

HB1001

HOUSING MATTERS (MILLER D) Provides the following are permitted uses that are approved without a hearing: (1) Single family dwellings and duplexes in residential zones. (2) An accessory dwelling unit within a single family dwelling. (3) Affordable housing on property purchased by a religious institution before January 1, 2025, in a residential or commercial zone. Provides that the following apply to a unit, if the unit does not adopt an ordinance to opt out: (1) Prohibits a unit from requiring more than a specified number of parking spaces for multi-family dwelling units, single family dwellings, or commercial space. (2) Prohibits a unit from regulating design elements of residential structures. (3) Requires a mixed use residential or multi-family residential development to be a permitted use in an area zoned for commercial use. (4) Prohibits a unit from imposing requirements on lot sizes, density, setbacks, and building bulk on certain lots or parcels. Provides that a structure classified as an R-2 building occupancy classification that is not more than: (1) three stories; and (2) 24 total units; shall be permitted to have a passenger elevator not larger than an elevator that accommodates a wheelchair. Adds requirements regarding the location of impact zones designated by a unit after June 30, 2026. Provides that after December 31, 2026, if a unit fails to update its zoning ordinance within one year after adopting or amending its comprehensive plan, the unit must approve a project that complies with the comprehensive plan or the zoning ordinance. After December 31, 2026, restricts a unit's ability to impose and increase fees related to building approvals and permits. Delays implementation of building permit increases to 180 days after publication of the ordinance. Beginning January 1, 2027, requires a unit to annually report to the Indiana housing and community development authority certain information concerning housing in the unit. Resolves conflicts for IC 36-2-4-8, which was amended by both P.L.22-2021 and P.L.152-2021.

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HB1002

ELECTRIC UTILITY AFFORDABILITY (SHONKWILER A) Requires an electricity supplier that is under the jurisdiction of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) to do the following: (1) Beginning with the first monthly billing cycle that begins after June 30, 2026, apply a levelized billing plan (plan) to all active residential customer accounts to which a plan does not already apply. (2) Not later than April 1, 2026, offer each customer a mechanism by which the customer may opt out of a plan at any time without penalty. (3) Not later than July 1, 2026, for any plan offered by the electricity supplier and applied to an active customer account, amend or design the plan so that plan's account reconciliation mechanism is applied at such times during a calendar year to reflect typical seasonal patterns of electricity usage by residential customers, but not more than two times during a calendar year. Prohibits an electricity supplier from referring to or promoting a levelized billing plan as a "budget billing plan" unless the levelized billing plan also provides other specified forms of relief for customers. Authorizes the IURC to adopt rules to implement these provisions. Amends existing law granting the IURC the authority to take certain actions with respect to the rates and services of public utilities during emergency circumstances, as judged by the IURC, to provide instead that the IURC may recommend that the governor declare a disaster emergency or proclaim a state of energy emergency during which the IURC may take such actions. Specifies that the emergency must result from: (1) a national economic depression; (2) an act of war; or (3) a disaster of unprecedented size and destructiveness. Provides that an electric utility may not terminate residential electric service from June 1 through September 23 of any year for customers who are eligible for and have applied for assistance from the state's home energy assistance program. Provides that require an electricity supplier that is under the jurisdiction of the IURC for the approval of rates and charges to report to the office of utility consumer counselor (OUCC) on a quarterly basis certain data concerning residential customer accounts. Requires the OUCC to annually compile and summarize the information received from electricity suppliers in the reports and include the summary in the OUCC's annual report to the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunications. Provides that an investor owned electricity supplier that is under the jurisdiction of the IURC for the approval of rates and charges must petition the IURC for approval of any change in its basic rates and charges through the submission of a three year, multi-year rate plan (MYRP). Beginning in 2027, requires each electricity supplier to file its first petition with the IURC for approval of an MYRP according to a prescribed schedule. Provides that the base rates for the first rate year of an MYRP shall be established by the IURC in the same manner that base rates would be established in a proceeding for a change in basic rates and charges that occurs outside an MYRP. Specifies that in a petition to the IURC for a multi-year plan, an electricity supplier must include certain information in

its case in chief. Provides that for each rate year in an electricity supplier's MYRP, the following apply: (1) A customer affordability performance metric and an associated (PIM) that: (A) is based on the electricity supplier's performance in meeting the customer affordability performance metric; and (B) provides financial rewards or penalties to the electricity supplier based on that performance. (2) A service restoration performance metric and an associated PIM that: (A) is based on the electricity supplier's performance in meeting the service restoration performance metric; and (B) provides financial rewards or penalties to the electricity supplier based on that performance. Sets forth the methods by which the IURC must calculate the prescribed performance metrics and determine the associated PIMs. Sets forth specified findings the IURC must make in approving an electricity supplier's MYRP. Provides that at any time before the expiration of an electricity supplier's approved MYRP, the IURC may, upon its own motion, or at the request of the OUCC or the electricity supplier: (1) examine the electricity supplier's rates under the MYRP; (2) conduct periodic reviews with opportunities for public hearings and comments; and (3) adjust the base rates or performance incentive mechanisms (PIMs) under the MYRP. Beginning in 2029, requires the IURC to include in its annual report certain information about: (1) the status of electricity suppliers' MYRP filings and current MYRPs; (2) electricity suppliers' calculated performance metrics for the current rate year; and (3) the impact of all applicable PIMs on customer rates. Requires the IURC to adopt rules to implement these provisions. Requires an electricity supplier that is under the jurisdiction of the IURC to offer, not later than July 1, 2026, a low income customer assistance program (program) that provides financial assistance to low income residential customers for the payment of monthly bills for utility service. Requires an electricity supplier to annually fund its program in an amount equal to: (1) at least 0.2% of the electricity supplier's jurisdictional revenues for residential customers; plus (2) any contributions from governmental agencies or programs or from other third parties. Provides that if a customer who applies for assistance is eligible for assistance under the program, the electricity supplier shall enroll the customer in the program. Provides that an electricity supplier may, but is not required to, petition the IURC for approval to recover eligible program costs. Provides that "eligible program costs" do not include costs recovered through program contributions that are provided at no cost to the electricity supplier by or through any governmental agency or program or other third party. Beginning in 2027, requires the IURC to include each year in its annual report specified information concerning each electricity supplier's program with respect to the most recently concluded state fiscal year. Requires the IURC to adopt rules to implement these provisions.

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1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Alaina Shonkiler

HB1003

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (BARTELS S) Makes changes to requirements for the readoption of administrative rules. Repeals, merges, consolidates, or otherwise modifies various boards, commissions, and other governmental bodies. Modifies or establishes various funds. Makes changes to the membership, duties, and operations of various boards, commissions, and other governmental bodies. 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. Repeals the fire prevention and building safety commission (commission). Transfers the commission's responsibilities and administrative rules to the department of homeland security (department). Makes certain changes to the administration of building and safety statutes and building and safety codes. Provides for the codification of administrative rules setting forth building and safety codes into statute. Makes an appropriation.

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1/21/2026 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

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1/8/2026 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Miller D

1/8/2026 - Authored By Steve Bartels

HB1021

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:* 12/1/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 12/1/2025 - First Reading

12/1/2025 - Authored By Mitch Gore

HB1022

SELECTION OF CANDIDATE FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (LOPEZ D) Requires a candidate for governor who has been nominated at a primary election or state convention to certify the name of the candidate for lieutenant governor who will run jointly with the candidate for governor at the general election. Requires the candidate for lieutenant governor to file a declaration of candidacy not later than noon July 15 before the general election. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/13/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Pierce M

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Karickhoff

12/4/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Smaltz

12/1/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

12/1/2025 - First Reading

12/1/2025 - Authored By Danny Lopez

HB1025

RESIDENCY OF PUBLIC DEFENDERS (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides that a public defender and an employee of a public defender agency may not be subject to a county residency requirement, unless the residency requirement includes all counties contiguous to the county in which the individual serves.

*Current Status:* 1/14/2026 - Referred to Senate

*All Bill Status:* 1/13/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Glick

1/13/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 42: yeas 92, nays 0

1/13/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Bartels

1/12/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/12/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/8/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/7/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12, Nays: 0

1/7/2026 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Gore

12/1/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

12/1/2025 - First Reading

12/1/2025 - Coauthored by Representative McNamara

12/1/2025 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman

HB1031

COUNTY CORONERS (ENGLEMAN K) Removes minimum hour of instruction requirements for certain training courses provided by the coroners training board, and provides that a coroner or deputy coroner who has not successfully completed that training may not conduct a death investigation or sign a death certificate. Provides that a coroner or deputy coroner who conducts a death investigation or signs a death certificate without completing certain training commits a Class B misdemeanor. Provides that, if a coroner or deputy coroner fails to complete the required training course within the time required, the county shall reimburse the coroners training board for the cost of the training. Provides that the county may recover from an individual the amount the county reimbursed the coroners training board.

*Current Status:* 1/14/2026 - Referred to Senate

*All Bill Status:* 1/13/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Doriot

1/13/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 43: yeas 92, nays 0

1/13/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/12/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/12/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/8/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/6/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/6/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10, Nays: 0

1/6/2026 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Abbott

12/1/2025 - Referred to House Local Government

12/1/2025 - First Reading

12/1/2025 - Authored By Karen Engleman

HB1032

REDISTRICTING (SMALTZ B) Allows the general assembly to amend congressional districts at a time other than the

first regular session of the general assembly convening immediately following the United States decennial census. Specifies requirements that apply to any action challenging the apportionment of congressional districts or general assembly districts. Establishes new Indiana congressional districts. Provides for expiration of the current congressional districts on the date of the 2026 general election. Specifies that for purposes of the 2026 primary and general election, a precinct may cross the boundary of a congressional district. Requires the election division to assist each county voter registration office with the implementation of this act. Makes technical and necessary changes in related statutes.

*Current Status:* 12/11/2025 - Third reading defeated; Roll Call 8: yeas 19, nays 31

*All Bill Status:* 12/11/2025 - House Bills on Third Reading

12/10/2025 - Amendment #3 (Randolph Lonnig M) failed; voice vote

12/10/2025 - Amendment #1 (Qaddoura) failed; voice vote

12/10/2025 - added as cosponsor Senator Young M

12/10/2025 - added as cosponsor Senator Byrne

12/10/2025 - Second reading ordered engrossed

12/10/2025 - Amendment #2 (Ford J.D.) failed; voice vote

12/10/2025 - House Bills on Second Reading

12/9/2025 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

12/8/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 6; Nays: 3

12/8/2025 - added as third sponsor Senator Brown L

12/8/2025 - added as second sponsor Senator Garten

12/8/2025 - added as cosponsor Senator Johnson T

12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Elections

12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/5/2025 - Referred to Senate

12/5/2025 - Senate sponsor: Senator Gaskill

12/5/2025 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 28: yeas 57, nays 41

12/5/2025 - Motion to postpone indefinitely, failed Roll Call 27: yeas 28, nays 65

12/5/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Zimmerman

12/5/2025 - House Bills on Third Reading

12/4/2025 - Second reading ordered engrossed

12/4/2025 - Amendment #9 (Smith V) ruled out of order

12/4/2025 - Appeal the ruling of the chair (Bartlett); ruling of the chair sustained Roll Call 23: yeas 65, nays 27

12/4/2025 - Amendment #7 (Harris) failed; Roll Call 24: yeas 28, nays 65

12/4/2025 - Amendment #2 (Bartlett) ruled out of order

12/4/2025 - Amendment #21 (Porter) failed; Roll Call 22: yeas 29, nays 63

12/4/2025 - Amendment #8 (Porter) failed; Roll Call 20: yeas 29, nays 64

12/4/2025 - Appeal the ruling of the chair (Smith V); ruling of the chair sustained Roll Call 17: yeas 63, nays 29

12/4/2025 - Amendment #16 (Porter) failed; Roll Call 21: yeas 28, nays 65

12/4/2025 - Amendment #17 (DeLaney) failed; Roll Call 18: yeas 29, nays 65

12/4/2025 - Amendment #18 (DeLaney) failed; Roll Call 19: yeas 29, nays 65

12/4/2025 - Amendment #9 (Smith V) ruled out of order voice vote

12/4/2025 - Amendment #13 (Gore) failed; Roll Call 16: yeas 28, nays 66

12/4/2025 - Amendment #10 (Shackleford) failed; Roll Call 15: yeas 27, nays 67

12/4/2025 - Amendment #12 (Gore) failed; Roll Call 13: yeas 29, nays 66

12/4/2025 - Amendment #15 (Shackleford) failed; Roll Call 14: yeas 29, nays 66

12/4/2025 - Amendment #3 (Jackson C) failed; Roll Call 12: yeas 30, nays 64

12/4/2025 - Amendment #1 (Errington) failed; Roll Call 11: yeas 27, nays 67

12/4/2025 - Amendment #5 (Pierce M) failed; Roll Call 10: yeas 27, nays 66

12/4/2025 - House Bills on Second Reading

12/2/2025 - Appeal the ruling of the chair (C Jackson); ruling of the chair sustained Roll Call 7: yeas 64, nays 24

12/2/2025 - Minority report (C Jackson) ruled out of order

12/2/2025 - Minority report (C Jackson) not substituted for majority report

12/2/2025 - Committee Report do pass, adopted Roll Call 08: yeas 63, nays 23

12/2/2025 - House Elections and Apportionment, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/2/2025 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 5

12/1/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

12/1/2025 - First Reading

12/1/2025 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

HB1033

VARIOUS JUDICIAL MATTERS (LOPEZ D) Requires that, in a county having a consolidated city, the chief judge must: (1) be appointed to the community corrections advisory board; and (2) appoint the second judge and a mental health representative. Defines "full court" as the total of all Marion County superior court judges who are appointed and serving as judges. Specifies that if a newly appointed judge is filling a vacancy of a judge whose term ends the same year as the appointment, the newly appointed judge shall serve a term that expires on December 31 of the sixth full year following the appointment. Requires the Marion County judicial selection committee (judicial selection committee) to nominate a minimum of three candidates to the governor when a judicial vacancy exists and allows the governor to appoint any of the nominated candidates when filling more than one vacancy. Replaces the term "presiding judge" with "chief judge" within the Marion County superior court. Requires the judicial selection committee to determine that a judge is suitable to retain judicial office before a judge's request for retention may be placed on the ballot. Establishes a procedure with specific deadlines for a judge who wishes to stand for retention in 2026. Repeals and replaces a provision concerning the procedure to select the Marion County judicial executive committee (executive committee) and certain court provisions. Provides that, for an executive committee starting a term on January 1, 2027, and for the selection of each committee thereafter, the full court shall meet not later than November 15 in the final year of the executive committee's term to select the next executive committee. Requires a two-thirds vote of the sitting judges who will hold office on January 1 of the next year to select members of the executive committee. Requires the judicial selection committee to appoint the chief judge. Increases the term of an executive committee member of the Marion County judiciary from two years to three years. Specifies which duties are the responsibility of the full court and which are to be determined by a trial judge. Describes the duties and authority of the executive committee. Provides that any action taken by the executive committee may only be overruled by a majority vote of 85% of the full court sitting at the time the vote is taken. Provides that a majority vote of 85% of the full court, serving at the time the vote is taken, is required to remove a member of the executive committee. Removes a requirement that the executive committee requires the approval of two-thirds of the judges to determine the number of judicial officers and personnel required to serve the court. Provides that the judge of the circuit court has exclusive authority to appoint commissioners or magistrates allocated to the circuit court. Provides that the executive committee has exclusive authority to appoint commissioners or magistrates allocated to the superior court, and the commissioners and magistrates appointed serve at the pleasure of the executive committee. Specifies that the executive committee has final authority for all employment decisions regarding commissioners and magistrates. Repeals a provision that allows the presiding judge to appoint a magistrate and allows the executive committee to appoint 28 magistrates. Requires a voting member of the justice reinvestment advisory council to cast a vote in person. Requires that, in a county having a consolidated city, the chief judge or a judge appointed by the chief judge be the chair of the local justice reinvestment advisory council. Provides that a local or regional advisory council may only take action upon the affirmative vote of the members and a member must cast a vote in person. Makes conforming changes.

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1/14/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading  
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12/2/2025 - Reassigned to Committee on Judiciary  
12/1/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Jeter, Steuerwald  
12/1/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
12/1/2025 - First Reading  
12/1/2025 - Authored By Danny Lopez

HB1038

RELOCATION OF GAMING OPERATIONS (SNOW C) Specifies a process by which a current licensed owner or permit holder may apply to the Indiana gaming commission (commission) to relocate the Ohio County riverboat license to an inland casino in Allen County, DeKalb County, Steuben County, or Wayne County. Specifies application requirements, including local government support and the applicant's commitment and plan to invest at least \$500,000,000 for the development of a casino and nongaming amenities. Requires the commission to: (1) make the filed applications and an informational summary available to the public not later than January 15, 2027; and (2) issue a final decision approving or denying each application not later than April 15, 2027. Requires an approved applicant to pay \$50,000,000 to the commission and \$30,000,000 total to the city of Rising Sun and Ohio County. Requires the commission to contract with an independent third party consultant to determine the fair market value of the Ohio County license. Requires an approved applicant to pay the fair market value of the license determined by the independent third party to the owner of the Ohio County license, unless the approved applicant is the owner of the Ohio County license. Specifies fees that apply to the sale or transfer of the licensed owner's or permit holder's interest in the owner's license within 10 years. Allows the owner of the Ohio County license to continue gambling operations

on the riverboat in Ohio County until one day before the date the commission has approved gambling operations to begin under the relocated owner's license.

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12/1/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy

12/1/2025 - First Reading

12/1/2025 - Authored By Craig Snow

HB1039

VARIOUS IMMIGRATION MATTERS (PRESCOTT J) Provides that if a law enforcement officer, governmental body, or postsecondary educational institution is made a party to a civil suit and the attorney general determines that the suit has arisen out of certain acts, the attorney general shall defend the law enforcement officer, governmental body, or postsecondary educational institution throughout the action. 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 bodies 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. Prohibits a political subdivision from taking certain actions to aid, assist, incentivize, or facilitate the migration of any alien or class of aliens into Indiana. 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 bring a court action to: (1) enjoin an act or practice constituting a violation of an immigration detention request; and (2) impose a civil penalty for noncompliance with an immigration detention request. 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. Prohibits an employer from knowingly or intentionally 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 authorizations. Provides that a governmental entity that employs a prosecuting official is entitled to investigative costs and costs in an indecent nuisance action.

*Current Status:* 12/2/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Bartels, Jeter, Davis

*All Bill Status:* 12/2/2025 - Referred to House Judiciary

12/2/2025 - First Reading

12/2/2025 - Authored By J.D. Prescott

HB1041

LINE MAINTENANCE IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY (DAVIS M) Sets forth minimum standards and requirements 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 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 attributable to a permittee and involving: (1) noncompliance with any standard or requirement set forth in the bill; or (2) the presence of any damaged, abandoned, loose, or improperly secured facilities within a public right-of-way. 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 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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12/2/2025 - First Reading

HB1042

REGULATION AND INVESTMENT OF CRYPTOCURRENCY (PIERCE K) Provides that the following shall offer, as a regular investment program, a self directed brokerage account that offers at least one cryptocurrency investment option: (1) The legislators' defined contribution plan. (2) The Hoosier START plan. (3) Specified public employees' retirement fund plans and accounts. (4) Specified teachers' retirement fund plans and accounts (including the teachers' pre-1996 account). Provides that the assets of the following may be invested in cryptocurrency exchange traded funds that do not include payment stablecoin as a permissible asset: (1) The legislators' defined benefit plan. (2) The state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan. (3) The special death benefit fund. (4) The public employees' retirement fund hybrid plan. (5) The pension relief fund. (6) The teachers' retirement fund hybrid plan (including the teachers' pre-1996 account). (7) The state police benefit system. (8) The judges' retirement system. (9) The prosecuting attorneys retirement fund. (10) The 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund. Prohibits a public agency, other than the department of financial institutions, or a county, municipality, or township from adopting or enforcing a rule, ordinance, or other regulation that does any of the following: (1) Prohibits, restricts, or impairs an individual's ability to: (A) accept digital assets as a method of payment for legal goods and services; or (B) take custody of digital assets using specified technologies. (2) Imposes taxes or fees on: (A) use or acceptance of digital assets as a method of payment for legal goods and services; or (B) taking or maintaining custody of digital assets using a self-hosted wallet or hardware wallet; that are not applicable to comparable financial transactions that do not involve digital assets. (3) Prohibits, restricts, or impairs the ability of an individual or business to engage in specified activities pertaining to blockchains. Prohibits a public agency, other than the department of financial institutions, from adopting or enforcing a rule, ordinance, or other regulation that prohibits operation of a digital mining business. Prohibits a county, municipality, or township from adopting or enforcing a rule, ordinance, or other regulation that does any of the following: (1) Prohibits a digital asset mining business from operating in an area zoned for industrial use, or subjects a digital asset mining business located in an area zoned for industrial use to noise restrictions that are not applicable to other businesses operating in an area zoned for industrial use. (2) Prohibits private digital asset mining in a private residence located in an area that is zoned for residential use, or subjects private digital asset mining in a residence located in an area zoned for residential use to noise restrictions that do not apply to other residences in an area zoned for residential use. Provides that development or use of software for noncustodial transfer of digital assets does not constitute money transmission for purposes of statutes regarding licensure of money transmitters. Provides that a court may compel a person to disclose a digital asset private key only if no other admissible information is sufficient to provide access to the digital asset.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate sponsors: Senators Walker K, Baldwin

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 66: yeas 53, nays 42  
1/22/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading  
1/20/2026 - Amendment #1 (DeLaney) failed; voice vote  
1/20/2026 - Amendment #2 (DeLaney) failed; voice vote  
1/20/2026 - Amendment #4 (Pierce K) prevailed; voice vote  
1/20/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed  
1/20/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading  
1/14/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/13/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 3  
1/13/2026 - House Financial Institutions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/4/2025 - House Financial Institutions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/2/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Teshka, Judy, VanNatter  
12/2/2025 - Referred to House Financial Institutions  
12/2/2025 - First Reading  
12/2/2025 - Authored By Kyle Pierce

HB1043

DATA CENTER WATER REGULATION (BURTON A) Defines "data center". Prohibits a person from operating a data center in Indiana without obtaining a consumption permit from the department of natural resources (department). Sets forth information that must be included in a consumption permit application. Establishes procedures for the department to approve or deny a consumption permit application. Provides that a consumption permit may be transferred under certain circumstances. Provides that a person may consult with the department to assess the viability of a proposed data center with respect to water consumption. Allows the natural resources commission to adopt rules to implement this bill.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Commons

*All Bill Status:* 12/2/2025 - Referred to House Natural Resources  
12/2/2025 - First Reading  
12/2/2025 - Authored By Alex Burton

HB1044	<p>INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES (PRESSEL J) Provides that a public safety employee who: (1) becomes disabled on or after January 1, 2020; (2) receives a Class 1 or a Class 2 impairment benefit; and (3) is eligible for group health insurance coverage for the public safety employee and the public safety employee's spouse or dependents; must pay the same amount that the public safety employee would have been required to pay if still serving as a current active public safety employee employed by the local unit public employer. Specifies that the public safety employee must file a written request for insurance coverage with the employer before June 1, 2026, or within 90 days after the public safety employee begins receiving disability benefits, whichever is later. Provides that a surviving spouse or dependent of a public safety employee who dies in the line of duty must pay the same amount that the public safety employee would have been required to pay if still serving as a current active public safety employee employed by the local unit public employer for coverage selected by the surviving spouse or dependent under the group health insurance program.</p>
	<p><i>Current Status:</i> 1/20/2026 - Senate sponsors: Senators Walker K, Crider</p>
	<p><i>All Bill Status:</i> 1/20/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 54: yeas 92, nays 0</p>
	<p>1/20/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading</p>
	<p>1/15/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed</p>
	<p>1/15/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading</p>
	<p>1/13/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted</p>
	<p>1/13/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays: 0</p>
	<p>1/13/2026 - House Insurance, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)</p>
	<p>1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Davis</p>
	<p>1/5/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Lawson, Goss-Reaves</p>
	<p>12/2/2025 - Referred to House Insurance</p>
	<p>12/2/2025 - First Reading</p>
	<p>12/2/2025 - Authored By Jim Pressel</p>
HB1045	<p>RESTRICTED ACCESS OF CERTAIN OFFENDERS TO PARKS (PRESCOTT J) Provides that the offense of unlawful entry by a serious sex offender includes a serious sex offender knowingly or intentionally entering a public park.</p>
	<p><i>Current Status:</i> 12/5/2025 - added as coauthors Representatives Rowray, Olthoff</p>
	<p><i>All Bill Status:</i> 12/2/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code</p>
	<p>12/2/2025 - First Reading</p>
	<p>12/2/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman</p>
	<p>12/2/2025 - Authored By J.D. Prescott</p>
HB1052	<p>VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE LAW MATTERS (MANNING E) Adds conditions for which the horse racing commission (HRC) may revoke or suspend a license or deny a license application. Provides that appeals of certain decisions of the HRC may be appealed to the office of administrative law proceedings. Adds sports wagering certificate holders to the voluntary exclusion program. Defines and establishes civil and criminal penalties for conducting a "sweepstakes game". Establishes requirements for the wholesale sale and distribution of tobacco products and electronic cigarettes. Adds additional information an applicant must provide to the alcohol and tobacco commission when applying for a tobacco sales certificate. Provides for the suspension of a certificate if the certificate holder's employees violate employee identification requirements three or more times in one year. Provides that a person who refuses to provide identifying information to a law enforcement officer under certain circumstances commits a Class C misdemeanor.</p>
	<p><i>Current Status:</i> 1/22/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0</p>
	<p><i>All Bill Status:</i> 1/22/2026 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)</p>
	<p>1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Bascom</p>
	<p>1/6/2026 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)</p>
	<p>12/5/2025 - Referred to House Public Policy</p>
	<p>12/5/2025 - First Reading</p>
	<p>12/5/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Mayfield, Moed</p>
	<p>12/5/2025 - Authored By Ethan Manning</p>
HB1053	<p>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.</p>
	<p><i>Current Status:</i> 12/5/2025 - Referred to House Local Government</p>
	<p><i>All Bill Status:</i> 12/5/2025 - First Reading</p>
	<p>12/5/2025 - Authored By Justin Moed</p>
HB1055	<p>OPTION TO CONDUCT MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN EVEN YEARS (MELTZER J) Allows any city or town to adopt an</p>

ordinance providing that each elected office of the municipality is elected in an even-numbered year. (Under current law, certain municipalities may adopt an ordinance providing that each elected office of the municipality is elected in an even-numbered year.)

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Koch

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 67: yeas 59, nays 35

1/22/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/20/2026 - Amendment #1 (Pryor) failed; voice vote

1/20/2026 - Amendment #2 (Errington) ruled out of order

1/20/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/20/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/14/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/14/2026 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 9; Nays: 3

1/14/2026 - House Elections and Apportionment, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Bascom

12/5/2025 - added as coauthor Representative Lawson

12/5/2025 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman

12/5/2025 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

12/5/2025 - First Reading

12/5/2025 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

HB1056

RESISTING LAW ENFORCEMENT CONFLICT RESOLUTION (MELTZER J) Resolves a conflict between HEA 1014-2025 and HEA 1637-2025.

*Current Status:* 1/14/2026 - Referred to Senate

*All Bill Status:* 1/13/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Clark

1/13/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 45: yeas 94, nays 0

1/13/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/12/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/12/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Goss-Reaves

1/8/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/7/2026 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 12, Nays: 0

1/7/2026 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/5/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

12/5/2025 - First Reading

12/5/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Zimmerman, Shonkwiler

12/5/2025 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

HB1057

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:* 12/5/2025 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

*All Bill Status:* 12/5/2025 - First Reading

12/5/2025 - Authored By Timothy Wesco

HB1058

ANNEXATION (STEUERWALD G) Provides that annexation territory that is divided by railroad tracks satisfies contiguity requirements, if the territory on at least one side of the railroad tracks is contiguous to the municipality.

*Current Status:* 1/13/2026 - Referred to Senate

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Hall

1/12/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Clark

1/12/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 34: yeas 94, nays 0

1/12/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/8/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/8/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/6/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/6/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11, Nays: 0

1/6/2026 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Meltzer  
12/5/2025 - Referred to House Local Government  
12/5/2025 - First Reading  
12/5/2025 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald

HB1063 DECEPTIVE CONSUMER SALES (ANDRADE M) Amends the definition of "consumer transaction" for purposes of the deceptive consumer sales act to include the provision of a product or service to a state agency or a local agency in Indiana. Amends the definition of "supplier" for purposes of the deceptive consumer sales act to include an entity that provides a product or service to a state agency or a local agency in Indiana. Provides that an action that arises from a consumer transaction involving the provision of a product or service by a supplier to a state agency may be brought and enforced only by the attorney general. Provides that an action that arises from a consumer transaction involving the provision of a product or service by a supplier to a local agency may be brought and enforced only by an attorney acting on behalf of the local agency, unless the local unit of government served by the local agency requests the attorney general to bring and enforce an action on behalf of the local unit. Provides that in an action that arises from a consumer transaction involving the provision of a product or service by a supplier to a state agency or a local agency, a court may take certain actions.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Morris

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - removed as coauthor Representative Pierce K  
12/5/2025 - Referred to House Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development  
12/5/2025 - First Reading  
12/5/2025 - Coauthored by Representatives Teshka, Pierce K, Slager  
12/5/2025 - Authored By Mike Andrade

HB1064 UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES (CULP K) Makes repeated operation of an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) over private real property a nuisance, with both civil and criminal penalties, including an increased penalty for nuisances involving agricultural property. Provides that operating a UAV not more than 100 feet above private real property or landing the UAV on private real property is a civil trespass, with civil penalties, including an increased penalty for trespasses involving agricultural property. Creates various crimes for operating a UAV over certain places, people, or animals such as livestock. Provides that operating a UAV to collect certain data, recordings, or photographs of an individual or area of real property is a Class A misdemeanor. Provides, however, that the violation is a Level 6 felony if the subject of the data, recordings, or photographs involves certain critical infrastructure. Requires a person who operates a UAV that is at least 55 pounds to carry liability insurance, and requires the department of homeland security to develop and administer a program to verify UAV insurance compliance. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/21/2026 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Lehman, Bartels  
12/5/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
12/5/2025 - First Reading  
12/5/2025 - Authored By Kendell Culp

HB1065 BAN ON GRATUITIES FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS (SLAGER H) Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for: (1) a person to offer a payment to a public servant as a reward for an official act taken by the public servant; or (2) a public servant to solicit or accept a payment as a reward for an official act performed by the public servant. Increases the penalty to a Level 6 felony if the fair market value of the reward is at least \$750. Exempts: (1) a good or service that is subject to a reporting requirement or otherwise authorized by an applicable rule or code of ethics; (2) a good or service with a value of less than \$100; (3) commemorative or ceremonial items, such as plaques, trophies, or framed photos; (4) lawful political contributions; or (5) wages and other forms of work related compensation from the governmental entity employing the public servant that the public servant is legally permitted to receive. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally violates a specified provision by commingling the funds of a committee with the personal funds of an officer, a member, or an associate of the committee commits a Class A misdemeanor. Enhances the penalty to a Level 6 felony if a person commingles at least \$50,000 of committee funds.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/21/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays: 0  
1/21/2026 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Olthoff  
12/5/2025 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
12/5/2025 - First Reading  
12/5/2025 - Authored By Harold Slager

HB1066 PURCHASE AND LEASE OF GOVERNMENT VEHICLES (GORE M) With certain exceptions, requires a political

subdivision to procure only base model vehicles. Removes a provision allowing the Indiana department of administration to give an exception to a state entity from the requirement of procuring a base model vehicle. Requires state entities and political subdivisions to dispose of vehicles that are not base model vehicles not later than: (1) July 1, 2028; or (2) July 1 of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the vehicle reaches the end of its useful life; whichever is later.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/21/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

1/21/2026 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Miller D

1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Smaltz

1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Pressel

12/5/2025 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

12/5/2025 - First Reading

12/5/2025 - Authored By Mitch Gore

HB1070

INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS (MOSELEY C) Provides that an individual who is a volunteer firefighter is entitled to a credit of \$200 against the individual's adjusted gross income tax liability each taxable year.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Smaltz

*All Bill Status:* 12/5/2025 - Referred to House Ways and Means

12/5/2025 - First Reading

12/5/2025 - Authored By Chuck Moseley

HB1079

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND THC HEMP EXTRACT (MANNING E) Establishes a direct beer seller's permit to allow a brewer to ship beer directly to a consumer. Allows liquor retailers and catering halls to purchase alcoholic beverages from a package liquor store. Allows a beer wholesaler to make credit sales. Allows a bar or restaurant (retailer) to deliver mixed drinks for carryout or delivery to a consumer's residence or office. Allows a wine wholesaler to offer a channel price to a retailer if certain conditions are met. Allows the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission) to deny an application for issuing, renewing, or transferring an alcoholic beverage permit (permit) for nonpayment of property taxes that the applicant is statutorily or contractually obligated to pay. Allows a retailer to operate a points based rewards program. Allows the commission to issue beer and wine dealer permits that are not subject to the quota. Allows a retailer, dealer, or craft manufacturer to deliver alcoholic beverages to a consumer's residence or office using a third party delivery service. Creates a third party delivery service permit and delivery driver permit. Imposes graduated civil penalties against a third party delivery service permittee for deliveries made by the permittee's delivery drivers that violate law. Prohibits the distribution or sale of low THC hemp extract to a person who is less than 21 years of age.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Public Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Ethan Manning

HB1083

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:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Tonya Pfaff

HB1088

TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS (PIERCE K) Addresses technical issues in the Indiana Code, including those related to spelling, tabulation, formatting, grammar, and cross-references. Resolves technical conflicts from the 2025 legislative session. Makes conforming amendments. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the code revision committee.)

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Senate sponsors: Senators Freeman, Taylor G

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 55: yeas 90, nays 0

1/20/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading

1/15/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/15/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/14/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

1/12/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/12/2026 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 13; Nays: 0

1/12/2026 - House Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - Referred to House Judiciary  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Engleman, DeLaney  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Kyle Pierce

HB1089 AUTHORITY TO PROHIBIT FIREARMS IN LOCAL PARKS (ERRINGTON S) Provides that a unit may prohibit or restrict the possession of a firearm in a public park operated or maintained by the unit.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Gore  
*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Local Government  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Porter  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Sue Errington

HB1091 RESISTING LAW ENFORCEMENT (DELANEY E) Resolves a conflict between HEA 1014-2025 and HEA 1637-2025.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Edward DeLaney

HB1095 SCHOOL POLICE PENSION MATTERS (DAVIS M) Makes changes to the definition of a "school resource officer" for provisions relating to the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund (1977 fund). Provides that a school police department may participate in the 1977 fund. Establishes requirements for establishing a local board for school police departments. Provides that an appointing authority shall waive the age restriction for a school resource officer for purposes of the 1977 fund if: (1) on the date the individual applies to be appointed and hired, the individual is a veteran who has completed at least 20 years of military service; (2) the individual received or is eligible to receive a discharge from the armed forces of the United States under conditions other than certain specified conditions; and (3) the individual meets all other requirements for appointment and hiring. Provides that a school corporation or charter school that employs a school resource officer must enter into a contract or memorandum of understanding with a local law enforcement agency for the purpose of complying with the reporting and payment requirements for purposes of the 1977 fund. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Commons  
*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Michelle Davis

HB1101 REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (HEINE D) Requires the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) to designate 15 economic development regions throughout Indiana. Establishes a regional economic development commission (commission) for each economic development region. Provides for the membership of each commission. Requires each commission to establish or designate a primary administrative entity (entity) to carry out a strategic comprehensive economic development plan for the region. Sets forth the duties of a commission and entity.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Snow, Lehman  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Dave Heine

HB1104 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, 2026, 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:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Commons  
*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Robb Greene

HB1105 CONDEMNATION OF HOOISER 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 only the portion of a farm that satisfies the familial ownership and other requirements receives the Hoosier homestead designation and is subject to the provisions regarding eminent domain. Requires all property taxes to be paid up to date to be registered as a Hoosier homestead property or to renew registration as a Hoosier homestead property. Provides with certain exceptions, that if a county, city,

town, or school corporation (unit) exercises eminent domain to take a fee simple interest in a Hoosier homestead, the property owner is entitled to: (1) testify at a public meeting of the condemning unit's legislative body; and (2) compensation that is the greater of: (A) 200% of the fair market value of the parcel; or (2) 200% of the value of the land and replacement cost of the improvements to the land minus depreciation. Requires the owner to also be compensated for relocation costs, other damages, and business losses resulting from the condemnation of the property.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - Recommitted to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 126.3

1/15/2026 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/15/2026 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Commons

1/5/2026 - Referred to House Agriculture and Rural Development

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Culp, Smith H

1/5/2026 - Authored By Robb Greene

HB1108

CONTRACTS FOR ROAD PROJECTS (HAGGARD C) Allows the commissioner of the Indiana department of transportation (commissioner) to let a contract for the construction, improvement, or maintenance of a road to a bidder that is not the lowest and best bidder if all of the following apply: (1) The bidder is responsive and qualified. (2) The bidder commits to employing Indiana residents for not less than 65% of the total workforce for the project. (3) The bidder's bid is not more than: (A) 5% greater than the bid submitted by the lowest and best bidder; and (B) the estimated cost of the project. (4) The commissioner determines that awarding the contract to the bidder is in the best interests of the project and the community. (5) The bidder demonstrates certain compliance requirements.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Reassigned to Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Andrade

1/5/2026 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Pressel

1/5/2026 - Authored By Craig Haggard

HB1109

HOMELESS VETERANS INITIATIVE SHELTER PROGRAM (HAGGARD C) Establishes the Hoosier homeless veteran initiative for the purpose of providing a means for homeless veterans to have access to temporary shelter during the veteran's rehabilitation. Provides that the initiative shall be coordinated and administered by the Indiana department of veterans' affairs (department) in consultation with the Indiana department of health. Requires each homeless shelter with at least 25 beds to reserve at least one bed out of every 25 beds for a homeless veteran. Provides that a homeless shelter or other entity may apply to the department to become a participating shelter. Provides that a participating shelter shall receive grants from the department. Provides that a participating shelter shall provide food and housing and other services prescribed by the department for a participating veteran for a period consisting of the lesser of: (1) two years; or (2) the period necessary for the veteran to complete the requirements necessary for the participating veteran to receive a housing voucher in accordance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) HUD-VASH program. Provides that a homeless veteran who is not married may request to become a participating veteran in a manner prescribed by the department. Provides that the homeless veteran shall not be required to test negative on a drug or alcohol test to obtain initial placement in a participating shelter. Requires that a participating veteran receive services and meet certain requirements to remain eligible for placement in a participating facility.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Judy, Garcia Wilburn

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Craig Haggard

HB1110

PFAS CHEMICALS (CASH B) Requires the department of environmental management to adopt maximum contaminant levels for PFAS chemicals and effluent limitation standards for wastewater containing PFAS chemicals by July 1, 2027. Creates various compliance requirements for direct dischargers and indirect dischargers. Establishes various civil penalties. Establishes the PFAS chemical testing and remediation fund. Creates a PFAS chemical grant program.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Sweet, Bauer

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1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Becky Cash

HB1111

VARIOUS UTILITY MATTERS (PRYOR C) Prohibits a utility from charging a customer a reconnection fee to restore terminated service to the customer. Provides that an electric or gas utility may not terminate residential electric or gas

service between June 21 and September 23 for residential customers whose residence includes a person who is: (1) 65 years of age or older; or (2) 16 years of age or younger. Requires an electric or gas utility to identify new residential customers who are 62 years of age or older and to provide the identified customers with information concerning relevant assistance programs for seniors. Requires a public utility to provide a residential customer with a bill credit for an electric service interruption.

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HB1113

REPAIR OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTIES (PRYOR C) Requires a landlord to repair or replace an essential item not later than 24 hours after being notified by a tenant that the tenant's rental unit is without certain essential services. Provides that a tenant may request an agency tasked with enforcing unsafe building provisions (enforcement authority) to conduct an inspection and replace or repair an essential item within 24 hours of the inspection. Authorizes the enforcement authority to replace or repair an essential item within 24 hours and to charge the landlord for certain costs and to order a \$500 civil penalty to be paid. Requires any civil penalties to be placed in a repair fund to be used for costs incurred by the enforcement authority to replace or repair an essential item. Establishes appeal procedures. Requires a rental agreement entered into after June 30, 2026, to include a provision allowing a tenant to be reimbursed for any deposits paid by the tenant and to terminate the rental agreement if certain repairs are not made within seven days. Allows a court to order that a tenant's regular rental payments are paid into an attorney trust account or to the clerk of the court during the pendency of an enforcement action brought by the tenant.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Cherrish Pryor

HB1115

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION GOVERNANCE (OLTHOFF J) Requires the board of a homeowners association (HOA) to provide to HOA members at least four days advance written notice of any meeting of the board. Provides that the meeting notice must include: (1) a meeting agenda; and (2) in the case of a notice for an annual meeting, a statement of the right of HOA members to demand a special meeting of the members, including a statement of the required number of members needed to demand a special meeting. Provides that an HOA member 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 statutory procedures for remote meetings of nonprofit corporations. Authorizes an HOA to assess a fine for a member's violation of a covenant if the HOA first: (1) adopts a schedule of fines for specified violations; and (2) 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.

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1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Lawson, Andrade

1/5/2026 - Authored By Julie Olthoff

HB1117

UNIFORM MUNICIPAL INNKEEPER'S TAX (HEINE D) Creates a uniform municipal innkeeper's tax that may be imposed at a flat rate that does not exceed \$5 per night and includes provisions similar to the uniform county innkeeper's tax. Makes corresponding changes to statutes concerning innkeeper's tax administration.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Dave Heine

HB1118

EXPUNGEMENT (ZIMMERMAN A) Repeals and replaces the existing adult expungement statute with a new expungement process that makes certain changes to: (1) time periods for filing expungement; (2) crimes that are eligible for expungement; and (3) other procedural matters relating to expungement. Adds a provision concerning the expungement of juvenile arrest records.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Freeman

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1/5/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Bascom, Steuerwald  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman

HB1119 EXECUTION METHODS (LUCAS J) Authorizes the death penalty to be carried out by firing squad or nitrogen hypoxia, in addition to lethal injection. Removes the requirement that an execution be carried out: (1) at the Indiana state prison; and (2) before sunrise. Exempts certain persons from being required to participate in an execution. Makes conforming amendments and technical corrections.

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1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Prescott, Bartels, Ireland  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Jim Lucas

HB1120 RETIREMENT OF ELECTRIC GENERATION RESOURCES (LEDBETTER C) Amends the statute concerning public utilities' annual electric resource planning reports to the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) to provide that for an annual report submitted after December 31, 2026, if: (1) after an investigation under the statute, the IURC does not issue an order to prohibit the retirement of a public utility's electric generation resource; (2) the public utility proceeds with plans to retire the electric generation resource before: (A) the date specified for the retirement in the public utility's most recently filed integrated resource plan; or (B) the end of the electric generation resource's economically useful life; and (3) the retirement is not required to comply with environmental laws, regulations, or court orders; the public utility may not recover a return on any asset retirement obligations related to the retirement in any future general rate case or other regulatory proceeding. Makes a conforming amendment to a provision concerning public utilities' depreciation rates and asset retirement obligations.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Cindy Ledbetter

HB1121 DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING (BARTLETT J) Provides that a law enforcement agency that employs a law enforcement officer involved in an officer-involved shooting must administer alcohol and drug testing to the applicable law enforcement officer.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By John Bartlett

HB1123 POLICE INVESTIGATIONS RELATING TO PROSTITUTION (BARTLETT J) Provides that, after June 30, 2026, a law enforcement agency may not authorize the use of public funds by a law enforcement officer to pay for or engage in sexual intercourse, other sexual conduct, or the fondling of the law enforcement officer's or another individual's genitals as part of an investigation of: (1) prostitution; (2) making an unlawful proposition; or (3) promoting prostitution as a Level 5 felony. Provides that a law enforcement officer who knowingly or intentionally: (1) engages in sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct with an individual; (2) has an individual fondle or agree to fondle the genitals of the law enforcement officer; or (3) fondles the genitals of an individual under certain circumstances relating to the law enforcement officer's official duties; commits unlawful sexual conduct by a law enforcement officer, a Level 5 felony. Makes exceptions.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By John Bartlett

HB1127 STAY OF CERTAIN EVICTION ACTIONS AGAINST VETERANS (PACK R) Provides that a court shall stay certain eviction actions for defendants who qualify and have applied for housing assistance from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or the Indiana department of veterans' affairs.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

HB1132 RUSH COUNTY FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (CRISWELL C) Establishes the Rush County food and beverage tax.  
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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Cory Criswell

HB1135 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.  
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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Earl Harris

HB1139 ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY (LEDBETTER C) Provides that all tangible property that is subject to assessment shall be assessed on a just valuation basis and in a uniform and equal manner regardless of: (1) who owns the tangible property; or (2) who the person or entity is that is liable for property taxes due on the tangible property. Requires a county assessor to, as soon as possible, post an approved reassessment plan on the department of local government finance's (DLGF) website and any transparency portal developed by the state regarding public information. Provides that if an assessor changes the underlying parcel characteristics, including property classification or agricultural land type, of a property, based on verifiable evidence of a change in use, the assessor shall provide notice to the property owner that includes all verifiable evidence used to change assessment methods from agricultural land and document each change and the reason that each change was made for any class of property. Provides that land shall be assessed or reassessed as agricultural land only when it is devoted to agricultural use regardless of: (1) who owns the land; or (2) who the person or entity is that is liable for property taxes due on the land. Requires the DLGF to inform assessors and the presidents of county councils in writing if it finds that: (1) the reassessment of a group of parcels under a county's reassessment plan or other property assessment activities are not being properly conducted; (2) work required to be performed by local officials is not being properly conducted; or (3) property assessments are not being properly made. Provides that the failure of the DLGF to inform local officials shall be construed as an indication by the DLGF that assessment activities are being conducted properly. Requires the DLGF, if it determines that assessment activities are not being conducted properly, to order a state conducted assessment or reassessment.  
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1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative O'Brien  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Cindy Ledbetter

HB1141 COMMINGLING COMMITTEE FUNDS (KARICKHOFF M) Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally violates a specified provision by commingling the funds of a committee with the personal funds of an officer, a member, or an associate of the committee commits a Class A misdemeanor. Enhances the penalty to a Level 6 felony if a person commingles at least \$50,000 of committee funds.  
*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
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1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff

HB1142 UNIFORM FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (KARICKHOFF M) Creates uniform food and beverage tax authorization provisions for cities and counties that are not required or authorized to impose a food and beverage tax under any other food and beverage tax enabling statute. Specifies the food and beverage tax adoption procedure, maximum food and beverage tax rate, uses of revenue from a food and beverage tax, and the duration of the food and beverage tax.  
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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff

HB1143 LOCAL OPTION INCOME TAXES (KARICKHOFF M) Provides that an individual who resides in a county with a local income tax and has a principal place of employment or business in a different county shall also pay a local income tax in the county where the individual maintains the principal place of employment. Provides that the local income tax rate in effect for a local taxpayer in the county where the local taxpayer maintains the local taxpayer's principal place of business or employment is one fourth of the sum of the local income tax rates imposed on the adjusted gross income

of local taxpayers who reside in the county where the local taxpayer maintains the local taxpayer's principal place of business or employment. Provides that a local taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the tax imposed by a county in the county where the local taxpayer resides equal to the amount of the tax paid in the county where the local taxpayer has a principal place of business or employment.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff

HB1144

TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS (KARICKHOFF M) Provides that a person may circulate a petition to create a tourism improvement district (district) within the territory of a county, city, or town (local unit). Specifies the contents of the tourism improvement district plan that must be filed with a petition to establish a district. Provides that the legislative body of the local unit may require in the district plan that the boundaries of the district be drawn to: (1) exclude businesses; or (2) prevent overlap of the district with another area or district in which a special assessment is imposed. 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 local unit's 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; and (2) the owners of businesses within the proposed district that constitute more than 50% of the revenue to be collected from the special assessments. Requires the county, city, or town legislative body, at the public hearing on the establishment of a district, to hear from each individual business owner that wishes to make a request for exclusion from the district. 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 and specifies the term of any bonds issued. Provides that a district may be renewed. Sets forth an annual 30 day period in which the owners of the businesses in the district may request disestablishment of the district under specified conditions. Requires the local unit to contract with a private nonprofit district management association to administer and implement the district's activities and improvements. 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.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/13/2026 - Recommitted to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 126.3

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1/13/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Harris

1/13/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/13/2026 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - Referred to House Local Government

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff

HB1145

THIRTEENTH CHECK (KARICKHOFF M) Provides for a thirteenth check in calendar year 2026 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.

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1/8/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Porter, Olthoff

1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative VanNatter

1/5/2026 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Karickhoff

HB1146

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:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Heath VanNatter

HB1150

LOCAL REGULATION (PRESSEL J) Provides that a homeowners association's governing documents may not include a covenant, policy, or similar measure that: (1) prohibits or restricts the use of; (2) distinguishes between types of; or (3) results in differing standards for different types of; motor vehicles or outdoor equipment based on the fuel source that powers the motor vehicle or outdoor equipment. Prohibits a county or municipality from adopting or enforcing a utility usage data ordinance. Prohibits a county, municipality, or township from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, order, regulation, resolution, policy, or similar measure that: (1) prohibits or restricts the use, sale, or lease of; (2) distinguishes between types of; or (3) results in differing regulatory standards for different types of; motor vehicles or machines other than vehicles, including outdoor equipment, based on the fuel source that powers the motor vehicle or machine. Requires political subdivisions located within five miles of the end of a runway of a publicly owned, public use airport to adopt an airspace overlay zoning ordinance.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Senate sponsors: Senators Freeman, Baldwin

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 56: yeas 65, nays 23

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1/13/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Soliday, Jordan

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1/12/2026 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

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1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1152

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MATTERS (LAWSON E) Removes language authorizing an increase to the annual budget of a homeowners association (HOA) when the number of HOA members present at a meeting to adopt the annual budget does not constitute a quorum and the governing documents of the HOA permit the adoption of the increase in that circumstance. Provides that an HOA: (1) may not: (A) prohibit or restrict; or (B) adopt or enforce a regulation, rule, or other policy that has the effect or prohibiting or restricting; a person from operating a child care home or from providing child care that is not subject to the application of the statutes concerning child care regulation on a single family residence; and (2) may adopt or amend governing documents to allow for these uses.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Senate sponsors: Senators Walker K, Rogers, Alexander

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 57: yeas 87, nays 1

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1/13/2026 - removed as coauthor Representative Zimmerman

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1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Miller D, O'Brien

1/5/2026 - Authored By Ethan Lawson

HB1155

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT (SOLIDAY E) Establishes a traffic enforcement on private roads pilot project. Provides that a subdivision: (1) that is subject to governance authority by a homeowners association; (2) that contains at least 1,500 lots; and (3) with at least 15 miles of private road that are owned and maintained by the homeowners association; may establish a maximum speed limit. Provides that a law enforcement officer has all police powers necessary to enforce the laws of the state for the regulation and use of vehicles on the private roads within the subdivision governed by the homeowners association. Provides that, with the exception of the maximum speed limit established by the homeowners association, a law enforcement officer may not enforce other rules or requirements established by the homeowners association. Provides that, with certain requirements, a homeowners association may enter into an agreement with or employ an off duty law enforcement officer. Provides that the pilot program expires July 1, 2028.

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1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Olthoff  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Edmond Soliday

HB1161

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (LAWSON E) Provides that members appointed to: (1) local alcohol boards; (2) drainage boards; (3) capital improvement boards; (4) plan commissions; (5) a board of zoning appeals; (6) county building authorities; (7) county public defender boards; (8) community corrections advisory boards; (9) a commission to promote the development and growth of the convention, visitor, and tourism industry; (10) a governing board for city hospitals located in a third class city; (11) an economic development commission; (12) a redevelopment authority; (13) local boards of health; by a county executive of a county that does not contain a consolidated city, serve at the pleasure of the members appointing authority. Provides that the county executive, excluding a county containing a consolidated city, may establish the salary of a county administrator subject to: (1) salary parameters established; or (2) approval; by the county fiscal body. Provides that each county executive, excluding a county containing a consolidated city and certain employees, shall adopt and maintain a written personnel policy, employee handbook, or equivalent document establishing minimum standards for county employee conduct, performance, and workplace expectations. Provides that a member of a county or municipal park and recreation board serves at the pleasure of the member's appointing authority. Provides that a member of a city's board of park commissioners serves at the pleasure of the city executive. Provides that members of an area park board serve at the pleasure of the member's appointing authority. Provides that, after June 30, 2026, before a county or municipal park and recreation board may: (1) exercise the power of eminent domain; (2) enter into a contract with a cost exceeding the lesser of \$500,000 or ten percent of the district's annual budget; (3) acquire real or personal property with a cost exceeding the lesser of \$500,000 or ten percent of the district's annual budget; or (4) approve capital improvements to park facilities or property with a cost exceeding the lesser of \$500,000 or ten percent of the district's annual budget; the park and recreation board must obtain approval by the executive of each applicable unit that established the department of parks and recreation. Adds public defenders to the list of officials whose home addresses may be restricted from public property data base websites.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Clark

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1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Ethan Lawson

HB1164

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS (ROWRAY E) Provides that a redevelopment commission may use money from certain funds for the purpose of retiring debt service earlier. Provides that a redevelopment commission making accelerated debt payments may retain the assessed value associated with the original debt service schedule. Requires a redevelopment commission to include an invitation to overlapping taxing units to participate in the hearing regarding a proposed redevelopment project. Allows a redevelopment commission to expend money for the maintenance of an infrastructure project within a tax increment financing district if: (1) the infrastructure project was originally funded or supported by tax increment financing funds; and (2) the use of the funds is limited to the remaining life of the project. Allows a redevelopment commission to share tax increment finance district revenue with certain local economic development organizations under certain conditions.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Elizabeth Rowray

HB1168

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:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Sheila Klinker

HB1173 DESIGNATED PUBLIC FORUMS (WESCO T) Defines a "designated public forum". Provides that the state or a political subdivision may impose time, place, and manner restrictions on speech in a designated public forum, provided that such restrictions are: (1) justified by a compelling interest of the state or political subdivision; (2) narrowly tailored; (3) administered using the least restrictive means available; and (4) viewpoint neutral. Provides that the state or a political subdivision may not exclude speech: (1) made by a religious or political group, if the speech is consistent with the designated public forum's purpose; or (2) solely because it expresses a religious or political viewpoint.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Timothy Wesco

HB1182 DIGITAL SEXUAL IMAGE ABUSE (BAUER M) Defines "digital sexual image" as a digital, computer generated image or video that is created or modified to depict: (1) sexual intercourse; (2) other sexual conduct; or (3) exhibition of certain body parts; of a quality, characteristic, or condition, such that it appears to depict an individual. Establishes the offenses of possession of a digital sexual image and distribution of a digital sexual image.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Haggard

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
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1/5/2026 - Authored By Maureen Bauer

HB1183 DIGITAL SEXUAL IMAGE ABUSE (HAGGARD C) Increases the penalty for the crime of distribution of an intimate image, from a Class A misdemeanor to a Level 6 felony, and increases the enhancement of this crime from a Level 6 felony to a Level 5 felony. Defines "digital sexual image" as a digital, computer generated image or video that is created or modified to depict: (1) sexual intercourse; (2) other sexual conduct; or (3) exhibition of certain body parts; of a quality, characteristic, or condition, such that it appears to depict an individual. Makes creation or possession of a digital sexual image a Class A misdemeanor and distribution of a digital sexual image a Level 6 felony.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Bauer  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Craig Haggard

HB1186 RESTRICTIONS ON THE SALE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES (CASH B) Prohibits a public utility from: (1) selling, assigning, transferring, leasing, or encumbering its franchise, business, or property; or (2) selling, assigning, or transferring any shares of its stock; to a prohibited person. Provides that the Indiana utility regulatory commission may not approve such a transaction, and that any contract for such a transaction is void. Provides that for purposes of this prohibition, a "prohibited person" means either of the following: (1) A private equity firm or an affiliate of a private equity firm. (2) A citizen of, or a company owned or controlled by or headquartered in, China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a country designated as a threat to critical infrastructure by the governor.

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1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Culp, Sweet  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Becky Cash

HB1187 PROPERTY TAX CREDITS FOR VETERANS (JUDY C) Increases the property tax deduction for a veteran who is totally disabled to an amount equal to 100% of the assessed value of the individual's real property (instead of \$14,000). Expires property tax deductions for certain veterans, and, beginning with property taxes imposed for the 2026 assessment date and thereafter, instead provides a property tax liability credit against local property taxes for veterans who previously claimed a deduction. Includes a mechanism to establish an additional maximum property tax liability credit for a veteran who previously claimed a deduction.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Chris Judy

HB1194 BAIL MATTERS (JETER C) Provides that offenses other than murder are not bailable if the state proves: (1) by a preponderance of the evidence that the proof is evident or the presumption strong; and (2) by clear and convincing

evidence that the arrestee is dangerous and that no conditions of release will reasonably protect the safety of other persons or the community. Establishes procedures for a bail hearing.

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HB1198

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.

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HB1202

VARIOUS PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS (LAWSON E) Requires a vendor or provider of an ignition interlock device to register an ignition interlock device with the department of toxicology. Eliminates a requirement for the director of the state department of toxicology to provide periodic reports to the Indiana criminal justice institute (institute) regarding the number of ignition interlock devices used in Indiana. Provides that a registered ignition interlock device must be installed in a motor vehicle in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions for installing the registered ignition interlock device. Codifies administrative rules adopted by the state department of toxicology relating to ignition interlock devices. Provides that prior to being issued an initial license to operate a child care center, the child care center must be inspected and found to be in substantial compliance with applicable building and fire safety laws by the department of homeland security. (Current law provides that a license may be issued only if the child care center is in substantial compliance with the fire and life safety rules as determined by the state fire marshal under rules adopted by the division of family resources (division) or in accordance with a variance or waiver approved by the division.) Provides that prior to being issued an initial registration to operate a child care ministry, the unlicensed child care ministry must be inspected and found to be in substantial compliance with applicable building and fire safety laws by the department of homeland security. Provides that the department of homeland security shall perform inspections of: (1) child care ministries; (2) child care centers; (3) child caring institutions; and (4) group homes. Provides that a license or registration to operate a child care center or child care ministry may be revoked if the division determines that the operator has failed to comply with an order of the department of homeland security. Provides that the operator of an unlicensed child care ministry shall maintain a copy of the most recent department of homeland security inspection findings in a conspicuous place in the unlicensed child care ministry. Provides that the department of child services is not required to consult with the fire prevention and building safety commission when adopting administrative rules pertaining to the licensing and inspection of child care institutions, foster family homes, group homes, and child placing agencies. Provides that administrative rules of the fire prevention and building safety commission must include minimum building and safety requirements applicable for child caring institutions. Provides that prior to being issued an initial license to operate a child caring institution or group home, the child caring institution or group home must be inspected and found to be in substantial compliance with applicable building and fire safety laws by the department of homeland security. Provides that a license or registration to operate a child caring institution or group home may be revoked if the department of child services determines that the operator has failed to comply with an order of the department of homeland security. Provides that in order for an individual to receive a license from the emergency medical services commission, the individual must obtain a national criminal history background check and authorize release of the results of the check to the department of homeland security. Eliminates the requirement for the institute to adopt administrative rules relating to the child restraint system account. Provides that inspections conducted by the department of homeland security shall be conducted periodically in lieu of established periods. Changes a reference, from the department of education to the office of school safety, relating to the duties of a school safety specialist. Repeals: (1) provisions relating to public safety improvement areas; (2) a provision requiring the board of trustees of the institute to adopt rules relating to the law enforcement assistance fund; (3) a provision that authorizes the state fire marshal to charge a child care ministry a \$50 fee for processing a registration; (4) a provision requiring the institute to review characteristics of offenders committed to the department of correction over such period of time it deems appropriate and of the offenses committed by those offenders in order to ascertain norms used by the trial courts in sentencing; (5) a provision requiring the bureau of motor vehicles and the institute to enter into a memorandum of understanding to administer the provisions relating to ignition interlock devices; and (6) a provision that requires the institute to adopt rules relating to ignition interlock devices.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Ethan Lawson

HB1204 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.

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1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Bartels, Patterson, Pierce M  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Dave Hall

HB1205 ANNEXATION (HALL D) Requires a municipality that initiates an annexation to file an annexation petition (petition) with a court signed by: (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. Eliminates: (1) remonstrances and waivers; (2) reimbursement of remonstrator's attorney's fees and costs; (3) settlement agreements in lieu of annexation; (4) contiguity of a public highway provisions; and (5) a required fiscal plan for certain super voluntary annexations. Reduces the number of outreach meetings from six to three. For super voluntary annexations, requires a municipality to: (1) hold a hearing on the petition within 90 (instead of 30) days; (2) adopt an annexation ordinance within 120 (instead of 60) days. Allows a super voluntary annexation of noncontiguous land for business, industrial, or residential development, if: (1) the landowner and municipal utility agree on the provision of gas, electric, water, or sewer service to the property; and (2) the county executive timely approves the petition. Allows noncontiguous land annexed in a super voluntary annexation to be used for additional voluntary or super voluntary annexations of contiguous land. After December 31, 2026, allows signatures on petitions to be gathered by mail. Provides that annexation territory that is divided by railroad tracks satisfies contiguity requirements, if the territory on at least one side of the railroad tracks is contiguous to the municipality. Grandfathers in annexations that adopt: (1) a fiscal plan before March 30, 2026; or (2) an annexation ordinance before March 30, 2026 (if a fiscal plan is not required by current law). Removes obsolete provisions.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Dave Hall

HB1206 LOCAL PUBLIC WORK PROJECT BIDDING (OLTHOFF J) Provides additional considerations that a local public works board may consider in determining the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for a public work project costing at least \$300,000.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Julie Olthoff

HB1209 MUNICIPAL COLLECTION PROTOCOLS (OLTHOFF J) Effective January 1, 2027, establishes requirements for the provision of invoices and delinquency notices for certain municipal accounts. Requires the state board of accounts to prescribe forms for an invoice and a notice of a delinquent account. Requires municipal officers and employees with oversight responsibilities or access to the municipality's financial payment system to be segregated from the responsibilities of reporting or recording payments received. Requires a municipal officer whose official duties include oversight of reporting, recording, or monitoring of the municipality's accounts to not have access to the officer's own personal account.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Julie Olthoff

HB1210 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (SNOW C) Requires a municipal entity that hires or retains a municipal adviser to complete a competitive process at least once every two years to select the municipal adviser. Requires the municipal entity to publish a contract in a prominent location on the municipal entity's website. Eliminates the requirement that the department of local government finance (DLGF) work with the office of technology or another organization that is part of a state educational institution for purposes of posting information on the Indiana transparency website and submitting forms regarding data for local units. Makes changes to procedures regarding the reporting by county assessors of assessment values of real and personal property and parcel level data. Changes the deadline by which a county must submit to the DLGF data regarding real property, personal property, and geographic information system information from September 1 to July 1 of each year. Requires the purchaser of a mobile home to process the paperwork with the bureau of motor vehicles to transfer the title into the purchaser's name within 90 days of the sale. Eliminates provisions allowing certain entities to petition for increases to the maximum ad valorem property tax levy for their firefighting and emergency services fund, fire protection districts, and fire protection territories. Makes procedural changes for civil taxing units not subject to levy limits. Adds the county option circuit breaker tax credit and local property tax credits to the list of credits that result in a reduction of property tax collections in a political subdivision in which such a credit is applied. Specifies the procedures for the submission of certain forms and related allocation amounts with regard to various allocation areas. Provides that if a redevelopment commission (commission) fails to provide proper notice, the county auditor shall allocate 5% of the relevant assessed value in the allocation area to the respective taxing units. Provides that if the commission notifies the county auditor and the DLGF that it is unable to meet its debt service obligations with regard to the allocation area without all or part of the allocated tax proceeds attributed to the assessed value that has been allocated to the respective taxing units, then the county auditor may not allocate 5% of the assessed value in the allocation area that is used to calculate the allocation and distribution of allocated tax proceeds to the respective taxing units. Removes language regarding the submission and approval, by the DLGF, of a proposed notice, ordinance, or resolution of an adopting body or another governmental entity. Makes provisions for local income tax expenditures related to county staff expenses, courtroom costs of the state judicial system within a county, and funding for property tax homestead credits. Changes reporting requirements by governing bodies to the DLGF regarding guaranteed savings contracts and energy efficient programs used by school corporations. Provides that the property tax rate for the levy imposed to be used for the replacement of fire protection territory equipment is considered part of the maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy and may not exceed \$0.0333 per \$100 of assessed value. Provides that state distributable property of utilities and railroads remains subject to the minimum valuation floor regardless of when the property is placed in service. Extends a temporary increase in the capitalization rate percentage under the statewide agricultural land base rate determination. Provides that the Jackson County innkeeper's tax rate may not exceed 8% (as opposed to 5% under current law). Provides that the DLGF shall annually publish on the Indiana Register the adjusted cost estimate threshold for a public work project that a board may perform using its own workforce, without awarding a contract. Specifies the method for determining the adjusted cost estimate threshold each year. Requires the county auditor to provide notice to the executive of a county, city, or town (as applicable) if a common area within a residential development is eligible for tax sale before the date of application for judgment and property tax exemption for certain eligible property for taxes first due order for sale is sought. Provides a real and personal property tax exemption for Indiana nonprofit senior living communities beginning with property taxes that are first due and payable in 2027. Provides a property tax exemption for certain eligible property taxes first due and payable in 2025 and 2026. Prohibits an individual or business entity from bidding or purchasing a tract or item of real property offered at tax sale if: (1) the individual; or (2) an individual with a significant ownership interest or financial interest in the business entity also held a significant ownership interest or financial interest in another business entity that; previously purchased a tract or item of real property offered at tax sale and the tract was subsequently included on the delinquency list. Increases the amount of the property tax deduction for a model residence and a residence in

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1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Lopez, Slager, Pryor  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Craig Snow

HB1223 CRIMES AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT (LOPEZ D) Makes a person who commits an offense that results in serious bodily injury or death to a law enforcement officer a sex or violent offender. Prohibits a court from considering time spent by the defendant in pretrial detention or home detention or on work release when determining the sentence for a crime that resulted in serious bodily injury or death to a law enforcement officer. Makes it a sentencing aggravator if an offense results in serious bodily injury or death to a law enforcement officer. Provides that a person charged with

an offense that resulted in serious bodily injury or death to a law enforcement officer may only be released on cash bail.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Danny Lopez

HB1225

CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGY PARKS (LINDAUER S) Provides that if a Level 2 certified technology park (park): (1) has reached the limit of deposits for a Level 2 park; (2) maintains its certification; and (3) is located within a qualified military base enhancement area; the park shall become a Level 3 park upon reaching its Level 2 deposit limit.

Provides that a Level 3 park may receive an additional annual incremental income tax deposit of up to \$250,000.

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HB1228

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.)

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Carolyn Jackson

HB1232

SCHOOLS, FUNDING, AND RELIGION (HAGGARD C) Requires a public school, including a charter school, to teach the Bible as literature. Prohibits a governmental entity from denying benefits to any person on the basis of: (1) Article 1, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana; (2) separation of church and state; or (3) the establishment clause; and establishes certain exceptions. Permits a person adversely affected by a violation to file a civil action against the governmental entity. Authorizes a: (1) prevailing plaintiff in a suit brought against a governmental entity; and (2) prevailing party, in a suit brought by a governmental entity; to obtain court costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Craig Haggard

HB1236

FIRE PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION EQUIPMENT (JUDY C) Establishes a business license and technician license with respect to fire suppression equipment professionals. Bestows certain powers, duties, and rulemaking authority upon the board of firefighting personnel standards and education (board). Provides that the board may take disciplinary action if certain conditions are met. Provides that certain actions with respect to the licensure of fire suppression equipment professionals are a Class B misdemeanor. Makes conforming changes.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

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HB1237

USE OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS (GENDA M) Provides that distributions to the local abatement opioid settlement account to cities, counties, and towns may be used for the procurement of mobile radio equipment by a city, county, or town for use by first responders, in addition to programs of treatment, prevention, and care that are best practices as defined or required by a settlement document or court order under current law.

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HB1238

ASSESSMENT OF HOMESTEADS (DVORAK R) Provides that, beginning with the January 1, 2027, assessment date, the assessed value of real property that qualifies as a homestead shall only be adjusted upon the sale, devise, descent, or conveyance of the real property. Provides that the assessed value of such real property may not be adjusted before the sale, devise, descent, or conveyance of the real property unless requested by the owner of the real property.

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HB1239

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.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Ryan Dvorak

HB1243

PREPAYMENT OF ASSESSMENT INSTALLMENTS (MILLER K) Revises a provision of the municipal Barrett Law to: (1) require a municipal works board to establish a policy to permit an owner of real property in the municipality that has filed a waiver to pay the property owner's assessments in deferred installments to prepay the property owner's assessment; and (2) specify that the policy must allow such a property owner to pay the assessment in full at any time, including within the year in which the waiver is filed to pay assessments in deferred installments, while retaining the provision in current law for payment in full at any time after the expiration of the first year after the filing of the waiver.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Kyle Miller

HB1244

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (NOVAK R) Provides that 10% of the excess property tax proceeds collected in an allocation area must be allocated among school corporations, libraries, and taxing units that provide police services, fire protection, emergency medical service, or public safety services in the allocation area.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

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HB1247

UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES (PRESSEL J) Amends Indiana's 811 law, which requires the location and marking of underground utility facilities (facilities) before planned excavation or demolition projects, to provide that if the operator of a facility (operator) fails to: (1) provide to the person responsible for an excavation or demolition (excavator) required information as to the location of the operator's facilities; or (2) provide to the association known as the Indiana Underground Plant Protection Service (association) an electronic positive response indicating that the operator either has provided the required notice to the excavator or has no facilities in the location of the proposed project; within the time specified in the law, the excavator may engage the services of a third party utility locator (locator) to determine whether the operator has underground facilities in the location of the proposed project and, if applicable, provide the marking information for those facilities. Provides that an excavator that elects to engage the services of a locator must: (1) select a locator that is authorized by the operator to act on the operator's behalf; and (2) notify the association of the locator's completion of the services for which the locator was engaged, along with the amount paid by the excavator to the locator for those services. Requires the operator on whose behalf the services were performed to submit to the excavator payment in an amount equal to three times the amount paid by the excavator for the services. Provides that not later than June 1, 2026, each operator subject to the 811 law must provide to the association a notice that authorizes one or more locators to act on the operator's behalf for purposes of these provisions. Provides that upon receiving the required notices, the association shall compile a listing of the authorized locators for each operator. Provides that after June 30, 2026, upon receiving a notice of a planned project, the association shall immediately provide the listing to the person that submitted the notice. Requires the association to develop and adopt policies and procedures to implement these provisions.

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1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Soliday, Culp

1/5/2026 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1251

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 those 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.

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 1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Bartels  
 1/5/2026 - Authored By Timothy O'Brien

HB1256 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS OF LOCAL CANDIDATES (CLERE E) Requires the circuit court clerk of each county to place a copy of each campaign finance report, notice, or other instrument filed with the county election board on the circuit court clerk's or county election board's website in portable document format.

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 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
 1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Dant Chesser, Pierce K, Pressel  
 1/5/2026 - Authored By Edward Clere

HB1258 CRIMES OF VIOLENCE (JETER C) Revises and consolidates the definition of "crime of violence". Amends the definition of violent offender to mean a person who is convicted of an offense or attempted offense that is a crime of violence or a person who is charged with an offense or attempted offense that is a crime of violence. Amends the definition of "violent arrestee" to mean a person arrested for or charged with a crime of violence that is a Level 1 felony, Level 2 felony, Level 3 felony, Level 4 felony, or a Level 5 felony. Removes provisions concerning repeat violent arrestees. Amends the definition of "violent criminal" to mean a person convicted of a crime of violence. Makes conforming changes.

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 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
 1/5/2026 - Authored By Chris Jeter

HB1259 LOCAL INCOME TAX (THOMPSON J) Requires state agencies and political subdivisions to cooperate with the state GIS officer in preparing a statewide base map. Requires a county auditor to submit certain information to the state GIS officer concerning an annexation or disannexation. Specifies procedures for the imposition of local income taxes and distribution of local income tax revenue. Provides that, for counties or municipalities that fail to adopt an ordinance to renew an existing expenditure tax rate, the expenditure tax rate for the county or municipality shall be the minimum tax rate necessary for existing debt service. Allows an adopting body to adopt a tax rate to provide distributions to school corporations as a component of the tax rate for general purpose revenue. Provides that a county's total expenditure tax rate expires on December 31, 2029, and on December 31 of every fourth calendar year thereafter. Provides that the county may determine an allocation method for revenue raised from a tax rate for fire protection or emergency medical services. Provides that the county and certain township fire departments must receive an allocation of revenue raised from a tax rate for fire protection or emergency medical services. Authorizes cities and towns with a population of at least 3,500 that have adopted a 1.2% municipal local income tax rate to impose an additional local income tax rate that does not exceed the county's unused rate capacity for general purpose revenue, if any. Provides a formula for the distribution of revenue from the local income tax rate imposed by a county

for certain small cities and towns. Specifies procedures for determining population for purposes of a municipal local income tax rate. Requires each county and municipality to report to the department of local government finance the total amount of the county's or municipality's debt service obligations payable from local income tax revenues that will be due in the ensuing year.

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1/5/2026 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson

HB1265

NATURAL RESOURCE ENTRANCE FEES (YOCUM T) 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 state 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 and infrastructure improvements. Provides that the surcharge may not be imposed on a person who holds an annual pass.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Tim Yocum

HB1267

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS (LEHMAN M) Provides that the state board of accounts is subject to applicable professional auditing standards. Requires the governor to appoint two deputy examiners, one of whom must be a certified public accountant, and the other of whom must be either a certified public accountant or an attorney licensed in Indiana.

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1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Pierce M  
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1/6/2026 - Authored By Matt Lehman

HB1269

UNLAWFUL PROPOSITION PENALTIES (BAUER M) Provides that at the time of sentencing for a person convicted of making an unlawful proposition the court may require the person to complete a prostitution offender program approved by the court. Requires a person ordered to complete a prostitution offender program to pay a \$500 fee.

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1/20/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Bartlett  
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1/6/2026 - Authored By Maureen Bauer

HB1276

COMPETITIVE ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICE (LEDBETTER C) Provides that beginning: (1) July 1, 2028, for industrial customers; (2) January 1, 2029, for commercial customers; and (3) July 1, 2029, for residential customers; a customer of an electricity supplier may elect to receive competitive electric generation service directly from a retail electric provider. Requires an electricity supplier to do the following not later than June 30, 2028: (1) Unbundle the cost components of: (A) electric generation services; and (B) electric transmission and distribution services; in the electricity supplier's tariffs for all customer classes. (2) Functionally separate all: (A) electric generation and supply services; and (B) transmission and distribution services; within the electricity supplier's operations. (3) Divest the electricity supplier's generation assets not otherwise needed to provide default electric generation service to customers within the electricity supplier's service area after the implementation of competitive electric generation service. Provides that, except for the licensing requirements for retail electric providers set forth in the bill,

competitive electric generation service is not subject to regulation by the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC). Provides that the IURC shall continue to regulate: (1) default electric generation service; and (2) transmission and distribution service; provided by an electricity supplier to customers within the electricity supplier's service area. Provides that rates charged by electricity suppliers for default electric generation service must be: (1) based on market prices; and (2) subject to annual comparisons to regional averages for comparable service. Provides that not later than January 1, 2027, the IURC shall initiate a stakeholder proceeding to develop a customer education program to ensure that all retail electric customers have access to accurate information about the availability of, and options for, competitive electric generation service in advance of the applicable dates set forth in the bill by which competitive electric generation service must be available to specified customer classes. Requires the IURC to establish, not later than March 1, 2028, an online portal that enables customers to compare competitive electric generation service offered by retail electric providers. Requires the IURC to establish by rule requirements for an electricity supplier to provide to a retail electric provider historical usage data for a customer that seeks to receive competitive electric generation service from the retail electric provider. Sets forth: (1) specified billing arrangements that must be offered to customers receiving competitive electric generation service; and (2) the dates by which each arrangement must be made available. Requires the IURC to issue a general administrative order to ensure that the following are available to customers not later than December 31, 2029: (1) An expedited process for residential customers to change retail electric providers. (2) A process that allows: (A) residential customers; or (B) small commercial or industrial customers; that move from one service location to another within their electricity supplier's service area to have their competitive electric generation service transferred directly to the new location. Requires the IURC to establish by rule a licensing process for retail electric providers that seek to provide competitive electric generation service to customers in Indiana. Sets forth certain requirements that a retail electric provider must meet as a condition of receiving and maintaining a license. Authorizes the IURC to initiate an investigation to consider, and establish guidelines for, the offering by retail electric providers of additional services or programs in conjunction with the provision of competitive electric generation service. Beginning in 2029, requires the IURC to include each year in its annual report specified information concerning the provision of competitive electric generation service by retail electric providers. Requires the legislative services agency to prepare legislation for introduction in the 2028 regular session of the general assembly to make conforming amendments to: (1) Title 8 of the Indiana Code; and (2) other provisions outside of Title 8 of the Indiana Code; as necessary to implement the bill's provisions.

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1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Cindy Ledbetter

HB1283

PUBLIC NOTICES (ZIMMERMAN A) Requires the Indiana office of technology (office) to establish a state public notice website not later than July 1, 2028. Prohibits the office from charging a fee for publishing or viewing notices. 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) The state public notice website. (4) Political subdivision website. (5) The Hoosier State Press Association public notice website. Requires the Indiana archives and records administration (administration) to establish standards and guidelines and enter into memoranda of understanding with agencies for the transfer and preservation of public notices from the state public notice website to the administration to preserve public notices for historical purposes.

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1/6/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Meltzer, Miller D

1/6/2026 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman

HB1284

LOCAL INCOME TAXES (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides that within a county's total expenditure rate, the county may adopt: (1) up to a 0.7% rate (instead of a 1.2% rate) for county general purpose revenue; (2) up to a 0.2% rate (instead of 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 a 1.9% rate (instead of a 1.2% rate) for certain cities and towns that are not eligible to adopt a municipal LIT rate. Eliminates provisions that expire local income tax rates each year. Authorizes a city or town to impose a municipal LIT rate up to 1.9% (instead of 1.2%). Modifies the population threshold required for a city or town to impose a municipal LIT rate. Modifies the formula used to determine distribution amounts of revenue from a tax rate imposed for fire protection and emergency medical services.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Alex Zimmerman

HB1288 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (PRESCOTT J) Abolishes the assessment of tangible property after December 31, 2026, and the imposition of property taxes after December 31, 2027. 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 care 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 2027 regular session of the general assembly to make appropriate required changes in statutes. Makes corresponding changes.

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1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By J.D. Prescott

HB1292 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:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Blake Johnson

HB1294 ADMINISTRATIVE RULES REVIEW (BASCOM G) Establishes the administrative rules review committee. Requires an agency to submit a rule, including an executive order, and the latest version of the regulatory analysis with any 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 in any two year period, 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, unless the governor certifies that an emergency exists and the rule is necessary to address the emergency. Specifies that a rule enacted to address an emergency expires after one year.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Jeter, Miller D, Bartels

1/6/2026 - Authored By Garrett Bascom

HB1296 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (BASCOM G) Requires the secretary of family and social services to certify integrated reentry and correctional support programs. Requires the owner of a recovery residence to register with the division of mental health and addiction (division). Sets forth the requirements for registration. Requires the division to post a list of registered recovery residences on the division's public website and include certain information concerning each recovery residence. Requires the division to adopt rules concerning: (1) the issuance, revocation, and denial of a registration; and (2) any rules necessary to implement these provisions. Allows the division to contract with certain entities to administer the registration of recovery residences.

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1/6/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Barrett, Goss-Reaves  
1/6/2026 - Referred to House Public Health  
1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Garrett Bascom

HB1297 WATER INTENSIVE FACILITIES (BURTON A) Provides that if a proposed economic development project includes proposed construction or establishment of a facility that will consume an average of at least 500,000 gallons of water per day in ordinary operation (water intensive facility), the Indiana finance authority (IFA) may not approve a bid for the project, the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) may not grant a job creation incentive for the project, and a local unit may not provide financing for the project unless the IFA, IEDC, or local unit: (1) provides notice of the proposed water intensive facility to the water utility that provides water utility service to the proposed location of the water intensive facility; (2) receives from the water utility a plan for provision of water utility service to the water intensive facility; (3) determines that the water utility's plan adequately ensures that: (A) the water utility can reliably meet both the ordinary and peak water demand of the water intensive facility; and (B) incremental costs of supplying water to the water intensive facility will be allocated to and paid by the water intensive facility; and (4) provides the water utility's plan to the local plan commission.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Alex Burton

HB1299 SURRENDER OF FIREARMS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRIMES (SMITH V) Provides that a person who: (1) has been convicted of a crime of domestic violence; and (2) knowingly or intentionally possesses a firearm; commits a Class A misdemeanor. Specifies defenses. Requires a court to issue an order, upon entry of a judgment of conviction for domestic battery or a crime of domestic violence, that: (1) prohibits ownership or possession of a firearm; (2) requires the defendant to surrender: (A) any firearm owned or possessed by the defendant; and (B) any license or permit to carry a handgun (license) owned or possessed by the defendant; and (3) requires confiscation, within 72 hours, of any firearm or license owned or possessed by the defendant. Provides that a domestic batterer who knowingly or intentionally fails to surrender a certain firearm or license commits a Class A misdemeanor, enhanced to a Level 6 felony in specific instances. Provides defenses. Specifies how a confiscated firearm or license shall be returned or disposed of if a person's right to possess a firearm is restored.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Hamilton

*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Vernon Smith

HB1303 CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL CRIMES (MCNAMARA W) Removes provisions concerning possession of child sex abuse material (CSAM) from the statute containing the offense of child exploitation, and makes a new section for CSAM offenses. Creates a new crime for distribution of CSAM, and generally conforms the sentencing enhancements for possession of CSAM, distribution of CSAM, and child exploitation. Specifies that certain restrictions on CSAM in discovery also apply in civil proceedings (under current law, they only apply in criminal proceedings). Provides a defense in specified circumstances. Removes certain duplicative provisions and makes conforming amendments and technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate sponsors: Senators Clark, Carrasco

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1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Karickhoff, Meltzer, Pressel

1/6/2026 - Authored By Wendy McNamara

HB1309 LOCAL REGULATION OF NO IMPACT HOME BASED BUSINESSES (MORRIS R) Limits municipal regulation of a no impact home based business.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to House Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

HB1310 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INVESTIGATIONS (BAUER M) Requires a law enforcement officer to administer a lethality assessment for domestic violence incidents. Requires data to be transmitted to a local domestic violence fatality review team and the statewide domestic violence fatality review committee. Provides that a law enforcement officer responding to the scene of an alleged crime involving domestic or family violence shall use all reasonable means to prevent further violence, including administering a lethality assessment. Provides that all statements communicated in a lethality assessment are not admissible as evidence against the victim in any judicial proceeding and not discoverable in any litigation. Provides that the statewide domestic violence fatality review committee shall collect and analyze data concerning domestic violence lethality assessments. Makes conforming changes.

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1/6/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Gore

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1/6/2026 - Authored By Maureen Bauer

HB1311 OBTAINING COPIES OF RECORDED DOCUMENTS (MELTZER J) Prohibits a person from using the person's own equipment to copy a recorded document. Specifies that a county recorder is required to charge the fees in the county recorder's statutes for copying documents.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate sponsor: Senator Leising

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 86: yeas 85, nays 10

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1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Jennifer Meltzer

HB1312 PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN SEX OFFENSES (IRELAND A) Defines "aggravated child molesting". Provides that the state may seek either a death sentence or a sentence of life imprisonment without parole for a person convicted of aggravated child molesting. Provides requirements for a jury or court to impose either a death sentence or a sentence of life imprisonment without parole. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Andrew Ireland

HB1315 TOWNSHIP REORGANIZATION (SHONKWILER A) Provides that on January 1, 2028, certain townships are dissolved and their powers, duties, offices, and property are transferred to a municipality or county. Requires a township to adopt a resolution not later than June 1, 2026, that designates the municipality or county (designated unit) that will reorganize the township. Requires the appointment of a joint board consisting of representatives of the township and the designated unit to prepare a plan of reorganization. Provides that a township must reorganize with the county if: (1) the township does not adopt a resolution by June 1, 2026; or (2) the municipality that the township designated in its resolution does not adopt a reorganization plan by December 31, 2026. Provides that a designated unit has all of the powers of the government modernization act in reorganizing the township. Amends the government modernization act to require a political subdivision to respond to a resolution that names the political subdivision as a participant in a proposed reorganization.

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1/6/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives May, Lauer  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Alaina Shonkwiler

HB1319 COLLECTION OF TOLL ROAD USER FEES (JACKSON C) Requires the Indiana department of transportation to establish and implement an electronic or nonmanual tolling program as the sole means for charging and collecting user fees. Provides that a public-private agreement between the Indiana finance authority and an operator that is entered into, renewed, or amended after June 30, 2026, must contain a provision requiring the operator to establish and implement an electronic or nonmanual tolling program as the sole means for charging and collecting user fees.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Carolyn Jackson

HB1327 ANNEXATION (ABBOTT D) Allows a town to annex: (1) a noncontiguous residential development; and (2) the right-of-way of a public highway connecting the development to the city. Provides that annexation is initiated by: (1) the filing of a petition requesting annexation by the owner of the residential development; and (2) the town legislative body adopting a resolution approving initiation of the annexation process. Requires the town to satisfy statutory requirements for annexation, including adopting a written fiscal plan and annexation ordinance.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to House Local Government  
*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Authored By David Abbott

HB1329 REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT (CLERE E) Establishes the real property assessment task force (task force) to review issues related to real property assessment in Indiana. Sets forth membership, and requires the task force to issue a report to the general assembly not later than November 1, 2026.

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1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Thompson, O'Brien, DeLaney  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Edward Clere

HB1330 ELIMINATION OF TOWNSHIP ASSESSORS (WESCO T) Abolishes the office of township assessor, in counties in which the office of township assessor has not already been abolished, if the county council and county commissioners unanimously vote to abolish the office and consolidate it with the office of the county assessor.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Timothy Wesco

HB1333 LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT (CULP K) Requires a development that is sited on land: (1) in an area zoned agricultural; and (2) comprised of certain capability classes of soils; to be a permitted use. Extends governmental immunity to a private entity or nonprofit entity that has executed certain agreements under the Indiana brownfields program. Provides that before a qualified data center user may use a specific transaction award certificate issued after June 30, 2026, to purchase qualified data center equipment eligible for the state gross retail tax exemption, the qualified data center user and a local unit that issues after June 30, 2026, a permit authorizing the development, construction, or operation of the qualified data center in the unit shall enter into a written agreement that includes a commitment by the qualified data center user to contribute to the local unit an amount equal to at least 1% of the amount of taxes that are not paid on each purchase of qualified data center equipment that is made: (1) using the specific transaction award certificate; and (2) during the duration of the specific transaction award certificate. For purposes of the statute concerning energy production zones: (1) redesignates the term "electric generation facility" as "electric generation or storage facility"; and (2) provides that the term includes a utility scale battery energy storage system (BESS). Provides that if a planned electric generation or storage facility will include a BESS, the project owner must include in the required statutory notice to the local planning authority: (1) the emergency response plan required under the statute governing the approval of a BESS by the department of homeland security (department); and (2) documentation of the department's approval of the BESS. Makes conforming changes. Allows a plan commission, board of zoning appeals, or county or municipal legislative body (body) to require a person to provide their name and address in writing in order to speak at a public hearing regarding certain matters. Allows the body's presiding officer to give consideration to whether a person is a county resident or has an interest as an owner, lessor, lessee, or life

tenant in real property within the county in deciding: (1) the order of speakers; and (2) the amount of time allotted to speakers; at a hearing.

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1/20/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 4

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1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Kendell Culp

HB1337

PROPERTY AND LOCAL INCOME TAX (CAMPBELL C) Provides that property taxes imposed to pay debt service: (1) on certain bonds; and (2) to make lease payments on certain leases; are not considered for purposes of calculating a person's supplemental tax credit. Provides that the expenditure tax rate for a county or municipality expires on December 31, 2029, and on December 31 of every fourth calendar year thereafter (instead of every calendar year under current law).

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Lopez

1/6/2026 - Authored By Chris Campbell

HB1340

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. Makes conforming amendments.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Ryan Dvorak

HB1345

VARIOUS FOOD MATTERS (CULP K) Establishes the Indiana food protection panel (panel). Provides that a recipient of an enforcement action taken by a local health officer following a food establishment inspection may appeal the action to the panel. Prohibits the health and hospital corporation or a local health department from imposing requirements or standards that exceed the minimum sanitary standards adopted by the Indiana department of health (state department). Requires the state department to: (1) provide local health departments with guidelines concerning the interpretation of the state department's rules; (2) designate an employee as the point of contact for local health departments on sanitary standards for food establishments; and (3) distribute the contact information of the designated employee to the local health departments. Requires the state department to create a business model determination worksheet and distribute the worksheet to all the local health departments. Permits an individual vendor at a farmers' market or roadside stand to sell certain meat products. Adds provisions concerning limited custom exempt meat product sales. Prohibits a person from misbranding a food product containing insect protein and selling a misbranded food product containing insect protein as a food product. Requires a person selling a food product containing insect protein to label the food product with a label stating "THIS PRODUCT CONTAINS INSECT PROTEIN". Prohibits a county, city, or town (unit) from adopting or enforcing an ordinance that prevents a person from cultivating a vegetable garden on certain property. Allows a unit to adopt or enforce an ordinance or regulation that imposes the same standards and requirements as those imposed on certain property.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to House Public Health

*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

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HB1347

LAKE COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER (SLAGER H) Makes changes to the amount of supplemental wagering tax that the treasurer of state is required to pay to each riverboat operating in Gary. Makes changes to the distribution of wagering tax revenue to the city of Gary. Legalizes and validates bonds, notes, evidences of indebtedness, leases, or other written obligations issued or executed by or in the name of the: (1) Indiana finance authority; (2) development authority; and (3) Lake County Convention Center Authority (authority); as authorized or approved by resolution or ordinance adopted before February 28, 2026. Provides that the authority is established when the construction of the convention and event center is substantially completed so that the convention and event center can be used for its intended purpose. (Current law provides for the establishment of the authority upon the adoption of the proposal for the development, operation, and ownership of the Lake County convention and event center.) Requires a member

appointed to the authority to be an Indiana resident. Provides that an attorney in active standing may not be appointed to the authority. Provides that the Lake County convention and event center reserve fund shall be administered by the Lake County commissioners until the authority is established. Repeals a provision that allocates deposits of Gary riverboat graduated wagering tax revenue.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Harold Slager

HB1348

REGULATION OF GREASE CONTROL EQUIPMENT (PRESSEL J) Establishes a statewide regulatory scheme for grease control equipment. Provides that a unit that has accepted septic since 2023 shall continue to accept septic from within the unit or a bordering unit.

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1/6/2026 - Authored By Jim Pressel

HB1352

COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION (MAY C) Requires each county, excluding a county containing a consolidated city or a county that is entirely within a fire protection district, to establish a county fire and emergency service board (board). Requires the board to develop a county fire and emergency service plan (county plan). Requires the board, on January 1, 2028, to establish a county fire and emergency service district (district) to provide fire protection to: (1) the unincorporated territory of each township located in the county in which the township provides fire protection; and (2) any other territory within the county that is transferred to the district in accordance with the county plan. Provides that a township, excluding a township in a county containing a consolidated city, may not impose a property tax levy for fire services for property taxes first due and payable after December 31, 2027. Provides that a fire protection district that includes all of the unincorporated area of the county may establish a nine member governing board.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Chris May

HB1353

BEDFORD FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (MAY C) Authorizes the city of Bedford to impose a food and beverage tax.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Chris May

HB1356

CONSERVATION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND (CULP K) Requires each board of county commissioners to adopt an ordinance to allow landowners to apply to have land included in an agricultural resource area within the county. Specifies certain procedures and requirements for the agricultural resource area programs. Provides provisions that apply to land within a program, including eminent domain provisions, a prohibition against annexation for nonagricultural purposes, certain priority provisions for specified funding, and authorization for a county option property tax deduction for land located within agricultural resource areas in the county. Authorizes the Indiana state department of agriculture (department) to receive and hold agricultural conservation easements acquired by gift, bequest, or devise and to enter into agreements with nongovernment entities to monitor those easements. Establishes the farmland advisory board for the purpose of advising the department on developing standards for accepting, monitoring, and enforcing agricultural conservation easements it may hold, creating a model agricultural resource area ordinance, collecting feedback on agricultural resource areas, and supporting education and outreach about agricultural resource areas.

*Current Status:* 1/13/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Pfaff

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Greene, Aylesworth

1/8/2026 - Referred to House Local Government

1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Kendell Culp

HB1358

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (BARRETT B) Removes various reporting requirements for the Indiana department of health (state department) and requires the state department to make certain information available on the state department's website. Changes the statewide standing order for the dispensing of a smoking cessation

product to a tobacco, vaping, or nicotine cessation product. Amends the date by which a hospital must submit the hospital's fiscal report and patient information report to the state department. Removes a requirement that a home health aide competency evaluation program include at least 75 hours of training and 16 hours of classroom training before supervised practical training. Adds Parkinson's disease to the definition of "chronic disease" for provisions concerning the chronic disease registry. Requires: (1) the state department to maintain a trauma registry; and (2) certain health care facilities to submit data to the registry. Establishes requirements for the handling and transporting of infectious waste. Sets forth factors the state department must consider in determining the nature of and civil penalty for a violation of infectious waste requirements. Expands provisions concerning epinephrine, including provisions allowing a pharmacist to dispense and an entity to prescribe epinephrine, to epinephrine. Removes the expiration of provisions concerning lead screening for children. Requires a registered manufacturer, processor, repackager, or wholesale distributor of food, drugs, or cosmetics to comply with federal regulations concerning good manufacturing practices. Allows the state health commissioner to enter and inspect the premises of the manufacturer, processor, repackager, or wholesale distributor. Permits a local health department to conduct inspections of certain manufacturers, processors, repackagers, or wholesale distributors. Amends the information a local child fatality review team and the statewide child fatality review committee may review in conducting a child fatality review. Allows a suicide and overdose fatality review team and a fetal-infant mortality review team to provide records to the state department. Requires the state department to maintain the confidentiality of these records. Requires a medical school to: (1) include nutrition education in the school's curriculum; and (2) require students to complete a rural health rotation. Voids administrative rules concerning infectious waste and the state trauma registry.

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1/20/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays: 0

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1/8/2026 - Referred to House Public Health

1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Brad Barrett

HB1360

ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS (LEHMAN M) Allows a public agency to establish and maintain an electronic portal for submission of public records requests that: (1) incorporates CAPTCHA or an equivalent mechanism for ensuring that a requestor is a human; (2) requires verification of a requestor's physical address; (3) indicates to the public agency whether the requestor is a resident of Indiana; and (4) automatically logs and reports submissions suspected to be automated or to have originated from known sources of phishing or data scraping. Allows a public agency to collect a supplemental fee for processing public records requests submitted by non-Indiana residents or out-of-state entities. Allows a public agency to give priority in fulfilling public records requests to: (1) Indiana residents; and (2) requests submitted for civic, journalistic, academic, or personal use. Requires public agencies to report to the public access counselor regarding public records requests suspected of being automated, data scraping activity, or phishing activity (suspect public records requests). Provides that the general assembly may establish reasonable and narrowly tailored procedural safeguards to preserve the integrity and availability of public agency resources. Requires the public access counselor to: (1) take specified actions with regard to identifying excessive and suspect public records requests; and (2) include in the public access counselor's annual report: (A) information regarding the volume and nature of public records requests received by public agencies, including information regarding suspect public records requests reported by public agencies; and (B) recommendations to the general assembly regarding statutory or administrative remedies to excessive and suspect public records requests.

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1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Miller D

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1/15/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Porter

1/8/2026 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Carbaugh

1/8/2026 - Authored By Matt Lehman

HB1367

INVOLUNTARY TREATMENT OF SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER (SOLIDAY E) Allows an individual's spouse, legal guardian, friend, relative, or medical service provider to petition a court for involuntary substance use disorder treatment. Requires a petition to include certain information and allows a court to dismiss a petition, without prejudice, if it does not contain the required information. Requires the court to appoint a public defender if the

individual subject to a petition seeking involuntary substance use disorder treatment is not represented by an attorney. Requires a court to order the individual to be evaluated by a medical provider if the court finds that: (1) the individual has a substance use disorder; (2) because of the individual's substance use disorder, the individual is experiencing impaired judgment and is unable to independently maintain the individual's activities of daily living or is a danger to self or others; and (3) the individual refuses to voluntarily participate in substance use disorder treatment. Allows a court to order a local law enforcement agency to consider whether an individual meets the criteria for emergency detention under certain circumstances. Requires a medical provider who completes an evaluation concerning an individual's need for substance use disorder treatment to submit the evaluation to the court. Specifies that after receiving an evaluation from a medical provider, the court may dismiss the petition or set a hearing for further evidence to be presented about the individual's need for substance use disorder treatment. Requires a court to order involuntary outpatient substance use disorder treatment for a period, not to exceed 90 days, if medical evidence supports that the individual requires immediate treatment for a substance use disorder and the individual has refused treatment.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Edmond Soliday

HB1369

VARIOUS PROPERTY TAX MATTERS (LUCAS J) Expires various property tax exemptions allowed in current law. Provides that certain property tax abatements may not be granted after December 31, 2030. Authorizes a county fiscal body to adopt an ordinance that exempts certain homesteads owned by an individual who is at least 65 years of age from property taxation. Makes corresponding changes.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Jim Lucas

HB1370

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES (ISA T) Prohibits a utilization review entity from requiring prior authorization for ambulance services provided: (1) to a covered individual; (2) by a nonparticipating ambulance service provider; and (3) within 12 hours after the ambulance services are requested. Prohibits a utilization review entity from requiring prior authorization for emergent response services or urgent response services that are provided: (1) to a covered individual; (2) in good faith; and (3) within 24 hours after the emergent response services or urgent response services are requested. Provides that a policy of accident and sickness insurance that provides coverage for emergency medical services must provide reimbursement for emergency medical services that are, among other things, performed or provided during a response initiated through the 911 system or an equivalent telephone number, a texting system, or any other method of summoning emergency medical services. Provides that a policy of accident and sickness insurance that provides coverage for emergency medical services must provide reimbursement for emergency medical services that are, among other things, performed or provided when an individual is determined to require emergency medical services by a physician. Provides that an individual contract and a group contract that provide coverage for emergency medical services must provide reimbursement for emergency medical services that are, among other things, performed or provided during a response initiated through the 911 system or an equivalent telephone number, a texting system, or any other method of summoning emergency medical services. Provides that an individual contract and a group contract that provide coverage for emergency medical services must provide reimbursement for emergency medical services that are, among other things, performed or provided when an individual is determined to require emergency medical services by a physician. Repeals certain code provisions addressing advanced life support services.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Insurance

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Barrett

1/8/2026 - Authored By Tony Isa

HB1381

REMOVAL OF CITY OR TOWN FISCAL OFFICER (SMALTZ B) Allows the legislative body of a city or town (municipality) to petition a court for removal of the municipality's fiscal officer for any of the following: (1) Charging illegal fees for services. (2) Failing to perform official duties. (3) With certain exceptions, failing to be present in the officer's office. (4) Failing to participate in four consecutive meetings of the legislative body of the municipality.

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1/22/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading

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1/20/2026 - House Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2026 - Referred to House Local Government

1/8/2026 - First Reading

HB1382

COUNTY OPTION GASOLINE TAX (SMALTZ B) Allows a county to adopt an ordinance to impose a county option gasoline tax. Specifies procedures for imposition and collection of the county option gasoline tax. Provides that a county may not concurrently impose a county option gasoline tax and a: (1) county wheel tax; and (2) county vehicle excise tax. Specifies requirements for a municipality within a county that wishes to receive a distribution of revenue from the county option gasoline tax.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

HB1384

NONPROFIT HOSPITAL PROPERTY TAXES (SMALTZ B) Provides that real property purchased before July 1, 2026, directly or indirectly owned by a nonprofit hospital (other than a critical access hospital or a county hospital) is not exempt from property taxation if, after 10 years from the date of purchase of the property by the nonprofit hospital, the property directly or indirectly owned by the nonprofit hospital is not being used for the performance of revenue producing health care services by the nonprofit hospital that directly or indirectly owns the property. Provides that real property directly or indirectly owned by a nonprofit hospital purchased after June 30, 2026, is not exempt from property taxation if the property directly or indirectly owned by the nonprofit hospital is not being used for the performance of revenue producing health care services by the nonprofit hospital that directly or indirectly owns the property. Provides that the disallowance of an exemption does not apply to a parking garage, parking lot, equipment facility area, or any other similar property that actively serves a nonprofit hospital. Provides that a determination as to whether a parking garage, parking lot, equipment facility area, or any other similar property actively serves a nonprofit hospital shall be made by the board of zoning appeals with jurisdiction over the property.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Rowray

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - added as coauthor Representative McGuire

1/14/2026 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Carbaugh

1/8/2026 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

HB1392

INVOLUNTARY SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT (PATTERSON L) Allows an individual's spouse, legal guardian, friend, or relative to petition a court for involuntary substance use disorder treatment. Requires a petition to include certain information and allows a court to dismiss a petition, without prejudice, if it does not contain the required information. Requires the court to appoint a public defender if the individual subject to a petition seeking involuntary substance use disorder treatment is not represented by an attorney. Requires a court to order the individual to be evaluated by two medical providers, one of which must be a licensed physician, if the court finds that: (1) the individual has a substance use disorder; (2) because of the individual's substance use disorder, the individual is experiencing impaired judgment and is unable to independently maintain the individual's activities of daily living or is a danger to self or others; and (3) the individual refuses to voluntarily participate in substance use disorder treatment. Allows a court to order a local law enforcement agency to consider whether an individual meets the criteria for emergency detention under certain circumstances. Requires a medical provider who completes an evaluation concerning an individual's need for substance use disorder treatment to submit the evaluation to the court. Specifies that after receiving an evaluation from a medical provider, the court may dismiss the petition or set a hearing for further evidence to be presented about the individual's need for substance use disorder treatment. Requires a court to order involuntary substance use disorder treatment for a period of between 60 and 360 days if medical evidence supports that the individual requires immediate treatment for a substance use disorder and the individual has refused treatment. Requires the petitioner to pay all medical expenses that result from a respondent receiving court ordered involuntary substance use disorder treatment. Specifies that a respondent may be subject to contempt proceedings for a failure or refusal to comply with a court order issued in response to the petition for involuntary substance use disorder treatment.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Goss-Reaves

1/8/2026 - Authored By Lindsay Patterson

HB1397

REDEVELOPMENT TAX CREDITS (LOPEZ D) Provides that \$50,000,000 of the \$300,000,000 of the Indiana economic development corporation's annual certifiable tax credit amount must be allocated to the small town opportunity initiative (initiative). Establishes the initiative. Provides that the purpose of the initiative is to undertake qualified community projects within local government units that have a project budget of at least \$15,000,000 per project to do the following: (1) Advance historic preservation. (2) Redevelop or rehabilitate distressed buildings or underutilized property. (3) Redevelop or rehabilitate sites where distressed buildings once stood. Allows a redevelopment tax credit

for: (1) a for-profit taxpayer undertaking a qualified community project under the initiative equal to 20% of the taxpayer's cost of the project; and (2) a nonprofit taxpayer undertaking a qualified community project under the initiative equal to 30% of the taxpayer's cost of the project. Provides that initiative projects are not subject to any statutory or administrative repayment obligation. Provides for certain items that are included in a nonprofit taxpayer's qualified investment.

*Current Status:* 1/13/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Goss-Reaves

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Representative Snow

1/8/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Danny Lopez

HB1399

EPHEDRINE AND PSEUDOEPHEDRINE PRODUCTS (ISA T) Requires the state police department (department) to oversee an electronic logging system (system) to: (1) record and monitor real time purchases of products containing ephedrine and pseudoephedrine; (2) monitor ephedrine and pseudoephedrine purchases to prevent or investigate the illegal purchase of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine; and (3) block illegal purchases of ephedrine and pseduoeephedrine. Requires the department to contract with a third party vendor to operate the system. Requires each manufacturer of products that contain ephedrine and pseudoephedrine to demonstrate to the department that they have a valid contract with the vendor to provide electronic tracking of purchases in Indiana. Replaces "NPLEx system" references with "electronic logging system". Removes current restrictions on the sale of ephedrine and pseudoephedrine products to individuals who do not have a relationship on record with a pharmacy or have not completed a consultation with a pharmacy to determine if there is a legitimate medical or pharmaceutical need for the products.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Miller D, Miller K

1/8/2026 - Authored By Tony Isa

HB1402

RESTRICTIONS ON LOCATION OF TOBACCO AND VAPING SHOPS (DANT CHESSER W) Amends a provision to prohibit the operation of a tobacco and vaping business within 3,520 feet of certain school buildings. (Current law requires 1,000 feet.)

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Public Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Clere, Miller K

1/8/2026 - Authored By Wendy Dant Chesser

HB1403

FIRST TIME HOME BUYER SAVINGS PROGRAM (DANT CHESSER W) Establishes the first time home buyer savings program (program) for the purpose of assisting first time home buyers who seek to open a first time home buyer savings account (account) at a financial institution to save money for the purchase of a single family residence. Requires the Indiana housing and community development authority to administer the program, to prepare and supervise the issuance of public information concerning the program, and to prescribe various forms for use by financial institutions that choose to offer accounts. Specifies that: (1) money in an account (including all earnings or interest on an account) is exempt from taxation in Indiana; and (2) withdrawals from an account used for a down payment and allowable closing costs for the purchase of a single family residence; are exempt from state adjusted gross income taxation. Creates a state adjusted gross income tax credit for contributions to an account (credit) in an amount equal to the lesser of: (1) 20% multiplied by the amount of the total contributions made to the account during a taxable year; or (2) \$5,000. Requires repayment of all or a part of the credit in a taxable year in which the taxpayer withdraws funds from an account for purposes other than payment of a down payment and allowable closing costs.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Hamilton, Lawson

1/8/2026 - Authored By Wendy Dant Chesser

HB1404

WORKPLACE VIOLENCE RESTRAINING ORDERS (DANT CHESSER W) Provides that the chapter regarding the limitation on the issuance of injunctions for labor disputes does not apply to a case to obtain a workplace violence restraining order to protect an employee from unlawful violence or a credible threat of violence solely related to a dispute arising between two employees over their own personal controversy if the dispute does not involve claims governed by a collective bargaining agreement.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Clere

1/8/2026 - Authored By Wendy Dant Chesser

HB1406

PROPERTY TAX BILLING STATEMENTS (THOMPSON J) Provides, in a county that uses a property tax statement as the notice of assessment, that the county treasurer must send a property tax statement to all property owners regardless of whether the property has any liability.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/21/2026 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson

HB1409

MOBILE RETAIL FOOD ESTABLISHMENT OPERATIONS (KING J) Provides that provisions establishing a statewide mobile retail food establishment license may not be construed to prohibit an owner or operator of a mobile retail food establishment from complying with: (1) the collection and reporting requirements relating to food or beverage taxes; or (2) obtaining applicable municipal business permits or complying with municipal ordinances or requirements regulating the business operations of mobile retail food establishments.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Public Health

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Joanna King

HB1411

TAX SALE PROCEDURES (ENGLEMAN K) Reduces the period to redeem tax sale property as follows: (1) For real property sold to a land bank, the redemption period is six months (rather than one year). (2) For real property on which the county executive acquires a lien (including an assignment of the lien to a political subdivision or to a land bank) and the certificate of sale is not sold, the redemption period is 90 days (rather than 120 days). (3) For real property on which the county executive acquires a lien and the certificate of sale is sold or assigned to a land bank, the redemption period is 90 days (rather than 120 days). (4) For real property that a court determines is not suitable for tax sale, the redemption period is 90 days (rather than 120 days). Modifies the length of time in which notice must be provided to: (1) the owner of record; and (2) any person with a substantial interest of public record in the real property; for purposes of seeking a tax deed to account for the reductions to the redemption periods. For property that a court determines is not suitable for tax sale, provides that if the property is disposed within one year (rather than three years) after the conclusion of the tax sale at which the property would have been offered for sale, any amount received in excess of the amount of the minimum bid will be disbursed in the same manner as if the property had been sold in the tax sale. Makes a related change to the period to make a claim for any surplus in the tax sale surplus fund for properties certified as not suitable for sale. Specifies that a county auditor shall not issue or record a tax deed unless certain requirements are met not later than 90 days (rather than 150 days) after the date of the hearing at which a court grants the tax sale buyer's petition for the tax deed.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Zimmerman

1/8/2026 - Authored By Karen Engleman

HB1416

PREEMPTION OF LOCAL REGULATION (MILLER D) Provides that unless expressly authorized by another statute, a municipality or county may not adopt, enforce, or maintain an ordinance, order, or rule regulating conduct in a field of regulation that is occupied by a provision in specified titles of the Indiana Code. Establishes a cause of action for a person who has sustained an injury in fact, actual or threatened, from a municipal or county ordinance, order, or rule adopted or enforced by a municipality or county.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading

1/8/2026 - Authored By Doug Miller

HB1422

IMMIGRATION MATTERS (PAYNE Z) Requires certain state agencies to give hiring preference to an individual who is a citizen or national of the United States over another individual who is an alien if the two individuals are equally qualified. Provides that the state agencies may not sponsor an individual for a new H-1B visa after July 1, 2026, unless certain information is submitted to the attorney general and the attorney general approves the state agency sponsoring the individual. Requires the state agencies to prepare and submit a report that includes certain information regarding each employee the state agency sponsored for a new H-1B visa during the immediately preceding state fiscal year. Requires the attorney general to post the reports on its website. Prohibits the state or a political subdivision from directly or indirectly funding services related to an immigration proceeding to an individual with unlawful status or to an entity that is a party to a legal action for the purpose of challenging, obstructing, or delaying the enforcement of certain federal immigration laws. Provides a private right of action for a violation of this prohibition.

*Current Status:* 1/15/2026 - added as coauthors Representatives Bascom, Prescott

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representative Ireland  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Zach Payne

HB1424 FARM AND HOMESTEAD FOOD SALES (SMITH H) Repeals current home based vendor regulations. Provides that the Indiana department of health (state department), 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 homestead vendor that are not required under federal law. Permits homestead vendors and small farms to sell various meat products and food. Exempts public buildings used by small farms and homestead vendors from certain public building regulations. Allows the executive board of the state department to adopt rules concerning time temperature control for safety food. Creates an exception.

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1/22/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading  
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1/20/2026 - Amendment #3 (Garcia Wilburn) prevailed; voice vote  
1/20/2026 - Amendment #1 (Smith H) prevailed; voice vote  
1/20/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading  
1/15/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading  
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1/13/2026 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 1  
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1/8/2026 - Referred to House Public Health  
1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Morris, Lehman, Greene  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Hunter Smith

HB1431 STREET CAMPING (MILLER D) 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 by 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. Allows an individual to be referred to a problem solving court program for a violation. 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.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Doug Miller

HB1432 DEATH SENTENCE AND INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (BASCOM G) Establishes a procedure to determine pretrial whether a defendant in a death penalty case has an intellectual disability.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - House Bills on Third Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/22/2026 - House Bills on Second Reading  
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1/14/2026 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/8/2026 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Coauthored by Representatives Zimmerman, Greene  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Garrett Bascom

HB1433 ELECTION OF IURC COMMISSIONERS (MOED J) Provides for nonpartisan election of the five members of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) beginning with the 2026 general election. Provides that a candidate for election to the IURC: (1) must have resided in Indiana for at least one year before the election; and (2) may not have any official or professional relationship or connection with, hold any stock or securities in, or have any pecuniary interest in a utility or a person with an interest in a utility. Provides that a: (1) candidate for election as a member of the IURC; or (2) candidate's committee of a candidate for election as a member of the IURC; may not solicit or accept a contribution from a utility, or from a person with an interest in a utility, for the duration of the candidate's candidacy for election as a member of the IURC.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2026 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Justin Moed

HB1434 UTILITY VOTES AT RTO MEETINGS (ERRINGTON S) Beginning in 2027, 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 the public utility, and any affiliate of the public utility, at a meeting of the PJM Interconnection, LLC regional transmission organization (RTO), regardless of whether the vote is disclosed by the RTO; and (2) includes a brief description explaining how each vote identified supports the provision of electric utility service with the attributes set forth in Indiana's state energy policy. Provides that for purposes of this requirement, a meeting means a meeting of: (1) specified permanent standing committees of the RTO; or (2) any senior task force of the RTO that is active during the calendar year with respect to which a report is submitted by a public utility under the bill's provisions. Requires the IURC to post on the IURC's website the reports received under the bill's provisions. Requires the IURC to adopt rules to implement these provisions.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Sue Errington

SB2 BAIL PROCEDURES (FREEMAN A) Provides that offenses other than murder are not bailable if the state proves: (1) by a preponderance of the evidence that the proof is evident or the presumption strong; and (2) by clear and convincing evidence that the arrestee is dangerous and that no conditions of release will reasonably protect the safety of other persons or the community. Establishes procedures for a bail hearing. Removes duplicative provisions concerning repeat violent arrestees. Permits a court to retain cash bail for the payment of certain costs without an indigency hearing if the defendant has executed an agreement permitting the court to retain the cash bail for these purposes.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as third author Senator Carrasco

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as second author Senator Koch  
1/20/2026 - Rules Committee report: motion to correct committee report; adopted voice vote  
1/20/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Jeter  
1/20/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 33: yeas 39, nays 8  
1/20/2026 - Motion to Correct Committee Report; adopted voice vote  
1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/15/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed  
1/15/2026 - Amendment #2 (Freeman) prevailed; voice vote  
1/15/2026 - Amendment #1 (Pol) failed; voice vote  
1/14/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/13/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 7; Nays: 2  
1/13/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/8/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

SB3 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BALLOT LANGUAGE (KOCH E) Prescribes the ballot language for the proposed constitutional amendment concerning bail.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Jeter

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 45: yeas 36, nays 9  
1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/15/2026 - added as second author Senator Freeman  
1/15/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/15/2026 - Amendment #1 (Pol) failed; voice vote  
1/14/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/13/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 7; Nays: 1  
1/13/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/8/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/8/2026 - First Reading  
1/8/2026 - Authored By Eric Koch

SB6 EXTENSION OF WATER SERVICES (NIEMEYER R) Provides that a public utility must provide notice to the public,

affected landowners, the county plan commission, and on the public utility's web site, if any, before it condemns land for the purpose of extending a water or wastewater main. Provides that, under certain circumstances, an affected county must publish notice of the condemnation on its website. Requires a public utility to schedule a meeting with a landowner or interested party not later than 30 days after receiving a request for a meeting.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - First Reading

1/13/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Slager

1/13/2026 - Cosponsors: Representatives Olthoff, Aylesworth

1/13/2026 - added as third author Senator Schmitt

1/13/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 24: yeas 49, nays 0

1/13/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/12/2026 - Amendment #1 (Niemeyer) prevailed; voice vote

1/12/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/12/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/8/2026 - added as second author Senator Dernulc

1/8/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/8/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8, Nays, 0

1/8/2026 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/6/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Ford J.D

12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government

12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

SB7 CARBON SEQUESTRATION (NIEMEYER R) Provides that a storage operator may not operate a carbon sequestration project that transports or stores carbon dioxide outside the county where the carbon dioxide is generated unless the project is approved by the appropriate county legislative body or plan commission. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

*All Bill Status:* 1/14/2026 - Pursuant to Senate Rule 68(b); reassigned to Committee on Environmental Affairs

1/6/2026 - added as second author Senator Deery

12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities

12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

SB8 LIBRARY BUDGETS (BYRNE G) Amends the percentage increase in a public library's proposed budget that determines whether the public library's proposed budget is subject to binding review by the applicable county, city, or town, fiscal body.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/20/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/20/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 1

1/20/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/13/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Gary Byrne

SB9 VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENTS AT SENTENCING (BROWN L) Requires a defendant to be present in the courtroom while a victim makes a statement concerning the crime and the sentence unless the defendant presents a safety risk, causes a significant disruption, or is absent due to the defendant committing the crime of failure to appear or the crime of escape. Specifies that if the defendant was absent due to the commission of failure to appear or escape, the victim may make a statement at the show cause hearing (in the case of failure to appear), or at the sentencing hearing (in the case of escape).

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Baldwin

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Cosponsor: Representative Morris

1/22/2026 - House sponsor: Representative King

1/22/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 46: yeas 45, nays 0

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/20/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/20/2026 - Amendment #2 (Freeman) prevailed; voice vote

1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/15/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Freeman  
1/15/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Pol, Koch, Clark, Glick, Deery  
1/14/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/13/2026 - added as third author Senator Bassler  
1/13/2026 - added as second author Senator Johnson T  
1/13/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0  
1/13/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Liz Brown

SB10 STATE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT BENEFITS (ROGERS L) Requires the state to make contributions after December 31, 2027, that match, dollar for dollar, each state employee's deferred compensation contributions, not to exceed \$28 per paycheck. Specifies limitations on state contributions, including the availability of biennial appropriations. Allows in certain circumstances the budget agency to suspend contributions, resume contributions, and make contributions that were missed due to suspension. Specifies a process by which portions of the funding sources for the retirement medical benefits account must be transferred to the state comptroller for the purpose of making matching contributions. Provides as a default rule that after December 31, 2027, each participant's membership in the retirement medical benefits account is terminated, participant subaccounts are forfeited, and subaccount amounts must be transferred to the state general fund. Specifies exceptions. Requires the state comptroller to transfer certain amounts from the state general fund to each participant's defined contribution plan. Specifies a time frame within which a participant in the retirement medical benefits account may elect to remain a participant. Establishes the 2028 retiree health benefit trust. Provides that the retiree health benefit trust fund will be terminated when certain conditions are met. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on pension management oversight.)

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph  
1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/22/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays: 0  
1/22/2026 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/10/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Doriot  
12/10/2025 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations  
12/10/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0  
12/10/2025 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/9/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Hunley  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Linda Rogers

SB11 FIRING SQUAD (YOUNG M) Authorizes the death penalty to be carried out by firing squad: (1) if execution by lethal injection cannot be carried out due to the unavailability of a required drug; or (2) upon request by the condemned person. Establishes a procedure for execution by firing squad. Makes conforming amendments and technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

*All Bill Status:* 1/13/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/6/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/8/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Byrne  
12/8/2025 - added as third author Senator Tomes  
12/8/2025 - added as second author Senator Garten  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Michael Young

SB12 PROHIBITION OF RANKED CHOICE VOTING (DORIOT B) Prohibits the use of ranked choice voting.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - Referred to House

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Alexander

1/20/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Wesco  
1/20/2026 - Cosponsors: Representatives Lawson, Bartels  
1/20/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 34: yeas 38, nays 9  
1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/15/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Brown L, Johnson T, Koch, Tomes  
1/15/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/15/2026 - Amendment #1 (Hunley) failed; voice vote  
1/14/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/13/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Young M  
1/13/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Buck, Raatz, Freeman, Dernulc  
1/13/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Holdman, Goode, Glick, Leising  
1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Clark  
1/12/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/12/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 7; Nays: 2  
1/12/2026 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/10/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Baldwin  
12/8/2025 - Coauthored by Senators Rogers, Byrne  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Elections  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Blake Doriot

SB14

PENSION MATTERS (ROGERS L) Modifies the definition of "average of the annual compensation" for a member of the public employees' retirement fund (PERF) who retires after December 31, 2027. Specifies that compensation received in contemplation of retirement is excluded from the average of the annual compensation for particular members of PERF and the Indiana state teachers' retirement fund (TRF). Repeals a provision requiring the board of trustees of the Indiana public retirement system (board) to maintain separate accounts for each unit of local government. Provides that amounts forfeited under the public employees defined contribution plan must be used as determined by the board. (Current law requires these amounts to be used to reduce the unfunded accrued liability of PERF.) Specifies a process by which a fully vested member of the public employees' defined contribution plan or the teachers' defined contribution plan may irrevocably elect to participate in PERF or TRF, as applicable. Modifies the information that must be included in a delinquency notice to a delinquent political subdivision. Modifies the requirements that apply to certain PERF members purchasing and claiming years of service credit in PERF. Allows, subject to particular requirements, certain TRF members to purchase and claim years of service credit in TRF. Allows a PERF or TRF member's employer to pay all or part of the member's contributions required for purchase of service credit. Allows an employee of a political subdivision to make a wage assignment for the purpose of paying voluntary contributions to a tax deferred retirement account. Provides that a municipality, a unit, an airport authority, a school corporation, or a charter school may require certain members of PERF to continue as members of that fund instead of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund. Makes conforming amendments. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on pension management oversight.)

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Yoder  
1/6/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Doriot  
1/6/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Alexander  
1/6/2026 - Cosponsors: Representatives VanNatter, Garcia Wilburn, Isa  
1/6/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Teshka  
1/6/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 12: yeas 49, nays 0  
1/6/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/5/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed  
1/5/2026 - Amendment #1 (Rogers) prevailed; voice vote  
12/10/2025 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
12/10/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 10; Nays: 0  
12/10/2025 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Linda Rogers

SB16

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:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading

SB17

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:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

SB19

ELECTION OF LAKE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES (RANDOLPH L) Provides that the superior court judges of Lake County are elected in the same manner as 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:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

SB20

VOLUNTARY FAMILY LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM (RANDOLPH L) Requires the department of insurance (department) to establish, not later than January 1, 2027, a voluntary family leave insurance program (program) for the purpose of providing benefits to employees who elect to participate in the program. Sets forth requirements for the program. Allows the department to contract with an outside vendor to administer the program. Requires the department, not later than November 1, 2026, to submit a report to the legislative council and the budget committee concerning the proposed program. Establishes the voluntary family leave insurance program trust fund (trust fund) for the purpose of paying program benefits. Provides that the trust fund consists of employer or employee contributions, appropriations from the general assembly, and money received from any other source. Provides that certain employers are entitled to an adjusted gross income tax deduction equal to the total amount of contributions made by the employer to the trust fund during the taxable year multiplied by 200%.

*Current Status:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

SB54

ZONING OVERLAY DISTRICTS FOR SOLAR PROJECTS (BROWN L) Provides that after December 31, 2025, a permit authority may not establish in a unit a zoning overlay district in which one or more commercial solar energy projects (CSE projects) will be located unless each underlying zoning district across which the proposed overlay district will extend is zoned for a use that, under the unit's existing zoning ordinance at the time the overlay district is proposed, permits the location of a CSE project within that underlying district. Provides that if one or more underlying zoning districts across which the proposed overlay district will extend is not zoned for a use that permits the location of a CSE project within that underlying district, each such underlying zoning district, or part of the zoning district, must be rezoned for a use that permits the location of a CSE project within all or part of the underlying zoning district.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - added as second author Senator Byrne

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Liz Brown

SB59

NOTICE OF ANNEXATION OUTREACH MEETINGS (NIEMEYER R) Requires a municipality to mail notice of the date, time, and location of annexation outreach meetings to: (1) the county executive of each county; (2) the township executive of each township; and (3) any plan commission; in which the annexation territory is located.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Referred to House Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/20/2026 - First Reading  
1/13/2026 - Cosponsors: Representatives Olthoff, Aylesworth  
1/13/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Slager  
1/13/2026 - added as third author Senator Schmitt  
1/13/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 20: yeas 49, nays 0

1/13/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/12/2026 - added as second author Senator Dernulc  
1/12/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed  
1/12/2026 - Amendment #1 (Niemeyer) prevailed; voice vote  
1/12/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/8/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/8/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
1/8/2026 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

SB62 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:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Greg Taylor

SB63 THIRTEENTH CHECK (NIEZGODSKI D) Provides for a thirteenth check in calendar year 2026 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:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Qaddoura

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Pol

1/8/2026 - added as third author Senator Buchanan

1/8/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

1/7/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/7/2026 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/10/2025 - added as second author Senator Rogers

12/10/2025 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By David Niezgodska

SB69 1977 PENSION AND DISABILITY FUND (ROGERS L) Increases the lump sum death benefit payable to the heirs or estate of a 1977 fund member. Provides that a 1977 fund member may extend their deferred retirement option plan (DROP) retirement date up to 60 months after the member entered the DROP. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/22/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

1/22/2026 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/15/2026 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodska

1/8/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

1/7/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/7/2026 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/11/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Doriot, Donato

12/10/2025 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

SB70

RIVERBOAT RELOCATION (BUSCH J) 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 Allen County or Fort Wayne 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 10 years of the approval of relocation. Provides for the distribution of wagering tax revenue and supplemental wagering tax revenue from a casino in Allen County or Fort Wayne. Provides that a board is established for the purpose of making collaborative decisions for tax revenue.

*Current Status:* 12/10/2025 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

*All Bill Status:* 12/9/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
12/9/2025 - added as second author Senator Maxwell  
12/9/2025 - Senate Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Public Policy  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Justin Busch

SB73

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. Provides a defense under certain circumstances. Increases the penalty for rioting and disorderly conduct to a Level 6 felony if the offense is committed while wearing a mask.

*Current Status:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Gary Byrne

SB76

IMMIGRATION MATTERS (BROWN L) Provides that if a law enforcement officer, governmental body, or postsecondary educational institution is made a party to a civil suit and the attorney general determines that the suit has arisen out of certain immigration matters, the attorney general may defend the law enforcement officer, the governmental body, or the postsecondary educational institution if representation is requested. Provides that the prohibition on governmental bodies or postsecondary educational institutions limiting or restricting the enforcement of federal immigration law applies regardless of whether the enforcement is carried out by a federal, state, or local law enforcement agency. Allows the governor to withhold grants or state funding to a governmental body for a period not to exceed one year if the governmental body is found to have violated certain requirements concerning an immigration detainer. 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. 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 the department of correction to adopt minimum standards for county jails to ensure proper cooperation between a jail and the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement, including enforcement of statutory requirements concerning an immigration detainer and allows for an affirmative defense if an officer has completed a training on the standards. Requires the office of the secretary to submit a report to the legislative council concerning certain immigration matters. Prohibits an employer from recklessly or intentionally hiring or employing an unauthorized alien. Provides that indecent nuisance means a place in which human trafficking is conducted and is not limited to a public place. Provides that if the attorney general, an agency, or a law enforcement agency determines that probable cause exists that an employer has hired or employed an unauthorized alien the agency, attorney general, or law enforcement agency shall provide notice to the United States Department of Homeland Security and the commissioner of labor. Provides that a governmental entity that employs a prosecuting official is entitled to investigative costs and costs in an indecent nuisance action.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed  
1/22/2026 - Amendment #3 (Ford J.D.) failed; Roll Call 42: yeas 10, nays 35  
1/22/2026 - Amendment #4 (Brown L) prevailed; voice vote  
1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/14/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/13/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/12/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/8/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/6/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Raatz  
1/6/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
12/11/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Donato  
12/11/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Bohacek, Charbonneau  
12/10/2025 - added as third author Senator Johnson T  
12/10/2025 - added as second author Senator Garten  
12/10/2025 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
12/9/2025 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 6; Nays: 2  
12/9/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Alexander  
12/9/2025 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
12/8/2025 - First Reading  
12/8/2025 - Authored By Liz Brown

SB79

DATA CENTER DEVELOPMENT (FORD J) Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission (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, 2026. Requires: (1) a person that operates a data center in Indiana to submit to the 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.

*Current Status:* 1/6/2026 - added as second author Senator Deery

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities

12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By J.D. Ford

SB81

VARIOUS TAX MATTERS (QADDOURA F) Provides that the overall local income tax (LIT) rate cap (excluding certain special purpose LIT rates) is 3.75% beginning in 2028.~ (Under current law, the overall rate cap is 3.75% in every county other than Marion County and 4.0% in Marion County and is scheduled to be reduced to 2.9% in all counties in 2028.) Repeals provisions that require counties and municipalities to readopt their LIT rate each year beginning in 2031. Requires LIT revenue from a fire protection and emergency medical services rate adopted by a consolidated county to be distributed to the fire special service district established under the UNIGOV statute. Specifies that an included town that is part of the consolidated city under the UNIGOV statute is not a separate municipality for purposes of the LIT provisions enacted in SEA 1 in the 2025 session. Decouples the special purpose LIT rate for central Indiana public transportation projects from the LIT expenditure rate. (Under current law, the special rate for transportation projects is included in a county's total expenditure rate.) Repeals a provision regarding Marion County's allocation of LIT revenue. Expands the population threshold parameters under which a municipality may elect to be treated as if it were not eligible to adopt a municipal LIT (and instead potentially receive a LIT distribution under a county adopted LIT rate). Requires the population count for purposes of the LIT to include any federal special census count requested by a city or town. Makes changes to LIT distribution provisions. Restores the standard deduction for homestead property in the case of a homestead with an assessed value of \$125,000 or less, and retains the supplemental homestead deduction as enacted in SEA 1 in the 2025 session. Amends the calculation of the maximum levy growth quotient (MLGQ) to provide an increased MLGQ for those taxing units with assessed value growth over a three year average that exceeds 20%. Caps the total operating referendum tax that may be levied by a school corporation for referendums approved by the voters after December 31, 2025, to not more than the school corporation's maximum operating referendum tax levy in the immediately preceding year, multiplied by the maximum levy growth quotient. Removes project costs as a determination threshold under the controlled projects statute. Provides for an increase in the tax rate thresholds under the controlled projects statute based on any increase in a political subdivision's tax rate that results solely from the statutory changes to property tax deductions and exemptions enacted in SEA 1 in the 2025 session. Provides a property tax liability credit to freeze the homestead property tax liability for low income seniors. Repeals provisions enacted in SEA 1 in the 2025 session that require a political subdivision to hold a separate public hearing before increasing its tax levy from the preceding year. Reinstates provisions regarding excess tax levies that were repealed in SEA 1 in the 2025 session. Repeals the debt limitation for political subdivisions. Amends revenue distribution provisions for certain debt service levies to include the supplemental homestead credit and the local property tax credits for disabled individuals and seniors added in SEA 1 in the 2025 session for purposes of the distribution determination. Amends provisions added in SEA 1 in the 2025 session that require the department of local government finance to neutralize the effect of certain property tax provisions enacted in that bill. Clarifies provisions added in SEA 1 in the 2025 session that place restrictions on the issuance of certain general obligation bonds. Provides a property tax deduction for permanently disabled veterans based on the percentage of the permanently disabled veteran's service connected disability. Increases the maximum

renter's deduction for income tax purposes from \$3,000 to \$6,000 per taxable year. Provides an income tax credit for first time home buyers with a mortgage applicable for the first taxable year in which the home buyer first takes ownership of a homestead with respect to which a first time home buyer mortgage is granted. Provides that the tax credit is equal to \$3,000 for that taxable year and may not be carried forward to a succeeding taxable year, carried back to a preceding taxable year, or refunded. Provides an income tax credit for households whose income is at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines for a household of its size. Provides that the tax credit is equal to \$3,000 for the taxable year and may not be carried forward to a succeeding taxable year, carried back to a preceding taxable year, or refunded. Provides an income tax credit for small businesses that make contributions to a qualified employee for use toward a qualified employee's cost for child care. Provides that the tax credit may not be carried forward to a succeeding taxable year, carried back to a preceding taxable year, or refunded. Provides an income tax deduction for theft losses that result from certain financial transactions induced by third parties and that cause the individual to incur federal gross income as a result of the theft. Requires the department of state revenue to first certify the theft loss deduction before a taxpayer may claim the deduction in a taxable year.

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*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura

SB82

LOCAL REGULATION OF FIREARMS IN MARION COUNTY (QADDOURA F) Provides that certain restrictions on the local regulation of firearms, ammunition, and firearm accessories may not be construed to prevent a county containing a consolidated city from regulating firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories in a manner more restrictive than Indiana law if the regulation is recommended by a law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction in the county. Specifies regulations that meet these parameters. Requires compliance with the federal and state constitutions.

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*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura

SB83

VARIOUS UTILITY MATTERS (QADDOURA F) Provides that a transaction involving the sale of utility service, as reflected in the total amount billed by a utility in a customer bill that is issued after December 31, 2026, is exempt from the state gross retail tax. Provides that this exemption applies to: (1) the sale of electric, natural gas, water, or wastewater service; and (2) a customer bill issued by a utility after December 31, 2026, regardless of whether the bill includes any fees or charges for utility service provided to the customer before January 1, 2027. Repeals the sales and use tax exemption for certain data centers enacted in the 2025 session in HEA 1601. Provides that after March 14, 2026, the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) may not issue a final order in a base rate case filed by an electricity supplier if the final order, once fully implemented, would result in an average increase of 3% or greater in the total monthly bill of a residential customer of the electricity supplier. Specifies that a municipality includes a consolidated city for purposes of the existing statute authorizing a municipality to purchase, condemn, and operate a utility in the municipality for the purpose of providing utility service to the municipality or the public: (1) without the consent of the IURC; and (2) even if a public utility is engaged in a similar service in the municipality. Provides that the existing statute prohibiting a municipality, public utility, or rural electric membership corporation from bringing an action against a public utility for the condemnation of the public utility's electric utility property does not apply to a municipality that seeks to purchase the electric utility property of a public utility for use of the property in providing electric utility service if: (1) the municipality and the public utility are unable to agree upon a price to be paid for the electric utility property; and (2) the municipality by ordinance declares that a public necessity exists for the condemnation of the electric utility property. Provides that a municipality that adopts such an ordinance may: (1) bring an action in the circuit or superior court of the county where the municipality is located against the public utility for the condemnation of the electric utility property; and (2) exercise the power of eminent domain in accordance with the existing eminent domain statute. Prohibits the IURC from issuing before July 1, 2028, a final order in a base rate case filed by an electricity supplier with the IURC, regardless of the date of filing of the electricity supplier's base rate case with the IURC. Provides that this provision expires July 1, 2028. Provides that existing law providing that the rates and charges of a municipally owned utility may include a reasonable return on the utility plant of the municipality if the legislative body of the municipality so elects does not apply to rates and charges established or amended by a municipal legislative body after March 14, 2026.

*Current Status:* 12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura

SB87

E-VERIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (GOODE G) Provides that a public agency may not enter into or renew a contract for a public works project with a contractor unless, among other requirements, the contractor signs a notarized affidavit affirming that the contractor does not knowingly employ an unauthorized alien. Provides that a contractor for a public works project must take certain actions with respect to the immigration status of employees. Provides that a contractor may not employ an individual for a public works project if the person has no

E-verification number, except under certain circumstances. Provides civil immunity for a contractor that in good faith misidentifies the immigration status of a worker to comply with certain provisions of this bill. Makes conforming changes.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

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1/15/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgrodski

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1/14/2026 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Pol

1/12/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Koch

1/12/2026 - added as second author Senator Dernulc

1/7/2026 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/8/2025 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

12/8/2025 - First Reading

12/8/2025 - Authored By Greg Goode

SB89

THREE-WAY PERMITS (DERNULC D) Provides the alcohol and tobacco commission may issue not more than: (1) three new three-way permits to the town of Schererville; (2) three new three-way permits to the city of Lafayette; (3) two new three-way permits to the city of West Lafayette; and (4) eight new three-way permits to restaurants located within a transit development district.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

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1/21/2026 - Senate Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

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12/9/2025 - First Reading

12/9/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB114

ELECTION OF IURC COMMISSIONERS (TOMES J) Provides for nonpartisan election of the five members of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC). Provides that: (1) one member of the IURC must reside in and represent the central one-third of the state (central district); (2) two members of the IURC must reside in and represent the northern one-third of the state (northern district); and (3) two members of the IURC must reside in and represent the southern one-third of the state (southern district). Provides that at the 2028 general election and every four years thereafter: (1) the member representing the central district shall be elected by residents of the central district; (2) one member representing the northern district shall be elected by residents of the northern district; and (3) one member representing the southern district shall be elected by residents of the southern district. Provides that at the 2030 general election and every four years thereafter: (1) one member representing the northern district shall be elected by residents of the northern district; and (2) one member representing the southern district shall be elected by residents of the southern district. Provides that a candidate for election to the IURC: (1) must have resided in Indiana for at least one year before the election; and (2) may not have any official or professional relationship or connection with, hold any stock or securities in, or have any pecuniary interest in a utility or a person with an interest in a utility. Provides that a: (1) candidate for election as a member of the IURC; or (2) candidate's committee of a candidate for election as a member of the IURC; may not solicit or accept a contribution from a utility, or from a person with an interest in a utility, for the duration of the candidate's candidacy for election as a member of the IURC. Provides for assignment of a case that would potentially affect retail utility rates to a member of the IURC representing the district containing the largest number of affected customers.

*Current Status:* 12/9/2025 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 12/9/2025 - First Reading

12/9/2025 - Authored By James Tomes

SB115

DRIVER INSTRUCTIONS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES (RANDOLPH L) Requires the driver education advisory board to consult with the commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles (commissioner) and the state police department, and advise the commissioner in the administration of the policies of the commission and the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) regarding driver education in: (1) the procedures of a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop; and (2) the actions a person should take during a traffic stop, including appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer. Requires the bureau to include in any driver education manual published by the bureau the following: (1) A description of the procedures of a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop. (2) An explanation of the actions a person should take during a traffic stop, including appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer.

Provides that driver education curriculum must include instruction about actions to take during a traffic stop and the appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

SB119

GROOMING (DERNULC D) Adds a facility or event that provides entertainment or programming primarily directed toward a child less than 18 years of age to the list of facilities at which a sexually violent predator or an offender against children may not work or volunteer. Adds entering a facility or location holding an event that provides entertainment or programming primarily directed toward a child less than 18 years of age by a serious sex offender to the crime of unlawful entry by a serious sex offender. Renames the offense of "inappropriate communication with a child" to "sexual grooming", and provides (in addition to the current elements of the offense) that a person commits the offense if the person engages in a pattern of repeated or continuous contact with an individual whom the person believes to be a child less than 14 years of age, with the intent to make the individual less resistant to future sexual conduct.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Clark, Pol

1/22/2026 - added as second author Senator Niemeyer

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

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1/20/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

12/9/2025 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

12/9/2025 - First Reading

12/9/2025 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB122

VARIOUS IMMIGRATION MATTERS (KOCH E) Provides that if a law enforcement officer, governmental body, or postsecondary educational institution is made a party to a civil suit and the attorney general determines that the suit has arisen out of certain acts, the attorney general shall defend the law enforcement officer, governmental body, or postsecondary educational institution throughout the action. 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 bodies 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. Prohibits a political subdivision from taking certain actions to aid, assist, incentivize, or facilitate the migration of any alien or class of aliens into Indiana. 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 bring a court action to: (1) enjoin an act or practice constituting a violation of an immigration detention request; and (2) impose a civil penalty for noncompliance with an immigration detention request. 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. Prohibits an employer from knowingly or intentionally 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 authorizations. Provides that a governmental entity that employs a prosecuting official is entitled to investigative costs and costs in an indecent nuisance action.

*Current Status:* 1/15/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Goode, Buck

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - removed as coauthor Senator Zay

12/11/2025 - added as coauthors Senators Freeman, Johnson T

12/10/2025 - added as coauthor Senator Alexander

12/9/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

12/9/2025 - First Reading

12/9/2025 - Coauthored by Senators Baldwin, Donato, Zay, Byrne, Tomes

12/9/2025 - Authored By Eric Koch

SB125

MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS COURT JURISDICTION (TAYLOR G) Requires the following cases to be filed in a Marion County small claims court: (1) A possessory action between a landlord and a tenant in which the past due rent

does not exceed \$10,000. (2) An action for the possession of property where the value of the property does not exceed \$10,000.

*Current Status:* 12/11/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 12/11/2025 - First Reading

12/11/2025 - Authored By Greg Taylor

SB127

LANDLORD-TENANT MATTERS (NIEZGODSKI D) Provides that a landlord may not sell a residential rental property that is subject to an unexpired written lease unless the landlord gives written notice to the tenant not less than 60 days before the landlord lists the property for sale, unless certain exceptions apply. Requires a buyer of a residential rental property to honor an unexpired written lease between the previous owner and a tenant unless the buyer of the residential rental property: (1) gives to the tenant, not less than 30 days before the lease is terminated, written notice that the buyer intends to terminate the lease; and (2) pays the tenant an amount equal to one monthly rental payment plus the full security deposit. For purposes of a residential rental unit, defines: (1) "essential services" as certain utility services needed for the safe and habitable occupation by a tenant of the tenant's rental unit; and (2) "essential systems" as certain systems used to deliver essential services to a rental unit. Requires a landlord to repair or replace an essential system not later than 48 hours after being notified by a tenant that the tenant's rental unit is without essential services as a result of: (1) a malfunction in the essential system; or (2) the landlord's failure to maintain the system in good and safe working condition. Provides that, during the pendency of a court action brought by a tenant to enforce a statutory obligation of a landlord, the court may order the tenant to make the regular rental payments otherwise due to the landlord under the rental agreement to: (1) the clerk of the court; or (2) an attorney trust account; to be held in trust for disbursal to the prevailing party, as ordered by the court. For purposes of the rights of tenants who are victims of certain crimes, provides 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. Requires a landlord to pay all penalties or fines imposed by a political subdivision for violation of the landlord's obligations with regard to a rental premises. Requires a landlord to pay all penalties or fines and make all repairs required by a political subdivision before the landlord may deliver the rental premises to a tenant.

*Current Status:* 12/11/2025 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 12/11/2025 - First Reading

12/11/2025 - Authored By David Niezgodski

SB134

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:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Andrea Hunley

SB137

INVOLUNTARY TREATMENT OF SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER (DERNULC D) Allows an individual's spouse, legal guardian, friend, relative, or medical service provider to petition a court for involuntary substance use disorder treatment. Requires a petition to include certain information and allows a court to dismiss a petition, without prejudice, if it does not contain the required information. Requires the court to appoint a public defender if the individual subject to a petition seeking involuntary substance use disorder treatment is not represented by an attorney. Requires a court to order the individual to be evaluated by a medical provider if the court finds that: (1) the individual has a substance use disorder; (2) because of the individual's substance use disorder, the individual is experiencing impaired judgment and is unable to independently maintain the individual's activities of daily living or is a danger to self or others; and (3) the individual refuses to voluntarily participate in substance use disorder treatment. Allows a court to order a local law enforcement agency to consider whether an individual meets the criteria for emergency detention under certain circumstances. Requires a medical provider who completes an evaluation concerning an individual's need for substance use disorder treatment to submit the evaluation to the court. Specifies that after receiving an evaluation from a medical provider, the court may dismiss the petition or set a hearing for further evidence to be presented about the individual's need for substance use disorder treatment. Requires a court to order involuntary outpatient substance use disorder treatment for a period, not to exceed 90 days, if medical evidence supports that the individual requires immediate treatment for a substance use disorder and the individual has refused treatment.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB140

DOXXING (BECKER V) Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally posts personal information of a targeted person, or of a person closely connected to the targeted person, to communicate a threat to the targeted person in retaliation for a prior lawful act commits doxxing. Provides that doxxing is a: (1) Class A misdemeanor; (2) Level 6 felony if the posting of the personal information results in the targeted person, or a person closely connected to the targeted person, suffering a serious bodily injury; or (3) Level 5 felony if the posting of the personal information results in the targeted person, or a person closely connected to the targeted person, suffering a catastrophic injury or death. Provides that certain conduct is not prohibited by the statute. Provides that the statute may not be construed to prevent, prohibit, limit, or restrict the freedom of expression protected by the Constitution of the State of Indiana or the Constitution of the United States.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/22/2026 - Amendment #3 (Freeman) prevailed; voice vote

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1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 6; Nays:

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1/13/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/8/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Walker K

1/6/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Coauthored by Senators Leising, Goode, Charbonneau, Deery, Walker G

1/5/2026 - Authored By Vaneta Becker

SB142

LOCAL HOSPITALITY BOARDS (ALEXANDER S) Allows the Delaware County executive to adopt an ordinance to consolidate the functions of a board, bureau, commission, authority, or any other similar entity (former entity) authorized to administer funds received from the Delaware County: (1) innkeeper's tax; or (2) food and beverage tax; into a single, consolidated entity as designated in the consolidating ordinance. Specifies that if a consolidating ordinance is adopted, each former entity is abolished on the date the ordinance is adopted, the term of a member serving on each former entity ends on the date the ordinance is adopted, and a subsequent ordinance may not be adopted to restore a former entity and transfer the powers, duties, and responsibilities of innkeeper's tax and food and beverage tax administration back to the former entity. Sets forth transitional provisions that must be included in the ordinance.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as second author Senator Gaskill

1/22/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

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1/20/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

1/20/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Scott Alexander

SB145

LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES IN INDIANAPOLIS DOWNTOWN (YOUNG M) Establishes a downtown district (district) within the city of Indianapolis. Provides that after December 31, 2026, the governor has the duty and responsibility to provide adequate law enforcement services within the district. Requires the governor and executive of the consolidated city and county to take steps to negotiate and execute a mutual assistance agreement. Provides that if an agreement is not executed, the state police department shall provide all law enforcement services within the district after December 31, 2026, and unless or until a mutual assistance agreement is executed. Requires the governor to appoint a district special prosecutor that has concurrent jurisdiction with the prosecuting attorney of the judicial district. Provides after December 31, 2026, the district special prosecutor has primary jurisdiction and the prosecuting attorney of the judicial district has secondary jurisdiction to prosecute a crime committed in the district. Requires the treasurer of state to deduct the state's costs in providing law enforcement services and offices and staff for the special prosecutor from revenue held by the state that would otherwise be available for distribution to the consolidated city.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Young

SB146

ELECTRIC UTILITY AFFORDABILITY; TDSIC PLANS (NIEMEYER R) Provides that affordability is the most important attribute of electric utility service that must be considered in decisions concerning Indiana's electric generation resource mix, energy infrastructure, and electric service ratemaking constructs. Provides the following with regard to a public electric or gas utility's transmission, distribution, and storage system improvement charge (TDSIC) plan: (1) The public utility's petition for Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) approval of the TDSIC plan must include an executive summary that provides specified information. (2) The public utility and the IURC shall publish the TDSIC plan, and each annual update to the TDSIC plan, on the public utility's and IURC's respective websites. (3) Provides that the public utility shall recover the deferred 20% of the public utility's approved capital expenditures and TDSIC costs under the TDSIC plan only upon the public utility's completion of the eligible transmission, distribution, and storage system improvements included in the TDSIC plan.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

SB147

TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LICENSE (POL R) Allows the alcohol and tobacco commission to issue new three-way permits: (1) that are not subject to the permit quota; and (2) within a transit development district. Requires the maximum number of new permits issued within a district to be determined by written agreement of the legislative body of the municipality within the district and the northwest Indiana regional development authority board.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Public Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Rodney Pol

SB148

INDIANA CRIME GUNS TASK FORCE (POL R) Beginning July 1, 2027, adds LaPorte County and Porter County to the task force area of the Indiana crime guns task force (task force), and specifies the number required for a quorum and to take official action in the event of a tie vote.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Qaddoura

1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph

1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/22/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 13; Nays: 0

1/22/2026 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/15/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Walker K, Charbonneau

1/15/2026 - added as third author Senator Bohacek

1/13/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0

1/13/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Rodney Pol

SB152

UTILITIES MATTERS (HUNLEY A) Allows an electric or gas utility to establish a customer assistance program for qualified residential customers. Requires the approval of the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC) before a public utility may sell stock, enter into certain contracts, effect a reorganization, or acquire control of another public utility. Provides that if a public utility requests IURC approval of the sale, assignment, or transfer of the public utility's franchise, works, or system, the IURC shall grant a right of first refusal to: (1) a municipality in which the public utility's works or system is located; or (2) a public charitable trust; for the purchase or acquisition of the public utility's franchise, works, or system. Provides that the IURC may not authorize a public utility that: (1) provides retail electric or natural gas service; and (2) is under the IURC's jurisdiction for the approval of rates and charges (energy utility); to recover through the energy utility's retail rates and charges any direct or indirect costs associated with specified expenses and activities related to lobbying, legislative action, political activities, charitable giving, litigation, investor relations, and other specified activities and expenses. Requires an energy utility, beginning in 2026, to file with the IURC an annual report that includes specified information concerning costs to: (1) the energy utility; or (2) an affiliate of the energy utility; that are related to these expenses or activities and that are directly billed or allocated to the energy utility. Requires the IURC to make available on the IURC's website a direct link to the annual reports provided by all energy utilities under these provisions. Provides that on any customer bill issued by an energy utility after December 31, 2026, the energy utility must include a break down of the charges and fees that make up the total amount owed, including a description of the service or cost associated with each charge or fee. Sets forth certain charges and fees that must be delineated as specific line items on each customer bill.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Andrea Hunley

SB153

UTILITY DISCONNECTIONS AND CUSTOMER DATA REPORTS (JACKSON L) Provides that beginning January 1, 2027, an electric or gas utility may not, from June 21 through September 23 (in addition to the period from December 1 through March 15, under current law), 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. Prohibits an electric, gas, or water utility from terminating service for any residential customer on any of the following days: (1) A Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. (2) A legal holiday. (3) 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. Repeals 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. 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, 2026, its administrative rules as necessary to conform the rules to these provisions. Requires a utility to: (1) amend its residential tariffs as necessary to bring the tariffs into conformance with these provisions; and (2) file with the IURC a petition for approval of each amended tariff; not later than June 15, 2026. 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 2026. 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 2027, 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:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By La Keisha Jackson

SB156

DATING APP AGGRAVATOR (BOHACEK M) Makes it an aggravating circumstance for purposes of sentencing that the person: (1) committed a sex offense; and (2) used an online platform designed for dating to meet the victim.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Mike Bohacek

SB158

LAKE COUNTY ROUNDING OF LOCAL TAXES PILOT PROGRAM (DERNULC D) Establishes the Lake County rounding of local taxes pilot program. Requires a local unit to round a tax amount payable to the local unit: (1) downward in the case of a tax amount with one, two, six, or seven in the second decimal place to the next amount divisible by \$0.05; or (2) upward in the case of a tax amount with three, four, eight, or nine in the second decimal place to the next amount divisible by \$0.05.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB160

PUBLIC SAFETY (DEERY S) Makes wearing a mask during the commission of a criminal offense a sentencing aggravator. Makes it malicious littering, a Class A misdemeanor, for a person to place refuse on the property of another person with the intent to cause the owner or occupant of the property to reasonably fear for their physical safety.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as third author Senator Baldwin

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Lopez

1/22/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 51: yeas 45, nays 0

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/20/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/20/2026 - Amendment #1 (Freeman) prevailed; voice vote

1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/14/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/13/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 0

1/13/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Spencer Deery

SB163

VARIOUS PROPERTY TAX MATTERS (ROGERS L) Repeals the sunset for the county option circuit breaker tax credit, which is set to expire January 1, 2028. 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. Adds provisions to: (1) limit the entry onto a taxpayer's property by local assessing officials, the county property tax assessment board of appeals (county board), and the Indiana board of tax review (Indiana board) in property tax appeals without first receiving the permission of the taxpayer to enter the property; and (2) prohibit the issuance of orders by a county board or the Indiana board authorizing entry onto property without taxpayer permission. Establishes a county option first time home buyer's circuit breaker tax credit. Provides, for property tax appeals involving residential property, limits on additional information that may be introduced by a county assessor during the appeal. Revises the statute allocating the burden of proof in property tax appeals by: (1) providing that the assessing official has the burden of proving that the assessment is correct; (2) correspondingly removing the provision shifting the burden from the taxpayer to the assessing official when the property's assessment increased by more than 5% over the property's assessment for the prior tax year; and (3) correspondingly removing language providing that if the totality of the evidence presented to the Indiana board is insufficient to determine the property's true tax value that the property's assessment is presumed to be equal to the property's true tax value as last determined by the assessing official or county board. Specifies that the changes made to the burden of proof in property tax appeals apply to new appeals and pending appeals. Modifies a procedure pertaining to individuals who may serve as a tax representative of any taxpayer concerning property subject to property taxes. Requires the department of local government finance (DLGF) to prepare reports regarding the creation of: (1) an automated valuation system for local assessors to use for the assessment of homestead and residential property values; and (2) a portal through which taxpayers may make property tax payments on at least a monthly basis. Requires the DLGF to present these report to the interim study committee on fiscal policy. Extends the expiration of the affordable and workforce housing tax credit by five years from July 1, 2028, to July 1, 2033. Makes corresponding changes.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as third author Senator Holdman

1/22/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Gaskill, Niemeyer, Walker K

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/20/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Pol

1/20/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/20/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

1/20/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/15/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Doriot, Baldwin, Qaddoura, Randolph

1/13/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/6/2026 - added as second author Senator Buchanan

1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Linda Rogers

SB165

HOBART COUNTER-CYCLICAL FUND LOAN (SPENCER M) Cancels a 2023 loan or loans from the state of Indiana from the counter-cyclical revenue and economic stabilization fund for the purpose of providing funds to be applied to refunding certain bonds of the city of Hobart and the city of Hobart redevelopment district and offsetting property tax revenue shortfalls incurred and to be incurred by the city of Hobart. Provides that the city of Hobart is not required to make any further payments to the state of Indiana in satisfaction of the loan or loans.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Mark Spencer

SB167

RELOCATION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS (DORIOT B) Provides that the Indiana department of transportation or a zoning authority may not apply zoning standards or require a permit to relocate certain outdoor advertising signs. Provides that an existing outdoor advertising sign located within the boundaries of an excluded city may not be relocated outside the excluded city unless the county or municipality to which the outdoor advertising sign will be relocated approves of the relocation. Allows a zoning authority to permit or inspect a relocated outdoor advertising sign if the purpose is to ensure compliance with certain safety standards.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Freeman

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Buchanan

1/22/2026 - Cosponsors: Representatives Lawson, Pressel

1/22/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Miller D  
1/22/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 52: yeas 28, nays 17  
1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/20/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/15/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/13/2026 - added as third author Senator Buck  
1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 1  
1/13/2026 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/5/2026 - added as second author Senator Rogers  
1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Blake Doriot

SB168 ELECTRIC GENERATION ASSET REPORTS (DORIOT B) Prescribes additional information that an electricity supplier must include in the electricity supplier's annual accounting filing with the Indiana utility regulatory commission.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - added as second author Senator Rogers

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Utilities  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Blake Doriot

SB170 LOCAL PUBLIC WORK PROJECT BIDDING (DERNULC D) Provides additional considerations that a local public works board may consider in determining the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for a public work project costing at least \$300,000.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Dan Dernulc

SB172 ADMINISTRATIVE RULEMAKING (JOHNSON T) Provides that if the implementation and compliance costs of a proposed rule, provisional rule, or interim rule exceed \$100,000 (instead of \$1,000,000) over a two year period: (1) the rule cannot be published in the Indiana Register until the budget committee has reviewed the rule; (2) the budget agency and the office of management and budget may not approve any part of the proposed rule prior to review by the budget committee; and (3) in the case of a provisional rule or an interim rule, the governor may not approve a rule prior to the budget committee's review of the rule. Provides that an agency may adopt a rule only if the agency has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the governor that certain circumstances exist. Specifies that provisional and interim rulemaking may be used only under specified circumstances if the combined implementation and compliance costs would not exceed \$500,000 for businesses, units, and individuals if effective over a two year period.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as third author Senator Brown L  
1/22/2026 - added as second author Senator Garten  
1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/22/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 0  
1/22/2026 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Appropriations  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By Tyler Johnson

SB174 VARIOUS HEALTH MATTERS (JOHNSON T) Prohibits a person from adding a chemical to a public water supply in certain circumstances. Defines "medical intervention" and provides that a person may not require an individual to accept, undergo, or engage in a medical intervention in or on the individual's body as a condition of employment, entrance, admission, compensation, benefits, or participation. Provides that a person may not take a punitive measure against an individual because the individual refused to accept, undergo, or engage in a medical intervention in or on the individual's body. Allows an individual who suffers bodily injury as a result of a violation of these provisions to file an action. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally causes bodily injury to another person by violating these provisions commits battery, a class B misdemeanor, enhanced to a level 5 felony if the offense constitutes a violation of the right to bodily integrity. Allows an individual to sell certain meat products from the individual's primary residence. Establishes various requirements for an individual to sell certain meat products from the individual's primary residence. Exempts a stand or another retail building used only for the sale of certain food products or meat products from the definition of a Class 1 structure. Provides that a student enrolled in a health profession education

program may not be required to receive an immunization as a condition of: (1) participating in; or (2) obtaining clinical training or clinical experience required by the program if receiving the immunization is against the student's conscience. Amends the information that the statewide child fatality review committee and statewide maternal mortality review committee must include in each committee's annual report. Provides that a physician may not be required to receive an immunization if receiving the immunization is against the physician's conscience. Provides that a health care provider, health care entity, and a health carrier may not be required to provide or refer an individual for a health care service that violates the conscience of the health care provider, health care entity, or health carrier. Establishes an exception for a health carrier. Specifies that a health care provider, health care entity, or a health carrier may not be subject to discrimination and certain other acts and liability for declining to provide the health care service. Establishes a civil action for a violation of these provisions. Provides that a person who prevails in a civil action is entitled to certain relief. Requires a licensed child care center, school, and person that operates a before or after school program to report the ingredients of each food product provided to a child or student. Requires the division of family resources and the department of education to publish the information on each agency's website. Allows a school corporation to contract with a health care provider, health system, or community partner to establish a school based health center (center). Sets forth requirements to establish a center. Provides that, notwithstanding state or federal law, a school may not conduct a physical or mental assessment or treatment of a student unless the physical or mental assessment or treatment is related to an illness or accident that occurred during school hours or on or near school property. Repeals certain superseded laws, including provisions concerning immunizations, communicable diseases, potentially disease transmitting offenses, quarantine, medical testing, disqualification for unemployment benefits, and COVID-19 immunization requirements. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Byrne, Doriot

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2026 - added as second author Senator Rogers  
1/6/2026 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services  
1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Tyler Johnson

SB175

DANGEROUS EXCESSIVE SPEEDING (BUCK J) Creates the crime of excessive speeding, a Class C misdemeanor. Provides that the offense is a Class B misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated conviction and provides that two convictions within five years shall result in the court's recommendation for immediate suspension of driving privileges. Provides that a sentencing court shall impose a fine of \$5,000 and recommend the suspension of driving privileges for six months for a person convicted of resisting law enforcement using a vehicle. Provides that a sentencing court shall impose a fine of \$10,000 and recommend the suspension of driving privileges for one year if a person uses a vehicle to commit the offense and the person has a prior unrelated conviction.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By James Buck

SB176

REGULATION OF FIREARMS AND SHOOTING RANGES (TOMES J) Prohibits a county, city, or town from: (1) adopting or enforcing a planning, zoning, or land use ordinance or regulation; or (2) imposing a condition for a permit or approval; relating to the establishment, use, or maintenance of a shooting range that is more stringent than state law.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
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1/20/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 6; Nays: 2  
1/20/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By James Tomes

SB177

RETURN OF FIREARM TO RIGHTFUL OWNER (TOMES J) Provides that a person may not waive certain requirements concerning the return of a firearm to the rightful owner as part of a plea agreement. Specifies that any purported waiver is invalid and unenforceable as against public policy.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading  
1/5/2026 - Authored By James Tomes

SB179

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CRIDER M) Allows the Indiana department of transportation (department) to assume the responsibilities and duties of the United States Department of Transportation with respect to certain federal environmental laws. Provides that the department waives its civil immunity and consents to the jurisdiction of the federal courts for responsibilities and duties assumed under certain federal environmental laws. Provides that a contractor who provides construction engineering inspection services for a project to the department is

not civilly or criminally liable for certain claims made by a third party arising from a motor vehicle accident that occurs within a worksite of the project. Amends provisions regarding the distribution of funds from the local road and bridge matching grant fund. Provides that an overweight truck permit issued for a single trip is valid for five days from the date the permit is issued. Provides for the use of the Indiana Plane Coordinate System as a means to describe real property.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph

1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/22/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

1/22/2026 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/15/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

1/13/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 9; Nays: 0

1/13/2026 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Crider

SB184

SALES TAX ON UTILITY SERVICE (YOUNG M) Phases down in equal reductions over four years the state gross retail tax rate imposed on the sale of the following utility services to a person for domestic consumption: (1) Electrical energy. (2) Natural or artificial gas. (3) Water. (4) Steam. (5) Steam heating service.

*Current Status:* 1/5/2026 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 1/5/2026 - First Reading

1/5/2026 - Authored By Michael Young

SB187

REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICTS (BOHACEK M) Specifies that a board of trustees of a regional water, sewage, or solid waste district (board) must notify the district authority in writing before taking certain actions. Provides that a trustee appointed to a board serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Prohibits a regional water, sewage, or solid waste district (district) created after June 30, 2026, from incurring any indebtedness without first obtaining the approval of the county fiscal body. Specifies that if a district created after June 30, 2026, contains territory in more than one county, the district must first obtain the approval of each county fiscal body in which the district contains territory before incurring any indebtedness. Establishes a timeline for the county fiscal body to approve or deny a district's request to incur indebtedness.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/20/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/20/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

1/20/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/13/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/12/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 6; Nays: 2

1/12/2026 - Senate Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/6/2026 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

1/6/2026 - First Reading

1/6/2026 - Authored By Mike Bohacek

SB188

PARKING AT LAKE MICHIGAN BEACHES (BOHACEK M) Prohibits a municipality from charging parking fees at a municipally owned parking lot at a municipal park beach on Lake Michigan, unless the municipality has: (1) a lifeguard on duty at the beach during the hours that swimming is allowed; and (2) public rescue equipment installed on any pier or public access site of the municipality. Allows a municipality to charge parking fees without satisfying the lifeguard requirement while notes, bonds, leases, or other obligations are outstanding that the municipality: (1) issued, incurred, or entered into before July 1, 2026; and (2) pays or pledged to pay from parking fee revenues. Prohibits a municipality from pledging or using parking fees to pay bonds, leases, or other debt obligations issued, incurred, or entered into after June 30, 2026.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - Withdrawn

*All Bill Status:* 1/6/2026 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources

SB193	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.  <i>Current Status:</i> 1/8/2026 - added as second author Senator Niemeyer <i>All Bill Status:</i> 1/6/2026 - Referred to Senate Judiciary 1/6/2026 - First Reading 1/6/2026 - Authored By Greg Walker
SB196	COMMUNITY ENERGY FACILITIES (WALKER G) Requires the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission) to adopt rules governing community energy facilities not later than July 1, 2028. Provides that, not later than 180 days after adoption of the rules, an electricity supplier shall begin: (1) allowing interconnection of the electricity supplier's facilities with community energy facilities with which at least three of the electricity supplier's customers have entered into a subscription; and (2) crediting the electricity supplier's subscribing customers for the amount of electricity from the community energy facility to 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 energy facilities and electricity suppliers as necessary for transparent, accurate, and efficient implementation of community energy facilities. Prohibits an investor owned utility from: (1) owning a community energy facility; or (2) offering incentive programs to community energy facilities.  <i>Current Status:</i> 1/6/2026 - Referred to Senate Utilities <i>All Bill Status:</i> 1/6/2026 - First Reading 1/6/2026 - Authored By Greg Walker
SB203	INDIANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (DEERY S) Requires the state board of accounts to act as the economic development ombudsman (ombudsman) for the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) and a nonprofit subsidiary of the IEDC (nonprofit subsidiary) and to designate an individual to serve as the ombudsman. Sets forth the ombudsman's duties, including the recommendation of policies to the general assembly concerning economic development and transparency matters. Allows the ombudsman (subject to the state examiner's approval) to employ or contract with assistants necessary to assist the ombudsman in carrying out the ombudsman's duties. Establishes circumstances under which the ombudsman is required to adopt a budget before the ombudsman's costs, including the costs of any assistants, in carrying out the ombudsman's duties are paid from appropriations made to the IEDC and when the ombudsman may bill the IEDC for those costs without using the budget procedure added by this bill. Provides for appointment to the board of the IEDC of two nonvoting, advisory members who are members of the general assembly. Requires the IEDC to establish a dashboard that includes longitudinal representations of certain economic development data derived from elements required to be included in the economic incentives and compliance report. Requires the IEDC to analyze the potential impact of a proposed economic development investment on the costs to provide the following utility services to ratepayers: (1) Water. (2) Wastewater. (3) Electricity. (4) Natural gas. Specifies that in performing the analysis, the IEDC must consider each of the following: (1) The existing utility infrastructure available to serve the project. (2) Any new utility infrastructure needed to serve the project. (3) Water resource availability for the project. Provides that if a proposed economic development investment is projected to negatively impact ratepayers, the IEDC is required to develop and implement a mitigation plan. Allows the IEDC to consult with certain state agencies, utilities providing utility services to the project area, local units of government, and consumer and ratepayer advocates in performing the analysis and mitigation requirements added by this bill.  <i>Current Status:</i> 1/8/2026 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology <i>All Bill Status:</i> 1/8/2026 - First Reading 1/8/2026 - Authored By Spencer Deery
SB212	STATE INCOME TAX CONFORMITY (HOLDMAN T) Amends the definition of "Internal Revenue Code" to conform with certain provisions enacted in Public Law 119-21 (H.R. 1) (commonly known as the One Big Beautiful Bill Act of 2025).  <i>Current Status:</i> 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading <i>All Bill Status:</i> 1/22/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted 1/21/2026 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 20; Nays: 3 1/21/2026 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing) 1/20/2026 - Referred to House Ways and Means 1/20/2026 - First Reading 1/15/2026 - Cosponsor: Representative Snow 1/15/2026 - House sponsor: Representative Thompson 1/15/2026 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 27: yeas 48, nays 0

1/14/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/13/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/13/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/12/2026 - added as third author Senator Rogers  
1/12/2026 - added as second author Senator Baldwin  
1/12/2026 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/8/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 2  
1/8/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/6/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy  
1/6/2026 - First Reading  
1/6/2026 - Authored By Travis Holdman

SB280 CRIMES RELATING TO BODILY FLUIDS AND BODILY WASTE (GLICK S) Removes certain sentencing enhancements for battery and malicious mischief that relate to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). Amends the sentencing enhancement for battery against a public safety officer that relates to HIV.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - First Reading  
1/12/2026 - Authored By Susan Glick

SB281 INCOME TAX CREDITS (GOODE G) Provides, beginning after June 30, 2026, for an increase in the aggregate amount of applicable tax credits that the Indiana economic development corporation may certify each state fiscal year. Amends and adds provisions regarding the redevelopment tax credit, including provisions concerning the promotion of regional collaboration and the use of development plans with respect to certain qualified investments. Authorizes a regional development authority to establish a regional development advisory council. Modifies a provision regarding augmentation of the deal closing fund by the budget agency in HEA 1001-2025.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/20/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/20/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 12; Nays: 1  
1/20/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy  
1/12/2026 - First Reading  
1/12/2026 - Authored By Greg Goode

SB283 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT (MISHLER R) Amends and adds provisions regarding the regional development tax credit. Specifies the award of certain credits under the aggregate tax credit cap that the Indiana economic development corporation may certify each state fiscal year. Authorizes a county or city that is currently participating in a regional development authority to change its membership and instead participate in a new or different regional development authority.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy  
*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - First Reading  
1/12/2026 - Authored By Ryan Mishler

SB284 LAW ENFORCEMENT CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT BOARDS (CARRASCO C) Provides that any type of law enforcement civilian oversight board or commission or any other entity established by a county, municipality, or township to provide civilian oversight over a law enforcement agency, excluding merit boards and commissions, may operate only in an advisory capacity to the applicable law enforcement agency and does not have binding authority over the law enforcement agency.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as third author Senator Clark  
1/22/2026 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/20/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/20/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 6; Nays: 2  
1/20/2026 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)  
1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/12/2026 - First Reading  
1/12/2026 - Authored By Cyndi Carrasco

SB285

HOUSING MATTERS (CARRASCO C) Requires the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) to establish eligibility criteria for a potential recipient to be included in the authority's application for funding under the federal continuum of care program (program). Requires a recipient of program funding to submit an annual report to the authority. 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. 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. Requires: (1) each local law enforcement agency to provide to the state police department the number of arrests made for violations of the prohibition of street camping; and (2) the state police department to provide this information to the authority.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/20/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/15/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/14/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 8; Nays: 2

1/14/2026 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/12/2026 - added as second author Senator Koch

1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/12/2026 - First Reading

1/12/2026 - Authored By Cyndi Carrasco

SB287

TAX MATTERS (HOLDMAN T) Provides a real and personal property tax exemption for Indiana nonprofit senior living communities beginning with property taxes that are first due and payable in 2027.

*Current Status:* 1/20/2026 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

1/12/2026 - First Reading

1/12/2026 - Authored By Travis Holdman

SB289

PUBLIC DEPOSITORYIES (WALKER K) Provides that if two or fewer financial institutions that have a branch or principal office in a county or in a county contiguous to the county that is located in Indiana are willing to accept public funds, the board of finance for the county may: (1) treat the financial institutions that are located within the county or a county contiguous to the county that is located in Indiana as if the financial institutions were not located within the county or a county contiguous to the county; and (2) designate certain financial institutions to receive public funds. Makes conforming changes.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/21/2026 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 7; Nays: 1

1/21/2026 - Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/15/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph

1/14/2026 - Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions

1/12/2026 - First Reading

1/12/2026 - Authored By Kyle Walker

SB290

SEX WITH A MINOR (BOHACEK M) Adds the criminal offense of sex with a minor, which is committed when a person who is at least: (1) 24 years of age and who engages in sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct, fondling, or touching with a child who is 16 years of age; or (2) 25 years of age and who engages in sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct, fondling, or touching with a child who is 16 or 17 years of age. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/12/2026 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/12/2026 - First Reading

1/12/2026 - Authored By Mike Bohacek

SB291

COURT SECURITY (BALDWIN S) Establishes a procedure to prevent certain personal information of a protected judicial individual from being publically available by a public agency. Creates a civil cause of action against a public

agency that fails to remove certain personal information of a protected individual. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for unlawfully publishing certain personal information. Repeals current code concerning the supreme court sheriff. Allows the supreme court and the court of appeals to each appoint a court marshal and allows each appointed court marshal to hire deputy court marshals. Requires a court marshal to ensure the safety and security of the court. Requires a supreme court marshal and a court of appeals court marshal to carry out certain responsibilities. Provides that a court marshal is entitled to qualified immunity for acts performed in the course of official duties. Specifies that a court marshal has limited police powers and is required to notify the local law enforcement agency as soon as practicable when a security threat is detected. Allows the marshal appointed by the court of appeals to provide for the safety and security of the tax court.

*Current Status:* 1/26/2026 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/22/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Brown L, Freeman, Taylor G, Randolph

1/22/2026 - added as coauthors Senators Glick, Clark

1/22/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Pol

1/22/2026 - Amendment #4 (Baldwin) prevailed; voice vote

1/22/2026 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/22/2026 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/20/2026 - added as coauthor Senator Young M

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1/15/2026 - added as third author Senator Koch

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