILBURN V) Provides an enhancement for sexual battery that is committed against a law enforcement officer.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Criswell
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Victoria Garcia Wilburn
- HB1092 FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING (GARCIA WILBURN V) Appropriates \$2,000,000 from the state general fund to the department of homeland security (department) to be used by the department for the purpose of providing mental health and wellness training for: (1) law enforcement officers; (2) emergency medical services providers; and (3) full-time firefighters.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Haggard
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Shonkwiler
1/8/2025 - Authored By Victoria Garcia Wilburn
- HB1095 INDIANA CRIME GUNS TASK FORCE (HARRIS E) Provides that the Indiana crime guns task force area may include Lake County. Increases the number of executive board members required for a quorum from five to seven. Specifies that the position for which the chairperson voted prevails in the case of a tie vote as long as that position has received the affirmative votes of at least four members of the executive board. (Current law requires the affirmative votes of at least three members for a tie to be settled in favor of the chairperson's position.)
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All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Steuerwald
1/8/2025 - Authored By Earl Harris
- HB1096 SEX CRIMES COMMITTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER (BARTLETT J) Provides that the state may seek an enhancement to the sentence of a sex offense committed by a law enforcement officer. Provides that for purposes of the sentence enhancement, the definition of "law enforcement officer" includes a school resource officer or school corporation police officer.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By John Bartlett
- HB1101 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Smaltz
1/8/2025 - Authored By David Abbott

- HB1104 CARBON SEQUESTRATION (COMMONS M) Provides that, as a prerequisite for the department of natural resources (department) to issue an integration order in regard to the underground storage of carbon dioxide, a storage operator must obtain the consent of: (1) the owners of the pore space underlying at least 85% of the surface area above the proposed storage facility or amended proposed storage facility; and (2) the county executive of each county in which the storage facility is proposed to be located. Limits the length of a pipeline for purposes of a carbon sequestration project to 30 total miles. Increases the annual injection fee a storage operator must pay to the department from \$0.08 to \$0.15 per ton of carbon dioxide estimated to be injected into a storage facility.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Matt Commons
- HB1107 FUNDING FOR FAMILY RECOVERY COURTS (GARCIA WILBURN V) Establishes the family recovery court fund and provides that money in the fund is continuously appropriated for the purpose of funding family recovery courts. Provides that family recovery courts: (1) target cases of abuse or neglect wherein a parent or primary caregiver suffers from a substance use disorder or co-occurring disorders; and (2) are certified as problem solving courts by the office of judicial administration.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Goss-Reaves
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Victoria Garcia Wilburn
- HB1113 FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS (ZIMMERMAN A) Expands the purposes for which a fire protection district may be established.
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All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Bartels and O'Brien
1/8/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1114 DRIVING WITHOUT A LICENSE (ZIMMERMAN A) Adds the following criminal offenses for an individual who knowingly or intentionally operates a motor vehicle on a highway and has never received a valid driver's license: (1) A Class A misdemeanor if the operation of the motor vehicle results in bodily injury. (2) A Level 6 felony if the operation of the motor vehicle results in serious bodily injury. (3) A Level 5 felony if the operation of the motor vehicle results in the death or catastrophic injury of another person.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Lucas
1/8/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1117 STATE PROPERTY OFFENSES (MCNAMARA W) Provides that a person convicted of: (1) rioting; (2) criminal mischief; (3) burglary; (4) residential entry; or (5) criminal trespass; committed on state property is ineligible to receive or continue receiving state public assistance, including tuition assistance, for a period of three years. Requires the office of judicial administration to establish a procedure to notify the secretary of family and social services and the board of trustees of a state educational institution of the conviction.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Wendy McNamara
- HB1119 OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE INTOXICATED (MCNAMARA W) Provides that a person who operates a vehicle with at least five nanograms of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) in the person's saliva, as identified by a qualified test, commits the offense of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. (Current law provides that a person commits the offense if the person has any measurable amount of THC in the person's blood.) Defines "qualified test". Removes the metabolite of a controlled substance listed in schedule I or II as an element from the offense of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Bartels
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Wendy McNamara
- HB1122 UNLAWFUL ENCROACHMENT (MCNAMARA W) Authorizes a law enforcement officer to order a person to stop approaching the law enforcement officer if the officer reasonably believes that the person's presence within 25 feet of

the officer will interfere with the performance of the officer's duties. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally approaches within 25 feet of a law enforcement officer after being ordered to stop approaching commits unlawful encroachment on a law enforcement officer, a Class C misdemeanor.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Karickhoff, Bartels, Pressel

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Wendy McNamara

- HB1126 WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS (HEINE D) Alters the membership of a watershed development commission (commission) board. Allows a county to join a commission if any part of the designated watershed lies within boundaries of the county. Alters what must be considered regarding the membership and the activities of a commission. Provides that a commission may take certain actions with respect to certain flood plains. Expands permitted uses for certain funds collected by a commission and establishes certain budget limits. Provides that the department of natural resources's division of water shall provide a commission with a written summary of the division's review of certain public works projects within 30 days of the review. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2025 - First Reading
- 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Lehman, Abbott, Miller K
- 1/8/2025 - Authored By Dave Heine
- HB1128 GOVERNANCE OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE AGREEMENTS (HEINE D) Requires a governmental body to hold a public comment hearing regarding the necessity of a qualifying project prior to issuing a request for proposal or a request for quotation for the qualifying project. After the governmental body selects the operator, but before the operator begins developing or operating the qualifying project, requires: (1) the governmental body to consult with an external entity that specializes in public financial planning; (2) the external entity to produce a report that verifies the financial feasibility of the qualifying project; and (3) that the report be made available to the public. 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 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.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2025 - First Reading
- 1/8/2025 - Authored By Dave Heine
- HB1130 PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION INFORMATION (LAWSON E) Requires the department of local government finance (department), in a manner determined by the department, to include on every real property tax statement educational information regarding the eligibility and procedures for the over 65 property tax deduction and for various property tax deductions available to veterans.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Pressel
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- 1/8/2025 - First Reading
- 1/8/2025 - Authored By Ethan Lawson
- HB1131 TOWN OF CUMBERLAND (MILLER D) Provides that on January 1, 2027, the town of Cumberland is an excluded city and no longer part of the consolidated city. Requires the town legislative body and the legislative body of the consolidated city and county to take any steps necessary to transition the town to an excluded city. Requires the department of local government finance to adjust property tax levies, rates, budgets, and distributive shares of local units of local government as necessary to account for the town becoming an excluded city.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2025 - First Reading
- 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Pressel and Heine
- 1/8/2025 - Authored By Doug Miller
- HB1132 STADIUM AND CONVENTION BUILDING AUTHORITY (MILLER D) Provides that the Indiana finance authority is required to provide staff support for the Indiana stadium and convention building authority board. (Current law provides that the Indiana stadium and convention building authority is required to provide staff support.)
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2025 - First Reading
- 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives O'Brien and Bartels
- 1/8/2025 - Authored By Doug Miller

- HB1134 EXECUTIVE SESSIONS (SMALTZ B) Allows meetings of a state or local agency governing body concerning the following topics to be held in executive session: (1) Employee health care options with respect to special exceptions to coverage. (2) Employee handbook changes. (3) Review of negotiations on the performance of publicly bid contracts, when public knowledge may result in increased cost. (4) Solicitation of contract proposals containing a bidder's proprietary information.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Davis
1/8/2025 - Authored By Ben Smaltz
- HB1142 LOCAL INCOME TAX COUNCIL (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.
Current Status: 1/15/2025 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson
- HB1144 HAMILTON COUNTY COURTS (JETER C) Adds two superior courts to Hamilton County. Provides that the first judges of Hamilton superior courts No. 8 and No. 9 shall: (1) be elected at the November 2026 general election; (2) take office January 1, 2027; and (3) serve a term of six years. Allows the judges of the Hamilton circuit and superior courts to jointly appoint two additional magistrates to serve the Hamilton County courts.
Current Status: 1/15/2025 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 13; Nays: 0
All Bill Status: 1/15/2025 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Chris Jeter
- HB1145 DECRIMINALIZATION OF MARIJUANA (VANNATTER H) Decriminalizes possession of two ounces or less of marijuana.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Heath VanNatter
- HB1147 BIAS CRIMES (PACK R) Adds gender identity to the definition of "bias crime".
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Renee Pack
- HB1155 SIGNAL JAMMING DEVICES (PIERCE M) Provides that a signal jammer may be seized. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally manufactures, offers for sale, imports, markets, sells, possesses, uses, or operates a signal jammer commits unlawful use of a signal jammer, a Class A misdemeanor. Provides a sentence enhancement.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives McNamara, Gore, Bartels
1/8/2025 - Authored By Matt Pierce
- HB1156 DIGITAL ASSET MINING (PIERCE K) Prohibits a county, municipality, or township (unit) from adopting or enforcing an ordinance that would have the effect of prohibiting, restricting, or impairing an individual's or a business's ability to: (1) use digital assets to purchase legal goods and services; (2) accept digital assets as a method of payment for legal goods and services; (3) use a hardware wallet or self-hosted wallet to store the individual's or business's digital assets; (4) take custody of digital assets by using a hardware wallet or self-hosted wallet; or (5) operate a node for the purpose of connecting to a blockchain protocol and participating in the blockchain protocol's operations. Provides that use of a property for a digital asset mining business 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.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives VanNatter and Miller K
1/8/2025 - Authored By Kyle Pierce

- HB1157 APPOINTED MEMBERS OF CITY OR TOWN BOARDS (PIERCE K) Establishes minimum requirements for members appointed or reappointed to a city or town board, committee, or other body (board) after June 30, 2025. Allows a member serving on a board on June 30, 2025, who does not meet the minimum requirements to continue to serve on the board until the end of the member's term.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Kyle Pierce
- HB1167 TEST STRIPS (MELTZER J) 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: 1/15/2025 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays: 0
All Bill Status: 1/15/2025 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Garcia Wilburn
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer
- HB1170 ELIMINATION OF GUN-FREE ZONES (LUCAS J) Provides, with some exceptions, that beginning July 1, 2025, the state of Indiana may not regulate: (1) firearms, ammunition, and firearm accessories; and (2) the ownership, possession, carrying, transportation, registration, transfer, and storage of firearms, ammunition, and firearm accessories. Specifies that a certain provision of an ordinance, measure, enactment, rule, policy, or exercise of proprietary authority is void. Provides that a person not otherwise prohibited from carrying or possessing a firearm under federal or state law may carry or possess a firearm, without restriction, on certain property affiliated with the following state agencies beginning July 1, 2025: (1) The department of natural resources. (2) The state fair commission. (3) The department of administration. (4) The department of workforce development. Prohibits, with some exceptions, a state educational institution (institution) from regulating the possession or transportation of firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories in particular places. Allows a person to bring an action against an institution if the person is adversely affected by certain rules concerning firearms.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1171 SELF-DEFENSE (LUCAS J) Specifies that "reasonable force" includes the pointing of a loaded or unloaded firearm for purposes of arrest or to prevent an escape, or for self-defense.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1178 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Public Health
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Lindauer
1/8/2025 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1181 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 prosecuting attorney's office. Extends certain protections to an employee who reports, complains, or testifies about employee misclassification.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Chuck Moseley

HB1186 LAW ENFORCEMENT MATTERS (BARTELS S) Provides that a correctional professional is considered a public safety officer for purposes of determining eligibility for line of duty death benefits. (Current law provides that a correctional officer is considered a public safety officer for determining eligibility line of death benefits.) Provides that a law enforcement officer who: (1) has successfully completed Tier II or Tier III basic requirements; or (2) has completed a pre-basic program and will timely complete Tier II or Tier III basic training requirements; may only exercise police powers when the law enforcement officer is carrying out the duties of the law enforcement agency that appointed the law enforcement officer within the geographic jurisdiction of the appointing law enforcement agency. Provides that a Tier II or Tier III program graduate may exercise certain police powers outside the jurisdiction of the appointing law enforcement agency if the appointing law enforcement agency enters into an agreement with another law enforcement agency that is authorized to employ a Tier II or Tier III program graduate, or an entity that sets forth the extent of police powers the law enforcement officer may exercise. Makes changes to penalties for highway worksite violations. Increases the penalty for criminal recklessness from a Class B to a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that criminal recklessness is a: (1) Level 6 felony if the crime is committed while armed with a deadly weapon or is committed while operating a vehicle; (2) Level 5 felony if the person committed pointing a firearm while committing aggressive driving; (3) Level 4 felony if the crime is committed by shooting a firearm into a dwelling or other building or place where people are likely to gather or the person commits aggressive driving that results in serious bodily injury to another person; or (4) Level 3 felony if the crime is committed by shooting a firearm into an occupied motor vehicle or the person committed aggressive driving that results in the death or catastrophic injury of another person. Provides that a Level 3, Level 4, or Level 5 felony of criminal recklessness is considered a serious violent felony for purposes of unlawful possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon. Adds a hospital police department to the definition of police departments required to provide police officers with certain rights.

Current Status: 1/23/2025 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Steve Bartels

HB1187 WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS (AYLESWORTH M) Alters the membership of a watershed development commission (commission) board. Allows a county to join a commission if any part of the designated watershed lies within boundaries of the county. Alters what must be considered regarding the membership and the activities of a commission. Provides that a commission may take certain actions with respect to certain flood plains. Expands permitted uses for certain funds collected by a commission and establishes certain budget limits. Provides that the department of natural resources's division of water shall provide a commission with a written summary of the division's review of certain public works projects within 30 days of the review. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth

HB1188 RESISTING LAW ENFORCEMENT (SHONKWILER A) Increases certain penalties for resisting law enforcement.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Alaina Shonkwiler

HB1189 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS (ABBOTT D) Provides that under certain circumstances, a residential property owner may obtain the removal of an unauthorized person from the residential property owner's residential real property. Establishes a cause of action for wrongful removal from residential property. Provides that if a person without either the consent of the owner of a dwelling or a contractual interest in the dwelling knowingly or intentionally enters the dwelling and knowingly or intentionally causes more than \$10,000 in damages to the dwelling, the person commits a Level 6 felony.

Current Status: 1/22/2025 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Smaltz and Pressel
1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By David Abbott

- HB1190 WATER QUALITY (ABBOTT D) Establishes the water protection and restoration trust fund (fund). Provides that the state comptroller shall transfer each year to the fund from the money appropriated to certain state agencies an amount equal to \$1,660,000. Establishes the water quality board (board) to manage and develop the fund. Sets out the membership, terms, and compensation of the board. Provides that the board shall establish a surface water quality financial assistance program for the purpose of assessing and reducing nutrients that are negatively affecting surface waters within the state. Makes conforming changes.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By David Abbott
- HB1192 FARMLAND ASSESSMENT (CULP K) Amends the six year rolling average calculation and the capitalization rate percentage under the statewide agricultural land base rate determination.
Current Status: 1/15/2025 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Kendell Culp
- HB1193 TOWNSHIP ASSESSORS (LAUER R) Abolishes the office of township assessor, effective January 1, 2028. Transfers the duties of the township assessor to the county assessor of the county in which the township is located. Provides that if the office of township assessor becomes vacant before January 1, 2028, the office is abolished and the duties of the township assessor are transferred to the county assessor.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Ryan Lauer
- HB1196 MEMBERSHIP OF AVIATION BOARDS (ISA T) Provides that an eligible entity with a population of less than 38,000 is not subject to the political party membership requirements for a board of aviation commissioners or an airport authority.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Tony Isa
- HB1198 LOCAL PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS (LAWSON E) Changes the amount of a public work project that a board may perform using its own workforce, without awarding a contract, from an estimated cost of less than \$250,000 to an estimated cost of less than \$500,000.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Pressel
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Ethan Lawson
- HB1199 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS (BARTLETT J) Requires a political subdivision to contract with mental health providers for the purpose of supplementing existing crisis intervention teams with mental health professionals. Specifies certain eligibility requirements for mental health professionals' rapid response assistance. Requires a mental health professional who is appointed to accompany responding law enforcement or police officers to a call or be separately dispatched to an emergency involving a mental health or substance use disorder crisis. Provides that a law enforcement officer or police officer (officer) may not be held liable for damages, including punitive damages, for any act or omission related to a mental health professional's contribution to a crisis intervention team or a crisis intervention team response. Specifies that no other person or entity may be held liable for certain damages by reason of an agency relationship with an officer. Defines certain terms.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By John Bartlett
- HB1204 DIGITAL ALERT PILOT PROGRAM (BAUER M) Establishes the digital alert pilot program administered by the department of homeland security to provide grants to fire service providers for the use of digital alert technology to notify motorists regarding the location of fire apparatuses. Establishes the digital alert pilot program grant fund.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Maureen Bauer

- HB1209 CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD ELECTIONS (STEUERWALD G) Provides that, after the appointment of the initial board, members of the board of directors of a conservancy district shall be chosen by vote of the freeholders of the conservancy district in the general election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each even-numbered year. Establishes qualifications for candidates for conservancy district board positions and establishes a procedure by which an individual may become a candidate. Makes candidates for conservancy district board positions subject to certain requirements concerning campaign committees and contribution limits that apply to other candidates for elective office. Makes provisions for the voting for and election of conservancy district board members. Makes conforming changes.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald
- HB1214 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (LEHMAN M) Provides that, after June 30, 2025, a party may not prohibit an employer from bidding on a contract solely on the basis of the employer's experience rating. Requires insurance companies providing worker's compensation insurance to revise an insured party's prior experience ratings in a specified manner after the insurance company makes a successful subrogation claim.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Matt Lehman
- HB1215 LAGRANGE COUNTY INNKEEPER'S TAX (ISA T) Authorizes LaGrange County to increase the county's innkeeper's tax rate from 5% to not more than 8% under the uniform innkeeper's tax statute.
Current Status: 1/15/2025 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Tony Isa
- HB1216 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Elizabeth Rowray
- HB1221 PENSION MATTERS (KARICKHOFF M) Requires certain supplemental allowance reserve accounts to pay an annual cost of living adjustment or thirteenth check beginning in 2027. Provides for a thirteenth check in certain years 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: 1/13/2025 - Reassigned to Committee on Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Smaltz
1/9/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff

- HB1223 TOURISM DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (KARICKHOFF M) Establishes a program administered by the Indiana destination development corporation (IDDC) to provide an incentive for tourism development projects in the form of a sales tax rebate available to businesses that are able to satisfy the requirements needed to enter into an agreement with the IDDC with respect to specified tourism development projects. Sets forth the: (1) types of tourism development projects that may qualify for the incentive; (2) approval process to receive the incentive; and (3) required elements of the agreement between the board of the IDDC and a business approved for the incentive. Specifies the manner in which a business may claim the incentive. 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 from inclusion within a district: (1) property that receives a homestead standard deduction; (2) property used for single family residential housing; and (3) property used for multi-unit residential housing. Provides that owners of 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: (1) at least 50% of the owners of businesses within the proposed district; or (2) the owners of businesses within the proposed district that constitute more than 50% of the revenue to be collected from the assessments. 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:* 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Baird, Smaltz, Rowray
1/9/2025 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff
- HB1224 DRIVING PRIVILEGE CARDS (KARICKHOFF M) 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:* 1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Lehman, Pressel, Harris
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff
- HB1225 PENSION GARNISHMENT FOR RESTITUTION (DANT CHESSER W) Provides that when a court issues a restitution order against an employee beneficiary of the state police benefit system (system), the prosecuting attorney must bring an action requesting garnishment of amounts that the employee beneficiary is entitled to receive under the system. Requires the court to order the trustee to take certain actions if the court finds that the restitution order has been issued and has not been fully satisfied or discharged.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Wendy Dant Chesser
- HB1229 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (PRESCOTT J) Abolishes the assessment of tangible property after December 31, 2025, and the imposition of property taxes after December 31, 2026. Provides that a political subdivision may not issue any new bonds, notes, or warrants, or enter into any leases or obligations to be paid from property tax revenue, or that include a pledge to levy property taxes if other funds are insufficient. Provides that: (1) no property tax increment financing district or allocation area may be established, amended, or renewed; and (2) no bonds, leases, or other obligations may be issued, entered into, or extended for a property tax increment financing district or allocation area. Provides that a school corporation may impose an annual fee to replace the loss of revenue previously collected by the school corporation from the imposition of an operating referendum tax levy or school safety

referendum tax levy. Prescribes procedures for the fixing and reviewing of a political subdivision's budget. Prohibits the imposition of new levies for controlled projects, operating referenda, and school safety referenda. Abolishes the offices of county assessor and township assessor. Extends the sales and use tax application to transactions involving services, except for health or mental health services (including insurance premiums for policies covering these services) and services provided for charitable tax exempt purposes. Establishes the local revenue sharing fund (fund) into which revenue from the portion of revenue from the extended sales and use tax is to be deposited. Requires the state comptroller to distribute to taxing units the portion of all the state sales and use tax revenue attributable to services from the fund. Continually appropriates money from the fund. Requires the legislative services agency to prepare legislation for introduction in the 2026 regular session of the general assembly to make appropriate required changes in statutes. Makes corresponding changes.

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All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading

1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Haggard

1/9/2025 - Authored By J.D. Prescott

HB1232

IDACS (SHONKWILER A) Clarifies that certain information shall be entered into the Indiana data and communication system (IDACS) within 24 hours of the information's receipt. Provides that the state police department, in consultation with the criminal justice institute, may take certain actions for noncompliance. Makes conforming amendments.

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1/9/2025 - Authored By Alaina Shonkwiler

HB1233

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION (ENGLEMAN K) Provides that on January 1, 2027, in all counties except Marion County, the following occur: (1) Township government is dissolved. (2) The county executive assumes the powers and duties of township trustees with regard to fire protection and emergency services (fire services). (3) An elected county trustee assumes the powers and duties of township trustees regarding township assistance. Specifies that, on January 1, 2027, the following occur: (1) All fire protection districts and fire protection territories are dissolved. (2) Fire services are provided in accordance with a county fire protection and emergency medical services plan (county plan). (3) The county emergency management director is responsible for the day to day operations of administering the county plan. Provides that all incorporated towns with a population of less than 1,000 are required: (1) to report not later than November 1, 2025, and every November 1 every four years thereafter as to the services provided to residents, and operating costs; and (2) to be dissolved by the county legislative body if the town's operating costs exceed the expenditures for delivery of services to residents.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading

1/9/2025 - Authored By Karen Engleman

HB1234

CONSERVATION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND (CULP K) Establishes an agricultural land protection program (program) to allow the state or a county fiscal body to purchase agricultural conservation easements throughout the state and also acquire agricultural conservation easements by gift, bequest, or devise. Provides that the Indiana state department of agriculture (department) may receive and hold agricultural conservation easements acquired under the program or by gift, bequest, or devise. Establishes the Indiana land protection board to administer the program in coordination with the department. Establishes the agricultural conservation easement fund to provide funding for the purchase of agricultural conservation easements throughout the state. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/14/2025 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 2

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/9/2025 - Referred to House Agriculture and Rural Development

1/9/2025 - First Reading

1/9/2025 - Authored By Kendell Culp

HB1236

CROWN POINT FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (OLTHOFF J) Authorizes the city of Crown Point to impose a food and beverage tax.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading

1/9/2025 - Authored By Julie Olthoff

HB1245

NATURAL RESOURCE ENTRANCE FEES (HALL D) Allows counties that meet certain criteria to adopt an ordinance to impose a surcharge of not more than \$1 in addition to the fees charged by the department of natural resources (department) for entry into certain state parks and recreation areas. Provides that the surcharge may not be imposed on an annual state park pass holder. Requires the department to collect and to report and pay the surcharge to each county treasurer. Provides that the surcharge collected is to be used for certain purposes.

Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Bartels, Lucas, Pierce M
1/9/2025 - Authored By Dave Hall

- HB1250 ASSESSMENT OF PRIME FARMLAND (CULP K) Provides a reduced property tax assessment classification for prime farmland.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Kendell Culp
- HB1255 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR QUALIFIED VETERANS (KLINKER S) Provides a property tax deduction for an individual, or the surviving spouse of an individual, who has been rated by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs as individually unemployable.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Sheila Klinker
- HB1259 CAMPAIGN COMMUNICATIONS (MILLER K) Requires a flag that solicits a contribution or expressly advocates the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate to comply in certain circumstances with campaign communication requirements.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Kyle Miller
- HB1260 ARCHITECT OR ENGINEER REVIEW OF PUBLIC WORK (MILLER K) Provides that plans and specifications approved by an architect or engineer are not required for certain public work on a public building.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Kyle Miller
- HB1263 FORFEITURE OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS (GREENE R) Provides that particular elected officials who are convicted of a crime violating public trust forfeit state retirement benefits. Specifies exceptions.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Robb Greene
- HB1264 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, 2025, 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: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Robb Greene
- HB1265 CONDEMNATION OF HOOSIER HOMESTEAD PROPERTY (GREENE R) Establishes the Hoosier homestead program administered by the Indiana state department of agriculture to commemorate and maintain a registry of farms owned by the same family for at least 100 years. Provides that if a condemnation action involves the taking of a fee simple interest in a Hoosier homestead: (1) the property owner is entitled to testify at a hearing conducted by the appropriate municipal or county legislative body; and (2) the legislative body must approve the condemnation for the condemnation to proceed.
Current Status: 1/23/2025 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2025 - Referred to House Agriculture and Rural Development
1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Culp
1/9/2025 - Authored By Robb Greene

- HB1266 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: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Prescott and Bascom
1/9/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1267 STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS (ZIMMERMAN A) Allows for the prosecution of: (1) child molesting to be commenced before the date the alleged victim reaches 51 years of age; and (2) rape to be commenced within 15 years after the commission of the offense.
Current Status: 1/9/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Prescott and Bascom
All Bill Status: 1/9/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/9/2025 - First Reading
1/9/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1268 DNR STUDY OF GROUND WATER RESOURCES (COMMONS M) Requires the department of natural resources (department) to study certain information pertaining to ground water and water withdrawals. Provides that the department shall, not later than October 1, 2025, provide the legislative council a report of its findings.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Aylesworth, Genda, Campbell
1/13/2025 - Authored By Matt Commons
- HB1269 INDIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (COMMONS M) 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 that exceeds 100 acres in a county, 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. Specifies additional procedures that the IEDC must take when acquiring land. Requires the IEDC to establish a mechanism to track the impacts of economic development projects based on: (1) wages paid to employees; and (2) financial impacts to local governments. Sets forth the information required to be reported on the tracking mechanism, which must be updated quarterly and posted quarterly on the IEDC's transparency portal. Requires the IEDC to provide an annual report of the information reported on the tracking mechanism and other information related to economic development to the general assembly. Requires the IEDC to dedicate at least 5% of the funds appropriated to the IEDC for economic development purposes in state fiscal years 2026 and 2027 for economic development projects located in communities that meet specified criteria.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Greene, Shonkwiler, Haggard
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Matt Commons
- HB1270 STATE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE INFORMATION (IRELAND A) Requires the department of state revenue (department) to, within a reasonable time after the filing of an Indiana tax return by a taxpayer, issue a letter in hard copy form to every taxpayer who: (1) filed an Indiana tax return for the previous taxable year; and (2) had a state tax liability of at least \$1 for the previous taxable year. Provides that the letter must not exceed two pages and must include: (1) the amount of total state income tax the taxpayer remitted for the previous taxable year; (2) information regarding any change to the state income tax rate that occurred over the previous two taxable years; (3) a summary, categorized by revenue source, of income tax revenues received by the state during the previous taxable year; (4) a summary, categorized by expenditure type, of expenditures funded by income tax revenues during the previous taxable year; (5) a proportional categorized breakdown showing an estimate of how the taxpayer's income tax dollars remitted for the previous taxable year were or will be spent; and (6) any other objective information the department determines appropriate in helping to educate the taxpayer about the state's budget, spending, or fiscal wellness. Requires the state comptroller to provide the department assistance with any data or records necessary for the department to prepare the letter.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Shonkwiler
1/13/2025 - Authored By Andrew Ireland
- HB1275 ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION MATTERS (MANNING E) Makes the following changes: (1) Expands the purpose of the Richard D. Doyle tobacco education and enforcement fund. (2) Amends type II gambling game prize limits to include sports themed gaming. (3) Replaces a reference in the definition of a "Type II gambling game" to an

Indiana gaming commission memorandum with a substantive definition. (4) Eliminates the requirement that a farm winery or artisan distiller annually submit excise tax returns to the alcohol and tobacco commission (ATC). (5) Allows the ATC to collect reasonable labor costs of investigating a permit holder or employee charged with providing an alcoholic beverage to an intoxicated person. (6) Amends local alcoholic beverage board members' duties to reflect electronic record keeping. (7) Requires an employee or contractor who controls entry into age restricted premises or otherwise checks an individual's proof of age to complete alcohol server training. (8) Specifies the required minimum liquor liability insurance coverage that applies to the liquor liability endorsement to a general policy. (9) Prohibits charging an individual a cover fee to access unlimited alcoholic beverages. Allows the sale of event packages. (10) Replaces, in statutes regarding unlawful sales to minors, references to "tobacco", "e-liquid", or "electronic cigarette" with the inclusive term "tobacco product". (11) Allows a person to participate electronically in an online auction or raffle but requires alcoholic beverage prices to be collected in person. Repeals statutes that do the following: (1) Allow the ATC to require registration of alcoholic beverage brands and other information used in advertising. (2) Require attachment of an identification marker to a keg at the time of sale. (3) Make it a Class C misdemeanor to transport an alcoholic beverage to a retailer or dealer on Sunday.

Current Status: 1/14/2025 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/13/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy

1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Ethan Manning

HB1276 VARIOUS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO MATTERS (MANNING E) Makes the following changes: (1) Requires a permittee to obtain written permission from the appropriate local or state agency to locate a restaurant or hotel patio or terrace in the public right-of-way. (2) Allows a minor to be in a small brewery and the brewery's restaurant, if accompanied by an adult. (3) Allows the holder of a supplemental caterer's permit to obtain a limited tobacco certificate and cigar event endorsement to sell cigars at catered events. (4) Establishes requirements regarding permittee donations of alcoholic beverages to qualified organizations who are permittees conducting an event. (5) Makes it a Class C misdemeanor to sell a nicotine analogue. (6) Provides that if a tobacco certificate holder (holder) sells or distributes tobacco products at a location where criminal conduct occurs involving illegal substances or contraband, the cost of disposal of the substances or contraband may be part of the sanctions imposed on the holder. Provides that the alcohol and tobacco commission may issue a three way permit: (1) to a theater within the historic district of a city with a certain population; and (2) that is not subject to the quota.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Ethan Manning

HB1278 RESTRICTIONS ON TRAIN LENGTH (GORE M) Prohibits a railroad from operating a train longer than 8,500 feet in length on a main line or a branch line.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Mitch Gore

HB1279 SEXUAL PREDATOR EMPLOYMENT (GORE M) Prohibits a sexually violent predator or an offender against children from working in any setting where the offender: (1) has more than incidental and occasional contact with a child who is not accompanied by the child's parent, guardian, or custodian; (2) has supervisory or disciplinary power over a child; or (3) is expected to touch a child on a more than incidental and occasional basis.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Mitch Gore

HB1286 PFAS CHEMICALS (CASH B) Requires the department of environmental management to publish a registry of persons that discharge PFAS chemicals into waters of the state.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representative McGuire

1/13/2025 - Authored By Becky Cash

HB1287 DISPLAY OF POLITICAL SIGNS ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES (CASH B) Amends as follows the statute governing the display of political signs on property subject to restrictive covenants or homeowners association rules: (1) Expands the scope of the statute to include additional communities. (2) Replaces the term "homeowners association" with the term "community association" and makes similar conforming changes to the statute's terminology. (3) Extends the

beginning of the period within which a community association may not prohibit a community member from displaying a political sign on the community member's property from 30 days to 60 days before the date of the election to which the sign relates. (4) Removes the provision that authorizes a community association to adopt and enforce rules restricting the number of political signs that may be displayed on a community member's property. (5) Prohibits a community association from restricting the number of political signs that a community member may display on the community member's property, subject to specified exceptions. (6) Removes an exemption for gated communities from the statute's prohibition against community association rules or covenants that prohibit candidates or elected officials (or their spouses or volunteers) from entering onto community association property to conduct political activity. (7) Provides that a member of a homeowners association who is aggrieved by an alleged violation of the statute by a homeowners association may assert a claim against the homeowners association or its board under the grievance resolution procedures set forth in the statute governing homeowners associations. (8) Provides that: (A) a community member; or (B) a candidate or an elected official; who is aggrieved by an alleged violation of the statute may seek any remedy available to the person under applicable law, including an action for damages or injunctive relief in a court with jurisdiction.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Becky Cash

HB1288 PUBLIC PURCHASING (HAMILTON C) Provides that the purchasing agency of a governmental body must use a purchasing procedure when purchasing services. Provides that a purchasing agent may only make a purchase without soliciting bids or proposals if the purchase qualifies for a special purchase. Requires a contract between a state elected official's office and a contractor to include language disclosing if, in the 12 months preceding the execution of the contract, the contractor or an officer or director of the contractor made a contribution to the state elected official's campaign. Requires a state elected official's office to execute an addendum to a contract if the contractor or an officer or director of the contractor makes a contribution to the state elected official's campaign after the contract is executed and before the end of the contract's term.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Carey Hamilton

HB1292 PROFESSIONAL SPORTS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (HARRIS 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Manning

1/13/2025 - Authored By Earl Harris

HB1293 INVESTOR OWNERSHIP OF SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES (HARRIS E) Establishes the housing down payment assistance fund. Establishes a transfer tax equal to 50% of the fair market value of a single family residence for each single family residence acquired by an applicable taxpayer after the applicable date. Establishes a maximum number of single family residences that may be owned by an applicable taxpayer after the applicable date for purposes of calculating an annual excise tax on any excess single family residences.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Earl Harris

HB1294 CITIZEN'S ARRESTS (HARRIS E) Prohibits citizen's arrests. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Earl Harris

HB1301 UTILITY VOTES AT RTO MEETINGS (ERRINGTON S) Beginning in 2026, requires certain public utilities that provide electric utility service to file with the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) an annual report that: (1) lists, or otherwise provides access to information on, each recorded vote cast by: (A) the public utility; and (B) any affiliate of the public utility; at a meeting of the regional transmission organization (RTO) that includes the public utility's assigned service area, regardless of whether the vote is disclosed by the RTO; and (2) includes a brief description explaining how each vote identified is in the public interest. Provides that for purposes of this requirement, a meeting

includes a meeting of any: (1) committee; (2) user group; (3) task force; or (4) other similar body; of the RTO. Beginning in 2027, requires the IURC to include in its annual report a summary of the information contained in the reports provided by public utilities under these provisions with respect to the preceding calendar year. Requires the IURC to adopt rules to implement these provisions.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Sue Errington

- HB1312 PUBLIC NOTICES (MELTZER J) Requires the Indiana archives and records administration (administration) to establish a state public notice website not later than July 1, 2026. Prohibits the administration from charging a fee for publishing or viewing notices. Effective July 1, 2026, eliminates provisions regarding publication of notice on a political subdivision website. Allows a person to satisfy any notice statute by publishing notice in any of the following forms of media: (1) Newspaper, including print edition or electronic edition. (2) Locality newspaper, including print edition or electronic edition. (3) Political subdivision website (before July 1, 2026). (4) The state public notice website (after June 30, 2026). Eliminates provisions requiring: (1) a political subdivision to publish notice only in a newspaper or locality newspaper; or (2) a newspaper that has a website to publish notice both in the newspaper and on the website.
- Current Status:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- All Bill Status:* 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Miller D and Zimmerman
1/13/2025 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer
- HB1316 SEWER AND STORM WATER FEES INCURRED BY TENANTS (SMITH V) Establishes billing procedures for municipal sewage or storm water user fees assessed for real property that is occupied by someone other than the owner. Provides that a lien does not attach for user fees assessed against real property occupied by someone other than the owner under certain circumstances. Requires the assessing entity to release certain liens and delinquent user fees upon receipt of a verified demand in writing from the owner.
- Current Status:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
- All Bill Status:* 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Vernon Smith
- HB1319 ELKHART COUNTY COURTS (WESCO T) Allows the judges of the Elkhart circuit and superior courts to appoint five full-time magistrates. (Current law allows for the appointment of two magistrates.)
- Current Status:* 1/22/2025 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- All Bill Status:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives King, Miller D, Abbott
1/13/2025 - Authored By Timothy Wesco
- HB1324 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:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment
- All Bill Status:* 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Cory Criswell
- HB1327 MARIJUANA ADVERTISING (WESCO T) Provides that a person may not advertise a product containing marijuana or a marijuana business by any medium within the borders of Indiana. Provides that the attorney general may seek civil penalties, an injunction, and other costs for violations. Provides that civil penalties shall be deposited in the state general fund. Provides that the chapter added by this act expires on July 1 following the date that the federal government removes marijuana as a schedule I controlled substance.
- Current Status:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary
- All Bill Status:* 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives King, Jordan, Prescott
1/13/2025 - Authored By Timothy Wesco
- HB1332 CANNABIS (JOHNSON B) Establishes a procedure for the lawful production and sale of cannabis in Indiana. Makes conforming amendments. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Blake Johnson

HB1340 CONSERVANCY DISTRICT ROAD FUNDING (BORDERS B) Provides that, beginning July 1, 2025, a conservancy district that: (1) has an elected board of directors; and (2) has assumed responsibility in its district plan for the construction, reconstruction, and maintenance of the public highways within the conservancy district; is considered a city or town for purposes of distributions from the motor vehicle highway account and the local road and street account.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Bruce Borders

HB1342 USE OF PUBLIC RESTROOMS (BORDERS B) Makes it a Class B misdemeanor if: (1) a male knowingly or intentionally enters a restroom that is designated to be used only by females; or (2) a female knowingly or intentionally enters a restroom that is designated to be used only by males. Provides certain defenses.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Bruce Borders

HB1345 INCOME TAX REPLACEMENT (BORDERS B) Eliminates the state adjusted gross income tax by reducing the rate to zero. Provides that the reduction in revenue resulting from the elimination of the state adjusted gross 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Bruce Borders

HB1346 MAINTENANCE OF U.S. 41 RIGHT-OF-WAY (HOSTETTLER M) Appropriates \$500,000 from the state general fund to the Indiana department of transportation (department) to be used by the department for the purpose of providing roadside mowing on U.S. 41 from the Vanderburgh County - Gibson County line to the Knox County - Sullivan County line.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Ledbetter, O'Brien, McNamara

1/13/2025 - Authored By Matt Hostettler

HB1350 JUDICIAL IMMUNITY CONCERNING ELECTRONIC MONITORING (JACKSON C) Adds judges to the list of persons immune from civil liability for certain acts or omissions that occur in connection with the statute establishing electronic monitoring standards. (Current law provides that immunity does not apply to gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.)

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Smith V

1/13/2025 - Authored By Carolyn Jackson

HB1352 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Pressel and Harris

1/13/2025 - Authored By Carolyn Jackson

HB1362 ANNEXATION (HALL D) 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 65% of the owners of land not exempt from property taxes in the annexation territory; or (2) the owners of at least 80% in assessed valuation of land not exempt from property taxes in the annexation territory. Requires the court to hold a hearing if the petition has the necessary 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Dave Hall

HB1363 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (WESCO T) 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Miller D and Hostettler
1/13/2025 - Authored By Timothy Wesco

HB1366 PFAS WATER SAFETY STANDARDS (DVORAK R) Requires the Indiana department of health (state department) to establish state maximum contaminant levels for PFAS in water provided by public water systems. Provides that maximum contaminant levels established by the state department: (1) must be protective of public health, including the health of vulnerable subpopulations; and (2) may not be less stringent than any maximum contaminant level or health advisory promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Ryan Dvorak

HB1368 SCHOOL LEVY REFERENDA (BEHNING R) Provides that: (1) a referendum authorizing a school corporation to impose property taxes to pay debt service on bonds or lease rentals on a lease for a specified controlled project; (2) a school corporation operating referendum tax levy; or (3) a school corporation school safety referendum tax levy; may be placed on the ballot only at a general election.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representative McGuire
1/13/2025 - Authored By Robert Behning

HB1369 BATTERY CHARGED FENCES (MILLER D) Prohibits a county, city, or town from adopting or enforcing an ordinance or resolution that prohibits or imposes requirements on certain battery charged fences.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Doug Miller

HB1370 PUBLIC CONTRACTS FOR LOCAL UNITS (CLERE E) Provides that a political subdivision must upload a digital copy of every contract entered into after December 31, 2025, to the Indiana transparency website (website). Changes the individual responsible for submitting a statement attesting that a political subdivision uploaded a contract entered into in the preceding year to the website from the executive of the political subdivision to the fiscal officer of the political subdivision. Requires the department of local government finance to develop and implement an application programming interface that would allow a political subdivision to upload multiple contracts at once directly from the political subdivision's network to the website.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Edward Clere

HB1379 PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION FOR WATER CONSERVATION (BOY P) Provides a property tax deduction for the use of

permeable pavement in new construction projects.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Pat Boy

HB1381 ELKHART COUNTY COURTS (KING J) Allows the judges of the Elkhart circuit and superior courts to appoint five full-time magistrates. (Current law allows for the appointment of two magistrates.)

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Wesco

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Joanna King

HB1383 INDIANA CIVILIAN CYBER CORPS (JUDY C) Establishes the Indiana civilian cyber corps program (program). Provides that the adjutant general of the military department shall administer the program. Provides that the program includes civilian volunteers who have expertise in addressing cybersecurity incidents and who volunteer at the invitation of the adjutant general to provide rapid response assistance to a cybersecurity client in need of expert assistance after recognition of a cybersecurity incident or potential cybersecurity incident. Provides that the work product of a civilian cyber corps volunteer or advisor, including any information voluntarily submitted to the volunteer or advisor, is exempt from disclosure. Provides that a civilian cyber corps volunteer or advisor is immune from tort liability for an injury to a person or damage to property that occurs while the volunteer or advisor is deployed and acting on behalf of the adjutant general if certain conditions are met. Repeals the Indiana cyber civilian corps program advisory board. Makes an appropriation.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Bartels, Haggard, Morris

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Chris Judy

HB1384 PUBLIC DEFENDER BENEFITS (BASCOM G) Allows an attorney who: (1) performs court appointed legal services on a full-time or full-time equivalent basis; and (2) is not employed by the state or a local unit; to join the state employee health plan. Establishes eligibility, enrollment, and coverage requirements. Provides that the cost of coverage shall be shared between the Indiana commission on court appointed attorneys and the eligible attorney. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Zimmerman, Steuerwald, Gore

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Insurance

1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Garrett Bascom

HB1386 COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAM (DELANEY E) Specifies that a community corrections program is a political subdivision for purposes of: (1) the statute prohibiting legal actions by political subdivisions against the firearms industry; and (2) the tort claims act. Makes a conforming change to cross-reference the statute authorizing the establishment of community corrections programs.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Edward DeLaney

HB1387 UNIFORM RECOGNITION 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.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Edward DeLaney

HB1389 LOCAL REGULATION OF FUEL SOURCES (PRESSEL J) Prohibits, subject to specified exceptions, a county, municipality, township, or neighborhood or homeowners association from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, order, regulation, resolution, policy, or similar measure that: (1) prohibits or restricts the use, sale, or lease of a motor vehicle or outdoor equipment; (2) distinguishes between motor vehicles or outdoor equipment; or (3) results in differing regulatory standards for motor vehicles or outdoor equipment; based on the fuel source that powers the motor vehicle or outdoor equipment.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

- HB1390 BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES (PRESSEL J) Provides the records of the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau), for purposes of showing the last registered owner of a vehicle when obtaining a certificate of title for a repossessed vehicle, mean records related to certificate of titles or registrations. Allows the bureau to issue a temporary registration permit at the bureau's discretion if a person meets certain requirements. Allows the bureau to offer alternative designs or color scheme versions of license plates. Requires a customer who selects both an alternative design or color scheme and a personalized license plate message for a license plate to pay two separate fees. Changes the maximum total length of a combination of two vehicles coupled together from 60 feet to 70 feet. Allows an insurance company to submit a signed or unsigned certificate of title for the issuance of a certificate of salvage title. Provides that a commercial driver's license may include an intrastate passenger transport endorsement if the applicant is at least 18 years of age. Provides that a learner's permit, driver's license, identification card, and photo exempt identification card expire upon the bureau receiving notice of the death of the holder or upon issuance of a subsequent physical credential. Effective January 1, 2028, requires the bureau to maintain a secure online insurance verification system to verify proof of a driver's financial responsibility. Removes the population requirement for a county to enter into an interlocal cooperation agreement with an adjacent county to allow a public transportation corporation to provide expanded service beyond the boundary of the county in which it is located.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel
- HB1392 STATE COMPTROLLER MATTERS (CLERE E) Specifies the timing of annual salary increases for state elected officials. Provides that the state comptroller calculates distributions of financial institutions tax revenue to taxing units. Provides that a taxing unit may deposit a distribution of financial institutions tax revenue in any fund. Requires state agencies and offices of statewide elected officials to upload a copy of a contract entered into to the Indiana transparency website. Provides that the purchasing agency of a governmental body must use a purchasing procedure when purchasing services. Provides that a purchasing agent may only make a purchase without soliciting bids or proposals if the purchase qualifies for a special purchase. Requires the state comptroller to calculate and provide the distribution amounts of commercial vehicle excise tax revenue for each taxing unit in a county to the county auditor. Provides that the county auditor may deposit a distribution of commercial vehicle excise tax revenue in any fund. Removes a requirement that a prosecuting attorney notify the state comptroller of the prosecuting attorney's election to devote full professional time to the duties of the office. Provides that an individual is not required to file any notification with the state comptroller that the individual has been elected or appointed to a judgeship. Requires the state comptroller and Indiana public retirement system to develop and present to the interim study committee on pension management oversight a proposed plan for a transition from the use of, and contribution of state revenue to, retirement medical benefits accounts to an increased focus on the use of, and additional contributions of state revenue to, the state employees' deferred compensation plan.
- Current Status:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Edward Clere
- HB1393 IMMIGRATION NOTICE (BASCOM G) Requires a law enforcement officer to provide the name, address, and other identifying information to ICE after arresting or issuing a summons to an individual suspected of not being lawfully present in the United States.
- Current Status:* 1/23/2025 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Prescott, Lucas, Payne
1/13/2025 - Authored By Garrett Bascom
- HB1397 DRIVING PRIVILEGE CARDS (GENDA M) 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Mark Genda

HB1401

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION GOVERNANCE (OLTHOFF J) Amends as follows the statute governing homeowners associations: (1) Provides that for each meeting of the homeowners association (HOA) board, the board must provide at least four days advance written notice of the meeting to members of the HOA and requires the notice must include: (A) a meeting agenda; and (B) in the case of the notice for annual meeting, a statement of the right of HOA members to demand a special meeting of the members, including a statement of the statutorily required number of members needed to demand a special meeting. (2) Provides that a member of an HOA is considered to be in attendance at a meeting of the HOA if the member attends by remote or virtual means in accordance with the procedures for remote meetings set forth in the statute governing nonprofit corporations. (3) Provides that an HOA's governing documents may not require the attendance of more than 25% of the members at a meeting to constitute a quorum. (4) Authorizes an HOA to assess a fine for a member's violation of a covenant if the HOA first: (A) adopts a schedule of fines for specified violations; and (B) in the case of a violation by a member, provides to the member a notice setting forth the violation, the amount of the fine, and the date on which the fine will be assessed. (5) Amends provisions governing the resolution of disputes between HOAs and members to specify that if a claimant under those provisions is an HOA and the claim involves a member's violation of the covenants of the HOA, the board may: (A) assess a fine under the bill's provisions authorizing the assessment of fines or enforce a fine previously assessed under that authority; and (B) seek to recover from the other party any court costs or attorney's fees incurred in connection with the claim.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Julie Olthoff

HB1402

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (THOMPSON J) Phases in a total exemption for business personal property that is placed in service after January 1, 2025. Specifies that the exemption does not apply to business personal property that is placed in service on or before January 1, 2025. Increases the acquisition cost threshold for the business personal property tax exemption from \$80,000 to \$200,000 over six years. Provides that the 30% minimum valuation limitation does not apply to business personal property placed in service after January 1, 2025. Phases down the minimum valuation percentage from 30% to zero for business personal property placed in service on or before January 1, 2025. Phases down the homestead standard deduction over five years to zero beginning for taxes due and payable in 2031. Phases in an increase in the supplemental homestead deduction over five years to 2/3 of the assessed value (AV) of the homestead. Provides an AV deduction for all property that is subject to the 2% circuit breaker credit for excessive property taxes for assessment dates beginning in 2025. Provides that the amount of the AV deduction is increased over a five year period from a 7% AV deduction for taxes due and payable in 2026 to a 1/3 AV deduction for taxes due and payable in 2031, and each taxable year thereafter. Expires certain property tax deductions allowed in current law, and instead allows a credit against local property taxes in certain instances. Increases, beginning in 2027, the maximum local income tax (LIT) expenditure rate for all counties to 2.9%. Authorizes a city or town to impose a municipal LIT rate beginning in 2027 not to exceed 1.2%. Provides four rate categories within the county's total expenditure rate that a county may adopt: (1) up to a 1.2% rate for county general purpose revenue; (2) up to a 0.4% rate for fire protection and emergency medical services; (3) up to a 0.2% rate for nonmunicipal civil taxing unit general purpose revenue; and (4) up to 1.2% for certain cities and towns that are not eligible to adopt a municipal LIT rate. Defines "nonmunicipal civil taxing units". Eliminates the imposition of the LIT on individuals who maintain a principal place of business or employment in a county with a LIT but do not reside in the county. Eliminates provisions that provide for a distribution of LIT expenditure rate revenue to schools and civil taxing units in counties that imposed a rate under the prior county adjusted gross income tax (CAGIT). Expires the authority to impose a property tax relief rate under the LIT and repeals the levy freeze rate. Provides that an ordinance adopted to impose a LIT property tax relief rate shall expire December 31, 2026. Provides that, in order to continue to impose an expenditure tax rate after 2026, each county must adopt a new ordinance in 2026 (on or before October 1, 2026) to impose the rate. Provides that, for counties that fail to adopt an ordinance to renew an existing expenditure tax rate in 2026, the expenditure tax rate for the county in 2027 shall be the minimum tax rate necessary for existing debt service. Specifies that this does not prevent the county from renewing, imposing, or modifying an expenditure tax rate in subsequent years. Eliminates local income tax councils beginning July 1, 2026, and instead provides that the county fiscal body is the adopting body in all counties for purposes of the county LIT, and the city or town fiscal body is the adopting body in the case of a municipal LIT. Requires the budget agency to determine the difference between the balance in a county's local income tax trust account as of December 31, 2025, minus the county's certified distribution amount for 2027, and beginning in 2027, make five consecutive special distributions to counties over a five year period equal to 20% of that amount each year. Establishes the local income tax holding account within the state general fund for purposes of local income tax distributions. Provides that the budget agency shall administer the account. Requires the budget agency to maintain an accounting for each county imposing a local income tax based on annual returns filed by or for county taxpayers (same as current law). Requires undistributed amounts so accounted to be held for purposes of the local income tax

holding account beginning after December 31, 2026. (Under current law, undistributed amounts are required to be held in reserve separate from the state general fund.) Requires the budget agency to present each December to the budget committee a report of the following: (1) An estimate of the monthly certified distribution amounts for the immediately succeeding calendar year. (2) A description of the method used to determine the monthly estimates. (3) The balance in the local income tax holding account, including an accounting of the undistributed amounts held for purposes of the account. Beginning in 2027, requires the budget agency to make monthly transfers to the local income tax holding account of the amount determined for the month in its report to the budget committee. Repeals a provision that requires the budget agency to adjust the certified distribution of a county for the succeeding year following a tax rate change. Makes technical corrections. Makes a continuous appropriation.

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1/13/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Clere

1/13/2025 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson

HB1429

ETHICS TRAINING FOR LOCAL OFFICIALS (DANT CHESSER W) Requires an elected county, city, town, or township officer (officer) to complete a two hour ethics training course (training course) every two years. Specifies training course requirements. Requires the office of the attorney general, in coordination with the state board of accounts (SBOA) and the public access counselor, to develop an online training course not later than February 1, 2026. Requires the training course to be made available for viewing on the SBOA website. Allows a third party to provide a training course, if the course is approved by the office of the attorney general. Requires an officer to certify to the SBOA that the officer has completed a training course. Requires the SBOA to publish on its website: (1) a list of all officers who have submitted a training certification; and (2) lists of all training certifications submitted for previous years.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Hamilton and Clere

1/21/2025 - Authored By Wendy Dant Chesser

HB1432

VARIOUS GAMING MATTERS (MANNING E) Authorizes the lottery commission to operate the sale of draw games and eInstant games over the Internet. Provides that the lottery commission may authorize and regulate courier services, including for the delivery of draw games and eInstant games over the Internet. Establishes the Indiana responsible gaming and problem gambling services program (program). Requires the Indiana gaming commission (commission) to develop and administer the program. Establishes the Indiana responsible gaming and problem gambling services program fund (fund). Provides for uses of money in the fund. Requires licensed owners and an operating agent to pay fees to be deposited in the fund and used for purposes of the program. Allows for the use of electronic pull tab games, electronic pull tab devices, and electronic pull tab systems in type II gaming. Provides for a maximum number of electronic pull tab devices that may be present for purposes of type II gaming in a tavern or jumbo boat. Authorizes the following persons to conduct interactive gaming: (1) A licensed owner of a riverboat. (2) An operating agent operating a riverboat in a historic hotel district. (3) A permit holder conducting gambling games at the permit holder's racetrack. Provides for the licensure of persons providing services and equipment for managing and conducting interactive gaming. Specifies requirements for the conduct of interactive gaming. Imposes an adjusted gross receipts tax ranging from 22% to 30% on interactive gaming. Provides for distributions to support the horse racing industry and revenue sharing to cities and counties in which casinos are operated. Enhances the voluntary exclusion programs. Voids a provision in a horse racing commission's order. Prohibits a sports wagering certificate holder or vendor from allowing, conducting or participating in any false or misleading advertising concerning its sports wagering operations. Provides that it is a Class A misdemeanor if a person operates a lottery courier service without the written permission of the commission. Repeals the program gaming fees chapter. Requires the commission to make rules concerning state universities and sports gaming data. Makes an appropriation. Makes conforming and technical changes.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Ethan Manning

HB1437

TOWNSHIP MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX LEVY (CAMPBELL C) Provides that a township may increase its maximum property tax levy if the township: (1) has a population of more than 10,000; or (2) experiences population growth of at least 4,000 during a 10 year period. Prescribes the maximum amount of increase in a township's maximum property tax levy. Prescribes a township's maximum property tax levy following an increase.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Chris Campbell

HB1446

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: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Ryan Dvorak

- HB1448 SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS TO QUALIFIED CITIES (SLAGER H) Changes the effective date of the supplemental payments to qualified cities statute. Requires specific supplemental payments to East Chicago and Michigan City, that were not previously paid, to be deducted from the amount payable to Gary under the disposition of tax revenue statute, for three years.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Harold Slager
- HB1449 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (SLAGER H) Provides an assessed value stabilization deduction for homestead property after applying the standard homestead and supplemental homestead deductions taking into account the year over year change in the homestead's assessed value compared to the year over year change in the Consumer Price Index.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Harold Slager
- HB1451 EVANSVILLE PROFESSIONAL SPORTS DEVELOPMENT AREA (O'BRIEN T) Increases the maximum amount of covered taxes that may be captured in the Evansville professional sports and convention development area from \$10 per resident to \$5,000,000.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives McNamara, Hostettler, Burton
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Timothy O'Brien
- HB1452 AUDITS OF TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENTS (O'BRIEN T) Requires the state board of accounts to conduct examinations of townships not less than once every two years (rather than not less than once every four years under current law).
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Timothy O'Brien
- HB1454 EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES (O'BRIEN T) Specifies that emergency medical services, including emergency ambulance services, are essential services in Indiana. Specifies that the provision of emergency medical services is an essential purpose of political subdivisions. Requires the county commissioners of each county to: (1) identify areas that are unserved by emergency ambulance services; and (2) provide emergency ambulance services to the areas by establishing a county emergency ambulance service, contracting with a public, private, or nonprofit provider of emergency ambulance services, or by any other available means.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Barrett, Miller D, Bartels
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Timothy O'Brien
- HB1455 CHEMICAL CASTRATION FOR CERTAIN SEX OFFENDERS (ROWRAY E) Allows a court to order that a sex offender, whose victim was under 14 years of age, may only be eligible for parole, probation, or community corrections if the sex offender consents to chemical castration treatment. Makes it a Level 4 felony if a person who consents to chemical castration treatment knowingly or intentionally stops receiving the chemical castration treatment. Requires the department of correction to administer, or contract with a provider to administer, chemical castration treatments.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Elizabeth Rowray
- HB1457 INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (BARRETT B) Specifies that provisions of law governing the office of administrative law proceedings apply to the Indiana department of health (state department) in matters concerning

the involuntary transfer or discharge of a resident of a health facility. Provides that in regulating the licensure of hospitals, the state department shall use the most recent version of specified publications for purposes of enforcement. Requires the state department to list the current version of each publication on its website for at least 180 days before the state department may take action using a new version. Amends the list of crimes or acts that preclude a home health aide, nurse aide, or other unlicensed employee from employment at a home health agency and certain health care facilities. Amends the list of crimes that preclude a person from operating a home health agency or personal services agency. Requires the state department to: (1) investigate any report that a nurse aide or home health aide has been convicted of a certain crime; and (2) remove the individual from the state nurse aide registry. Makes it a Class A infraction for a person convicted of a certain crime to knowingly or intentionally apply for a job as a home health aide or other unlicensed employee at a home health agency or certain health care facilities. For provisions concerning the women, infants, and children nutrition program (WIC program), defines "WIC vendor agreement". Requires the state department to: (1) select WIC program vendors based on selection criteria set forth in federal regulations; (2) review the selection criteria annually; (3) include the selection criteria in the WIC state plan; and (4) publish the selection criteria on the state department's website. For purposes of submitting a death record of a stillborn, requires the physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) last in attendance to initiate the document process unless the physician, physician assistant, or APRN was not present upon the deceased. Includes reporting to local child fatality review teams, the statewide child fatality review committee, local fetal-infant mortality review teams, and suicide and overdose fatality review teams for the release of mental health records without the consent of the patient. Requires the state department to: (1) approve courses concerning auto-injectable epinephrine that meet criteria established by the state department (rather than courses offered by an approved organization as defined in current law); and (2) publish the criteria on its website. Removes a provision allowing the state department to contract with a third party to create a certificate of completion for a course. Amends the membership of the statewide child fatality review committee.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Public Health

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Brad Barrett

HB1459

WATER AND WASTEWATER UTILITY ASSET MANAGEMENT (PRESSEL J) Provides that: (1) water or wastewater utilities that are not under the authority of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) for approval of rates and charges shall annually submit to the Indiana finance authority (authority) a report detailing the water or wastewater utility's asset management program; and (2) the authority: (A) shall biennially review a water or wastewater utility's asset management program for compliance with the authority's guidelines; and (B) may refer a water or wastewater utility to the IURC for investigation based on the authority's review of the water or wastewater utility's asset management program.

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All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1460

DRAINAGE SYSTEMS (PRESSEL J) Requires a unit to use data from the: (1) unit's 100 year flood map; and (2) the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Atlas 14 to calculate and regulate storm water runoff from a developed or undeveloped plat. Requires a plat committee to take action on a plat application, including meeting with all necessary individuals, not later than 30 days after receiving the application. Provides that if a plan commission or plat committee fails to make written findings and a decision granting or denying primary approval to a plat not later than 60 days after a public hearing, then the plat is considered to have received primary approval.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Soliday

1/21/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1461

ROAD FUNDING (PRESSEL J) Prohibits the Indiana economic development corporation from providing certain incentives to a person unless the terms of the incentive include a provision regarding the payment of costs for improvements to state or local transportation infrastructure. Increases the maximum rate a county containing a consolidated city (consolidated city) may impose for the county wheel tax and the county vehicle excise tax (county transportation taxes). Requires a consolidated city to appropriate money received from county transportation taxes for the construction, reconstruction, and preservation of the consolidated city's highways. Beginning in 2026, lowers the percentage of funds distributed to counties, cities, and towns (local units) from the motor vehicle highway account that must be used for construction, reconstruction, and preservation of a local unit's highways if certain conditions related to pavement quality are satisfied. Removes a limitation on the Indiana finance authority's (IFA) authorization to issue revenue bonds or notes to finance highway and road construction projects while retaining the \$10,000,000 limitation on annual payments on all the bonds and notes for railroad crossing upgrade projects. Reinstates a previously sunsetted provision to allow the IFA to issue grant anticipation revenue bonds or notes to finance highway and road construction projects. Allows the Indiana department of transportation (department) to submit a request to

the Federal Highway Administration for a waiver to toll lanes on interstate highways. Provides that, if such a request for a waiver is granted, the general assembly is not required to enact a statute for the IFA to carry out certain activities related to the toll road project. Allocates responsibility for bridges in a county between that county and a municipality based on the size and location of the bridge. Allows a county fiscal body to pledge to levy ad valorem property taxes for certain transportation related purposes. (Current law provides that a county fiscal body may not pledge to levy ad valorem property taxes for such purposes unless the revenues are derived from the cumulative bridge fund or the major bridge fund.) Provides, on the basis of the balance of money in the local road and bridge matching grant fund (matching fund), beginning on June 30, 2025, and annually on June 30 thereafter, for the: (1) allocation of money in the matching fund among local units; and (2) transfer of money from the matching fund for specified transportation purposes. Provides for enhanced grant amounts for certain local units. Requires a local unit to adopt an ordinance to impose the: (1) county transportation taxes; and (2) municipal vehicle excise tax and municipal wheel tax (municipal transportation taxes), unless the municipality is not eligible to adopt an ordinance to impose municipal transportation taxes; to be eligible to apply for a grant from the matching fund. Reduces the required local matching amounts applicable to certain local units, if the department approves a grant from the matching fund. Subject to a condition regarding a township's total reserves relative to the township's annual budget estimate, provides that a township must transfer any excess amount to a fund established for the improvement and maintenance of the roads and infrastructure within the township's boundaries. Allows the city-county council of a consolidated city to adopt an ordinance to place a referendum on the ballot to impose a referendum tax levy (referendum levy) to pay debt service on bonds issued by the metropolitan thoroughfare district of Marion County (thoroughfare district). Sets forth the procedures for holding the referendum, including the referendum's impact to taxpayers within the thoroughfare district. Specifies that a referendum using the procedure added by the bill may be placed only on the ballot for a general election. Requires the thoroughfare district's board to establish a referendum tax levy fund (fund) if the voters approve the referendum levy. Specifies that money in the fund may be used only to pay debt service on bonds. Provides that a county fiscal body may adopt a county option retail delivery fee (fee) that is imposed on retail transactions that are subject to the state gross retail tax and are delivered by a motor vehicle owned or operated by specified persons. Sets forth provisions regarding the collection, administration, and enforcement of the fee. Provides for the deposit of fee revenue, the manner in which the revenue is distributed to local units, the purposes for which the money may be used, and the inclusion of estimated fee revenue in a local unit's budget estimate.

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1/21/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1465 OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW PROCEEDINGS (MELTZER J) Makes technical corrections and conforming amendments required by HEA 1003-2024 concerning the office of administrative law proceedings.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

HB1466 VARIOUS AGENCY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (MELTZER J) Provides that the department of natural resources is subject to the jurisdiction of the office of administrative law proceedings. Provides that the office of administrative law proceedings is not the ultimate authority, and the secretary of family and social services is the ultimate authority, in an administrative law matter that involves a Medicaid applicant or beneficiary appeals. Provides that in Medicaid applicant eligibility cases, except in certain circumstances, the order from the administrative law judge is final after 61 days without further affirmation from the ultimate authority. Provides that the review of certain professional disciplinary reviews are not subject to the office of administrative law proceedings. Sets forth the process to select a hearing officer for the professional disciplinary reviews. Makes changes to securities and motor vehicle dealer services statutes to be consistent with the jurisdiction of the office of administrative law proceedings. Provides that the department of child services (DCS) is the ultimate authority of the review of decisions concerning residential child care base rates. Removes the duty of DCS to adopt rules concerning the administrative review by DCS of a proposed or approved substantiated report of child abuse or neglect, before or after an administrative hearing is available or conducted. Makes conforming changes.

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All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Steuerwald, Jeter, Zimmerman

1/21/2025 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

HB1467 BAN ON FOREIGN CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS (WESCO T) Prohibits a foreign government or other foreign national from making a contribution in connection with a public question.

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All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

- HB1469 LOCAL INCOME TAX SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRIBUTIONS (PORTER G) Changes the local income tax threshold percentages of a county trust account for purposes of determining whether a county shall receive a supplemental distribution.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Gregory Porter
- HB1471 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS (STUEWALD G) Establishes the procedure for placing a law enforcement officer's name on a Giglio list. Provides notice and reconsideration procedures. Provides requirements for prosecuting attorneys and law enforcement officers. Provides civil immunity to prosecuting attorneys for acts related to a Giglio list.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Jeter
1/21/2025 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald
- HB1472 ANNEXATION OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (STUEWALD G) Allows the town of Plainfield in Hendricks County to annex: (1) a noncontiguous residential development; and (2) the right-of-way of a public highway connecting the development to the town. Provides that the annexation is initiated by: (1) the homeowner's association board petitioning the town legislative body for annexation of the residential development; and (2) the town legislative body adopting a resolution approving initiation of the annexation process.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald
- HB1473 POCKET ANNEXATIONS (STUEWALD G) Allows a municipality to annex unincorporated property that is completely surrounded by the municipality. Requires the municipality to: (1) adopt an annexation fiscal plan; (2) provide notice to landowners in the territory; and (3) hold a public hearing.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald
- HB1477 MOBILE HOME COMMUNITY MATTERS (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides that, for purposes of the Indiana department of health's enforcement of statutes governing mobile home communities, if the owner of a mobile home community receives written notice from a water utility that the mobile home community will be disconnected from water service, the mobile home community is in violation of the mobile home community's statutory obligation to provide water as of the date on which the owner receives the notice. Amends a provision restricting local government regulation of mobile homes, manufactured homes, and industrialized residential structures to provide that the restriction does not apply to the renovation of a mobile home, manufactured home, or industrialized residential structure. Specifies that a comprehensive plan or ordinance adopted by a county, city, or town may not categorically preclude installation of manufactured homes that meet specified requirements as permanent residences on a lot on which any other type of dwelling unit may be placed.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman
- HB1480 LINE MAINTENANCE IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY (DAVIS M) Sets forth minimum standards for the installation and maintenance of communications service or utility service facilities (facilities) in a public right-of-way. Defines a "permittee" as: (1) a person to whom an initial permit or other authorization for the installation of a facility in a public right-of-way is granted by a unit; or (2) a service provider responsible for maintaining a facility that has been installed in a public right-of-way. Defines a "line pollution violation" as a violation involving: (1) noncompliance with any standard set forth in the bill's provisions for the installation and maintenance of a facility in a public right-of-way; or (2) the presence of any damaged, abandoned, loose, or improperly secured facilities within a public right-of-way; attributable to a permittee. Provides that a permittee responsible for a line pollution violation is liable to the unit owning the public right-of-way for a fine in an amount determined by the unit, but not to exceed: (1) \$500 per violation for each day the line pollution violation remains uncured; or (2) a total fine of \$2,500. Requires a permittee to ensure that any person responsible for installing, replacing, relocating, or repairing any underground facility that is owned or operated by the permittee and located within a public right-of-way complies with the requirements set forth

in: (1) Indiana's statute concerning underground utility facilities; and (2) any applicable local ordinance or regulation; with respect to any work involving drilling, trenching, boring, hand digging, or plowing.

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All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Greene

1/21/2025 - Authored By Michelle Davis

- HB1482 ENTERTAINMENT ZONES (DELANEY E) Establishes entertainment zones within a consolidated city. Provides that the city-county council may establish a public safety plan for all or a designated part of an entertainment zone. Provides that a public safety plan for an entertainment zone may include a restriction on the possession of firearms within the entertainment zone, or within a particular area of the entertainment zone designated by the public safety plan, during certain hours. Establishes procedures for approving the public safety plan.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Local Government
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Edward DeLaney
- HB1495 REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND JUDICIAL RULES (BASCOM G) Establishes the administrative rules review committee. Requires: (1) an agency to submit a rule and the latest version of the regulatory analysis with any supporting documents; and (2) the supreme court to submit a rule and any economic impact statement, with supporting documents; to the office of fiscal management and analysis of the legislative services agency to estimate the fiscal impact on state and local government. Provides that if the fiscal impact is estimated to be greater than \$300,000, the rule and supporting documents shall be provided to the administrative rules review committee for review. Provides that the rule described may not take effect unless authorized by a bill enacted by the general assembly.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Pierce K, Commons, Ireland
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Garrett Bascom
- HB1497 AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SAFETY DEVICES (JOHNSON B) Authorizes a county or municipality to adopt and enforce an ordinance that regulates the use of an automated traffic enforcement safety device (device) to detect certain violations. Provides a civil penalty for a violation. Specifies that a civil penalty must first be applied to defray the cost of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the device. Specifies the manner in which the remaining money from the civil penalty must be distributed. Prohibits: (1) reporting a violation on a driving record; (2) using a violation to determine rates for motor vehicle insurance; (3) assessing points under the point system by the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) for a violation; and (4) reselling data collected by an agent operating a device. Requires notification to the bureau, and the suspension of the registration of a motor vehicle if a violation is not paid. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Blake Johnson
- HB1506 NATURAL RESOURCE ENTRANCE FEES (PATTERSON L) Allows counties to adopt an ordinance to impose a surcharge of not more than \$2 in addition to the fees charged by the department of natural resources (department) for entry into state parks and recreation areas. Requires the department to collect the surcharge and to report and pay the surcharge to each county treasurer. Provides that the revenue collected is to be used for purposes related to first responders.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Lindsay Patterson
- HB1507 LOW WATER CROSSINGS (PATTERSON L) 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.
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- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Zimmerman, Criswell, Bascom

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1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Lindsay Patterson

- HB1511 RIVERFRONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TAX AREA (PFAFF T) Allows the legislative body of a city or a county without a consolidated city to adopt a resolution establishing a riverfront economic development tax area (tax area). Sets forth requirements for the location of the tax area. 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 income tax revenue and incremental sales tax revenue attributable to the tax area. Requires a city or county that establishes a tax area to establish a riverfront economic development area fund. Provides that a tax area terminates not later than 25 years after the date on which the resolution establishing the tax area is adopted.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Miller K
1/21/2025 - Authored By Tonya Pfaff
- HB1512 OUTDOOR RECREATION (PFAFF T) Establishes the outdoor recreation development program within the Indiana destination development corporation to coordinate tourism development activities with outdoor recreation business opportunities.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Hamilton
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Tonya Pfaff
- HB1519 WORKFORCE HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MILLER D) Establishes the workforce housing assistance program (program). Establishes the workforce housing assistance revolving fund (fund) and continuously appropriates money in the fund to provide loans to eligible borrowers in connection with the purchase of residential property to be used for any combination of the following expenses: (1) Down payment assistance. (2) Payment of closing costs. (3) Payment for renovations. (4) Funding a permanent interest rate buydown. Provides that the Indiana housing and community development authority (IHCDA) shall administer the program and the fund. Defines an "eligible borrower" as a first time home buyer whose household income does not exceed 160% of the county's area median income in which the eligible borrower intends to purchase residential property. Defines a "first time home buyer" as an individual who has not, at any time during the three years preceding the date of the mortgage loan closing, had a present ownership interest in residential property. Defines "residential property" as the real property, including a single family dwelling together with any other improvements on the real property, sought to be purchased, in part, with the proceeds of a loan made from the fund by an eligible borrower for use as the eligible borrower's principal residence. Allows the IHCDA to determine the amount of the loan that may be made from the fund to an eligible borrower. Specifies the criteria that the IHCDA must use in making loans from the fund to eligible borrowers, including the term of the loan, the loan's status as a second mortgage secured by a lien in favor of the IHCDA, and the maximum rate of interest for the loan. Requires the executive director of the IHCDA to prepare an annual report on the fund's activities for the legislative council and the budget committee. Makes an appropriation to the fund.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Financial Institutions
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Doug Miller
- HB1531 VARIOUS IMMIGRATION MATTERS (PRESCOTT J) Clarifies that the enforcement of federal immigration laws may be carried out by federal, state, or local law enforcement. Removes the mens rea standard in the statute concerning governmental entities or postsecondary institutions violating the citizenship and immigration status information and enforcement of federal laws chapter. Provides that a governmental body that has the custody of an individual who is the subject of an immigration detainer request shall: (1) provide the judge authorized to grant or deny the individual's release on bail notice that the individual is subject to an immigration detainer request; (2) record in the individual's case file that the individual is subject to an immigration detainer request; (3) comply with the immigration detainer request; and (4) inform the individual that the individual is being held pursuant to an immigration detainer request. Provides immunity to a governmental body or an employee of a governmental body for any action taken concerning an immigration detainer request. Provides that if the attorney general determines that probable cause exists that a governmental entity has not complied with an immigration detention request, the attorney general may: (1) issue a cease and desist order; (2) bring a court action to enjoin an action or practice constituting a violation of an immigration detention request or compel compliance with the immigration detention request; and (3) impose a civil penalty for noncompliance with an immigration detention request. Provides that if the attorney general determines a governmental body did not comply with an immigration detention order, upon the advice of the attorney general, the governor may order that state funding and grants be withheld to the governmental body. Requires a judge who

receives notice that an individual is subject to an immigration detainer request to ensure that the notice of the immigration detainer request is recorded in the court's record. Requires a judge to report to the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency an individual who has been convicted in the judge's court of a felony or misdemeanor. Prohibits an employer from recruiting, hiring, or employing an unauthorized alien. Provides that if the attorney general determines that probable cause exists that an employer has recruited, hired, or employed an unauthorized alien, the attorney general may enjoin the action and seek the suspension of the employer's operating authority. Requires a parole sponsor to submit certain information to the state department of revenue annually. Provides that the state department of revenue shall retain the information submitted by parole sponsors and may share the information with the attorney general. Makes it a Level 6 felony if a parole sponsor knowingly or intentionally submits a false statement or false supporting documentation to the state department of revenue. Requires each school corporation and charter school to report to the department of education certain student information.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Jeter, Davis, Bascom

1/21/2025 - Authored By J.D. Prescott

HB1533 MARION COUNTY JUDGES (IRELAND A) Establishes a procedure to remove a judge appointed to the Marion superior court by public question.

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All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Bascom

1/21/2025 - Authored By Andrew Ireland

HB1536 JUDICIAL CIRCUITS (IRELAND A) Establishes a judicial circuit for each township in Marion County. (Under the Constitution of the State of Indiana, a prosecuting attorney and circuit judge are required to be elected in each judicial circuit.) Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Andrew Ireland

HB1542 SALE OF KRATOM CONSUMABLE PRODUCTS (MORRIS R) Provides for regulation of the sale of kratom consumable products as follows: (1) Provides that a person must register with the Indiana state department of agriculture (department) in order to manufacture, distribute, or sell a kratom consumable product in Indiana. (2) Provides restrictions on the content of specified substances in a kratom consumable product (content restrictions), and provides for: (A) both civil and criminal penalties for violations; and (B) defenses to imposition of a penalty for a violation. (3) Prohibits the knowing or negligent sale of a kratom consumable product: (A) to an individual less than 21 years of age; (B) without verifying the age of the purchaser under specified conditions; (C) that violates the content restrictions; or (D) through specified retail displays or locations; and provides for civil penalties, and defenses to the imposition of a civil penalty, for violations. (4) Prohibits: (A) a person from knowingly or negligently providing a kratom consumable product to a person less than 21 years of age; (B) a person less than 21 years of age from knowingly or intentionally possessing, purchasing, or attempting to purchase a kratom consumable product; (C) an individual from knowingly or intentionally obtaining or attempting to obtain a kratom consumable product using fraudulent or altered proof of the individual's age or identity; and (D) an individual from knowingly or intentionally allowing another person to use the individual's identification for the purpose of assisting the other person in unlawfully obtaining a kratom consumable product; and provides for criminal penalties for a violation. (5) Requires: (A) a manufacturer of a kratom consumable product; and (B) under specified circumstances, a distributor of a kratom consumable product; to have samples of the a kratom consumable product tested for compliance with the content restrictions, and provides for civil penalties for a violation. (6) Imposes requirements regarding labeling, packaging, and marketing of kratom consumable products, and provides for civil penalties for a violation. (7) Requires a person that sells a kratom consumable product in Indiana to provide notice to the department of each variety of kratom consumable product sold by the person in Indiana. Creates the kratom regulation fund for the purpose of funding enforcement of regulations regarding kratom consumable products and provides that: (1) civil penalties collected for violations of regulations regarding kratom consumable products; and (2) registration fees for manufacturers, distributors, and sellers of kratom consumable products; are deposited in the fund. Makes an appropriation.

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All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Lindauer

1/21/2025 - Authored By Robert Morris

HB1543 VIGO COUNTY COURTS (HEATON R) Allows the judges of the Vigo circuit and superior courts to jointly appoint one

magistrate to serve the Vigo County courts.

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All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Pfaff

1/21/2025 - Authored By Robert Heaton

- HB1547 MOTOR VEHICLE FRAUD (LUCAS J) Makes it a Class A misdemeanor to: (1) apply for a driver's license or permit with the intent to transfer the license or permit to an individual not entitled to the license or permit; or (2) register or apply for a certificate of title to a motor vehicle with the intent to permit an individual not entitled to a driver's license or permit to operate the vehicle. Increases the penalty to: (1) a Level 6 felony if the offense involves at least two and less than 10 individuals or motor vehicles, or if the person uses a business organization or nonprofit organization to commit the offense; and (2) to a Level 5 felony if the offense involves at least 10 individuals or motor vehicles.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1548 MOTOR VEHICLE MATTERS (LUCAS J) Increases the penalty for operating a motor vehicle without being issued a valid driver's license. Provides that if an unlicensed driver is at fault for a vehicle accident, the driver or the registered owner of the vehicle used by the individual shall pay the insurance deductibles for any person not at fault. Provides that if an individual operates a motor vehicle without financial responsibility, a valid certificate of registration, and valid driving privileges their motor vehicle shall be impounded.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1549 STATE PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL POLICE TRAINING (LUCAS J) Requires the law enforcement training board to pay the cost of an individual's basic training (Tier 1) course, if the individual has been hired by a city or town police department. Requires an individual to reimburse the law enforcement training board for the cost of the basic training course if the individual voluntarily resigns from the police department less than five years after being certified as a law enforcement officer.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Jim Lucas
- HB1554 DRIVING WITH SUSPENDED DRIVING PRIVILEGES (BASCOM G) Provides that a person who operates a motor vehicle after the person's driving privileges are forfeited for life commits a Level 6 felony.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
- 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Garrett Bascom
- HB1557 PRESCRIBED BURNING (BAIRD B) Defines "prescribed burn". Provides for the following: (1) Requirements to be met before a person conducts a prescribed burning. (2) That a certified prescribed burn manager and a completed prescribed burn plan must be present during a prescribed burning. (3) Certain civil liability immunities related to conducting a prescribed burn and the prescribed burn certification program. (4) Under certain conditions, exemption of prescribed burning from certain local regulations and nuisance standards. (5) That the division of forestry shall administer the training and certification program for prescribed burning.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
- All Bill Status:* 1/21/2025 - First Reading
- 1/21/2025 - Authored By Beau Baird
- HB1561 TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (CLERE E) Provides that a redevelopment commission may use money from certain funds for the purpose of paying more toward debt service obligations, in order to retire debt service earlier, regardless of whether that use is listed in the redevelopment commission's annual spending plan. Provides that a redevelopment commission making accelerated debt payments may retain the assessed value associated with the original debt service schedule. Provides that early debt retirement applies only if the early defeasance of debt is allowed according to the bond issuance documents. Provides that allocated property tax proceeds that are otherwise authorized to be expended for purposes related to a redevelopment project that is located outside the boundaries of the allocation area may be expended for those purposes only if the redevelopment commission immediately at the conclusion of a public hearing adopts a declaratory resolution, and the applicable legislative body votes to approve the

declaratory resolution that finds that it has been clearly demonstrated that the expenditure: (1) will directly benefit the allocation area; or (2) will result in the creation or retention of jobs in the private sector and provide an estimate of how many jobs will be created or retained over a specified time period. Provides that the expenditure allowance does not apply to any transfer of property tax proceeds to a school corporation, an accredited or nonaccredited public or private school, or a charter school. Provides that if: (1) the amount of excess assessed value determined by a commission is expected to generate more than 200% of the amount of allocated tax proceeds necessary to make, when due, principal and interest payments on certain bonds; plus (2) the amount necessary for certain other purposes; the commission shall submit to the legislative body of the unit its determination of the excess assessed value that the commission proposes to use for nondebt, one-time purposes within the calendar year before allocating the balance of the excess assessed value to the respective taxing units. Prohibits a redevelopment commission from adopting an amendment to a declaratory resolution that contains an allocation area provision that extends the expiration date of the allocation area provision. Provides that after the expiration of a previous allocation area provision, a redevelopment commission may adopt a declaratory resolution, or an amendment to a declaratory resolution, that contains a new allocation area provision with a new expiration date, and for which the county auditor in which the unit is located shall compute the base assessed value for the allocation area using the assessment date immediately preceding the effective date of the new allocation provision of the declaratory resolution or amendment. Allows a redevelopment commission to, pursuant to the approval of the local legislative body, create an account for a specific infrastructure purpose.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Dant Chesser

1/21/2025 - Authored By Edward Clere

HB1562 FARM AND HOME BASED FOOD SALES (SMITH H) Repeals current home based vendor regulations. Provides that the Indiana department of health, a local unit of government, the health and hospital corporation of Marion County, or a local health department may not impose any rules, regulations, certifications, or licensing requirements on a small farm or home based vendor that are not required under federal law. Exempts public buildings used by small farms and home based vendors from certain public building regulations.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Greene, Culp, Lindauer

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1/21/2025 - Authored By Hunter Smith

HB1563 ALTERNATIVE AND NUCLEAR ENERGY GENERATION (SMITH H) Requires: (1) a public utility to notify the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) of the public utility's intention to retire an electric generation facility not later than 18 months before the planned retirement date; and (2) the commission to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of using the location and infrastructure of the electric generation facility for development of alternative energy generation projects, including consideration of the suitability of the location and infrastructure for use in developing a nuclear energy facility.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative DeVon

1/21/2025 - Authored By Hunter Smith

HB1566 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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1/21/2025 - Authored By Ragen Hatcher

HB1567 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTS (HATCHER R) Removes language concerning an affidavit from provisions concerning probable cause for battery and domestic battery. Requires a law enforcement officer to provide a victim who requests a protection order with the required forms and appropriate assistance in completing and filing the forms.

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- HB1569 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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1/21/2025 - Authored By Ragen Hatcher
- HB1576 SMALL TOWN OPPORTUNITY INITIATIVE (GOSS-REAVES L) Adds provisions concerning the awarding of redevelopment tax credits by the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) for projects located in counties, cities, and towns that meet specified population and project criteria. Provides for the minimum and maximum credit percentages for such a project. Specifies that a credit awarded to a taxpayer for such a project is not subject to repayment and prohibits the IEDC from including a repayment provision as part of an agreement entered into for the award of the credit. Provides that the aggregate limit of applicable tax credits that the IEDC may certify for a state fiscal year excludes the first \$100,000,000 in redevelopment tax credits for projects in counties, cities, and towns meeting the criteria added by the bill. Allows a redevelopment commission (commission) in a county, city, or town for which a project meeting the criteria added by the bill has received a redevelopment tax credit to establish a program to enhance investments made for those projects in the form of a 60 year allocation area to accomplish the purposes of the program. Sets forth the procedures that a commission is required to take to establish such a program. Requires the commission to annually transfer at least 12% of the aggregate allocated tax proceeds from the allocation area to school corporations located within the allocation area.
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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Snow
1/21/2025 - Authored By Lori Goss-Reaves
- HB1577 MOBILE RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT LICENSES (KING J) Requires the Indiana department of health (state department) to establish: (1) a statewide mobile retail food establishment license (license); (2) standards for the licensure and inspection of a mobile retail food establishment by a local health department; and (3) standards for the operation of a mobile retail food establishment. Requires the state department to establish license fees and inspection fees. Beginning July 1, 2026, requires a local health department to: (1) receive applications for licenses; (2) collect annual license and inspection fees; (3) issue licenses; and (4) conduct semiannual inspections of a mobile retail food establishment that is issued a license. Provides that an owner or operator of a mobile retail food establishment issued a license is not required to obtain a county or local license or permit, nor required to pay a county or local inspection fee or a license or permit fee. Provides that beginning January 1, 2026, a person may not operate a mobile retail food establishment in Indiana unless the person obtains a license. Requires the state department to adopt rules to implement these provisions.
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Joanna King
- HB1579 CARBON SEQUESTRATION (SOLIDAY E) Amends the Indiana Code chapter governing eminent domain for the pipeline transportation or underground storage of carbon dioxide as follows: (1) Defines a "carbon dioxide transmission pipeline company" (company) for purposes of the chapter. (2) Specifies that a company that seeks to construct, operate, and maintain a carbon dioxide transmission pipeline in Indiana must apply to the department of natural resources (department) for a carbon dioxide transmission pipeline certificate of authority (certificate). (3) Provides an exemption from the requirement to obtain a certificate under certain circumstances based on the route of the pipeline and the location of the surface property. (4) Requires the department to deposit filing fees for certificate applications in the carbon sequestration project program administrative fund (instead of in the oil and gas environmental fund, under current law) established by the bill's provisions. Amends the Indiana Code chapter governing the underground storage of carbon dioxide as follows: (1) Amends the definition of "UIC Class VI permit" to specify that the term means a permit that allows specified entities to construct or operate (instead of operate, under current law) a carbon dioxide injection well. (2) Provides that the department may issue an involuntary order requiring two or more pore space owners to integrate their interests to develop an underground carbon dioxide storage facility if the department finds that a storage operator has filed a complete application for a UIC Class VI permit with the United States Environmental Protection Agency. (Current law requires the department to find that a storage operator has been issued a UIC Class VI permit.) (3) Provides that the filing fee for an application for a permit for a carbon sequestration

project (project) is to be: (A) determined based on the metric tons of carbon dioxide proposed to be injected into the storage facility during the first 10 years of the project's operation; and (B) deposited in the carbon sequestration project program administrative fund (administrative fund) established by the bill's provisions. (Current law provides for a flat \$1,000 filing fee.) (4) Makes technical changes to provisions governing: (A) the department's review of submitted applications for projects; and (B) the designation of information as confidential. (5) Requires a storage operator to pay two fees, not later than March 1 of each year, to the department for the amount of carbon dioxide injected for storage during the immediately preceding calendar year. (Current law requires a storage operator to pay one annual fee for the amount of carbon dioxide injected, based on a prior estimate of the amount to be injected that is made at the time of application for a permit.) (6) Redesignates the "carbon dioxide storage facility trust fund" as the "carbon dioxide storage facility fund", removes the requirement that the fund must be maintained as a special fund, and provides that annual appropriations from the fund to the department are subject to review by the budget committee. (7) Establishes the administrative fund for the purpose of defraying the department's administrative costs in managing and operating the carbon sequestration project program (program) and annually appropriates to the department from the fund an amount sufficient to defray costs, subject to review by the budget committee. (8) Prohibits a person from: (A) drilling or operating a nonproduction well to investigate the suitability of underground formations for carbon sequestration; or (B) converting a well for oil and gas purposes (as defined in the Indiana Code) for use in carbon dioxide investigations; without a permit and establishes procedures by which a person may apply for and the department may issue a permit. (9) Provides that once the department has issued a certificate of completion for a project, the department may, with advance notice to the surface property owner, enter property on which an injection well or monitoring well for the storage facility is located to inspect or maintain the well or storage facility. (10) Provides that the state may assume ownership and accept transfer of a storage facility for which an interest in or rights to property are conveyed by a lease only if the lessor and lessee agree in the lease agreement to transfer the storage facility to the state. (11) Requires the department to report to the budget committee not later than: (A) July 1, 2030; and (B) July 1, 2035; the amounts collected and the costs incurred by the department in administering the program. (12) Provides that a person that violates the statutes governing the pipeline transportation or underground storage of carbon dioxide is subject to specified civil penalties and cessation orders issued by the department.

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HB1581

COMMUNITY SOLAR FACILITIES (HAMILTON C) Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) to adopt rules governing community solar facilities not later than July 1, 2026. 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 at least three 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.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Errington

1/21/2025 - Authored By Carey Hamilton

HB1587

INSURANCE MATTERS (CARBAUGH M) Provides that the requirement for a state employee health plan, policy of accident and sickness insurance, and a health maintenance organization contract to provide reimbursement for emergency medical services includes emergency medical services that are performed or provided as part of a mobile integrated healthcare program. Provides that the article regarding consumer data protection does not apply to any organization exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code that is established to detect or prevent insurance related crime or fraud. Changes the applicability date for provisions regarding insurance coverage on property transferred by a transfer on death deed from after June 30, 2025, to after December 31, 2025. Removes language regarding coverage under a casualty insurance policy or liability insurance policy on property transferred by a transfer on death deed. Repeals the statute requiring carriers of health insurance plans to conduct annual public forums. Allows a person who has legal custody of a minor to settle or compromise and enter into a settlement agreement with a person against whom the minor has a claim or from whom the minor is to receive proceeds from the sale of real estate if certain conditions are met. Makes corresponding changes.

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1/21/2025 - Authored By Martin Carbaugh

- HB1589 PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER BENEFIT ADVISORY BOARD (CARBAUGH M) 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.
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Martin Carbaugh
- HB1590 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (BARRETT B) Specifies that county local income taxes for emergency medical services may be used to pay costs incurred for the provision of emergency medical services by an emergency medical services provider organization (EMSPO). Provides that an employee of an EMSPO who is engaged in emergency medical services is eligible to participate in training funded by the regional public safety training fund. Specifies that an EMSPO may collaborate in the dissemination of information concerning public and private grant opportunities related to improving outcomes for stroke patients. Requires the Indiana emergency medical services commission (commission) to include EMSPOs when seeking funding opportunities for the support of emergency medical services. Authorizes the commission to award mobile integration health care grants to EMSPOs.
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Brad Barrett
- HB1596 RICHMOND FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (BARRETT B) Authorizes the city of Richmond to impose a food and beverage tax.
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Brad Barrett
- HB1598 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: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Maureen Bauer
- HB1599 MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION (SNOW C) Provides that a person that acquires a vehicle may operate the vehicle on a highway with an interim plate and without registering for 90 days if the vehicle is to be titled or registered in another state. Allows an interim plate to authorize a person to operate a motor vehicle until 90 days after the date of sale or lease or until the date on which a regular license plate is issued by another state, whichever comes first.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Craig Snow
- HB1601 QUANTUM RESEARCH TAX INCENTIVES AND READI GRANTS (SOLIDAY E) Specifies that funds may not be expended from the regional economic acceleration and development initiative (READI) 2.0 until all funds available under READI 1.0 have been expended. Amends the state sales and use tax exemption (exemption) for data centers to instead provide the exemption projects for investments in a quantum computing research, advanced computing, and defense infrastructure network that result in a minimum qualified investment within five years of at least \$50,000,000.
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Edmond Soliday
- HB1602 VARIOUS FOOD MATTERS (CULP K) Authorizes a county fiscal body to provide a 25% credit against the taxpayer's property tax liability for a taxpayer that owns a restaurant and sources at least 25% of the restaurant's food or ingredients from producers located within the county. Requires the Indiana grown commission to establish a grant program to market and promote Indiana produced agricultural products to Indiana. Requires an official establishment to label cultivated meat products and alternative meat products as "THIS IS AN IMITATION MEAT PRODUCT". Provides that a recipient may appeal to the legislative body an enforcement action issued or taken by a local board of health or local health officer under IC 16-20-1 in response to a food service establishment inspection. Adds provisions concerning limited meat product sales. Makes an appropriation.
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Kendell Culp

JUVENILE LAW MATTERS (MCGUIRE J) Requires the family and social services administration to provide address information to the department of child services (department) under specified circumstances. Provides that it is the policy of the state of Indiana and the purpose of Indiana family and juvenile law to: (1) recognize the responsibility of the state and of the department for the safety of children who are abused or neglected; (2) recognize that a parent's interest in receiving services at the time and expense of the state for purposes of reunification is limited; (3) promote the safety of all children involved in the juvenile justice system; and (4) ensure timely placement of children in foster care into permanent homes. Provides that a procedural deadline in a: (1) child in need of services (CHINS) proceeding; or (2) termination of parent-child relationship (TPR) proceeding; is not subject to waiver, whether affirmative or implied, by a party to the proceeding. Provides that an individual with whom a child is placed during CHINS proceedings is entitled to attend, in its entirety, any hearing conducted as part of: (1) the CHINS proceedings; or (2) TPR proceedings resulting from a TPR petition filed with regard to the child during the CHINS proceedings. Provides that a court shall allow an individual who is providing care and supervision of a child as: (1) a foster parent; (2) a long term foster parent; or (3) an unlicensed kinship caregiver; at the time the child is the subject of a CHINS proceeding or TPR proceeding to intervene as a party during any stage of the proceeding if the court makes specified findings. Provides that a court shall allow an individual who is providing care and supervision for a child to intervene in a TPR proceeding concerning the child. Provides that a child is a CHINS if, before the child becomes 18 years of age: (1) the child's physical or mental health is seriously endangered due to failure of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian to protect the child from exposure to the use, possession, sale, or manufacture of illegal drugs; and (2) the child needs care, treatment, or rehabilitation that the child is not receiving and is unlikely to be provided or accepted without the coercive intervention of the court. Removes a rebuttable presumption in current law that a child's physical or mental health is seriously endangered based on evidence of illegal manufacture of a drug or controlled substance occurring at the child's residence and provides that there is a rebuttable presumption that a child is a CHINS if the court finds that the child's parent, guardian, or custodian willfully or knowingly: (1) exposed the child to the illegal manufacture or distribution of a legend drug or controlled substance; or (2) exposed the child to: (A) methamphetamine; (B) fentanyl; or (C) a fentanyl containing substance; for which the parent, guardian, or custodian did not have a valid prescription. Amends the factors a court must consider when determining whether to detain a child who has been removed from the child's parent, guardian, or custodian to include considerations relating to exposure of the child to a fentanyl containing substance or fentanyl related substance. Provides that the rights of the: (1) child; (2) child's parents, guardian, or custodian; (3) department; and (4) guardian ad litem or court appointed special advocate; as parties to a proceeding regarding the child under Indiana juvenile law include rights of discovery, subpoena, examination of witnesses, and presentation of evidence at any hearing in the proceeding. Provides that the statutory deadline for holding of a factfinding hearing in a CHINS proceeding may be extended if the court finds that the extension is necessitated by unanticipated, emergent circumstances. Provides that there is a rebuttable presumption that a child is a CHINS if the court finds that the child lives in the same household as an adult who is subject to an order issued in a CHINS proceeding that requires the adult to participate in a program of care, treatment, or rehabilitation. Adds factors that a court must consider in determining appropriate reunification services in which a child's parent, guardian, or custodian will be required to participate under the child's dispositional decree. Provides that: (1) a dispositional decree that: (A) is entered under specified circumstances; and (B) requires a parent, guardian, or custodian to complete reunification services; may not provide for the parent, guardian, or custodian to receive the reunification services for more than a specified length of time, subject to extension for specified causes; and (2) a court reviewing the dispositional decree shall consider the amount of time remaining for the parent, guardian, or custodian to complete the reunification services. Specifies that the requirement that a court reviewing a dispositional decree must determine whether the department has made reasonable efforts to provide family services does not apply if a finding has been made that reasonable efforts for family preservation or reunification are not required. Provides that in determining the extent to which reasonable efforts to reunify or preserve a family are appropriate, the child's welfare (in addition to the child's health and safety, under current law) is of paramount concern. Provides that the department, before reunifying a child with the child's parent, guardian, or custodian, shall (rather than may, under current law): (1) conduct a criminal history check of: (A) the parent, guardian, or custodian; and (B) any household member of the parent, guardian, or custodian; and (2) use the results of the criminal history check to decide whether it is safe for the child to return home. Requires a court to hold a permanency hearing for a child: (1) who has been removed from the child's parent, guardian, or custodian for at least 12 months; or (2) with regard to whom at least 12 months have expired since a dispositional decree was entered; at the request of any party to the CHINS proceeding that requests a permanency hearing on the basis that continuation of efforts to reunify or preserve the child's family are inconsistent with the best interests of the child. Provides that if a child has, at the time of a permanency hearing, been removed from the child's parent for at least 12 of the most recent 22 months, the permanency plan for the child must include at least one intended permanent or long term arrangement for care and custody of the child that would not return the child to the care and custody of the parent, guardian, or custodian from whose care and custody the child has been removed. Provides that if a child is less than 16 years of age, the intended permanent or long-term arrangement for care and custody of the child may be guardianship or placement with a permanent custodian only if the proposed guardian or custodian appears before the court and testifies as to the individual's willingness to assume custody of the child. Provides that: (1) if a court approves a permanency plan for a child who is a CHINS under which adoption is the only intended permanent or long term arrangement for care and custody of the child, the department shall publish specified information regarding the child to facilitate adoption of the

child; and (2) the information published by the department to facilitate adoption of a child who is: (A) a CHINS; and (B) a hard to place child; may include the child's first n

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- HB1610 ONSITE WASTEWATER INDUSTRY REGISTRY (CRISWELL C) Provides that beginning January 1, 2026, an individual may not engage in onsite sewage system service of a residential onsite sewage system in Indiana unless the individual registers with the board of registration for onsite wastewater professionals (board) as an onsite wastewater professional. Requires the board to adopt management rules to implement the registration program and to maintain a public registry of registered onsite wastewater professionals.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Cory Criswell
- HB1616 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (LINDAUER S) Establishes a procedure to be followed when there are unpaid taxes assessed on a mineral interest. Adds a \$10,000 cap on a tax credit for a taxpayer who completes preservation or rehabilitation of a historic property. Provides that: (1) an instrument that is recorded with the office of recorder for Franklin County on or before January 1, 1950, is deemed to meet the requirements to transfer title to the state; and (2) an action relating to title of real property transferred from the Whitewater Canal Association to the state must be brought not more than 50 years after January 1, 1950. Provides conditions and guidelines under which the department of natural resources may establish submerged lands preserves.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Shane Lindauer
- HB1617 PARENT'S BILL OF RIGHTS (LINDAUER S) 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 person 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 the medical care. Provides that a person must obtain parental consent and comply with all other medical consent requirements before providing health care to a child. Requires a licensing authority to conduct an immediate investigation and take appropriate disciplinary action if the licensing authority receives information that a person did not obtain appropriate consent. Requires a court to notify the appropriate regulatory authority and the attorney general if the court finds that a person has knowingly provided health care to a minor without first obtaining the appropriate consent.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Family, Children and Human Affairs
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Shane Lindauer
- HB1621 BUILDING AND PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS (MILLER D) Requires a proposed rule with implementation and compliance costs of at least \$1,000,000 for businesses, units, and individuals over any two year period to be authorized by legislation passed by the general assembly. Requires the state to give political subdivisions that enact certain land use policies first priority in receiving housing and housing infrastructure grants and loans. 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. Prohibits a political subdivision or agency of a political subdivision from imposing a requirement inconsistent with, in addition to, or more stringent or restrictive than the requirements of the public works statute.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
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1/21/2025 - Authored By Doug Miller
- HB1622 REFERENDA ON PREKINDERGARTEN FUNDING LEVIES (JOHNSON B) Allows a county government, in each even-numbered calendar year, to impose a prekindergarten education referendum tax levy for children three and four years of age to be implemented under the guidance of an Indiana United Way entity or the early learning advisory committee, which may distribute the funds to entities that operate preschool facilities such as county governments, charter schools, private schools, churches, and other existing nonprofit preschool centers. Establishes the prekindergarten education referendum tax levy fund.

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HB1623 JUVENILE COURT MATTERS (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides that, when a petition is filed for the appointment of a guardian for two or more minors or incapacitated persons who are children of a common parent, parent and child, or husband and wife, a separate petition must be filed for each minor or incapacitated person. Provides that when a separate petition is required in certain cases, the court may only charge one filing fee for the proceeding. Requires a petition for adoption to include information about the juvenile court if the child is the subject of an open or pending child in need of services (CHINS), termination of parental rights (TPR), or juvenile delinquency proceeding. Provides that the department of child services (department) shall file a notice with the juvenile court in which the open or pending CHINS or TPR proceeding was filed. Requires the department to file a report each year with the legislative council, the office of judicial administration, and the public defender council.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Bascom

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HB1628 PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT MATTERS (SNOW C) Defines a "multi-jurisdictional infrastructure project" as a project that: (1) involves the siting, construction, or deployment of facilities, equipment, or infrastructure used in the generation, transmission, distribution, or storage of electricity, gases or fluids, or water; and (2) will have specified impacts on residents, businesses, or political subdivisions in more than one county in Indiana. Provides that the state is the sole regulator of the following with respect to a multi-jurisdictional infrastructure project, to the extent not preempted by federal law or otherwise under the jurisdiction of a federal agency or authority: (1) The siting and construction of any electric generation facility with a capacity of at least 50 megawatts that generates electricity to be directly or indirectly used for the furnishing of public utility service. (2) The siting, construction, and deployment of all facilities, equipment, and infrastructure used in the transmission, distribution, or storage of electricity, gases or fluids, or water. Provides for the preemption of all other regulation by a political subdivision or a local authority of the siting, construction, or deployment of any facilities, equipment, or infrastructure with respect to a multi-jurisdictional infrastructure project. Prohibits a political subdivision from taking specified actions concerning the siting, construction, or deployment of facilities, equipment, and infrastructure in connection with a multi-jurisdictional infrastructure project. Provides that a person that seeks to locate, construct, or deploy any facilities, equipment, or infrastructure in connection with a multi-jurisdictional infrastructure project is not required to obtain from a local authority a permit, or any other land use or zoning approval, with respect to the siting, construction, or deployment. Requires a unit to use data from: (1) the unit's 100 year flood map; and (2) the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Atlas 14; to calculate and regulate storm water runoff from a developed or undeveloped plat. Requires a plat committee to take action on a plat application, including meeting with all necessary individuals, not later than 30 days after receiving the application. Provides that if a plan commission or plat committee fails to make written findings and a decision granting or denying primary approval to a plat not later than 60 days after a public hearing, then the plat is considered to have received primary approval. Provides the following: (1) Requires an applicant for a permit or approval (applicant) to be given an extension of time if the applicant's failure to meet the application deadline was caused by unforeseen circumstances beyond the applicant's control. (2) Provides a deadline in an ordinance for commencing or completing a permitted use is tolled until two years after the conclusion of any litigation regarding the granting of the permit. (3) Establishes a timeline for review of permit applications. (4) Establishes requirements for development agreements. (5) With certain exceptions, requires the ordinances, regulations, and statutes (legal restrictions) in effect at the time a permit is entered into to continue to apply unless the development is not completed within 10 years. (6) With certain exceptions, requires the legal restrictions in effect at the time a development agreement is entered into to apply for the agreement's duration. Repeals a statute requiring the ordinances, regulations, and statutes in effect at the time a zoning permit or approval is issued to govern a development for at least three years. Moves parts of the repealed statute to other locations.

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HB1631 REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS (IRELAND A) Provides a maximum property tax liability credit for homestead property. Specifies a credit amount for certain qualified individuals and specifies the credit amount for all other homestead owners.

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1/21/2025 - Authored By Andrew Ireland

HB1633 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (SMALTZ B) Moves elections of city and town officers to even-numbered years. Provides

exceptions for: (1) cities and towns located entirely or partially within a county having a consolidated city; and (2) the town of Vernon. Abolishes city and town conventions for major political party candidates. Abolishes town election boards. Makes conforming amendments. Repeals superseded statutes.

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1/21/2025 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

HB1635 MEDICAL CANNABIS (TESHKA J) Permits the use of medical cannabis by a person with a serious medical condition as determined by the person's physician and establishes a procedure for the production and distribution of medical cannabis. Makes conforming amendments.

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1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Bartels and Miller D

1/21/2025 - Authored By Jake Teshka

HB1637 SCHOOL AND PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS (BARTELS S) Provides for the appointment of a fire chief, or the fire chief's designee, to a county school safety commission. Establishes the office of school safety within the department of homeland security (department) for the purpose of coordinating and administering school security and safety resources. Changes the composition of the secured school safety board. Requires a school safety plan to include measures to annually inspect each protective door assembly on school buildings to ensure compliance with standards established by the fire prevention and building safety commission. Authorizes the department to issue enforcement orders in accordance with rules adopted by the board of firefighting personnel standards and education. Removes emergency medical services enforcement authority from the state fire marshal's management authority. Provides that the department, a fire department, or a volunteer fire department may open burn for fire training purposes if certain conditions are met. Makes various changes to provisions relating to the department's enforcement authority pertaining to the administrative adjudication of building fire and safety laws. Requires that a city, town, or county that requires a building permit for the construction of a Class 2 structure to allow the inspection to be conducted by third party inspectors. Amends the definition of "law enforcement officer" to include the state fire marshal and the executive director or fire investigator of the department. Repeals the provision establishing the department of education's division of school building physical security and safety. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Steve Bartels

HB1638 GOVERNMENT AND REGULATORY MATTERS (BARTELS S) Makes changes to requirements for the re adoption of administrative rules. 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. Provides that the professional licensing agency may adopt and enforce procedural rules for the administration of a board if the rule: (1) will affect multiple boards; and (2) is not inconsistent with any rule adopted by the affected board.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D

1/21/2025 - Authored By Steve Bartels

HB1641 COUNTY GOVERNMENT MATTERS (MELTZER J) Excludes meetings of the governing body of a police or fire merit system from the definition of a "meeting" under the open door law. Allows an executive session to be held to: (1) review, receive, and discuss the terms and conditions of a proposed contract; and (2) communicate with an attorney, subject to the attorney client privilege. Excludes conveyances to a unit from the definition of a "conveyance document". Amends requirements for local ordinances concerning the operation of a golf cart or an off-road vehicle. Provides that if a body is to be transported by common carrier, the person in charge of interment shall secure a burial transit permit in duplicate from certain individuals. Provides that the governing body of a school corporation may enter into a public-private agreement for the construction or renovation of school buildings under the statutes governing public-private agreements. Prohibits a county employee from taking action on a county contract, unless permitted by a county ordinance. Adds language excluding certain property from the definition of "residential property" for an allocation area established after June 30, 2025.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Local Government

1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

- HB1642 SELECTION OF IEDC BOARD MEMBERS (GENDA M) Provides for appointment to the board of the Indiana economic development corporation of two nonvoting, advisory members who are members of the general assembly.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Mark Genda
- HB1645 RURAL UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE (ISA T) Establishes the rural utility infrastructure grant fund (fund) for the purpose of providing grants to specified eligible entities to use in obtaining the utility infrastructure required to meet the growing demand for utility service in rural areas in Indiana. Provides that the fund shall be administered by the Indiana economic development corporation (corporation) or its successor. Requires the corporation to adopt rules to implement these provisions.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Tony Isa
- HB1646 LOCAL OPTION SALES TAXES (ISA T) Allows counties, cities, and towns to adopt a local sales tax applicable to tangible personal property delivered (not by common carrier) within the geographic boundaries of the political subdivision. Provides that the local option sales tax revenue may be used for infrastructure improvements. Provides that the department of state revenue shall maintain several data bases of local sales tax data associated with the local option sales tax, in accordance with the requirements of the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement. Adds the local option sales tax to the list of local taxes that may be captured by the state in the case of a local unit failing to make timely debt payments and sources of revenue that may be used by the local unit to make debt service payments.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Tony Isa
- HB1656 PROPERTY TAX FREEZE FOR PERSONS 65 AND OLDER (PAYNE Z) Freezes the property tax liability on a homestead of an individual who is at least 65 years of age.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Zach Payne
- HB1658 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT (CLERE E) Eliminates elections for the office of county assessor and township assessor after 2026 and phases out the offices of county assessor and township assessor as the terms of those elected to the offices expire. Transfers the duties of the assessor to the county auditor at the expiration of each assessor's term. Requires the department of local government finance (DLGF) to develop an automated valuation model system (AVM system) to be used by the DLGF to annually run all qualifying residential property through the AVM system and provide the values determined to the county auditor. Requires county auditors to use the values to determine the fair market value of qualified residential property. Defines "qualified residential property". Specifies the elements and functionality that must be included in the AVM system. Requires the DLGF to start running all qualifying residential property through an AVM system beginning with the first assessment date that an AVM system is operational for use, but not later than the 2031 assessment date. Eliminates qualified residential property from cyclical reassessments and annual adjustments (or "trending") and ratio studies. Allows taxpayers to elect to receive notices of assessment (Form 11) by electronic mail. Makes corresponding changes.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Edward Clere
- HB1662 STATE AND LOCAL POLICIES ON HOMELESSNESS (DAVIS M) Provides that any state funds available to the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) for programs for individuals experiencing homelessness are appropriated (subject to specified conditions and requirements) for the following purposes: (1) Parking areas. (2) Camping facilities. (3) Individual shelters. (4) Congregate shelters. Specifies 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. Prohibits the use of state funds for the Indiana housing first program unless the expenditure is for a purpose allowed under the bill. 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 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 a resident of the political subdivision, an owner of a business located in the political subdivision, or 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: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Michelle Davis

HB1668 ASSESSMENT OF WIND, SOLAR, AND BATTERY DEVICES (CULP K) Requires a new public utility company owner of a wind power device to report, in years after the first year of ownership, the valuation of the wind power device at the same valuation amount entered in the public utility company's first annual report after the change in ownership, less adjustments for depreciation according to a schedule prescribed by the department of local government finance (department). Requires a new public utility company owner of a solar power device or a utility scale battery energy storage system to report the valuation of the solar power device or utility scale battery energy storage system at the same valuation amount that the previous owner last valued the solar power device or utility scale battery energy storage system prior to the change in ownership, less adjustments for depreciation according to a schedule prescribed by the department. Requires the department to create depreciation schedules. Requires the department to prepare and present reports to the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunications on: (1) the valuation of the devices and systems; and (2) the department's progress in implementing the bill's provisions.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Kendell Culp

HB1669 ADULT ORIENTED PERFORMANCES (BORDERS B) Defines "adult oriented performance". Provides that a governmental entity may not organize or host an adult oriented performance or fund an adult oriented performance using public funds. Requires an adult oriented performance operator to check identification at the entrance to an adult oriented performance to prevent a minor from attending. Allows the attorney general to issue civil investigative demands or bring an action if certain measures are not taken to prevent a minor from attending the adult oriented performance. Establishes a criminal penalty if an individual knowingly and intentionally does the following: (1) Engages or participates in an adult orientated performance on public property or with public funds. (2) Fails to prevent a minor from attending an adult oriented performance.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Davis

1/21/2025 - Authored By Bruce Borders

HB1673 TRACKING OF MUNICIPAL UTILITY COSTS (BURTON A) Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) to include in the commission's annual report and publish on the commission's website: (1) the average amount paid by residents of each Indiana municipality for: (A) energy utility service; (B) water and wastewater utility service; and (C) gas distribution service; in the preceding year, disaggregated by municipality; and (2) the statistical change in each of these average amounts since the first year for which the commission reported the average amount.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Alex Burton

HB1675 APPROPRIATION TO COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS (BURTON A) Appropriates \$3,000,000 from the state general fund to the division of mental health and addiction to award grants to community mental health centers in low income areas to hire mental health professionals.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

1/21/2025 - Authored By Alex Burton

HB1676 FIREARM STORAGE (GORE M) Provides that a person having the care of a dependent who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally fails to secure a loaded firearm in the person's residence or vehicle commits neglect of a dependent, a Level 6 felony, if the dependent uses the firearm to cause bodily injury or death to any person. Enhances the offense to a Level 5 felony in particular instances. Specifies exceptions and defenses. Specifies sign requirements for retail dealers. Defines terms and makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

HB1679

VARIOUS ELECTIONS MATTERS (WESCO T) Modifies the definition of "candidate". Provides that certain documents and material generated for or used by a political party caucus to select a person to fill a vacancy in an elected office are the property of the political party. Requires a local government office to remain closed on general election day, unless the operation of the office is necessary for purposes of public safety or election day operations. Prescribes fees to be charged by the election division for particular products and services. Specifies the term of a chairman of a county election board and the process following a vacancy in the office of chairman. Provides that a person must: (1) be at least 18 years of age at the next general, municipal, or special election; (2) be a United States citizen; and (3) reside in a precinct continuously before a general, municipal, or special election for at least 30 days; to register to vote in that precinct and may, upon making a proper application, register to vote in that precinct. Establishes default times for the provision of absentee activity reports and other election day reports. Requires the county voter registration official to take certain actions concerning potential nonresidential addresses not later than August 1 of each year. Provides that the spouse of a service member may elect to use the same residence as the member. Requires a county voter registration office to conduct a voter list maintenance program at least once every 30 days. Allows a county voter registration office to use, for purposes of voter list maintenance: (1) information received by the county voter registration office indicating that a voter has moved to another state; (2) the return of an absentee ballot sent by the county voter registration office to a voter because of an unknown or insufficient address. Requires a county voter registration office that receives information indicating that a voter has moved to another state to mail a specified form to the voter. Specifies that a full-time employee of the department of homeland security who is prohibited from participating in political activities is disqualified from assuming or being a candidate for an elected office. Requires a write-in candidate for a school board office to file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the county election board. Provides, for purposes of stating a candidate's affiliation with a political party in a declaration of candidacy, that if a candidate cast a nonpartisan ballot at an election held at either of the two most recent primary elections in which the candidate voted, a certification by the county chairman is required. Provides that the county election board is not required to compile information concerning precinct committeemen or state convention delegates as part of information that must be published and filed before a primary election. Requires candidates for school board office and their candidate's committees to file required instruments with the county election board. Allows the county election board, by unanimous vote of the board's entire membership, to use a binder instead of a paper envelope or bag in certain circumstances. Requires a voter registration application or absentee ballot application requested through electronic mail by a voter with print disabilities to be provided by electronic mail. (Current law permits providing these documents by fax in certain circumstances.) Repeals a provision that prohibits a voter from: (1) taking a digital image or photograph of the voter's ballot while in a polling place, except in specified circumstances; and (2) distributing or sharing the image using social media or by any other means. Requires that a voter entitled to cast an absentee ballot before an absentee voter board mark the voter's political party ballot selection on the electronic poll book instead of communicating the selection to the poll clerks. Permits a vendor to dispose of a voting system unit or an electronic poll book unit by transferring possession of the unit to a state or county historical society in Indiana. Specifies, with regard to filling a candidate vacancy for a local office, that an authorization to fill vacancies given to a county chairman or a county committee does not expire unless the authorization specifies an expiration date or limits the authorization to a named individual as chairman. Provides that action to fill an early candidate vacancy must be taken not earlier than May 8 after the primary election if the vacancy exists on a general or municipal election ballot. Provides that if only one person seeks to fill a vacancy in a local office held by a major political party, a caucus vote is not required and the county chairman may select that person to fill the vacancy. Provides that certain state officers are liable to impeachment for crime, incapacity, or negligence in office. (Current law provides that these officers are liable to impeachment for any misdemeanor in office.) Specifies a process by which an individual who files as a candidate for nomination or election to an office on a primary or special election ballot may submit a request to restrict access to the individual's home address by means of a listing of candidates for nomination or election on a primary or special election ballot. Requires the election division or the office where a declaration of candidacy for the primary election is filed (office) to take certain actions concerning restricted address. Provides immunity in some circumstances to the office and the election division. Specifies, for purposes of nepotism provisions, that the performance of the certain duties of an absentee voter board is not considered employment by a unit.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Timothy Wesco

HB1681

LOCAL PUBLIC QUESTIONS (WESCO T) Provides that a local public question or referendum may be placed on the ballot only at a general election. Provides that: (1) a state public question; or (2) an election of delegates to a convention to consider ratifying an amendment to the United States Constitution; may be placed on the ballot only at a general election.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading

- HB1683 CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGY PARKS (LOPEZ D) Increases the maximum amount of an additional annual deposit amount for a Level 2 certified technology park to: (1) \$500,000; or (2) \$500,000 multiplied by the number of redevelopment commissions that have entered into a written agreement for the operation of the certified technology park; as applicable.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Snow
1/21/2025 - Authored By Danny Lopez
- HB1686 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (O'BRIEN T) Provides that, on or before August 1, 2025, each county executive shall adopt an emergency medical service plan for the county. Requires the county, on or before August 15, 2025, to submit its plan to the department of homeland security (department). Provides that, on or before November 1, 2025, the department shall compile the medical service plans and submit a report to legislative council.
- Current Status:* 1/21/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D
All Bill Status: 1/21/2025 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
1/21/2025 - First Reading
1/21/2025 - Authored By Timothy O'Brien
- HJR1 TOWN AND CITY COURT JUDGES (AYLESWORTH M) Provides that the judge of a city or town court shall reside in: (1) the county in which the city or town court is located; or (2) the bordering Indiana county that is the closest Indiana county to the city or town in which the court is located. This proposed amendment has been agreed to by one general assembly.
- Current Status:* 1/15/2025 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 13; Nays: 0
All Bill Status: 1/15/2025 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth
- SB1 PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (HOLDMAN T) Amends the homestead standard deduction amount to equal either: (1) 60% of the homestead's assessed value (AV), in the case of a homestead with an AV that exceeds \$125,000; or (2) \$48,000 plus 60% of the remaining AV, in the case of a homestead with an AV of \$125,000 or less. Repeals the supplemental homestead deduction. Provides a maximum property tax liability credit for all taxable real property. Specifies the credit amount for homesteads and specifies the credit amount for all other taxable property. Provides that a referendum on a controlled project may be held only at a general election occurring in an even-numbered year, if the preliminary determination to issue bonds or enter into a lease for the controlled project is made after June 30, 2025. Provides that a referendum for a school operating referendum tax levy and school safety referendum tax levy may be held only at a general election occurring in an even-numbered year, if the resolution to hold the referendum is adopted after June 30, 2025. Makes a change to the language for a school operating levy referendum to include the estimated increase to the school corporation's property tax levy. Requires the department of local government finance to develop and maintain a property tax transparency portal through which taxpayers may: (1) compare the property tax liability in their current tax statement compared to their potential property tax liability based on changes under a proposed tax rate; and (2) provide taxpayer feedback to the department. Makes corresponding changes. Makes technical corrections.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Travis Holdman
- SB4 WATER MATTERS (KOCH E) Prohibits the construction, operation, purchase, sale, and lease of a long haul water pipeline, except as to a water utility that obtains a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Indiana utility regulatory commission. Sets out an application process for obtaining a certificate of public convenience and necessity. Requires certain persons, entities, and utilities to obtain a permit from the department of natural resources (department) in order to transfer water outside of a basin. Sets out an application process for a transfer permit. Provides that a transfer permit: (1) does not expire; and (2) may be renewed, revoked, suspended, or modified in certain circumstances. Provides that the department may assess a civil penalty for violations of the transfer permit chapter.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2025 - Senate Utilities, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities
1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Eric Koch

- SB5 STATE FISCAL AND CONTRACTING MATTERS (BALDWIN S) Allows a state agency to use artificial intelligence software to prepare information and projections for the state budget. Requires a state agency to: (1) report to the budget committee certain information before submitting a new federal funds request or application to participate in a new federal program; and (2) obtain the budget committee's review if the new federal funds request or application to participate in a new federal program would require a transfer in funds between state accounts for a state match. Requires that permanent full-time positions which have been vacant for 90 days or more be reviewed and either: (1) reauthorized; or (2) eliminated; by the budget director. Requires the budget director to provide a quarterly report to the governor's office regarding those positions that were reauthorized or eliminated by the budget director in the preceding three months. Requires a state agency to provide the state comptroller with a contract for inclusion in the Indiana transparency website not later than 30 days after the contract is fully executed. Requires a state agency to provide quarterly reports to the budget committee regarding the state agency's active contracts. Requires the department of administration (department) to develop a process for state agencies to submit complaints about contractors. Allows the department to disqualify a contractor with one or more complaints from entering into state contracts. Provides for the reversion of funds appropriated to a state agency for expenses related to a contract that are unused after the end of the contract term. Requires the department to develop certain contract language to be included in state contracts of \$500,000 or more. Requires the budget committee to review a proposed amendment to a contract that: (1) increases the maximum contract amount by not less than \$500,000; or (2) for a contract with an initial maximum contract amount of not less than \$500,000, extends the term of the contract by not less than six months.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Schmitt
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - added as third author Senator Mishler
1/14/2025 - added as second author Senator Garten
1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Scott Baldwin
- SB6 PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL PROGRAM (ROGERS L) Authorizes a county fiscal body to adopt an ordinance to establish a property tax payment deferral program (program). Provides that a qualified individual participating in the program may defer the payment of part of the property taxes that would otherwise be due on a homestead. Defines "qualified individual". Provides that property taxes deferred under the program are due after the occurrence of a deferral termination event. Provides that the maximum amount of taxes that may be deferred cumulatively year over year may not exceed \$10,000.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Coauthored by Senator Gaskill
1/14/2025 - Authored By Linda Rogers
- SB7 AGRICULTURAL LAND ASSESSMENT (BUCHANAN B) Amends a capitalization rate percentage under the statewide agricultural land base rate determination.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Rogers
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Brian Buchanan
- SB8 SCHOOL LEVY REFERENDA (BUCHANAN B) Provides that: (1) a referendum authorizing a school corporation to impose property taxes to pay debt service on bonds or lease rentals on a lease for a specified controlled project; (2) a school corporation operating referendum tax levy; or (3) a school corporation school safety referendum tax levy; may be placed on the ballot only at a primary election conducted in a general election year or a general election. Provides that a school corporation may not adopt a resolution to place an operating referendum or school safety referendum on the ballot during the second calendar year after the final calendar year in which a previously approved operating referendum levy or school safety referendum levy is imposed. Provides that in a local public question, a school corporation must provide the total amount of property tax revenue expected to be collected each year.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Brian Buchanan
- SB9 MAXIMUM LEVY GROWTH QUOTIENT (BALDWIN S) Amends, beginning with property taxes first due and payable in 2027, the calculation to determine the maximum levy growth quotient (MLGQ) used in determining a civil taxing unit's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy and specifies that the MLGQ calculation is determined for the county and each civil taxing unit within the county. Provides, beginning with property taxes first due and payable in 2027, that the term "civil taxing unit" includes a school corporation. (Under current law, a school corporation: (1) is

excluded from the definition of a "civil taxing unit"; and (2) has a separate MLGQ calculation.) Beginning with property taxes first due and payable in 2027, requires the budget agency to: (1) provide the MLGQ for each county to civil taxing units and the department of local government finance; and (2) calculate, using each county's MLGQ, the statewide minimum, statewide maximum, statewide median, and statewide average. Provides, beginning with property taxes first due and payable in 2027, for the calculation of the MLGQ for civil taxing units with territory in more than one county.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Holdman

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/14/2025 - First Reading

1/14/2025 - Authored By Scott Baldwin

SB12 REMOVAL OF SQUATTERS (TOMES J) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the property of another and who does not and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the property. Permits a property owner to execute an affidavit stating that a squatter is occupying the person's property, and requires a law enforcement agency to dispatch one or more law enforcement officers to remove the squatter within 48 hours (or a later period if necessary for reasons of public safety). Requires a dispatched law enforcement officer to remove the squatter from the property unless the law enforcement officer discovers credible written evidence that the person is not a squatter.

Current Status: 1/14/2025 - added as third author Senator Doriot

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - added as second author Senator Bohacek

1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Byrne

1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By James Tomes

SB13 PUBLIC SAFETY (TOMES J) Provides that a person who knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly operates a vehicle in a repeated or continuous manner with the intent of causing a rotational skid commits reckless driving, a Class B misdemeanor, and increases the penalty if certain circumstances apply. Specifies that a person may request specialized driving privileges even after the initial hearing. Provides that a vehicle used to commit reckless driving involving a rotational skid or obstruction of traffic involving a rotational skid is subject to seizure for purposes of civil forfeiture if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for the offense. Increases the penalty for resisting law enforcement to a Level 5 felony if a person operates a vehicle in a manner that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury to another person. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/14/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Dernulc

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - added as second author Senator Freeman

1/14/2025 - removed as second author Senator Dernulc

1/14/2025 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By James Tomes

SB14 RIGHT TO FOOD (DORIOT B) Provides that an individual has the right to 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 unit of local government 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 does not impair the terms of a contract.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/14/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Tomes and Bohacek

1/14/2025 - added as second author Senator Byrne

1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Blake Doriot

SB15 RIGHT-OF-WAY AND THOROUGHFARES (DORIOT B) Requires a county to use eminent domain to increase the apparent right-of-way for a county highway, instead of by requiring dedication of additional right-of-way as part of a subdivision plat. Requires a county, city, or town (unit) to use eminent domain to expand an existing thoroughfare, instead of by requiring dedication of private property as part of a subdivision plat. Prohibits a unit that must proceed with eminent domain regarding a right-of-way or thoroughfare from imposing an additional fee on an applicant for filing a subdivision plat.

Current Status: 1/14/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Bohacek
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - added as second author Senator Byrne
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Blake Doriot

- SB17 ELECTION OF LAKE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES (RANDOLPH L) Provides that the superior court judges of Lake County are elected as are other superior court judges. Provides that the change to the election of a judge does not occur until the general election that occurs immediately before the expiration of the term of a judge sitting on the court under current law. Repeals superseded provisions.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Elections
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
- SB18 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, consult, 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 initiate 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.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
- SB20 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND FOREIGN TRADE (BOHACEK M) Requires the governor to terminate any contract or other agreement entered into between the state and an economic development partner that is based in or owned by a foreign adversary. Prohibits the Indiana economic development corporation from establishing a foreign office if the foreign office sought to be opened is located in the territory of a foreign adversary.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Mike Bohacek
- SB22 EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES (GLICK S) Establishes a procedure to be used by a law enforcement agency in conducting a lineup. Makes conforming amendments.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Bohacek
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Susan Glick
- SB26 RADIO FREQUENCY JAMMING DEVICES (TOMES J) Provides that a radio frequency jamming device may be seized. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally owns, operates, uses, manufactures, possesses, buys, sells, or provides to another person a radio frequency jamming device commits unlawful radio frequency jamming, a Level 6 felony. Provides sentence enhancements.
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1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Freeman
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1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By James Tomes
- SB27 FIREARM BUYBACK PROGRAMS (TOMES J) Extends, to political subdivisions, the application of current restrictions on firearm buyback programs. Prohibits a firearm buyback program that does not meet certain requirements related to staffing, serial number searches, firearm disposal, and disclosure of identifying information.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By James Tomes

SB28 GROUND WATER EMERGENCIES (GLICK S) Allows the owner or operator of a significant ground water withdrawal facility to file a complaint with the director of the department of natural resources (director) that a water well on the property of the owner of the significant ground water withdrawal facility failed to furnish the well's normal supply of water or failed to furnish potable water. Requires the director to launch an investigation into a complaint of a well failure from a property used for raising livestock within 24 hours of the director receiving the complaint. Requires the director to launch an investigation into a complaint of a well failure from a significant ground water withdrawal facility within 72 hours of the director receiving the complaint. Prohibits the director from limiting the quantity of ground water extracted by a significant ground water withdrawal facility to irrigate crops or provide drinking water for livestock during a ground water emergency. Exempts the owner and operator of a significant ground water withdrawal facility that withdraws water to irrigate crops or provide drinking water for livestock from compensating a utility in instances where the utility's significant ground water withdrawal facility fails to furnish the normal supply of water or potable water. Provides that the owner or operator of a significant ground water withdrawal facility that withdraws water to irrigate crops or provide drinking water for livestock shall compensate an impacted owner of a nonsignificant ground water withdrawal facility or significant ground water withdrawal facility that is not a utility in instances where an impacted nonsignificant ground water withdrawal facility or significant ground water withdrawal facility fails to furnish the normal supply of water or potable water.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Byrne
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Koch
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Susan Glick

SB31 SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY (BUCK J) Changes the legislative session cycle beginning in 2026 to: (1) eliminate the second regular session of the general assembly; and (2) require a regular session of the general assembly to adjourn sine die not later than May 15 of any odd-numbered year thereafter. Makes technical and conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By James Buck

SB39 REFERENDUM PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR PARKS (FORD J) Allows a municipal legislative body to adopt a resolution to place a referendum on the ballot to impose a capital projects referendum tax levy (capital projects referendum levy) to pay for capital expenditures incurred by the municipal park district. Requires a municipal legislative body to certify a copy of: (1) the resolution to place a referendum for a capital projects referendum levy on the ballot; and (2) the language for the question; to the department of local government finance for review and approval. Specifies that if the voters approve the capital projects referendum levy, the maximum term of the capital projects referendum levy is eight years. Allows a capital projects referendum levy to be reimposed or extended. Provides that during the period beginning with the adoption of a resolution by a municipal legislative body to place a capital projects referendum levy question on the ballot and continuing through the day on which the referendum is submitted to the voters, neither the municipal legislative body nor the municipal park district may promote a position on the referendum by taking certain actions. Provides that specified elected or appointed municipal officials may discuss and personally advocate a position on a capital projects referendum levy outside a park's or park facility's regular operating hours as long as public funds are not used. Sets forth when a referendum is to be held and specifies various duties for the: (1) clerk of the circuit court with respect to the referendum; and (2) county auditor, including: (A) determining the estimated average percentage of property tax increase on property owners in the municipal park district that must be included on the question; and (B) distribution of proceeds attributable to property taxes imposed after being approved by the voters in a referendum to the municipal park district. Places limitations on: (1) holding successive capital projects referendum levies if a referendum is approved by the voters in a calendar year; and (2) the simultaneous imposition of more than one additional capital projects referendum levy approved in a subsequent referendum when a municipal park district is already imposing a referendum. Requires the municipal park board to establish a capital projects referendum tax levy fund (fund) if the voters approve the capital projects referendum levy. Specifies that money in the fund may be used only for capital expenditures, including the acquisition of land, incurred by the municipal park district.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By J.D. Ford

SB40 LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (DERNULC D) Requires the Little Calumet River basin development commission (commission) to submit an annual budget to the Lake County council (council) before

September 1 of each year. Provides that, after December 31, 2025, the commission may not expend money unless certain conditions are met. Requires the commission to submit an annual expenditure and activity report to the council before November 1 of each year.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB41 ASSESSED VALUE DEDUCTIONS FOR DISABLED VETERANS (DERNULC D) 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB68 PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION FOR PERSONS AGE 65 AND OLDER (JACKSON L) Provides an assessed value deduction for individuals who are at least 65 years of age, who reside in their home and have owned their home for at least 5 years, and meet certain other specified criteria. Provides that the deduction amount is equal to \$120,000.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By La Keisha Jackson

SB69 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION CHILD SAFETY REQUIREMENTS (FORD J) Requires certain homeowners associations to erect a barrier that: (1) is at least four feet in height; and (2) surrounds the perimeter of a retention pond or other pond or lake that is located on property owned or maintained by the homeowners association or owned in common by the members of the homeowners association.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By J.D. Ford

SB70 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS (DERNULC D) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the residential real property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the residential real property; authorizing the individual to occupy the residential real property. Provides that under certain circumstances, a property owner may obtain an expedited removal of a squatter from the property owner's residential real property.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB71 REPORT ON MOBILE CREDENTIALS (DERNULC D) Requires the commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles to include an update on the status of the development of a secure and uniform system to issue mobile credentials in the report for the interim study committee on roads and transportation.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB74 EXTENSION OF LIFELINE LAW IMMUNITY (ALTING R) Provides that an individual who is: (1) reasonably believed to be suffering from a health condition which is the direct result of alcohol consumption; and (2) assisted by a person who requested emergency medical assistance for the individual; is immune from prosecution for certain crimes.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as third author Senator Bohacek

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- SB91 GROOMING (DERNULC D) Provides that a person at least 18 years of age commits sexual grooming, a Class A misdemeanor, if the person, with the intent to prepare or condition the child for future sexual activity, communicates with a child less than 14 years of age concerning sexual activity. Increases the penalty to a Level 6 felony if the grooming is committed by using a computer network, and to a Level 5 felony if the person has a prior conviction for a sex offense. Renames the offense of inappropriate communication with a child "sexual grooming", and increases the penalty to: (1) a Class A misdemeanor for the base offense; (2) a Level 6 felony if the offense is committed by using a computer network; and (3) a Level 5 felony if the person has a prior conviction for a sex offense.
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 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
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 1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc
- SB92 SEX OFFENSES (DERNULC D) Prohibits plea agreements concerning: (1) promotion of child sexual trafficking; (2) promotion of sexual trafficking of a younger child; (3) child sexual trafficking; or (4) child solicitation; if a term of the plea agreement requires the prosecuting attorney to dismiss a charge in exchange for the defendant's agreement to plead guilty to a less serious offense. Adds facilities that provide entertainment exclusively directed toward children to the list of facilities at which a sexually violent predator or an offender against children may not work or volunteer, and increases the penalty for the offense of unlawful employment by a sexual predator to a Level 4 felony, with an enhancement to a Level 3 felony if the person has a prior conviction based on the violation of a condition of sex offender registration. Provides that a sexually violent predator or an offender against children who knowingly or intentionally is present at a facility that provides entertainment exclusively directed toward children commits attendance at a juvenile entertainment facility by a sex offender, a Level 4 felony, with an enhancement to a Level 3 felony if the person has a prior conviction based on the violation of a condition of sex offender registration.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Bohacek
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - added as third author Senator Niemeyer
 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Tomes
 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
 1/8/2025 - First Reading
 1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc
- SB93 COMMON CONSTRUCTION WAGE (DERNULC D) Requires any firm, individual, partnership, limited liability company, or corporation that is awarded a contract, after June 30, 2025, by the state, a political subdivision, or a municipal corporation for the construction of a public work, and any subcontractor of the construction, to pay a scale of wages that is not less than the common construction wage. Establishes a process for determining the common construction wage. Provides that a contractor or subcontractor who knowingly fails to pay the common construction wage commits a Class B misdemeanor. Provides that a public work project may not be artificially divided into two or more projects to avoid the application of the common construction wage requirements. Provides that a person who unlawfully divides a public work project commits a Class A infraction. Repeals a chapter regarding the effect of the repeal of the common construction wage statute by legislation enacted in 2015 and a chapter regarding wage scales for public works projects. Makes corresponding changes.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Pol
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - added as third author Senator Tomes
 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
 1/8/2025 - First Reading
 1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc
- SB94 DESIGNATED REFRESHMENT AREAS (ALTING R) Provides that a municipality may not require a designated permittee or vendor within a designated refreshment area to purchase containers for alcoholic beverages from a certain vendor.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
 1/8/2025 - Authored By Ron Alting
- SB95 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COST REIMBURSEMENT (BYRNE G) Allows the state, a state agency, or a political subdivision (public employer) to be reimbursed for the costs of employing and training a law enforcement officer by a public employer that subsequently employs the officer. Provides that the reimbursement amount decreases over time

and is eliminated three years after the officer is certified by the law enforcement training board to act as an officer. Allows a public employer to require, as a condition of hiring, that the individual enter into a contract or agreement to reimburse the public employer for employment and training costs, if the individual is subsequently hired by a private or governmental employer that is not defined by statute as a public employer.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Gary Byrne

SB97

UTILITY DISCONNECTIONS AND CUSTOMER DATA REPORTS (JACKSON L) Beginning January 1, 2026, provides that from June 21 through September 23 (in addition to the period from December 1 through March 15, under current law) of any year, an electric or gas utility may not terminate residential electric or gas service for an individual who is eligible for and has applied for assistance from a home energy assistance program administered by the lieutenant governor. Amends the same section of the Indiana Code as follows: (1) Prohibits an electric, gas, or water utility from terminating service for any residential customer on any of the following days: (A) A Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. (B) A legal holiday. (C) Any day, or after noon on the day preceding any day, during which customer service representatives of the utility are not available to respond to customer inquiries during regular business hours. (2) Strikes a provision that authorizes the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) to establish a reasonable rate of interest that a utility may charge on the unpaid balance of a delinquent customer bill. (3) Prohibits an electric, gas, or water utility from charging or collecting a deposit or reconnection fee as a condition of, or in connection with, restoring service to a residential customer after a termination of service for nonpayment. Requires the IURC to amend, not later than December 31, 2025, its administrative rules as necessary to conform the rules to these provisions. Requires a utility to: (1) amend its residential tariffs as necessary to conform the tariffs to these provisions; and (2) file with the IURC a petition for approval of each amended tariff; not later than June 15, 2025. Requires a utility that: (1) is under the jurisdiction of the IURC for the approval of rates and charges; and (2) provides residential electric, natural gas, water, or wastewater utility service at retail to customers and low income customers in Indiana; to report to the IURC on a quarterly basis certain data concerning customer accounts and low income customer accounts. Provides that the first reports submitted to the IURC must include the required information with respect to the third calendar quarter of 2025. Provides that: (1) a utility shall report all required information in the aggregate and in a manner that does not identify individual customers and low income customers; and (2) the IURC may not require utilities to disclose confidential and proprietary business information without adequate protection of the information. Requires the IURC to adopt rules to implement these provisions. Provides that, beginning in 2026, the IURC shall annually compile and summarize the information received from utilities for the previous calendar year and include the summary in the IURC's annual report.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph

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1/8/2025 - Authored By La Keisha Jackson

SB98

POSSESSION OF FENTANYL TEST STRIPS (JACKSON L) Provides that the possession of a fentanyl test strip is not a crime.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Yoder

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SB100

LOCAL REGULATION OF WAGES AND BENEFITS (JACKSON L) Repeals certain provisions prohibiting a unit from establishing minimum wage or employee benefit standards.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By La Keisha Jackson

SB104

RESIDENTIAL TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (NIEMEYER R) Provides, in the case of an allocation provision adopted after June 30, 2025, for a residential housing development program, that the redevelopment commission (commission) shall annually transfer at least 5% of the aggregate allocated tax proceeds from the allocation area to the general fund of the unit that established the commission to assist that unit in the payment of costs incurred for the provision of police, fire, and ambulance services within the allocation area.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

- SB105 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, 2025. 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer
- SB106 RIGHTS OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS (BYRNE G) Permits a public safety officer to bring a claim against a police department or fire department for a violation of the rights of public safety officers.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Gary Byrne
- SB112 SERVICE ANIMALS (QADDOURA F) Amends the definition of "service animal" to include a service animal in training for purposes of provisions governing service animals on the premises of a public accommodation. Provides that misrepresenting an animal as a service animal to obtain a right or privilege in a public accommodation is a Class C infraction.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura
- SB113 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: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Rodney Pol
- SB114 TEST STRIPS (POL R) 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: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Yoder
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Rodney Pol
- SB115 PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE PROGRAM (POL R) Requires the department of workforce development (department) to establish a paid family and medical leave program (program) to provide payments for employees who take family and medical leave. Establishes the family and medical leave fund to be funded with appropriations from the general assembly and payroll contributions. Specifies requirements for the administration of the program. Provides for the department to approve an employer's use of a private plan to meet the program obligations.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Rodney Pol
- SB116 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, 2025. Specifies, for initial claims filed for any week beginning after June 30, 2025: (1) the maximum weekly benefit amount; and (2) an additional weekly benefit for eligible and qualified individuals with dependents.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Rodney Pol

- SB120 DNA SAMPLES AT TIME OF ARREST (CRIDER M) Requires a sheriff to take a DNA sample of a person taken into custody for a felony. Provides that it is a Class C misdemeanor if a person refuses to provide a DNA sample to a sheriff.
Current Status: 1/14/2025 - added as second author Senator Bohacek
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Crider
- SB123 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.
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1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB124 FIREFIGHTING APPARATUS LIGHTS (YOUNG M) Allows a firefighting apparatus owned or operated by a political subdivision or volunteer fire department to be equipped with signal lamps that are capable of displaying flashing, rotating, or oscillating beams of red and blue lights. (Current law allows a firefighting apparatus to display red or red and white lights.)
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Young
- SB125 GASOLINE AND SPECIAL FUEL TAXES (YOUNG M) Provides that July 1, 2025, (rather than July 1, 2027, under current law) is the last date for the index factor adjustment of the gasoline tax rate and the special fuel tax rate.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Young
- SB126 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By James Buck
- SB128 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By James Buck
- SB129 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 if the property owner files an affidavit stating that the property does not have access to any public highway.

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1/8/2025 - Authored By James Buck

- SB134 WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (FORD J) Establishes the water management authority as an agency of state government. Requires the governor to appoint an administrator of the authority (administrator). Provides for the adoption and implementation of a statewide water management plan. Provides that, upon adoption of the statewide water management plan, the administrator assumes powers and duties related to: (1) water rights and emergency regulation of surface and ground water; (2) potable water rights; (3) water resources management; (4) the Great Lakes compact; (5) reservoirs; (6) preservation and legal action concerning lakes; (7) flood control; (8) construction of channels; and (9) conservancy districts. Establishes one regional water management council for each of nine hydrological regions in Indiana. Provides for the designation of a drainage project as a "drainage project of water management importance" if it meets certain conditions, and provides that a permit from the administrator is required for such a project. Requires an agency that constructs and repairs highways to consult with the administrator to limit sedimentation.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By J.D. Ford
- SB135 DATA CENTER DEVELOPMENT (FORD J) Requires: (1) a person that operates a data center in Indiana to submit to the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) a quarterly report of the amount of electricity used by the data center in the immediately preceding quarter; and (2) the commission to publish a summary of the reported information on the commission's website. Provides that a county, municipality, or township shall, before issuing a permit to a person for construction of a data center: (1) require the person to disclose the projected power and water usage of the facility; and (2) perform a site assessment to determine the possible effects of the data center. Requires the commission to establish a working group to: (1) determine an estimate of the future electricity demands of the data center industry in Indiana; and (2) report to the general assembly regarding the working group's findings and recommendations not later than October 31, 2025.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By J.D. Ford
- SB138 SALE OF LOW THC PRODUCTS TO PERSONS LESS THAN 21 (BOHACEK M) Provides that: (1) it is a Class B misdemeanor for a person to recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally sell, barter, exchange, provide, or furnish a product containing low THC hemp extract to a minor; (2) the offense is Class A misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated conviction under the statute; and (3) the offense is a Level 6 felony if the consumption, ingestion, or use of the product containing low THC hemp extract is the proximate cause of the serious bodily injury or death of any person.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Mike Bohacek
- SB139 EXPUNGEMENT AND FIREARMS (CRIDER M) Specifies, for purposes of the expungement statute, that a person whose conviction for a serious violent felony involving the possession or use of a firearm 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:* 1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Tomes
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Crider
- SB141 EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES (BROWN L) Establishes a procedure to be used by a law enforcement agency in conducting a lineup.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Glick
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading

- SB143 PARENTAL RIGHTS (BROWN L) Provides that a governmental entity may not substantially burden certain parental rights unless the burden, as applied to the parent and the child, is required to advance a compelling governmental interest and is the least restrictive means of advancing 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 the medical care.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
All Bill Status: 1/15/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 2
1/15/2025 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Byrne
1/8/2025 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Liz Brown
- SB144 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION RETIREMENT PLANS (BECKER V) Requires a political subdivision offering an employee retirement plan to make an annual presentation regarding the employee retirement plan to the county council of each county in which the political subdivision is wholly or partially located.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/9/2025 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Vaneta Becker
- SB151 STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS (ALEXANDER S) Allows the prosecution of Level 3 felony rape and child molesting offenses to be commenced at any time.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Schmitt
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - added as third author Senator Crider
1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Freeman
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB152 POSSESSION OF 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. 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. Changes the minimum age required to carry a handgun to 21 years of age.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
- SB153 PRIVATELY MADE FIREARMS (RANDOLPH L) Defines a "privately made firearm" and other related terms. Makes it a Level 5 felony to possess a privately made firearm. Makes it a Level 5 felony to alter, obliterate, or remove certain marks of firearm identification or to possess a firearm on which those marks of identification have been altered, obliterated, or removed.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
- SB157 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS (GASKILL M) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the property. Permits a property owner to execute an affidavit stating that a squatter is occupying the person's property, and requires a law enforcement agency to dispatch one or more law enforcement

officers to remove the squatter within 48 hours (or a later period if necessary for reasons of public safety). Requires a dispatched law enforcement officer to remove the squatter from the property unless the law enforcement officer discovers credible written evidence that the person is not a squatter.

Current Status: 1/22/2025 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
1/15/2025 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/14/2025 - added as second author Senator Baldwin
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Mike Gaskill

SB158 PUBLIC SAFETY (FREEMAN A) Provides that a person who knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly operates a vehicle in a repeated or continuous manner with the intent of causing a rotational skid commits reckless driving, a Class B misdemeanor, and increases the penalty if certain circumstances apply. Specifies that a person may request specialized driving privileges even after the initial hearing. Specifies that a vehicle used to commit reckless driving involving a rotational skid or obstruction of traffic involving a rotational skid is subject to seizure for purposes of civil forfeiture. Increases the penalty for resisting law enforcement to a Level 5 felony if a person operates a vehicle in a manner that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury to another person. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Withdrawn

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB159 PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING A WARRANT (FREEMAN A) Specifies that a judge or a prosecuting attorney shall record a request for a warrant made orally by telephone, radio, or similar electronic means. (Under current law, the judge is required to record the request.) Permits certain warrant requests to be: (1) made electronically (where current law only allows this by radio or telephone); and (2) recorded electronically (where current law only permits the use of audio tape).

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Bohacek

All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
1/14/2025 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/14/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0
1/14/2025 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB160 LANE REDUCTIONS ON LOCAL ROADS AND STREETS (FREEMAN A) Prohibits, in a city with a population of at least 50,000, a governmental entity or private contractor from engaging in a project that would result in the permanent restriction or reduction of one or more travel lanes within the city as the result of the project. Provides that if a governmental entity or private contractor violates the prohibition, the state comptroller shall withhold 10% of the total amount of the distribution from the local road and street account that would have otherwise been distributed to the city during the calendar year following the calendar year in which the travel lanes became restricted or reduced. Provides that any distribution amount withheld by the state comptroller reverts to the state general fund. Exempts existing rapid transit lines from, and lists other exceptions to, the prohibition.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Withdrawn

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB161 ENFORCEMENT OF PROHIBITIONS ON PUBLIC CAMPING (FREEMAN A) 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.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Bohacek

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Carrasco
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB166 MARIJUANA ADVERTISING (DEERY S) Provides that a person may not advertise a product containing marijuana or a

marijuana business by any medium within the borders of Indiana. Provides that the attorney general may seek civil penalties, an injunction, and other costs for violations. Provides that civil penalties shall be deposited in the state general fund.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Johnson T

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Spencer Deery

SB171

ABORTION MATTERS (YOUNG M) Prohibits a person from knowingly or intentionally: (1) prescribing or possessing an abortion inducing drug; or (2) sending an abortion inducing drug to a person located in Indiana, if the person located in Indiana possesses the abortion inducing drug. Provides that each offense is a Class A misdemeanor with a Level 6 felony for subsequent offenses. Establishes a defense to possessing an abortion inducing drug. Provides for the discipline of a practitioner for a violation. 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. 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: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Byrne

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Tomes, Doriot, Zay

1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Young

SB172

FAILURE TO ASSIST IN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT (YOUNG M) Makes it a Class B misdemeanor for: (1) a law enforcement officer to refuse to cooperate with state or federal agencies or officials in the enforcement of immigration laws; and (2) an individual to adopt a policy barring a law enforcement officer from cooperating with state or federal agencies or officials in the enforcement of immigration laws. Establishes certain defenses for the law enforcement officer.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Tomes

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Young

SB179

REGULATING QUARRY LOCATION (BOHACEK M) Provides that a quarter square mile area containing at least five (instead of eight) residences constitutes an "urban area" within which a planning and zoning authority may prohibit mining and logging. Makes a stylistic change.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Mike Bohacek

SB183

RURAL INTERSECTION SAFETY (CRIDER M) Provides that a person that owns or is the lessee of a parcel of agricultural land at an intersection of two county, municipal, or township roads that is not controlled by a traffic signal shall maintain a line of sight triangle at the intersection. Provides that the land contained within the line of sight triangle must not contain any: (1) crops that typically exceed a height of three feet; or (2) other: (A) vegetation; or (B) structures, signs, fences, walls, or obstructions that are owned or controlled by the property owner or a lessee of the property owner; that exceed a height of three feet. Provides that trees may be planted and maintained within the line of sight triangle area if all branches are trimmed to maintain a clear vision for a vertical height of six feet above the roadway surface. Provides that a person involved in an automobile accident resulting from the landowner's or lessee's failure to maintain the line of sight triangle has a cause of action against the landowner or lessee for damages resulting from the accident.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Crider

SB187

PTABOA APPOINTMENTS (DERNULC D) Amends the eligibility requirements for service as a member on all county property tax assessment boards of appeal (PTABOA) to provide that any member appointed to the PTABOA must be a resident of Indiana. Provides that the term of an individual serving as a member on a PTABOA on June 30, 2025, who is not a resident of Indiana, expires July 1, 2025. Requires the appropriate county appointing authority to appoint the individual's successor.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

- SB190 GRANTS FOR VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS (JACKSON L) Establishes the community violence intervention fund (fund) to provide grants to nonprofit organizations providing community violence intervention programs. Provides that the criminal justice institute shall enter into an agreement with the Indianapolis Foundation to administer grant applications and award grants. Makes an appropriation.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By La Keisha Jackson
- SB194 ASSESSMENT OF CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROPERTY (NIEMEYER R) Establishes certain assessment requirements for commercial property with a structure that is not more than 100,000 square feet in area and that is: (1) used for retail purposes; (2) a maintenance or service shop; and (3) detached or offsite storage property or facilities used in relation to those uses. Requires the assessor to annually determine the assessed value of those properties using each of the following approaches: (1) Cost approach. (2) Sales comparison approach. (3) Income capitalization approach. Requires the assessor to use the department of local government finance cost schedules without additional modifiers, adjustments, or other trending factors beyond the location cost multiplier adjustments developed by the department. Prohibits the use of locally developed cost schedules, location cost multipliers, and market or trending adjustments. Requires the assessor to report to the taxpayer each of the values under the three approaches. Provides that the assessor has the burden of proof to establish that the assessed value of the property is the lowest value under the three approaches. Requires the assessor making the assessment to personally provide an explanation to the taxpayer concerning how the assessed value of the property was calculated if requested.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer
- SB196 STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS (FREEMAN A) Allows the prosecution of Level 3 felony rape and child molesting offenses to be commenced at any time.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman
- SB197 UNSAFE BUILDING LAW (FREEMAN A) Requires that the instructions for requesting a hearing on an order relating to an unsafe premises: (1) be printed in at least 12 point font; and (2) be placed in a conspicuous location on the order. Requires a hearing to be conducted when a civil penalty is imposed unless the property owner waives the hearing in writing. Prohibits a civil penalty for an unsafe premises from being included on a property tax statement. Provides that a civil penalty shall be waived if the property subject to the order was sold to a third party that renovates the property and meets certain conditions.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman
- SB198 CRIME OF SWATTING (FREEMAN A) Specifies that, for purposes of the crime of false informing, hindering a "law enforcement process" includes causing a law enforcement officer to be dispatched. Enhances the penalty for making a false report that a person is dangerous to a Level 6 felony if the offense causes a person to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, or threatened.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman
- SB207 ADVERSE POSSESSION (TOMES J) Provides that a cause of action based on adverse possession may not be commenced in a court in Indiana after June 30, 2025. Makes conforming changes.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By James Tomes
- SB208 MANDATORY NOTIFICATION OF THE PRESENCE OF FIREARMS (YODER S) Requires a child care home, if there is a firearm on the premises, to disclose to a custodial parent or guardian certain details about how the firearm is being

stored. Provides that the disclosure to a custodial parent or guardian does not prevent an individual from lawfully exercising the individual's right to keep and bear arms.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Shelli Yoder

SB210 STEUBEN COUNTY COURTS (GLICK S) Repeals a provision allowing the judges of the Steuben circuit and superior courts to appoint a full-time magistrate. Establishes a second Steuben superior court.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Susan Glick

SB211 CLEAN WATER INDIANA PROGRAM (GLICK S) Permits the use of funds from the clean water Indiana fund to manage invasive plant species.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Second reading ordered engrossed

All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/14/2025 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/13/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0

1/13/2025 - Senate Natural Resources, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Susan Glick

SB212 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: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Susan Glick

SB214 RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT MATTERS (QADDOURA F) 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. Provides, for purposes of the statutes regarding the rights of tenants who are victims of certain crimes, that evidence showing a tenant engaged in a protected activity not more than six months before the landlord's alleged retaliatory conduct creates a rebuttable presumption that the purpose of the landlord's conduct was retaliation. Specifies the evidence a landlord may show to rebut the presumption.

Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura

SB218 ELECTRONIC MONITORING (CLARK B) Amends the information that must be provided by a supervising agency in quarterly reports to the local justice reinvestment advisory council. Requires the statewide justice reinvestment advisory council to compile the quarterly reports and electronically transmit an annual report to the legislative council and to the judicial conference of Indiana not later than May 1 (instead of March 15) of each year.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Freeman

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Brett Clark

SB219 TRESPASS (CLARK B) Provides that a person who, not having a contractual interest in the property, knowingly or intentionally enters the real property of another person after having been denied entry by the other person, that person's agent, or a law enforcement officer commits criminal trespass, a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that a person who, not having a contractual interest in the property, knowingly or intentionally refuses to leave the real property of another person after having been asked to leave by the other person, that person's agent, or a law enforcement officer commits criminal trespass, a Class A misdemeanor. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Freeman

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Brett Clark

SB221 STATE COMPTROLLER (CARRASCO C) Changes certain references from "auditor of state" to: (1) "state comptroller (referred to as "auditor of state" in the Constitution of the State of Indiana)"; or (2) "state comptroller (auditor of state)". Requires "state comptroller (auditor of state)" to be listed on the 2026 general election ballot.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Rogers

All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - Second reading ordered engrossed

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1/14/2025 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/13/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 9; Nays: 0

1/13/2025 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Elections

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Cyndi Carrasco

SB225 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: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Jackson L and Yoder

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Andrea Hunley

SB226 UTILITY CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (HUNLEY A) Amends the statute that authorizes a water or wastewater utility, in the context of a general rate case, to establish a customer assistance program for qualified residential customers, to provide the same authority to energy utilities.

Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Ford J.D., Spencer, Jackson L

All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities

1/8/2025 - First Reading

1/8/2025 - Authored By Andrea Hunley

- SB227 JUDICIAL SALARIES FEE FOR EVICTION ACTIONS (HUNLEY A) Establishes an additional judicial salaries fee of \$115 for cases filed for possessory action between a landlord and a tenant, including an emergency possession action.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Pol
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Andrea Hunley
- SB233 STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS (ALEXANDER S) Allows for the prosecution of: (1) child molesting to be commenced before the date the alleged victim reaches 51 years of age; and (2) rape to be commenced within 15 years after the commission of the offense.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Baldwin
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Schmitt
1/13/2025 - added as third author Senator Crider
1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Freeman
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB235 LIMITATIONS ON DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (JOHNSON T) Establishes prohibitions and requirements on state agencies, recipients of state contracts or grants, state educational institutions, and health profession licensing boards regarding diversity, equity, and inclusion. Provides that certain civil actions for noncompliance may be filed against a state educational institution. Establishes: (1) requirements regarding a standardized admissions test; and (2) requirements regarding altering academic standards; for postsecondary educational institutions that offer certain health education programs.
Current Status: 1/22/2025 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - added as second author Senator Byrne
1/13/2025 - Pursuant to Senate Rule 68(b); reassigned to Committee on Judiciary
1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development
1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Tyler Johnson
- SB236 ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL CHILD SEX CRIMES (JOHNSON T) Provides that a person who violates certain federal offenses concerning child sexual abuse commits a Level 1 felony. Allows the attorney general to do the following with respect to certain crimes against children: (1) investigate complaints of the criminal activity; (2) assist victims of the crimes; (3) cooperate with certain law enforcement agencies in the investigation of the crime; and (4) assist prosecutors in the investigation and prosecution of the crime. Allows the attorney general to cooperate with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children with an investigation of alleged offenses related to sexual exploitation of children. Allows the attorney general to notify a law enforcement agency and a prosecuting attorney if the attorney general has reasonable suspicion to believe that a person has committed certain offenses against a child. Allows a prosecuting attorney to deputize the attorney general or a deputy attorney general to prosecute certain offenses against children.
Current Status: 1/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/8/2025 - First Reading
1/8/2025 - Authored By Tyler Johnson
- SB256 GROUND WATER (DEERY S) Establishes the ground water and aquifer preservation task force to recommend water regulations to the legislative council. Creates a two year moratorium on the establishment of certain major ground water withdrawal facilities during the period beginning May 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. Provides an exception to the moratorium.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Spencer Deery
- SB258 ENFORCEMENT OF TRESPASSING LAWS (ALTING R) Provides that a person who: (1) has previously been removed by a law enforcement officer from a property for trespassing; or (2) has a prior conviction for trespassing on the same property; commits criminal trespass if the person enters the property or refuses to leave the property after having been prohibited from entering or asked to leave the property by a law enforcement officer.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Ron Alting

- SB260 ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO COMMISSION PERMITS (ALTING R) Allows the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission) to refuse to grant or renew or to suspend or revoke a permit if a licensed premises becomes a public nuisance or engages in certain criminal conduct. Allows the commission to temporarily suspend a permit to manufacture, transport, or sell alcoholic beverages if certain crimes are committed on the licensed premises. Requires the commission to: (1) provide immediate notice to the permittee of the time and place of a hearing on the suspension; and (2) hold the hearing not later than five business days after the permit is suspended.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Ron Alting
- SB282 LEAVES OF ABSENCE FOR LOCAL OFFICEHOLDERS (BYRNE G) Allows a local officeholder to take a leave of absence from office when the local officeholder: (1) is caring for a child after the birth of the child or placement of the child with the local officeholder for adoption or foster care; (2) is caring for a spouse, child, or parent who has a serious health condition; (3) has a serious health condition and is unable to perform the duties of the office; (4) is called into active duty in the armed forces of the United States or national guard; and (5) is eligible for qualifying exigency leave arising out of the fact that the local officeholder's spouse, child, or parent is ordered into active duty in the armed forces of the United States or national guard. Sets forth notice requirements. Provides that the local officeholder's office must be filled by a temporary appointment in the same manner as a vacancy created by a resignation is filled. Makes corresponding changes.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Gary Byrne
- SB283 LIBRARY GOVERNANCE (BYRNE G) 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 a recommended annual budget to the fiscal body of the county 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.
Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Tomes and Young M
1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Gary Byrne
- SB286 MASKS AT PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES (BYRNE G) Makes wearing a mask at a public assembly a Class C misdemeanor, and increases the penalty to a Class A misdemeanor for a second or subsequent offense. Increases the penalty for rioting and disorderly conduct to a Level 6 felony if the offense is committed while wearing a mask.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Gary Byrne
- SB288 TAXATION OF FUEL (YOUNG M) Provides that the gasoline license tax and the special fuel license tax must be imposed at the rate in effect on June 30 of the prior state fiscal year multiplied by the lesser of: (1) the statutory index factor; or (2) 1.02. Provides that the gasoline use tax rate shall be the lesser of the amount as computed under current law or the gasoline use tax rate on June 30 of the prior state fiscal year multiplied by 1.02. Repeals an expired subsection.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Michael Young
- SB290 LOCAL TAXES IN CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES (WALKER K) Requires the department of local government finance to increase the maximum permissible property tax levy for certain qualifying municipalities for property taxes first due and payable in 2025 to include all debt service levies of the qualifying municipality for property taxes first due and payable in 2025. Specifies that the adjustment is a one time and permanent increase. Changes the local income tax trust account threshold percentage of a county that contains a qualifying municipality, which is used for purposes of determining whether the county shall receive a supplemental distribution. Modifies the certified share allocation determination for a qualifying municipality.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

- SB293 RELOCATION OF RIVERBOAT GAMBLING OPERATION (ZAY A) Provides that the licensed owner of the riverboat located in the city of Rising Sun (licensed owner) may relocate gaming operations to a casino in the city of New Haven if certain conditions are met. Requires the licensed owner to pay a fee of \$50,000,000 if the licensed owner sells or transfers the licensed owner's interest in the licensed owner's license within five years of the approval of relocation. Provides for distribution of supplemental wagering tax revenue and wagering tax revenue after the relocation of gaming operations. Establishes the together for tomorrow commission (commission). Specifies members to the commission. Specifies the purposes of the commission.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Bohacek
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Public Policy
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Andy Zay
- SB296 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Blake Doriot
- SB297 FILM AND MEDIA PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT (WALKER K) Provides that a taxpayer may assign all or part of the taxpayer's film and media production tax credit.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Kyle Walker
- SB298 GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY LIMITED LIABILITY (WALKER G) Provides that a governmental entity operating an activity on land leased by the governmental entity from the federal government is entitled to certain immunities from a tort claim. Expands the definition of "extreme sport area" to include an obstacle course.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Greg Walker
- SB299 LOCAL PUBLIC QUESTIONS (WALKER G) Makes certain changes to the language for the public question required for a controlled project referendum, school operating levy referendum, and school safety referendum. Makes corresponding changes. Makes technical corrections.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Greg Walker
- SB300 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. Requires a clerk to collect a \$30 fee from the landlord if the court finds that an escrow account is needed for the regular rental payments held by the clerk of the court. Provides that a landlord may apply for release of rent deposits. Provides that, after June 30, 2025, 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: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Greg Walker

SB304 MARION FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (ZAY A) Authorizes the city of Marion to impose a food and beverage tax of not more than 1% of the gross retail income received from a taxable transaction.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Andy Zay

SB305 RURAL COMMUNITIES (ZAY A) Establishes the saving rural Indiana program (program) for the purpose of building additional local capacity allowing innovative communities to create solutions for challenges facing rural Indiana. Establishes the saving rural Indiana matching grant fund to carry out the purpose of the program.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Agriculture

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Andy Zay

SB306 FILM AND MEDIA PRODUCTION TAX CREDIT (ZAY A) Provides that a taxpayer may assign any part of the film and media production tax credit (credit) that the taxpayer may claim. Sets forth the procedure for a taxpayer to make the assignment. Extends the credit's expiration date from July 1, 2027, to July 1, 2035.

Current Status: 1/21/2025 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Andy Zay

SB313 LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA (BALDWIN S) Requires, on or before July 1, 2026, the state police department (department), in consultation with the office of technology and the department of homeland security, to develop and implement the Indiana law enforcement data sharing program (program). Requires the department to establish rules for: (1) protocols regarding access to information and information accessible by a law enforcement agency; (2) safeguards to protect the integrity of the program; (3) confidentiality and data privacy requirements; (4) timely data submission and reporting requirements; and (5) compliance standards. Requires Indiana law enforcement agencies to provide data in a timely manner in accordance with rules established by the department. Makes annual appropriations to the department to develop and implement the program.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Scott Baldwin

SB315 MAXIMUM LEVY GROWTH QUOTIENT CAP (BALDWIN S) Extends the calculation used to determine the maximum levy growth quotient added by HEA 1499-2023 to 2026.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Holdman

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Scott Baldwin

SB323 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT (FREEMAN A) Prohibits, in a city with a population of at least 50,000, a governmental entity or private contractor from engaging in a project that would result in the permanent restriction or reduction of one or more travel lanes within the city as the result of the project. Provides that if a governmental entity or private contractor violates the prohibition, the state comptroller shall withhold 10% of the total amount of the distribution from the local road and street account that would have otherwise been distributed to the city during the calendar year following the calendar year in which the travel lanes became restricted or reduced. Provides that any distribution amount withheld by the state comptroller reverts to the state general fund. Exempts existing rapid transit lines from,

and lists other exceptions to, the prohibition. Prohibits the installation, use, or placement of ramp metering devices on Indiana streets or highways. Provides that neither a local authority nor the Indiana department of transportation may implement variable speed limits or use electronic variable speed limit signs.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB324 CRIMINAL PENALTIES (FREEMAN A) Increases the penalty levels of crimes related to fentanyl and methamphetamine. Increases the penalty levels of battery against a public safety official, battery resulting in moderate bodily injury, battery resulting in serious bodily injury, battery against a public safety official that results in bodily injury, battery against an endangered adult resulting in serious bodily injury, battery against a child that results in serious bodily injury, battery that results in death, and aggravated battery. Provides that a court may not admit a person charged with a crime of violence to bail until the court has conducted a bail hearing in open court. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB325 BURGLARY AND ROBBERY OF A GUN RETAILER (FREEMAN A) Increases the penalty for burglary and robbery if the offense is committed on the premises of a firearm retail establishment. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB326 OFFENSES AGAINST CHILDREN (FREEMAN A) Replaces the term "child pornography" with the term "child sex abuse material" throughout the Indiana Code. Provides that it is a defense to prosecution of child exploitation and possession of child sex abuse material if a school employee, department of child services employee, or attorney acting in the attorney's capacity as legal counsel: (1) immediately notified law enforcement about the image or matter depicting the sexual conduct; and (2) did not duplicate, upload, download, or otherwise transfer the image or matter.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB333 STATE LOANS FOR PROPERTY TAX REVENUE SHORTFALL (SPENCER M) Forgives loans made to certain qualified taxing units in Lake County. Urges the legislative council to assign to the appropriate interim study committee during the 2025 legislative interim the task of studying whether to create an insurance fund to be used to make payments to political subdivisions that issue refunds for the overpayment of property taxes to political subdivisions as a result of successful property tax appeals.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Mark Spencer

SB340 MAXIMUM INCREASE OF HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX BILL (YOUNG M) Caps the year over year increase of property tax liability on a homestead at 2%.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Michael Young

SB346 RURAL BUSINESS GROWTH (BUCHANAN B) Establishes a state tax credit (credit) for certain capital investments made in rural funds. Establishes procedures for a rural fund to apply to the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) for certification of a capital investment as eligible for a credit provided by the bill. Requires a rural fund to pay a nonrefundable application fee of \$5,000 to the IEDC. Provides that the credit is an amount equal to: (1) the applicable percentage for the credit allowance date; multiplied by (2) the purchase price paid to the rural fund for the capital investment. Sets forth the maximum annual amount of credits that may be certified. Provides that the credit is subject to recapture. Requires a rural fund that has received a credit to submit reports on an annual basis to the IEDC over the credit allowance period.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading

1/13/2025 - Authored By Brian Buchanan

- SB351 THIRD CLASS CITY PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD (GASKILL M) Allows a resident of the library district to be appointed to the parks and recreation board of a third class city.
Current Status: 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Mike Gaskill
- SB352 LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY TASK FORCE (GASKILL M) Establishes the local government efficiency task force (task force) to study creating a more streamlined and cost effective local government structure. Sets forth the membership, and requires the task force to issue a report to the general assembly and the governor not later than November 1, 2026.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Mike Gaskill
- SB355 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS (GASKILL M) Moves, as a general rule, elections of city and town officers to even-numbered years. Allows a municipality to pass a resolution to opt out of the general rule. Specifies a process by which the voters of the municipality may override the municipality's resolution. Increases the amount of time that a voter may remain in the voting booth at a primary, general, municipal, or special election, from four minutes to seven minutes. Makes conforming amendments.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Elections
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Mike Gaskill
- SB364 WEATHER AND THE ENVIRONMENT (ALEXANDER S) Prohibits a person who has the intent of affecting the intensity of sunlight, temperature, or weather from discharging a chemical or apparatus into the atmosphere, except in certain circumstances. Provides that a violation is a Class A misdemeanor.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB367 ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF ASSESSED VALUE (YOUNG M) Provides that the assessed value of residential real property that is used and occupied by the owner of the property as the owner's primary residence shall not be adjusted based on investment residential real property.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Michael Young
- SB368 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS AT LEAST AGE 65 (YOUNG M) Eliminates property taxes on primary residences for those who are at least 65 years of age (qualified homesteads) beginning with the assessment date 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 certify the determination to the budget committee on or before March 1, 2026, and on or before March 1 of each odd-numbered year thereafter. Provides an annual state distribution to offset the property tax elimination for qualified homesteads based on the amount of property taxes that otherwise would be due on the qualified homesteads. Makes an ongoing appropriation.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Michael Young
- SB374 PUBLICATION OF MEETING NOTICE ON WEBSITE (GOODE G) Provides that for purposes of the open door law, if a public agency has a website the governing body of the public agency shall provide public notice of meetings by posting a copy of the notice on the public agency's main website.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Greg Goode

- SB377 FUNDING FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (GOODE G) Provides certain planning and review requirements that must occur before funding may be allotted and disbursed to a state agency for purposes of regional development. Specifies priorities for regional development funding commitments. Repeals the statute that expires the central Indiana regional development authority.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Greg Goode
- SB380 THREATENING LEAFLETING (GOODE G) Creates the crime of threatening leafleting, a Class A misdemeanor, and provides a penalty enhancement.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Greg Goode
- SB388 1977 FUND BENEFITS (ROGERS L) Increases the basic monthly pension benefit payable to a member of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund who retires after June 30, 2025, with 20 years of service. Increases the contribution rate of fund members.
Current Status: 1/15/2025 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Linda Rogers
- SB389 ANNEXATION OF FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TERRITORY (BUCK J) Provides the following with regard to certain annexations that include property within a fire protection district (district) for which the annexation ordinance was adopted on October 7, 2024, and the annexed territory does not exceed 50 acres: (1) The annexation is effective at least 30 days after the annexation ordinance is adopted, published, and filed with state and county officials. (Under current law, with certain exceptions, an annexation of property within a district takes effect the second January 1 after the ordinance is adopted and filed with state and county officials.) (2) Exempts the municipality from provisions requiring the municipality to: (A) commence fire protection service to the annexed territory on the ordinance's effective date; and (B) notify the district within 10 days of commencing fire protection service to the annexed territory.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - added as second author Senator Garten
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By James Buck
- SB391 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION BUDGETS (BUCK J) Provides that, notwithstanding any growth in a political subdivision's assessed value in the previous year, a political subdivision's ad valorem property tax levy shall not exceed the ad valorem property tax levy for its last preceding annual budget, unless the fiscal body of the political subdivision adopts an affirmative tax rate and tax levy increase by ordinance following a separate public hearing. Requires a resulting decrease in tax rates for each political subdivision in which there was an increase in the political subdivision's assessed value in the previous year, subject to any affirmative tax rate and tax levy increase adopted by the fiscal body of the political subdivision.
Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By James Buck
- SB392 PROPERTY TAX RELIEF FOR SENIORS AND VETERANS (ROGERS L) Makes certain changes to the qualification requirements and credit amount for the over 65 circuit breaker credit. Makes certain changes to the qualification requirements and deduction amount for the property tax deduction for disabled veterans who are either totally disabled or at least 62 years of age with a partial disability.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Linda Rogers
- SB404 UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF A FIREARM BY A CHILD (TAYLOR G) Adds felony unlawful possession of a firearm by a child to the list of crimes for which a juvenile court shall, upon motion of the prosecuting attorney, waive jurisdiction under certain circumstances. Removes certain crimes concerning children and firearms from the list of crimes in which a juvenile court does not have jurisdiction for an alleged violation. Removes language in the unlawful carrying of a handgun statute prohibiting a person less than 18 years of age from carrying a handgun. Provides that the

unlawful carrying of a handgun statute applies to a person who has been adjudicated as a delinquent child under the statute, and is at least 18 years of age but less than 23 years of age. Renames the "dangerous possession of a firearm" crime to "unlawful possession of a firearm by a child" and provides that the enhanced penalty applies if the offense was committed: (1) on or in school property; (2) within 500 feet of school property; or (3) on a school bus. Removes the reckless mens rea for unlawful possession of a firearm by a child. Makes technical changes.

Current Status: 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Greg Taylor

- SB406 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%.
- Current Status:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
- All Bill Status:* 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Rodney Pol
- SB408 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (POL R) Increases the amount of worker's compensation and worker's occupational diseases compensation benefits available under current law for injuries and disablements occurring on and after July 1, 2024, and before July 1, 2025, by: (1) 10% on and after July 1, 2025; (2) 6% on and after July 1, 2026; (3) 4% on and after July 1, 2027; (4) 4% on and after July 1, 2028; (5) 4% on and after July 1, 2029; and (6) 4% on and after July 1, 2030. (Under current law, the worker's compensation and worker's occupational diseases compensation benefits increase by 3% on and after July 1, 2025, relative to the amount for injuries and disablements occurring on and after July 1, 2024, and before July 1, 2025, and 3% on and after July 1, 2026, relative to the amount for injuries and disablements occurring on and after July 1, 2025, and before July 1, 2026.)
- Current Status:* 1/13/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
- All Bill Status:* 1/13/2025 - First Reading
1/13/2025 - Authored By Rodney Pol
- SB491 ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY FOR AN INDUSTRIAL PARK (GASKILL M) Allows a municipality in Madison County to annex noncontiguous property for use as an industrial park.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government
- All Bill Status:* 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Mike Gaskill
- SB492 RESTRICTED ADDRESS PROGRAM (CRIDER M) Adds: (1) public safety telecommunicators; and (2) 911 emergency call dispatch center administrators; to the persons who may restrict access to their home address on a local government's public property data base website.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
- All Bill Status:* 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Michael Crider
- SB494 STATE AND LOCAL TAX CAPTURE AREAS (MISHLER R) Amends provisions concerning the designation of an innovation development district to add certain qualification requirements (grandfathers in those districts established under current law). Requires the Indiana economic development corporation to establish a maximum sales tax increment amount and state income tax increment amount that may be allocated for each innovation development district, which may not exceed a specified amount per state fiscal year. Adds related procedural provisions. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
- All Bill Status:* 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Ryan Mishler
- SB502 ATTACHMENTS TO UTILITY POLES (ZAY A) Provides the following with regard to a request made to the owner of a utility pole (pole owner) by an entity seeking authorization to attach equipment to the utility pole (attaching entity): (1) Provides that a pole owner may deny an attachment request only for specified reasons and specifies requirements with regard to the pole owner's provision of notice of a denial. (2) Provides that if a pole owner does not provide notice to an attaching entity of the pole owner's approval or denial of the attaching entity's attachment request by specified deadlines, the pole owner is considered to have constructively approved the attachment request. (3) Specifies deadlines by which the Indiana utility regulatory commission must make a determination regarding an appeal of a denial of an attachment request. (4) Specifies requirements for completion of surveys and make ready work necessary for a pole attachment. Requires a utility to provide specified information on the utility's website regarding attachment requests.
- Current Status:* 1/14/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities

All Bill Status: 1/14/2025 - First Reading
1/14/2025 - Authored By Andy Zay

- SB507 SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS' RIGHTS (ALEXANDER S) Provides certain procedural protections for victims of sexual assault, including the rights guaranteed to a victim as they relate to the analysis and preservation of the victim's sexual assault forensic evidence.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB508 PROPERTY TAX STREAMLINE (ALEXANDER S) Abolishes the offices of county assessor and township assessor, effective July 1, 2025. Transfers the duties of the assessor to the county auditor. Requires the department of local government finance (DLGF) to develop an automated valuation model system (AVM system) to be used by the DLGF to conduct the assessment of all tangible property statewide, except for agricultural land. Requires the DLGF to conduct all assessments for tangible property, excluding agricultural land, using the AVM system beginning with the first assessment date that an AVM system is operational for use, but not later than 2036. Eliminates the payment of property taxes in arrears beginning with the first assessment date for which the AVM system is applied. Requires the DLGF to present a plan of implementation for an AVM system to the interim study committee on fiscal policy before November 1, 2025, and present an update on the AVM system before November 1 in subsequent years until the AVM system is operational for use. Except for agricultural land, provides that tangible property shall not be subject to assessment beginning with assessments in 2026 through the first assessment date for which the AVM system is applied. Freezes the assessed value of all taxable property, except agricultural land, during this time period at the assessed value determined for the property for the 2025 assessment date. Caps the property tax liability for all taxable property for taxes first due and payable in 2027 through the first date that taxes are first due and payable based on assessments under the AVM system to not more than: (1) for taxes first due and payable in 2027, the property tax liability imposed on the taxpayer's property for taxes first due and payable in 2021; and (2) for taxes first due and payable in 2028 and thereafter, the property tax liability for the calendar year not to exceed a 3% increase from the taxpayer's property tax liability from the previous year. Requires the legislative services agency to prepare legislation for introduction in the 2026 regular session of the general assembly to make appropriate required changes in statutes. Makes corresponding changes.
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1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Scott Alexander
- SB513 STATE ADMINISTERED RETIREMENT PROGRAM (BECKER V) Establishes a board to design, establish, and operate a state administered retirement program (program) that automatically enrolls specified private sector employees. Requires program compliance by certain employers that have not, in the previous two calendar years, offered a qualified retirement plan to employees. Specifies the powers and duties of the board. Specifies program requirements, including default contribution levels and program fees. Requires the board to contract with investment managers, private financial institutions, or other service providers to invest money and administer the program. Limits the liability of particular parties associated with the program. Specifies board requirements for disclosure, audits, and reports. Requires the board to adopt certain rules. Makes an appropriation.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Coauthored by Senators Qaddoura, Hunley, Jackson L, Pol
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1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Vaneta Becker
- SB516 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS INNOVATION (BUCHANAN B) Establishes the office of small business and innovation (office). Requires the office to: (1) develop and administer programs to support the growth of small business, entrepreneurship, and innovation in Indiana; (2) direct and oversee programs and sources of funding related to the growth of small business, entrepreneurship, technology, and innovation in Indiana; (3) work to strengthen policies and programs supporting the growth of entrepreneurship in Indiana; (4) operate the Indiana economic development corporation's Connect IND interactive portal as a hub for entrepreneurs to access federal, state, and local resources; (5) promote Indiana's small business and entrepreneurial support resources by creating toolkits and other digital assets to assist entrepreneurs and small businesses in the navigation of the resources; (6) coordinate with state agencies and other state funded entities to align services and programs related to entrepreneurship and starting and scaling a business; (7) work with funded entities on identifying strategies and metrics around the disbursement of funds to measure funds reaching rural communities and other underrepresented socioeconomic communities; (8) work with stakeholders and organizations supporting entrepreneurship to enhance learning and skills, provide technical support, and expand access to resources for entrepreneurs across Indiana; and (9) develop and administer programs to support and encourage youth entrepreneurship, including supporting students

and teachers in fostering entrepreneurial skills. Requires the office to submit to the governor, the secretary of commerce, and the general assembly an annual state of entrepreneurship report. 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. Requires the IEDC to include in its annual economic incentives and compliance report a determination of the total aggregate amount of incentives granted by the IEDC in the previous two years compared to the total number of new jobs created by the recipients of the incentives during that two year period. 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.

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SB517

PURCHASE OF COAL FIRED GENERATION FACILITIES (BUCHANAN B) Provides that: (1) a public utility that provides electric utility service in Indiana (public utility) may not enter into an agreement to sell a coal fired electric generation facility (coal facility) that the public utility plans to retire unless the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) approves the agreement; and (2) a person that purchases from a public utility, under an agreement approved by the IURC, a coal facility that the public utility plans to retire is not a public utility for purposes of IURC jurisdiction solely by reason of the person's operation of the coal facility. Provides that the rates and charges of a public utility, other than a cooperatively owned public utility, may not include any recovery of, or earnings on, the capital costs associated with the construction of an electric generation facility that is built, in whole or in part, to replace the electricity generated from a coal facility retired by the public utility after December 31, 2028, unless the IURC determines that the public utility: (1) made a good faith effort to sell the coal facility to another person; and (2) either: (A) accepted a reasonable offer to purchase the coal facility; or (B) was not able to sell the coal facility for a reason beyond the public utility's reasonable control. Sets forth factors the IURC must consider in determining whether: (1) the public utility made a good faith effort to sell the coal facility; and (2) an offer to purchase a coal facility was reasonable. Provides that the IURC may preapprove a procedure for a public utility's solicitation and review of offers for purchase of a coal facility the public utility plans to retire that, if used by a public utility to sell the coal facility, satisfies the requirements for: (1) a good faith effort to sell the coal facility; and (2) acceptance of a reasonable offer for the coal facility. Provides that, subject to certain conditions, the IURC shall require a public utility, other than a cooperatively owned public utility, to purchase electricity generated by a coal facility that: (1) was acquired from a public utility through an agreement approved by the IURC; and (2) but for the sale of the coal facility, would have been retired by the public utility. Provides that prior to the proposed retirement date for a coal facility, the IURC may determine the avoided cost and other terms and conditions for the purchase of electricity from the coal facility in order to allow potential purchasers of the coal facility to know this information before entering into an agreement to purchase the coal facility.

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SB518

SCHOOL PROPERTY TAXES (ROGERS L) Provides that all school corporations that adopt a resolution for a property tax levy for a controlled project or a school safety referendum tax levy after May 10, 2025, must share revenue received from the levy with certain charter schools. Provides that all school corporations must share revenue received from a debt service levy with certain charter schools. Provides that all school corporations that adopt a resolution for an operating referendum tax levy after May 10, 2025, must share revenue received from the levy with certain charter schools and certain other school corporations. Provides that all school corporations must share revenue from the school corporation's operations fund levy with certain charter schools and certain other school corporations. Provides a calculation for determining the amount of an annual grant from the charter and innovation network school grant program based on the amount of property tax revenue received by a charter school from school corporations. Makes conforming changes.

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1/16/2025 - Authored By Linda Rogers

SB519

LOCAL PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS (ROGERS L) Prohibits a political subdivision or agency of a political subdivision from imposing a requirement inconsistent with, in addition to, or more stringent or restrictive than the requirements of the public works statute.

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1/16/2025 - Authored By Linda Rogers

- SB528 ELECTION AND DUTIES OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (RANDOLPH L) Repeals a provision that requires a political party to nominate the candidate for the office of lieutenant governor at a state convention and instead requires the candidate for the office of lieutenant governor to be elected jointly in a primary election with a candidate for the office of governor. Specifies that the lieutenant governor shall discharge the powers and duties of the lieutenant governor's office that are designated to the lieutenant governor by the governor. Repeals all statutory duties of the lieutenant governor and designates these duties to the governor. Makes conforming changes.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Referred to Senate Elections
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
- SB535 LOCAL ROAD FUNDING DISTRIBUTIONS (JACKSON L) Provides that the amounts currently distributed from the motor vehicle highway account and the local road and street account to counties, cities, and towns based upon the proportionate share of road and street mileage shall instead be distributed based on the proportionate share of road and street vehicle miles traveled. Provides that the Indiana department of transportation shall establish guidelines outlining the procedures required to determine vehicle miles traveled.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By La Keisha Jackson
- SB538 PFAS CHEMICALS (ZAY A) 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: 1/16/2025 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Andy Zay
- SB540 LOCAL FISCAL MATTERS (BUCHANAN B) Raises the acquisition cost threshold for purposes of the personal property tax exemption from \$80,000 to \$250,000. Limits the ability to seek an excess levy appeal to those units that have experienced a year over year population increase of 5% or more. Caps the allowable increase in the amount of property taxes first due and payable on a homestead in 2026, 2027, and 2028. Provides, beginning in 2027, that the office of the county assessor is an appointive office rather than an elective office. Specifies that the county executive shall appoint an individual to the office of the county assessor. Includes provisions to manage the conversion of the office of the county assessor to an appointive office upon the abolition of the office as an elective office.
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All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Brian Buchanan
- SB541 COMMUNITY SOLAR FACILITIES (SPENCER M) Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) to adopt rules governing community solar facilities not later than July 1, 2026. 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 at least three 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: 1/16/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities
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1/16/2025 - Authored By Mark Spencer
- SB542 ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS TO GOVERNMENTAL BODIES (SPENCER M) 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, 2025, 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; or (C) other service charge or fee; assessed in connection with the contract is payable by the person who makes an electronic payment.
Current Status: 1/16/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Mark Spencer

SB543 GAMING REVENUE DISTRIBUTION (MAXWELL R) Establishes the gaming revenue fund (fund). Provides that tax revenue collected after June 30, 2025, 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: 1/16/2025 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
All Bill Status: 1/16/2025 - First Reading
1/16/2025 - Authored By Randy Maxwell

SJR17 STATE COMPTROLLER (CARRASCO C) Proposes an amendment to the Indiana Constitution to do the following: (1) Require the election of a state comptroller instead of an auditor of state. (2) Provide, effective June 30, 2023, that an individual serving as auditor of state after June 30, 2023, is considered to be serving as state comptroller for all purposes under the Indiana Constitution and Indiana law. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.
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1/8/2025 - Authored By Cyndi Carrasco