



AIM MASTER BILL TRACK  
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- HB1002 REORGANIZATION OF WORKFORCE FUNDING AND PROGRAMS (HUSTON T) Repeals various educational and workforce training programs and provides for program phase outs, effective July 1, 2019. Requires the state workforce innovation council to review each proposed grant award by the department of workforce development (department) before the grant is awarded by the department. Establishes the next level workforce training and development fund (fund) as a dedicated fund for certain state workforce training and development programs. Dedicates all corporate adjusted gross income tax revenues to the fund. Requires the creation of accounts within the fund. Establishes the employer workforce training grant fund to provide money for grants to eligible employers that incur costs or expenses for training programs that allow their employees or prospective employees in Indiana to attain a work related degree, certification, or credential. Makes a continuous appropriation from the employer workforce training grant fund to the Indiana economic development corporation. Requires the state board of education, when establishing an apprenticeship as a graduation pathway requirement, to establish as an apprenticeship only an apprenticeship program registered under the federal National Apprenticeship Act or another federal apprenticeship program administered by the United States Department of Labor. Provides that an emancipated student or the parent of a student enrolled in a career or technical course may voluntarily release information, on a form prescribed by the department of education, pertaining to the student's enrollment in the career and technical education course to potential employers that contact the school to recruit students with particular career and technical skills. Requires the department to: (1) develop information regarding workforce needs in Indiana; (2) assign at least two employees at each one stop center (one stop centers provide access to services required by the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014) to work with school counselors; and (3) upon request of a school corporation, make a presentation to middle school and high school counselors. Makes the following changes concerning the high value workforce ready credit-bearing grant: (1) Removes a requirement that, to be eligible to receive a grant, an applicant must be financially independent. (2) Removes a requirement that, to be eligible to receive a grant, an applicant must be financially independent and not have previously received a baccalaureate degree, an associate degree, or an eligible certificate. (3) Requires the commission for higher education to give priority in awarding a grant to an applicant who has not previously received a baccalaureate degree, an associate degree, or an eligible certificate. Requires workforce and education information as part of the biennial budget report that is submitted to the governor and state budget committee for preparation of the governor's proposed budget bill. Makes conforming amendments.
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- State Bill Page:* [HB1002](#)
- HB1003 STREAMLINING AGENCY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS (GUTWEIN D) Repeals the requirement that the office of management and budget (OMB) perform a cost benefit analysis of certain rules for the three year period following the rules' effective dates. Repeals a statute that allows: (1) state agencies to submit comments on proposed legislation to OMB; and (2) OMB to review, amend, and transmit the comments to the legislative services agency for posting on the general assembly's web site. Eliminates or consolidates various state agency reporting requirements. Repeals the following: (1) Pilot program for state registration of privately certified individuals. (2) Family support program. (3) The early education evaluation program. (4) The health needs assessment component of the state department of health's duty to conduct health planning. (5) Certain reporting requirements of the department of environmental management and the department of insurance. Provides that the Lake Michigan marina and shoreline development commission law expires July 1, 2019. Makes conforming changes.

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HB1004 VARIOUS STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (SIEGRIST S) Provides that the journals, the enrolled acts, the session laws, and the Indiana Code may be distributed in paper or electronic format. Requires that copies of the journals, the session laws, and the Indiana Code must be provided to public libraries located in Indiana that participate in the federal depository library program. Permits the clerk of the house of representatives and the secretary of the senate (with respect to the journals) and the legislative council (with respect to the session laws and the Indiana Code) to specify a list of other public officials who automatically receive copies of the journals, the session laws, and the Indiana Code. Permits the publication and circulation to circuit court clerks of the enrolled acts, as required by the state constitution, to be performed electronically, and permits circuit court clerks to electronically acknowledge receipt of the enrolled acts directly to the legislative services agency. Repeals provisions requiring circuit court clerks to return an acknowledgment of receipt of enrolled acts to the governor and repeals the definition of "printing and distribution". Permits the fiscal officer of a city or town to upload and post an annual report to the department of local government finance's computer gateway concerning the receipts and expenditures of the city or town during the preceding calendar year. Makes changes concerning the role of a circuit court clerk regarding recovery of treatment and maintenance charges from the estate of a patient of a state institution or from a responsible party. Specifies that the fire and building safety commission (commission) shall include citations to specific provisions of state law regarding the fire safety laws and the building laws that are the basis for a denial of an ordinance or other regulation of a political subdivision that is submitted for approval by the commission. Provides that a person may electronically file any document that is required to be filed as part of a lis pendens record. Repeals a provision requiring a circuit court clerk to provide to a court the names of all attorneys having business in that court. Provides that the board of a political subdivision or an agency (board) that has the power to award contracts for a public work project may solicit at least three quotes by telephone, facsimile transmission, or electronic mail for a public work project that is estimated to cost less than \$50,000 without mailing a notice at least seven days before the time fixed for receiving quotes. (Current law permits a board to solicit at least three quotes by telephone or facsimile transmission without a seven day waiting period if the cost of the public works project is less than \$25,000.) Removes the requirement that a meeting for receiving quotes must be open to the public. Provides that a contractor may submit a copy of an employee drug testing program (policy) to the board not later than 15 days after the date on which bids are opened. Allows the board to keep on file a copy of the contractor's policy submitted in the current calendar year or previous two calendar years to satisfy the requirement for submitting a policy unless the policy has been revised. Provides that the local board of a 1925 Police Pension Fund shall be elected at a meeting of the members of the police department at the central police station at least one week after the report of the secretary and treasurer concerning their trusts to the local board. Allows the legislative body of a third class city to waive city park board membership requirements that a city park board member be affiliated with a political party and that not more than two of the four board members be of the same political party. Provides that the legislative body of a third class city may waive the requirements by majority vote if there is an absence of persons who are willing to serve on the city park board and who would satisfy the requirements.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Sally Siegrist  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1004](#)

HB1005 TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT MATTERS (ZIEMKE C) Allows a participating unit in a newly formed fire protection territory to phase in the unit's property tax levy over a period not exceeding three years. Requires all townships with a population of less than 1,200 to merge with other townships, effective not later than January 1, 2023. Provides that in all township mergers, the township board members of the new township government are elected at large. Allows a township assistance applicant to appeal to the county commissioners if a township trustee: (1) refuses to provide the applicant with a township assistance application; or (2) fails to respond within a specified time to a telephone request for township assistance services. Amends the information required in the township trustee's annual statistical report. Eliminates the requirement that a township publish its annual abstract of receipts and expenditures. Prohibits a township board from approving a township board member's salary, for calendar year 2019 and every year thereafter, that exceeds \$5,000 per year. Allows a township board member to be paid a per diem at a rate recommended by the

township trustee and approved by the township board. Requires a township to prepare a capital improvement plan for the ensuing three years if the balance in certain capital improvement funds in the preceding year exceeds 150% of the township's annual budget estimate. Prohibits the township from collecting property taxes for certain capital improvement funds in the ensuing year unless the township has adopted a capital improvement plan.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Cindy Ziemke

*State Bill Page:* [HB1005](#)

HB1006 FORENSIC TREATMENT SERVICES (STEUERWALD G) Makes various changes to the criminal justice institute's annual report on the impact of criminal code reform on local units of government, the department of correction, and the office of judicial administration. Requires the report to be prepared in conjunction with the justice reinvestment advisory council (council). Adds probation departments, pretrial diversion programs, and jail treatment programs to programs that are eligible to apply for a state grant for community corrections. Replaces the Indiana judicial center with the office of judicial administration for purposes of: (1) submitting the community supervision collaboration plan; (2) approval of the commissioner of the department of correction providing additional financial aid to counties with a community supervision collaboration plan; and (3) duties with the council. Allows the division of mental health and addiction (division) to establish a pilot program, subject to available funding and on the recommendation of the council, to provide mental health and addiction forensic treatment services to individuals who are charged with a misdemeanor and meet certain eligibility criteria. Provides that if the pilot program is established, the division shall issue annual reports. Removes an expired provision.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald

*State Bill Page:* [HB1006](#)

HB1007 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND INSURANCE MATTERS (KIRCHHOFER C) Allows the division of mental health and addiction to grant approval for nine additional opioid treatment programs that: (1) are operated by a hospital; and (2) meet other specified requirements; if the division determines that there is a need for the program in the proposed location. Makes an exemption for an individual employed by a community mental health center to the requirement that an individual obtaining clinical social work experience be licensed as a social worker. Allows an individual to take the required examination for licensure as a social worker, mental health counselor, or addiction counselor before the individual meets the experience requirement for licensure. Requires: (1) the office of the secretary of family and social services, a contractor, or a managed care organization for purposes of the Medicaid program; (2) an accident and sickness insurer; and (3) a health maintenance organization; to provide provisional credentialing to a provider for which a credentialing determination is not completed in at least 30 days if certain requirements are met, and requires reimbursement for the services provided during the period of provisional credentialing. Requires certain policies of accident and sickness insurance to provide coverage for substance abuse or chemical dependency treatment provided by an addiction counselor.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Public Health

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Cindy Kirchhofer

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HB1012 NEONICOTINOID PESTICIDES (BAUER B) Requires the pesticide review board (board) to adopt rules prohibiting the use of neonicotinoids (certain insecticides having a chemical structure similar to the chemical structure of nicotine). Allows the board, according to its best judgment in weighing certain factors, to determine the date on which the prohibition will take full effect and to implement the prohibition gradually. Authorizes the board, for purposes of the period before the prohibition against using neonicotinoids is fully in effect, to adopt emergency rules restricting when and where neonicotinoids can be used and imposing requirements for the training of certified applicators using neonicotinoids.

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1/9/2018 - Authored By B Patrick Bauer

*State Bill Page:* [HB1012](#)

- HB1013 USE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICES WHILE DRIVING (SMITH M) Requires a person to use hands free or voice operated technology to place or receive a telephone call while operating a moving motor vehicle unless the device is used to call 911 to report a bona fide emergency. Revises the term "telecommunications device" for purposes related to motor vehicle operation.
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*State Bill Page:* [HB1013](#)
- HB1014 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (TORR J) Establishes a redistricting commission (commission) to create, hold hearings on, take public comment about, and recommend plans to redraw general assembly districts and congressional districts. Requires the legislative services agency (agency) to provide staff and administrative services to the commission. Establishes standards to govern the commission and the agency in the creation of redistricting plans. Provides that the general assembly must meet and enact redistricting plans before October 1 of a redistricting year. Authorizes the general assembly to convene in a session to act on redistricting bills at times other than the times the general assembly is currently authorized to meet. Repeals the current law establishing a redistricting commission for congressional redistricting.
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*State Bill Page:* [HB1014](#)
- HB1015 UNLAWFUL INDEMNITY AGREEMENTS (TORR J) Provides that the law concerning indemnity agreements in construction or design contracts applies to certain design-build contracts. Specifies that a provision in a professional services contract that requires indemnification and defense of a promisee for certain liability is void.
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*State Bill Page:* [HB1015](#)
- HB1018 SAME DAY REGISTRATION; CLOSE OF THE POLLS (KERSEY C) Provides that the polls close at 8 p.m. (Under current law, the polls must close at 6 p.m.) Permits a voter to register at the polls by completing a voter registration form and an affirmation that the person has not voted elsewhere in the election and by providing proof of residence.
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1/9/2018 - Authored By Clyde Kersey  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1018](#)
- HB1019 GASOLINE TAX (BAUER B) Provides for a monthly determination of the gasoline tax rate per gallon that will be used in the following month. Provides that the gasoline tax rate is to be reduced if the statewide average retail price per gallon is greater than \$3 using the same price that is used to convert the 7% tax on gasoline to a per gallon rate under the gasoline use tax. Specifies that the gasoline tax rate is to be reduced by \$0.01 for each \$0.01 the statewide average retail price per gallon exceeds \$3.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
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1/9/2018 - Authored By B Patrick Bauer  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1019](#)
- HB1021 MECHANIC'S LIENS (TORR J) Permits a person to discharge a mechanic's lien by filing an indemnification or payment bond with the recorder's office in an amount equal to at least 150% of the lien. Requires the surety responsible for issuing an indemnification or payment bond to: (1) be authorized to do business in Indiana; and (2) be rated at least "A-" by at least one (1) nationally recognized investment rating service. Specifies certain requirements concerning the recording of an indemnification or payment bond. Repeals the current statute concerning the filing of an undertaking to discharge a lien.

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
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HB1022 RIGHT TO CARRY A HANDGUN (LUCAS J) Repeals the law that requires a person to obtain a license to carry a handgun in Indiana. Specifies that certain persons who are not otherwise prohibited from carrying or possessing a handgun are not required to obtain or possess a license or permit from the state to carry a handgun in Indiana. Prohibits certain individuals from knowingly or intentionally carrying a handgun. Creates the crime of "unlawful carrying of a handgun". Provides that a prohibited person who knowingly or intentionally carries a handgun commits a Class A misdemeanor. Specifies that the unlawful carrying of a handgun is a Level 4 felony when a person: (1) is less than 23 years of age; and (2) has an adjudication as a delinquent child for an act described by IC 35-47-4-5 (unlawful possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon). Allows a resident of Indiana who wishes to carry a firearm in another state under a reciprocity agreement entered into by Indiana and the other state to obtain from the superintendent of the state police department a reciprocity license. Provides that a reciprocity license is valid for five years. Requires law enforcement agencies to make use of certain data bases when issuing handgun licenses. Makes conforming amendments.

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*State Bill Page:* [HB1022](#)

HB1023 ANNEXATION REMONSTRANCE WAIVERS (BACON R) Allows (rather than requires) a sewage works contract to include a release of the property owner's right of remonstrance to an annexation of the property served by the sewage works. Removes a provision providing that a person waives the person's remonstrance rights upon connecting to the sewage works.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By Ronald Bacon  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1023](#)

HB1025 SENIOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS (MORRISON A) Provides that a person who was employed as a circuit or superior court judge and presided over a criminal docket for at least eight years may be appointed as a senior prosecuting attorney. Makes a technical correction.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By Alan Morrison  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1025](#)

HB1027 RIVERBOAT ADMISSIONS TAX DISTRIBUTIONS (FRYE R) Requires 25% of admissions taxes that are distributed to Dearborn County to be redistributed to cities and towns in the county where a riverboat is not located. Requires the auditor of Dearborn County to redistribute the admissions taxes using a ratio. Sets forth how a city or town in Dearborn County may use the admissions taxes.

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1/9/2018 - Authored By Randall Frye



- HB1028 PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL HEALTH STUDIES (FRYE R) Establishes the public safety research fund. Provides that \$500,000 shall be appropriated from the state general fund and disbursed to the public safety research fund on July 1 of each year. Requires money disbursed to the public safety research fund to be used for research studies designed to understand and improve the physical health, safety, and psychological well-being of public safety personnel. Requires research studies to be performed by the national institute for public safety and health (NIPSH). Requires NIPSH to provide a report of ongoing or performed research studies to the executive director of the department of homeland security before December 31 of each year. Provides that money not allotted for research studies reverts to the state general fund at the end of each state fiscal year.
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*State Bill Page:* [HB1028](#)
- HB1029 FUEL TAXES ON COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS (FRYE R) Provides a quarterly refund of the special fuel tax and the motor carrier surcharge tax paid on compressed natural gas that is not delivered to the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle. Permits a retroactive refund claim to be made for special fuel taxes and for motor carrier surcharge taxes paid from July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018. Makes corresponding changes to other refund provisions and the special fuel tax collection allowance.
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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1029](#)
- HB1030 CLASS 2 STRUCTURE FIRE SAFETY (FRYE R) Provides that for purposes of the building code, a Class 2 structure townhouse may be separated from an adjoining unit by a one hour fire-resistance rated wall, if each adjoining unit contains an automatic sprinkler system.
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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1030](#)
- HB1032 SECOND REGULAR SESSION (WASHBURNE T) Repeals the statute requiring the general assembly to convene in a second regular session. Provides that the speaker of the house of representatives and the president pro tempore of the senate may jointly issue an order to require the general assembly to convene for a second regular session in an even-numbered year. Provides that the joint order must: (1) find that a second regular session is necessary for the general assembly to address issues of public concern; (2) identify the issues that the general assembly will address in the second regular session; and (3) specify the dates on which the second regular session will convene and adjourn sine die. Provides that the general assembly may not consider an issue unless it is identified in the joint order. Provides that the statute making a second regular session optional may not be construed to prohibit the legislative council from conducting business in the interim of an even-numbered year in which a second regular session is not convened. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Rules and Legislative Procedures  
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1/9/2018 - Authored By Thomas Washburne  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1032](#)
- HB1033 TREATMENT OF OUT-OF-STATE CONVICTIONS IN SENTENCING (WASHBURNE T) Provides that, for purposes of law regarding death sentences and sentences for felonies and habitual offenders, a Level 6 felony conviction includes a conviction in another jurisdiction for which the offender might have been imprisoned for more than one year but less than two and one-half years.
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1/3/2018 - Authored By Thomas Washburne  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1033](#)

HB1035 SHORT TERM RENTALS (LEHMAN M) Provides the following with regard to short term rentals that are rented through a short term rental platform: (1) Provides that a short term rental of an owner's primary residence is a permitted residential use under any applicable ordinance and may not be disallowed. (2) Provides that, in the case of residential property that is not the person's primary residence, a local unit of government (local unit): (A) may require a special exception, special use, or zoning variance for the short term rental of the property; and (B) may not interpret and enforce zoning regulations for a special exception, special use, or zoning variance in a manner that is intended or has the effect of prohibiting or unreasonably restricting all short term rentals of the property. (3) Allows a local unit to regulate short term rental of residential property only for specified purposes. (4) Allows a local unit to require an owner to obtain a permit for a short term rental. (5) Allows a local unit to charge a permit fee of not more than \$150. (6) Allows a local unit to limit or prohibit short term rentals located within a conservancy district. Exempts ordinances adopted before January 1, 2018, that are contrary to the provisions of the bill. Excludes property owners associations from the provisions of the bill.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By Matt Lehman  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1035](#)

HB1036 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (LEONARD D) Excludes worker's compensation and occupational diseases compensation payments from the definition of "wages" for unemployment insurance purposes. Establishes a flat fee of \$12 as the employer's collection fee for withholding amounts from an individual's income to repay unemployment insurance benefit overpayments. Allows an individual to request a review by the commissioner of the department of workforce development or the commissioner's designee of an adverse decision following an administrative hearing in which the individual contests the income withholding.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By Daniel Leonard  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1036](#)

HB1037 EARLY RETIREMENT OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES (CULVER W) Provides that for new hires of the: (1) state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan; (2) public employees' retirement fund; (3) Indiana state teachers' retirement fund; (4) Indiana judges' retirement fund; 1985 retirement, disability, and death system; and (5) prosecuting attorneys retirement fund; eligibility for early retirement according to the "rule of 85" is incrementally changed to a "rule of 95" over the period beginning July 1, 2018, and ending July 1, 2036.

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- HB1043 EXPANDED CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS (THOMPSON J) Provides that an expanded criminal history check may be used instead of certain background checks and criminal history checks.  
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*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1043](#)
- HB1044 VARIOUS ELECTION LAW MATTERS (THOMPSON J) Provides that voter registration closes after the twenty-first day before the date of an election rather than after the twenty-ninth day before the date of an election. Provides that early voting begins on the eighteenth day before an election rather than the twenty-eighth day before an election. Increases the maximum civil penalty for a delinquent filing of a preprimary or pre-election campaign finance report from \$1,000 to \$1,250 (and in some cases, \$2,500). Provides for staggering the terms of the members of township boards (other than township boards in Marion County), beginning with the 2022 general election.  
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*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1044](#)
- HB1045 CONTROLLED PROJECT REFERENDUM (THOMPSON J) Provides that if the estimated increase in a political subdivision's property tax levy for debt service for a proposed controlled project will be offset in whole or in part because of the retirement of existing debt of the political subdivision, the proper officers of the political subdivision may adopt a resolution that does the following: (1) Includes a schedule that specifies certain information concerning the debt service for the controlled project and the expected changes in the political subdivision's total debt service payments that will result because the debt service for the controlled project will be offset by the retirement of existing debt. (2) States that the political subdivision intends to maintain the political subdivision's total debt service property tax rate (including debt service for the controlled project and for all other debt of the political subdivision) at or below a specified tax rate. Provides that the political subdivision's statement that it intends to maintain its total debt service property tax rate at or below a specified tax rate may include exceptions for specified projects or purposes, including any projects that the political subdivision declares are required by an emergency or are required for the safety and security of citizens or students. Specifies the ballot language for the referendum on such a proposed controlled project.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Cook  
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1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1045](#)
- HB1046 LOCAL INCOME TAXES (THOMPSON J) Expires the existing local income tax law on December 31, 2021, and adds a new local income tax law effective in 2022 and thereafter. Does the following under the new local income tax law: (1) Authorizes counties, municipalities, and school corporations to each enact a property tax relief tax rate of not more than 0.5% in the case of counties and municipalities and not more than 0.25% in the case of school corporations. Provides that in Marion County, municipalities may not enact a property tax relief rate, but the Marion County city-county council may adopt a 1% property tax relief rate. (2) Authorizes counties, municipalities (other than municipalities in Marion County), and school corporations to each enact an expenditure rate. (3) Provides that an expenditure rate may not exceed: (A) 1.25% in the case of counties other than Marion County or 2% in the case of Marion County; (B) 1% in the case of municipalities (other than municipalities in Marion County); and (C) 0.25% in the case of school corporations. (4) Provides that if an expenditure rate is imposed by a municipality, the municipality shall receive the revenue from the tax, and specifies that the revenue may be used for any legal purpose of the municipality (including providing additional property tax credits). (5) Specifies that a school corporation may not adopt an expenditure rate unless: (A) the expenditure rate is approved by the voters of the school corporation in a local public question; or (B) the revenue from the expenditure rate is used to provide additional property tax credits. Provides that if a school corporation's expenditure rate is approved by the voters, the revenue may be used for any legal purpose of the school corporation (including providing additional property tax credits). Provides that the maximum period for an expenditure rate approved by the voters of a school corporation is eight years, but that the



expenditure rate may be reimposed by the school corporation if approved by the voters. (6) Provides that if an expenditure rate is imposed by a county other than Marion County, the revenue shall be distributed as certified shares to civil taxing units in the county (other than municipalities and school corporations) on the basis of property tax levies. Specifies that in counties other than Marion County, the revenue from the county's expenditure rate may be allocated to a public safety answering point or used to provide additional property tax credits before the remaining revenue is distributed as certified shares. (7) Provides that the 2% maximum expenditure rate in Marion County consists of: (A) an expenditure rate of not more than 1%, to be distributed as certified shares to the county and to excluded cities in the county on the basis of property tax levies; and (B) an expenditure rate of not more than 1%, to be distributed as certified shares to the county and to townships in the county on the basis of property tax levies. (8) Specifies that in Marion County: (A) the revenue from the county's expenditure rate may be allocated to a public communications system and computer facilities district, a public library, or a public transportation corporation, or for additional property tax credits before the remaining revenue is distributed as certified shares; and (B) revenue distributed as certified shares may be used for any legal purpose of the unit receiving the certified shares. (9) Provides that, after May 31, 2018, a political subdivision may not pledge for the payment of bonds, leases, or other obligations any tax revenue received under the current local income tax law (other than a special purpose rate). (10) Maintains the existing special purpose rates. (11) Provides that after December 31, 2021, a local income tax rate imposed for transit purposes after approval in a local public question: (A) is a separate special purpose rate; and (B) is not part of the county's expenditure rate or considered in determining whether the county is imposing its maximum expenditure rate. (12) For property taxes due and payable in 2022 and thereafter, requires the department of local government finance to adjust each maximum property tax levy for which a levy freeze amount was applied under the existing local income tax law in 2021. (13) Authorizes a political subdivision to appeal to the department of local government finance for the authority to impose an additional local income tax rate if the political subdivision's expected local income tax distributions will be insufficient to pay obligations for which a pledge of revenue was made under the prior local income tax laws. (14) Specifies that the legislative council shall provide for the preparation and introduction of legislation in the 2019 session of the general assembly to correct cross references and make other changes to the Indiana Code, as necessary, to bring other provisions of the Indiana Code into conformity with this act.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Cherry

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [HB1046](#)

HB1050

SMALL CELL WIRELESS STRUCTURES (OBER D) Provides that the definition of "wireless support structure" does not include a utility pole owned or operated by: (1) a public utility; (2) a municipality; (3) an electric membership corporation; or (4) a rural electric cooperative. Provides that with respect to the construction, placement, or use of small cell facilities and associated supporting structures, a permit authority may prohibit the placement of a new wireless support structure in a right-of-way within an area that is designated before May 1, 2017, strictly for underground or buried utilities, if the area was zoned for residential use before May 1, 2017. Removes a requirement that a permit authority's prohibition on placement of utility poles and wireless support structures be applied in a non-discriminatory manner. Makes conforming changes.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By David Ober

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [HB1050](#)

HB1051

SUNDAY SALES OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR CARRYOUT (SMALTZ B) Allows the following to sell alcoholic beverages for carryout on Sunday from noon until 8 p.m.: (1) A package liquor store, grocery store, convenience store, or drug store. (2) A restaurant that satisfies the requirements to sell carryout. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the alcohol code revision commission.)

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 12; Nays: 1

*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 156-B  
1/10/2018 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, House Chamber  
1/8/2018 - added as coauthors Representatives GiaQuinta and Ober  
1/3/2018 - Referred to House Public Policy  
1/3/2018 - First Reading

- HB1053 LOCAL INCOME TAX RATE FOR FULTON COUNTY JAIL (FRIEND W) Authorizes the county council of Fulton County to impose an additional local income tax rate of not more than 0.25%. Provides that revenue from the additional tax rate may be used only to: (1) pay the costs of financing, constructing, acquiring, improving, renovating, equipping, operating, and maintaining a county jail and related buildings and parking facilities; and (2) pay bonds issued or leases entered into for the constructing, acquiring, improving, renovating, or equipping of the county jail and related buildings and parking facilities.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Gutwein  
1/3/2018 - Authored By William Friend
- Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1053](#)
- HB1054 COUNTY HIGHWAY ENGINEER'S SALARY (AYLESWORTH M) Increases the state subsidy for a county highway engineer's annual salary. Requires the county to certify to the auditor of state the amount of the county's contribution to the county highway engineer's annual salary. Provides that a county may not receive such a subsidy unless the county's contribution to the engineer's annual salary is at least equal to the county's contribution to the engineer's annual salary from the preceding year. Makes an appropriation.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Lindauer  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Sullivan  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth
- Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1054](#)
- HB1056 INNKEEPERS' TAXES (OBER D) Provides that a member appointed to a convention and tourism commission under the uniform innkeeper's tax statute who is required to be: (1) engaged in a convention, visitor, or tourism business; or (2) involved in or promoting conventions, visitors, or tourism; need not be a resident of the county if the member is an owner or an executive level employee of a convention, visitor, or tourism business that is located within the county. Provides that such a member must be a resident of Indiana. Repeals the requirement in the uniform innkeeper's tax statute that no more than a simple majority of the members of a convention and tourism commission may be affiliated with the same political party. Amends the uniform innkeeper's tax statute to include the term "tourist camps and overnight camping facilities" for purposes of innkeeper's tax collection. Requires the department of state revenue (department) to prescribe a standard return form to be used with remittance of the innkeeper's tax. Requires the department to provide each commission with summary data of the amount of the innkeeper's tax disbursed to the county. Provides that, in the case of a county that has adopted an ordinance requiring the payment of the innkeeper's tax to the county treasurer instead of the department: (1) the county treasurer is required to annually report to the department the amount of innkeeper's tax collected in the county in the preceding year; and (2) the department is required to provide summary data of the total amount of the county's innkeeper's tax collected in the preceding year to the commission established for that county.
- Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 404  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative GiaQuinta  
1/3/2018 - Authored By David Ober
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1056](#)
- HB1057 PRETRIAL DIVERSION (STEUERWALD G) Provides that the initial user fee amount for a diversion agreement involving a misdemeanor is \$50. Provides that the initial user fee amount for a diversion agreement involving a felony is \$75. Allows a court to impose on a person an additional program fee or cost that is reasonably related to the person's rehabilitation. Prohibits a monthly user fee from being collected beyond the maximum length of a possible sentence. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time &

Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 156-C  
1/3/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald

Priority: Tier 2 - Medium

State Bill Page: [HB1057](#)

HB1064 INTERFERENCE WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT (MILLER D) Provides that a person commits interfering with law enforcement, a Class B misdemeanor, if the person: (1) obstructs or interferes with a law enforcement officer carrying out the officer's official duties; (2) resists, obstructs, or interferes with the service of process; or (3) enters a crime scene or similar location that is marked off with barrier tape or other markers. Increases the penalty if the person uses a vehicle, draws or uses a deadly weapon, or causes injury or death to another person. Provides that resisting or interfering with law enforcement is enhanced to a Level 6 felony if the person uses a vehicle to commit the offense. (Under current law, the felony enhancement applies only if the person flees from law enforcement using a vehicle.)

Current Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Doug Miller

Priority: Tier 1 - High

State Bill Page: [HB1064](#)

HB1065 HIGH SPEED INTERNET SERVICE (OBER D) Transfers the supervision and administration of the high speed Internet service deployment and adoption initiative from the Indiana economic development corporation to the Indiana utility regulatory commission (IURC). Changes the minimum speed thresholds for broadband services to at least 25 megabits per second downstream and at least four megabits upstream. (Current law sets the minimum speed threshold at 384 kilobits per second in at least one direction.) Changes the minimum and maximum speed thresholds for those geographic areas which are a priority to the IURC in developing and implementing high speed Internet service. Directs the IURC to study certain topics regarding broadband services in Indiana and issue a report to the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunications before September 1, 2018.

Current Status: 1/17/2018 - House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 156-B

All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Negele and Hatfield

1/3/2018 - Authored By David Ober

Priority: Tier 1 - High

State Bill Page: [HB1065](#)

HB1066 GOVERNMENT INFORMATION (HEINE D) Specifies that the management performance hub (MPH) may not permit government information or government information generated as a result of a contract to be held exclusively by a private vendor.

Current Status: 1/9/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Heine

All Bill Status: 1/8/2018 - removed as coauthor Representative Ober

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1/3/2018 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Ober

1/3/2018 - Authored By Dave Heine

Priority: Tier 2 - Medium

State Bill Page: [HB1066](#)

HB1067 CERTIFIED TECHNOLOGY PARKS (HEINE D) Provides that a certified technology park may capture up to \$5,000,000 of incremental income tax and sales tax revenue every three years.

Current Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Ober

1/3/2018 - Authored By Dave Heine

Priority: Tier 1 - High

State Bill Page: [HB1067](#)

- HB1069      DISTRIBUTED GENERATION (OBER D) Provides that an electric customer: (1) that is a school corporation or a municipality; (2) that installs a net metering facility after December 31, 2017, and before the date on which the net metering tariff terminates under the state statute concerning distributed generation; and (3) whose net metering facility is subject to Level 2 interconnection review under the Indiana utility regulatory commission's interconnection rules; will be served under the terms and conditions of the net metering tariff of the customer's electricity supplier until the net metering facility is removed or until July 1, 2037, whichever occurs earlier. Defines "install", "nameplate capacity", and "successor in interest" for purposes of distributed generation. Provides that the amount of nameplate capacity in place before the net metering deadlines is the amount of nameplate capacity considered to be participating in the net metering tariff. Provides that any repairs, updates, and upgrades to portions of a net metering facility that do not increase the nameplate capacity of the net metering facility are not considered a replacement of the net metering facility.
- Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 156-B
- All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Hatfield  
1/3/2018 - Authored By David Ober
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High
- State Bill Page:* [HB1069](#)
- HB1070      INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT AUTHORITY (MAYFIELD P) Provides that on July 1, 2018, the advisory member of the board of the Indianapolis Airport Authority representing Morgan County becomes a full voting member of the board. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Young J  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Peggy Mayfield
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High
- State Bill Page:* [HB1070](#)
- HB1073      CHILD CARE LOCATION AND SAFETY (OLTHOFF J) Includes other weapons among the items that must be inaccessible to children in the care of certain child care providers, and amends accordingly the child care law concerning the list of imminent threats to children. Prohibits reapplication or granting of a license as a child care home or child care center less than one year after a previous license is revoked. Requires a child care provider to provide documentation from the county, city, or town that the child care provider meets all requirements of any applicable local ordinances.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Family, Children and Human Affairs
- All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Julie Olthoff
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High
- State Bill Page:* [HB1073](#)
- HB1076      RACIAL PROFILING AND PRETEXTUAL STOPS (PRYOR C) Prohibits a law enforcement agency or a law enforcement officer from engaging in racial profiling or conducting pretextual stops. Requires a law enforcement agency to adopt a detailed policy that defines the elements of racial profiling and pretextual stops, and requires a law enforcement agency to collect certain data relating to stops made by law enforcement officers. Requires cultural diversity awareness training and training on unlawful racial profiling and pretextual stops for law enforcement officers. Specifies that a law enforcement agency shall transmit to the attorney general information concerning racial profiling complaints, investigations, and any action taken, as well as data collected relating to stops made by the law enforcement agency. Requires the attorney general to: (1) submit an annual report to the legislative council based on the information; (2) submit the data to a third party for statistical analysis; and (3) publish the results of the analysis on the attorney general's Internet web site. Establishes the racial profiling review commission to review complaints of unlawful racial profiling and unlawful pretextual stops. Permits a person to bring a civil action based on unlawful racial profiling and unlawful pretextual stops. Permits a law enforcement agency to use certain federal funds to purchase vehicle cameras and body cameras, and establishes training standards and standards for use. Makes a technical correction.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
- All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Cherrish Pryor
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High

- HB1077 YOUTH EMPLOYMENT (PRYOR C) Provides that an employment certificate is not required for a child who is at least 13 years of age and who is employed by or works for a church, religious society, or nonprofit program or ministry of a church or religious society, if: (1) the work the child performs is limited to office and clerical work, clean-up work, and grounds maintenance; (2) the child works with or is supervised by a person who is at least 18 years of age; and (3) the child has on file with the child's employer an original or a copy of a written consent to the child's employment signed by the child's parent or guardian. Requires the child's employer to conduct a fingerprint based criminal history background check of both national and state records data bases and a check of the national sex offender registry maintained by the United States Department of Justice for each prospective or current adult employee or volunteer who is or will be working with or supervising the child.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Cherrish Pryor  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1077](#)
- HB1078 PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (PRYOR C) Permits the Marion County city-county council to establish a neighborhood enhancement property tax relief program. After 2021, permits other counties, cities, and towns to establish the program. The program provides an assessed value deduction for longtime owner-occupants of homesteads having an assessed value of less than \$125,000 in designated areas. Specifies various conditions for the program. Allows a local unit to include additional requirements for the program. Provides a penalty for wrongly receiving the deduction that is the same as the penalty for wrongly receiving the homestead standard deduction.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Porter and Forestal  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Cherrish Pryor  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1078](#)
- HB1079 AGE 65 AND OVER PROPERTY TAX CREDIT (MOED J) Permits Marion County to adopt an ordinance to establish a geographic territory in which a property owner may qualify for the age 65 and over property tax credit at a higher adjusted gross income than the statutory amount. Permits local income taxes to be used to offset property tax losses by taxing units because of the higher income limit.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Justin Moed  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1079](#)
- HB1080 CENTRAL INDIANA PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS (MOED J) Repeals the prohibition that prevents certain counties from: (1) purchasing; (2) leasing; (3) acquiring; (4) constructing; or (5) operating a light rail project.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Torr  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Justin Moed  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1080](#)
- HB1081 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (MOED J) Establishes a redistricting commission (commission) to create, hold hearings on, take public comment about, and recommend plans to redraw general assembly districts and congressional districts. Requires the legislative services agency (agency) to provide staff and administrative services to the commission. Establishes standards to govern the commission and the agency in the creation of redistricting plans. Provides that the general assembly shall meet and enact redistricting plans before October 1 of a redistricting year. Authorizes the general assembly to convene in a session to act on redistricting bills at times other than the times the general assembly is currently authorized to meet. Repeals the current law establishing a redistricting commission for congressional redistricting.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Justin Moed



- HB1082 NOTIFICATION OF EXPUNGEMENT (ZIEMKE C) Requires the department of workforce development to: (1) inform persons seeking employment of the possibility of criminal history expungement, in appropriate cases; and (2) develop an informational brochure describing the criminal history expungement process.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Cindy Ziemke  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1082](#)
- HB1088 STATE AND LOCAL TAXATION (LEONARD D) Provides that the minimum valuation applicable to the total amount of a taxpayer's assessable depreciable personal property in a taxing district is reduced incrementally from 30% of the assessed value of the depreciable personal property in the taxing district to 20% over 10 years beginning with the January 1, 2019, assessment date. Eliminates the addbacks of a taxpayer's federal income tax deduction for income attributable to domestic production activities in the definitions of "adjusted gross income" under the adjusted gross income tax law and the financial institutions tax law. Makes technical corrections.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Daniel Leonard  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1088](#)
- HB1089 ST. JOSEPH RIVER BASIN COMMISSION (OBER D) St. Joseph River basin commission. Amends the law concerning the St. Joseph River basin commission (commission). Adds the county surveyor of each participating county to the membership of the commission. Authorizes a political subdivision in a participating county to enter into a cooperative agreement with the commission and at least one other legal entity to authorize the commission to develop a plan to control flooding. Authorizes the commission: (1) to enter into contracts to implement a cooperative agreement; (2) to adopt rules under which the commission may require that increased water runoff resulting from new construction be impounded on the construction site; (3) to acquire and dispose of conservation easements and real or personal property; and (4) to adopt rules restricting construction within the 100 year flood plains of the basin. Provides that the commission, the commission's executive board, or employees or authorized representatives of the commission may enter land within the 100 year flood plain of any watercourse in the basin to investigate suspected violations of the flood control laws. Requires written notice to an owner of the affected land 21 days before an entry on the land and requires the commission to hold a hearing on the necessity of the entry if an owner of the affected land appeals to the commission.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Natural Resources  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Zent  
1/3/2018 - Authored By David Ober  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1089](#)
- HB1090 UNCLAIMED PROPERTY (BURTON W) Provides, for purposes of the unclaimed property act, that a time deposit that is automatically renewable is considered matured upon the expiration of its initial period, unless: (1) the owner has consented to a renewal at the time of the account opening or at about the time of the renewal; and (2) the consent is in writing or is evidenced by the original account agreement or by any memorandum or other record on file with the holder of the account. (Current law does not specify that the owner's consent to renewal can occur at the time of the account opening or be evidenced by the original account agreement.)  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 10; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Financial Institutions, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 3:30 PM, Rm. 156-D  
1/8/2018 - Reassigned to Committee on Financial Institutions  
1/3/2018 - Referred to House Judiciary  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Woody Burton  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1090](#)
- HB1092 COURT FEES (HATFIELD R) Requires a court to assess a drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction, and correction fee against a person who is convicted of certain legend druag offenses.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 9; Nays: 1  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 156-C  
1/3/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ryan Hatfield  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1092](#)

HB1093 BULLYING AND ORDERS OF PROTECTION (HATFIELD R) Defines "bullying". Provides that a person who is a victim of bullying may file a petition for an order of protection against a person who commits harassment or an act of bullying. Makes the knowing or intentional violation of an order of protection against bullying a Class A misdemeanor. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ryan Hatfield  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1093](#)

HB1094 ANIMAL CRUELTY (HATFIELD R) Increases the offense level for certain animal cruelty crimes. Provides that a person who recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally tethers a dog under certain circumstances while the dog is in the person's care, custody, or control commits unlawful tethering of a dog, a Class C misdemeanor. Amends and creates certain definitions for offenses relating to animals. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthors Representatives Mahan, McNamara  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ryan Hatfield  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1094](#)

HB1096 CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS OF MS4 OPERATORS (CULVER W) Prohibits a city, town, conservancy district, or other entity designated an "MS4 operator" from imposing construction requirements more stringent than the construction requirements established by the administrative rule of the environmental rules board concerning storm water runoff associated with construction activity.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 156-C  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs  
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1/3/2018 - Authored By Wes Culver  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1096](#)

HB1099 UNIFORM FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (CHERRY R) Provides that a county fiscal body may impose a uniform food and beverage tax if the county is not required or authorized to impose a food and beverage tax under any other law (other than the stadium and convention funding food and beverage tax). Specifies that the tax rate may not exceed 1% and must be imposed in increments of 0.25%. Provides that revenue from the tax may be used by the county, after appropriation by the county fiscal body, only for: (1) capital improvements that promote economic development in the county, including fairgrounds, convention centers, or conference centers; (2) certain costs that are necessary or useful for such a capital improvement; and (3) paying the principal and interest of any bonds issued or lease rental payments for a lease entered into for these purposes. Specifies that the tax revenue may not be used to pay any operating expenses. Authorizes the county fiscal body to pledge the tax revenue to pay bonds issued, loans obtained, and lease payments or other obligations incurred by or on behalf of the county for purposes authorized under the uniform food and beverage tax law. Specifies that a uniform food and beverage tax imposed in a county remains in effect until the earlier of: (1) the date on which the county fiscal body rescinds the food and beverage tax; or (2) the last day of the month beginning immediately after the tenth anniversary of the date on which the food and beverage tax was first imposed in the county.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By Robert Cherry

HB1101 MINIMUM VALUATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY (HEINE D) Provides that the minimum valuation rules for the assessment of tangible personal property do not apply to tangible personal property that a taxpayer acquires after June 30, 2018.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Dave Heine

Priority: Tier 1 - High  
State Bill Page: [HB1101](#)

HB1104 PROPERTY TAX MATTERS (LEONARD D) Specifies the deadlines for county auditors to submit property tax settlement and distribution information to the department of local government finance (DLGF). Repeals the electronic digital signature act. Amends the definition of "owner" (for purposes of the property tax statutes) to delete the provision specifying that an owner of tangible property includes the holder of a tenancy for a term of years. Deletes obsolete language in the statutes exempting certain business personal property with an acquisition cost of less than \$20,000. Specifies that a taxpayer eligible for such an exemption must include on the taxpayer's personal property tax return: (1) information concerning whether the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is in one location or multiple locations; and (2) an address for the location of the property. Provides that if a local service fee is imposed on a taxpayer claiming such an exemption, the county shall include the local service fee on a property tax bill associated with the tax district in which the majority value of the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is located. Provides that a taxpayer may be charged only one local service fee per county. Specifies that if a penalty is imposed on a taxpayer for failing to declare on the taxpayer's tax return that the taxpayer is entitled to the exemption for business personal property with an acquisition cost of less than \$20,000, the county shall include the penalty on a property tax bill associated with the tax district in which the majority value of the taxpayer's business personal property within the county is located. Provides that the appropriate county officer designated by the county executive (rather than the assessor, under current law) is responsible for: (1) maintaining data files of the geographic information system characteristics of each parcel in the county as of each assessment date; and (2) submitting those files to the geographic information office of the office of technology. Provides that if an assessing official determines that the owner of a parcel of property is unable to use the property to the owner's full and complete benefit because: (1) the parcel is completely surrounded by parcels owned by other owners; and (2) the owner does not possess and cannot obtain an easement granting ingress or egress into the property or the owner is otherwise incapable of having sufficient ingress or egress to the property; the assessing official shall apply an influence factor for limited access as prescribed in the rules of the DLGF. Requires that the budget notice that political subdivisions must publish on the DLGF's computer gateway must also include information concerning the percentage change between the current and proposed tax levies of each fund. Requires county auditors to submit data on deductions applicable to the current tax year to the homestead property data base on or before March 15 of each year, in a manner prescribed by the DLGF. Repeals the statute providing for a county board of tax adjustment. Repeals provisions related to the county board of tax adjustment and the local budgeting process. Specifies that a political subdivision shall file the budget adopted by the political subdivision with the county auditor and the DLGF not later than two days after the budget is adopted. Authorizes the DLGF to adopt rules for procedures related to local government budgeting. Specifies that the adoption, amendment, or repeal of such a rule by the DLGF may not take effect before March 1 or after July 31 of a particular year. Specifies: (1) that rules adopted by the DLGF for the appraisal of real property may not apply to any appraisal contemporaneously being conducted under a county's reassessment plan; and (2) that rules adopted by the DLGF may first apply to the reassessment phase beginning in the following calendar year under a county's reassessment plan. Specifies that for purposes of attributing the amount of a property tax deduction or exemption to the gross assessed value of a property: (1) a deduction or exemption that is specific to an improvement shall be applied only to the assessed value allocation pertaining to that improvement; and (2) to the extent that a deduction or exemption is not specific to an improvement; the deduction or exemption shall be applied in the order that will maximize the benefit of the deduction or exemption to the taxpayer. Provides a property tax exemption for property owned by a continuing care retirement community when all or a part of the property does not otherwise qualify for a property tax exemption. Specifies that, in order to qualify for the exemption, the owner of the community must: (1) limit admission to senior citizens and their spouses; (2) be a nonprofit organization; (3) have an obligation to give senior citizens who are residents of the community priority, should the need arise, to be moved to a facility within the community that provides higher levels of care; and (4) have a policy of providing assistance to senior citizens who are residents of the community who become unable to make their payment obligation. Specifies that the base assessed value for tax increment financing purposes includes the net residential assessed value within the allocation area, as finally determined for the current assessment date. Makes technical corrections.

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1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Daniel Leonard  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1104](#)

HB1107 PUBLICATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT NOTICES (GUTWEIN D) Requires a political subdivision, which includes an agency of a political subdivision, to publish legal notices on a legal notice web site instead of in a newspaper. Establishes requirements regarding availability and accessibility of a legal notice web site. Requires the political subdivision to designate an official responsible for the electronic publication of legal notices. Provides that if a political subdivision does not have an official web site, legal notices shall be published on an official web site of the county government. Establishes requirements for the duration of the posting of a legal notice and proof of posting.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Doug Gutwein  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1107](#)

HB1109 VARIOUS PENSION MATTERS (CARBAUGH M) Provides that the default investment option for the legislators' defined contribution plan is a target date fund rather than the Indiana public retirement system's consolidated retirement investment fund. Removes a requirement that only active members of the public employees' retirement fund (PERF) and the Indiana teachers' retirement fund (TRF) may make rollover distributions into annuity savings accounts (ASA) from other qualified retirement accounts. Allows any PERF or TRF member who terminates employment and is not currently employed in a covered position or for the same employer to suspend fund membership, retain the member's creditable service, and withdraw all or part of the amount in the member's ASA before retirement. Requires employers eligible to purchase death benefit fund coverage for certain employees to pay for the coverage annually rather than quarterly. Removes charitable contributions as a voluntary benefit deduction for the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund and the state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan. Makes technical corrections. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on pension management oversight.)

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*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
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1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Burton  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Martin Carbaugh  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1109](#)

HB1110 SURVIVOR HEALTH COVERAGE (MACER K) Provides that, if the employer of a public safety officer who dies in the line of duty after June 30, 2018, offers health coverage for active employees, the employer shall offer to provide and pay for health coverage under the plan covering active employees for the surviving spouse and each natural child, stepchild, and adopted child of the public safety officer. Provides that health coverage for a surviving child continues: (1) until the child becomes 18 years of age; (2) until the child becomes 23 years of age, if the child is: (A) enrolled in and regularly attending a secondary school; or (B) a full-time student at an accredited college or university; or (3) during the entire period of the child's physical or mental disability; whichever period is longer.

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10:30 AM, Rm. 156-B  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthors Representatives Carbaugh, Forestal, Bacon  
1/10/2018 - House Insurance, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location:  
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1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Karlee Macer  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1110](#)

HB1111 AGE OF CONSENT (MACER K) Adds the criminal offense of indiscretion, which is committed when a person who is at

least 23 years of age engages in sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct, fondling, or touching with a child who is at least 16 years of age but less than 18 years of age. Provides that a teacher's license may be revoked or contract canceled for conviction of indiscretion. Adds indiscretion to the list of sex offenses. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as coauthors Representatives Ober, Hatfield, Lawson

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Karlee Macer

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [HB1111](#)

HB1112 CYBERSECURITY (MACER K) Establishes the cyber civilian corps and the cyber civilian corps advisory board. Requires the cyber civilian corps to provide rapid response assistance, upon request to an Indiana governmental, educational, nonprofit, or business organization, to a cybersecurity incident. Places the cyber civilian corps program under the supervision of the Indiana management and performance hub. Requires the department of technology to study the feasibility and necessity of acquiring insurance to cover cyber liability of the state and state employees and report to the legislative council the results of the study and recommendations.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Karlee Macer

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1112](#)

HB1115 LANDOWNER IMMUNITY FOR TRAIL ACCESS (HAMILTON C) Specifies that with respect to the statute that restricts a landowner's liability for an injury to a person or property caused by an act or failure to act of another person using the landowner's premises for certain recreational purposes, those purposes include another person going on or through the premises for the purpose of accessing a trail, a greenway, a park, or another similar area used for recreational purposes. Makes a technical change to include in the statute that lists Indiana Code provisions that: (1) are outside the Indiana Code title concerning civil law and procedure; and (2) confer immunity; the statute that provides immunity to owners of land used by persons for hunting, fishing, or trapping.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Culver

1/4/2018 - Authored By Carey Hamilton

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1115](#)

HB1120 STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MATTERS (KIRCHHOFER C) Changes references to "methamphetamine laboratory" to "contaminating controlled substance". Requires a law enforcement agency to report to the department of child services if a child is found at a site used for the illegal manufacture, use, or disposal of a contaminating controlled substance. Authorizes the state department of health (state department) instead of the Indiana department of environmental management (department) to certify qualified inspectors and oversee the decontamination of a site that has been used in the illegal manufacture, use, or disposal of a contaminating controlled substance. Specifies the responsibilities and procedure a property owner must complete regarding the decontamination and notice concerning a site that has been used in the illegal manufacture, use, or disposal of a contaminating controlled substance. Transfers from the department to the state department powers, duties, records, property, and rules concerning decontamination of a site that has been contaminated by a contaminating controlled substance. Requires a local board of health or health officer that issues an order to vacate a dwelling to record the order and any subsequent revocation of the order with the county recorder at no cost. Repeals the postnatal donation initiative. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Public Health

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Cindy Kirchofer

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1120](#)

HB1121 RAPE KIT TESTING (LUCAS J) Defines "kit" as a standard medical forensic examination kit for victims of a sex crime, as developed by the state police department. Requires the superintendent of the state police department (superintendent) to adopt guidelines that: (1) urge law enforcement agencies to send kits for testing not later than 21 days after receiving notice of a completed kit from a forensic medical services provider; (2) urge crime labs to test kits within 30 days of receipt; (3) urge law enforcement agencies to test previously untested kits; (4) urge law enforcement agencies to eliminate any backlog associated with untested kits in their possession not later than



October 31, 2018; and (5) allow for the reporting of certain statistics related to kit inventory and testing. Requires the superintendent to provide information to the interim study committee on corrections and criminal code concerning: (1) the entering of tested kit results into the combined DNA index system (CODIS); (2) the number of untested kits possessed by law enforcement agencies statewide; and (3) the reasons for delays in kit testing. Requires a forensic medical services provider to notify a law enforcement agency regarding the completion of a kit not later than 24 hours after the kit is completed. Requires the department of homeland security to develop best practices and guidelines designed to assist crime labs and law enforcement agencies with the elimination of untested kit backlogs. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Jim Lucas

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1121](#)

HB1122 TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE FOR CEMETERY MAINTENANCE (MAY C) Authorizes the trustee of a township to provide financial assistance for maintenance purposes to a cemetery that is operated by a nonprofit organization and located in the township if the trustee reasonably believes that: (1) the funds available to the cemetery from its perpetual care fund and other sources are not sufficient to provide for the necessary maintenance of the cemetery; and (2) providing financial assistance to the cemetery will help to prevent the full responsibility for maintenance of the cemetery from falling on the township. Provides, for purposes of the law concerning township care of cemeteries, that the maintenance of a cemetery includes mowing the lawn.

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1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Chris May

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1122](#)

HB1124 SALE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS (MAY C) Provides that if: (1) two or more school corporations consolidate or reorganize; and (2) a school building becomes closed, unused, or unoccupied as a result of the consolidation or reorganization; the governing body of the consolidated or reorganized school corporation may request from the department of education (department) a waiver from the requirements for making the vacant school building available to a charter school before the school corporation may sell or exchange the building. Requires the department to grant the waiver if requested. Resolves conflicts between P.L.217-2017, P.L.241-2017, and P.L.244-2017.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Education

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Chris May

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1124](#)

HB1125 VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS (MAY C) Requires a township trustee to: (1) make a separate estimated expenditure for legal services related to a contract with a volunteer fire department for fire protection services or emergency services; and (2) get the approval of the township board before hiring an attorney or paying legal fees related to a contract with a volunteer fire department for fire protection or emergency services. Specifies the requirements for a contract for services between a political subdivision and a volunteer fire department.

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1125](#)

HB1126 BROWN COUNTY ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY ADMISSIONS TAX (MAY C) Authorizes Brown County to impose a \$1 admissions tax upon admissions to a county-owned, indoor entertainment facility (facility). Specifies that the revenue may be used only for retiring debt related to the facility, paying lease rentals related to the facility, paying for costs to improve or construct infrastructure serving the facility, and paying for costs related to capital repairs and maintenance of the facility. Permits the county to enter into an operating lease with the tourism commission and a

contract with a nonprofit organization to operate the facility.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Chris May

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1126](#)

HB1127 INTERSTATE COMPACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL SPORTS (WESCO T) Requires the attorney general to enter into an interstate compact prohibiting public money for professional sports stadiums and venues. Specifies that at least 24 other states must also agree to the compact.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Statutory Committee on Interstate and International Cooperation

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Timothy Wesco

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [HB1127](#)

HB1128 COMPULSORY SEWER SYSTEM CONNECTION (THOMPSON J) Provides that, for a municipality to require a property owner to discontinue use of the property owner's septic system and connect to a sewer system, the sanitary sewer must be located within 300 feet of the foundation of the building on the property owner's property from which the sewage is discharged. (Under current law, it is necessary only for the sanitary sewer to be located within 300 feet of the property line of the property.) Provides that a property owner cannot be required to discontinue use of the property owner's septic system and connect to the sewer system of a municipality, a not-for-profit sewer utility, or a regional sewage district if, in connecting the property owner's property to the sewer system, it would be necessary: (1) for the connection to cross property owned by any other property owner; or (2) for the connection to pass under a roadway. Makes these new limitations and conditions apply beginning January 1, 2018, except that they do not apply to the exercise by a not-for-profit utility, regional sewage district, or municipality of its power to require a property owner to discontinue use of the property owner's septic system and connect to a sewer system if, before January 1, 2018, the not-for-profit utility, regional sewage district, or municipality gave written notice by certified mail to the property owner that it was exercising its power to require the property owner to connect to the sewer system.

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1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Jeffrey Thompson

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [HB1128](#)

HB1129 UNIFORM TAX AND ANNEXATION WAIVERS (LEONARD D) Authorizes a municipal legislative body to impose by ordinance a municipal food and beverage tax. Provides that the tax may not exceed 1% of the gross retail income received from retail food and beverage transactions. Provides that the tax does not apply to a transaction that is exempt from the sales tax. Provides that the tax does not apply to a consolidated city, a municipality that has imposed a food and beverage tax under current law, or a municipality that is receiving county food and beverage tax revenue. Provides the following with regard to a waiver of remonstrance of annexation executed before, on, or after June 30, 2018: (1) The waiver is void if the waiver is recorded more than 90 business days after the date the waiver was executed. (2) The waiver expires not later than 15 years after the date the waiver was executed. (3) A void or expired waiver does not invalidate an annexation that was effective on or before July 1, 2018.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Daniel Leonard

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [HB1129](#)

HB1131 OPIATE RISK INFORMATION (DAVISSON S) Provides that before issuing an initial prescription for an opiate, a practitioner shall specifically discuss with the patient who is at least 18 years of age or the patient's parent or guardian certain information concerning opiates. Requires the practitioner to include a note of the conversation in the patient's medical record. Creates an exception for patients receiving hospice care.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Public Health

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Steven Davisson

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1131](#)

- HB1132 GOLF CART, OFF-ROAD VEHICLE, AND RECOVERY VEHICLE REGULATION (DAVISSON S) Provides that local ordinances concerning the operation of golf carts and off-road vehicles may require the operator to have a driver's license or be at least 16 years and 180 days of age and hold an identification card. (Current law requires local ordinances to impose these requirements.) Defines "recovery vehicle" as a truck that is specifically designed for towing a disabled vehicle or a combination of vehicles. Requires a person who is in the business of operating a recovery vehicle to: (1) employ a certified safety officer; and (2) develop safety procedures to promote safe recovery vehicle operations and public safety. Requires the state police department to approve training programs to certify individuals as safety officers to teach safe recovery vehicle operations and public safety.  
*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Steven Davisson  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1132](#)
- HB1133 ADDICTION TREATMENT TEAMS AND MEDICAID (DAVISSON S) Establishes Medicaid reimbursement, including reimbursement under the healthy Indiana plan, for addiction treatment teams. Specifies providers and services that must be included as part of an addiction treatment team. Allows addiction treatment teams to provide services in temporary locations and mobile units in specified conditions.  
*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Public Health  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Steven Davisson  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1133](#)
- HB1134 DRUG ADDICTION WORKFORCE RECOVERY PROGRAM (DAVISSON S) Requires the division of mental health and addiction (division) to establish a drug addiction workforce recovery program (program). Provides that the program is to assist employers who have recently hired or offered to hire individuals who are qualified for employment with the employer and have failed an initial drug screening, to employ the individual if the individual agrees to participate in a drug education and addiction treatment program as a condition of employment. Establishes requirements for the program. Provides that the division may allow an employer to deduct from the employee's wages to pay for a part of the employee's drug education and addiction treatment services if the employee has assigned the wages. Requires that the department of workforce development and the state department of health shall assist the division in administering the program. Provides that if an employer and employee comply with the program, the employer is not liable in a civil action alleging negligent hiring for negligence of the employee. Allows the department of workforce development to develop an incentive program for employers who participate in the program.  
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1/4/2018 - Authored By Steven Davisson  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1134](#)
- HB1136 VIGO COUNTY FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (HEATON R) Authorizes the county council of Vigo County to adopt a county food and beverage tax (tax). Provides that the tax rate may not exceed 1%. Specifies the revenue from the tax shall be distributed to the capital improvement board and may be used by the board only for the following purposes: (1) The acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance, or financing of a convention center or a facility that is used or will be used principally for convention or tourism related events serving national or regional markets and is constructed after June 30, 2018. (2) A project or improvement that will be used after June 30, 2018, principally for tourism related events serving national or regional markets. (3) The payment of the principal and interest on bonds issued to finance these purposes. Specifies that the tax expires December 31, 2043.  
*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Robert Heaton  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1136](#)
- HB1137 INDUSTRIAL HEMP (LUCAS J) Removes the exclusion of industrial hemp commodities or products from the definition of "industrial hemp". Specifies that the definition of "industrial hemp" includes the resins of the Cannabis sativa plant.

Removes a reference to the percent on a dry weight basis determined by the federal Controlled Substances Act in determining the crop wide average concentration of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) from the definition of "industrial hemp" and for the state seed commissioner's (seed commissioner) ability to detain, seize, or embargo the crop. Defines "industrial hemp product" as any product that is derived from or contains derivatives of industrial hemp that is cultivated in Indiana or in another jurisdiction. Removes a requirement that the seed commissioner apply for necessary permissions, waivers, or other forms of legal status by the United States Drug Enforcement Agency or other appropriate federal agency to implement the state industrial hemp law. Requires a grower or handler to submit to the seed commissioner certain information before a grower or handler may alter the property on which the grower or handler cultivates industrial hemp or conducts research and development operations concerning industrial hemp. Provides that a person may process, manufacture, possess, transport, sell, distribute, buy, or otherwise use industrial hemp or industrial hemp products if certain requirements are met. Provides that a person who complies with the requirements of the state industrial hemp law is not subject to any civil action or criminal proceeding for engaging in an activity allowed under the state industrial hemp law. Amends the definition of "cannabidiol" to specify that cannabidiol may contain: (1) not more than 0.3% THC; (2) at least 5% cannabidiol; and (3) no other controlled substances. Legalizes cannabidiol. Repeals superseded provisions relating to cannabidiol registration. Specifies that the definitions of: (1) "controlled substance"; (2) "controlled substance analog"; (3) "hashish"; (4) "hash oil"; and (5) "marijuana"; do not include industrial hemp, an industrial hemp product, or cannabidiol.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 156-A

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1/9/2018 - Authored By Jim Lucas

*State Bill Page:* [HB1137](#)

HB1138

LOCAL TAX MATTERS (ELLINGTON J) Provides that the local income tax council is the county adopting body for purposes of the local income tax only if: (1) the county income tax council (under the prior law) adopted either the county option income tax or the county economic development income tax; and (2) the population of the county is more than 140,000. Specifies that in all other cases, the county adopting body is the county council. Provides that Highland Township in Greene County may increase its maximum township property tax levy for 2019 and thereafter. Provides that Taylor Township in Greene County may increase its maximum township property tax levy and its maximum fire protection and emergency services property tax levy for 2019 and thereafter.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Jeff Ellington

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [HB1138](#)

HB1139

BUILDING CODES (ELLINGTON J) Prohibits a city, town, or county from adopting an ordinance that includes more stringent or detailed requirements that conflict with the fire prevention and building safety commission's rules. Prohibits a state agency from enforcing rules that conflict with the fire prevention and building safety commission's rules. Prohibits a political subdivision from enforcing ordinances or other regulations that conflict with the fire prevention and building safety commission's rules or have not been approved by the fire prevention and building safety commission. Requires a political subdivision to revise an ordinance or other regulation if the fire prevention and building safety commission sends a notice that the ordinance or other regulation duplicates, conflicts with, or overlaps with the rules of the fire prevention and building safety commission.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Jeff Ellington

*State Bill Page:* [HB1139](#)

HB1140

AGREEMENT FOR ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS BUREAU (MILLER D) Allows a county to enter into an interlocal agreement with a city to handle its ordinance violations through the city court. Allows a city court to maintain jurisdiction over these matters.

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1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Doug Miller

*State Bill Page:* [HB1140](#)

- HB1141 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER FUNDING (SCHAIBLEY D) Provides that the annual community mental health center funding amount determined for a county is reduced by the proportional share of any circuit breaker credits that are allocated to the fund from which that funding is paid. Specifies that the funding provided by a county to community mental health centers shall be used solely for: (1) the operations of community mental health centers serving the county; or (2) contributing to the nonfederal share of medical assistance payments to community mental health centers serving the county. Provides that unless otherwise agreed to by the county and the designated community mental health center serving the county, the county shall appropriate funds annually and shall disburse the funds directly to the community mental health centers on December 1 and June 1. Provides that the governing board of a community mental health center must include a member of a county fiscal body, a county commissioner, or a designee of the county executive, as appointed by the county executive. (Current law requires a member of the county fiscal body, or a designee of such a person, to be a member of the governing board.) Requires the annual report by a community mental health center to be made to the division of mental health and addiction (division) and to the fiscal body and the board of county commissioners of each county located in the community mental health center's primary service area. (Under current law the report is made only to the county fiscal body.) Specifies certain information that must be included in the annual reports provided by community mental health centers. Requires the division to specify the format of the annual reports that must be provided by community mental health centers. Requires the division to provide an annual report containing certain information to the county fiscal body and board of county commissioners of each county. Removes the requirement that a county must pay the appropriated amounts to the division. Removes provisions: (1) specifying how the payments to the division must be made; and (2) requiring a county that provides funding to a community mental health center that qualifies as a community mental health center disproportionate share provider to make certain certifications.
- Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 404
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1/8/2018 - Authored By Donna Schaibley
- State Bill Page:* [HB1141](#)
- HB1142 MEDICAL PAYMENT COVERAGE (SCHAIBLEY D) Specifies that medical payment coverage is supplemental to coverage under a health plan or public health coverage program. Specifies that: (1) the amount paid under medical payment coverage must not exceed the amount to which the health care provider agreed as payment in full for a health care service under the covered individual's health plan or public health coverage program; and (2) the covered individual is not liable for any amount that exceeds the amount to which the health care provider agreed as described in (1).
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Young J
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Insurance  
1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Donna Schaibley
- State Bill Page:* [HB1142](#)
- HB1143 PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES (SCHAIBLEY D) Specifies requirements for prior authorization of health plan coverage and claim payment, including provisions requiring electronic transmission of prior authorization requests and responses or, in certain circumstances, use of a standard prior authorization form established by the department of insurance.
- Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Insurance, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 156-B
- All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Austin  
1/9/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Carbaugh  
1/8/2018 - Referred to House Insurance  
1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Donna Schaibley
- State Bill Page:* [HB1143](#)
- HB1144 LOCAL REGULATION OF FIREWORKS (SCHAIBLEY D) Changes: (1) the dates on which a county or municipal ordinance may limit the use of fireworks in the county or municipality; and (2) the types of fireworks to which such an ordinance may apply.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Torr
- All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Public Policy  
1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Donna Schaibley



- HB1146 CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYABILITY (HARRIS JR. E) Creates a certificate of employability for persons convicted of misdemeanors and certain felonies. Provides that a court shall issue a certificate of employability to persons convicted of misdemeanors and Class D or Level 6 felonies under certain circumstances, and that a court may issue a certificate of employability to persons convicted of certain more serious felonies. Establishes a procedure to petition for a certificate of employability and requires payment of the civil filing fee to petition for a certificate of employability. Provides that a petition for a certificate of employability may be filed not earlier than: (1) six months after the date of conviction, in the case of a misdemeanor; (2) one year after the date of conviction, in the case of Class D or Level 6 felonies; (3) three years after the date of conviction or one year after the date the sentence is completed, in the case of more serious felonies; and (4) six years after the date of conviction or two years after the date the sentence is completed, in the case of the most serious felonies. Prohibits the granting of a certificate of employability to sex and violent offenders and persons convicted of specified serious crimes. Provides immunity to employers in negligent hiring cases who hire persons with a certificate of employability under certain circumstances.
- Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Smith, V  
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1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Earl Harris Jr
- State Bill Page:* [HB1146](#)
- HB1147 POLICE OFFICER AND FIREFIGHTER PENSIONS (HARRIS JR. E) Increases from \$12,000 to \$18,000 the lump sum death benefit for a member of the 1925 police pension fund (1925 fund), the 1937 firefighters' pension fund (1937 fund), the 1953 police pension fund (1953 fund), or the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund (1977 fund). Increases from \$150,000 to \$225,000 the special death benefit for a member of the 1925 fund, the 1937 fund, the 1953 fund, or the 1977 fund who dies in the line of duty. Removes the 3% cap on cost of living increases for members of the 1977 fund.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Earl Harris Jr
- State Bill Page:* [HB1147](#)
- HB1148 PROFESSIONAL SPORTS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (HARRIS JR. E) Establishes the northwest Indiana professional sports development commission. Authorizes the commission to study various plans and recommendations that are proposed with respect to attracting a professional sports franchise to northwest Indiana. Authorizes the commission to prepare a comprehensive master plan for building the facilities and other infrastructure necessary for attracting and developing one or more professional sports franchises in northwest Indiana. Creates the professional sports development fund.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Earl Harris Jr
- State Bill Page:* [HB1148](#)
- HB1149 FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS (OLTHOFF J) Authorizes the board of fire trustees (board) of a fire protection district that: (1) was established before 1990; and (2) provides fire protection service in at least two counties; to adopt a resolution providing that, in addition to any other powers and duties, the fire protection district shall establish, operate, and maintain emergency medical services within the territory of the fire protection district. Provides that if a board adopts such a resolution, the department of local government finance shall increase the district's maximum property tax levy by a percentage of the amounts expended for emergency medical services by the county in which the district is located.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Julie Olthoff
- State Bill Page:* [HB1149](#)
- HB1150 CBD OIL (JUDY C) Defines "CBD oil" as a product that contains: (1) not more than 0.3% THC; (2) at least 5% cannabidiol; and (3) no other controlled substances. Legalizes CBD oil. Repeals superseded provisions relating to cannabidiol registration. Authorizes the alcohol and tobacco commission (ATC) to adopt rules concerning: (1) the testing of the THC concentration in certain substances; (2) the approval of a laboratory to conduct THC testing; (3) the certification of THC test results; and (4) the manner in which CBD oil may be sold. Makes violation of ATC rules relating to the sale of CBD oil a Class B infraction.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Chris Judy  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1150](#)

- HB1152 TRAFFIC AMNESTY PROGRAM (SHACKLEFORD R) Establishes a temporary traffic amnesty program to permit certain persons owing unpaid traffic fines, or who may be required to pay a fee for reinstatement of driving privileges, to obtain a reduction in the amount owed or amount payable. Specifies that a person seeking a reduction in fees owed is not required to pay a court filing fee but is required to pay a \$50 administrative fee.  
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1/8/2018 - Authored By Robin Shackelford  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1152](#)
- HB1154 PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICTS IN ANNEXED TERRITORY (HEINE D) Provides that the fiscal officer for a park and recreation district (district) containing territory that a municipality annexes or has annexed shall semiannually transfer to the annexing municipality's parks and recreation department (department) one-half of the property tax revenue attributable to property taxes imposed by the district on property that is within the annexed territory and that was annexed after June 1, 1976, and before March 4, 1988. Establishes a schedule for the fiscal officer for the district in the annexed territory to make the semiannual property tax transfers to the annexing municipality's department.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Dave Heine  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1154](#)
- HB1155 COUNTY REPAIR OF SUBDIVISION DRAINS (BURTON W) Authorizes the executive of a county to enter into a contract with a subdivision homeowners association providing: (1) for the county to repair subdivision drains located in the subdivision; and (2) for owners of property in the subdivision to pay assessments to pay the cost of the repairs; if a majority of the members of the homeowners association approve the contract. Requires the county treasurer of a county that enters into such contracts to establish a county subdivision drain repair fund, to create a separate account within the fund for each subdivision with which the county enters into a contract, and to deposit assessments paid by the owners of property in a subdivision into the account created for that subdivision. Provides that the assessments imposed on a subdivision's homeowners shall be set by the county treasurer at an amount not greater than reasonably necessary to meet the cost of repairing the subdivision's drains and that the charge for a homeowner's assessment may appear on the homeowner's semiannual property tax statement. Provides that unpaid assessments may be collected in the manner in which other unpaid special assessments are collected.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Local Government  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Woody Burton  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1155](#)
- HB1159 REGULATION OF DAMS (FRIEND W) Provides that the laws regulating dams apply only to a structure that meets two or more of the following conditions: (1) Exceeds 20 feet in height. (2) Has a drainage area above the dam of more than one square mile. (3) Impounds a volume of more than 100 acre-feet of water. Requires the department of natural resources (department) to establish a classification system for dams based on: (1) the height of the structure and the volume of water impounded by the structure; and (2) the force of the water and the likely consequences resulting from the uncontrolled release of its contents due to a failure or misoperation of the structure. Changes the classification categories for dams from high hazard, significant hazard, and low hazard to high capacity, significant capacity, and low capacity. Changes the standard to determine potential consequences for a failure from "may cause" to "likely to cause". Requires the department to have jurisdiction over a dam to raise the dam's classification to high capacity upon receiving a request from a downstream owner. Provides that changes to the law do not affect past inspections.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Natural Resources  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By William Friend  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1159](#)
- HB1160 SENTENCE ENHANCEMENT FOR USE OF A FIREARM (HAMM R) Requires the state to seek to have a person who

allegedly committed a felony sentenced to an additional fixed term of imprisonment of 10 years if the state can show beyond a reasonable doubt that the person knowingly or intentionally used a firearm in the commission of the felony. Provides that if the state proves beyond a reasonable doubt that a person knowingly or intentionally used a firearm in the commission of a felony, the court shall sentence the person to an additional fixed term of imprisonment of 10 years. Specifies that the additional fixed term of imprisonment is nonsuspendible. Prohibits a plea agreement from being made by a prosecuting attorney to a court if the plea agreement would prohibit: (1) the prosecuting attorney from seeking to have a person sentenced to the additional fixed term of imprisonment of 10 years; or (2) the court from sentencing a person to the additional fixed term of imprisonment of 10 years; if the state can show beyond a reasonable doubt that the person knowingly or intentionally used a firearm in the commission of a felony. Makes conforming amendments. Repeals superseded provisions.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading

1/8/2018 - Authored By Richard Hamm

*State Bill Page:* [HB1160](#)

HB1161

LOCAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY TAX RATES (CHERRY R) Specifies that the statute requiring the adjustment of certain property tax rates does not apply to a local airport authority's cumulative building fund tax rate. Specifies that an airport authority may increase the tax rate for its cumulative building fund without complying with procedures under the cumulative fund statute. Requires an airport authority to give notice of the proposed increase and hold a public hearing on the proposal before increasing the tax rate. Makes technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading

1/8/2018 - Authored By Robert Cherry

*State Bill Page:* [HB1161](#)

HB1165

SCHOOL BUSES (COOK A) Establishes the school bus safety equipment grant fund (fund), administered by the department of education, to provide grants to school corporations seeking to purchase or equip school buses and special purpose buses with 3-point lap and shoulder safety belts or, if recommended by the state school bus committee, other proven safety equipment. Provides that a governing body may apply for a grant from the fund in an amount equal to 50% of the cost of purchasing or equipping a school bus or special purpose bus with 3-point lap and shoulder safety belts or other safety equipment. Requires a governing body seeking to purchase a school bus or special purpose bus to request information concerning the cost of purchasing a school bus or special purpose bus equipped with 3-point lap and shoulder safety belts. Requires the governing body to hold a public hearing on the costs and benefits of purchasing a school bus or special purpose bus with 3-point lap and shoulder safety belts before voting on whether to purchase a school bus or special purpose bus equipped with 3-point lap and shoulder safety belts. Allows a school corporation to use a portion of a grant from the safe schools fund or the secured school fund toward purchase or equipping school buses and special purpose buses with safety equipment. Requires each occupant of a school bus or special purpose bus that has a 3-point lap and shoulder safety belt to have the 3-point lap and shoulder safety belt properly fastened about the occupant's body at all times when the bus is in motion. Provides for an exception to the laws concerning other types of passenger restraint systems. Makes an appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Schaibley

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Education

1/8/2018 - First Reading

1/8/2018 - Authored By Anthony Cook

*State Bill Page:* [HB1165](#)

HB1167

SCHOOL CORPORATION FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (COOK A) Provides that a school corporation's rainy day fund may be used to pay for teacher bonuses and stipends. Permits money in a school corporation's operations fund at the end of a year to be transferred to the school corporation's rainy day fund. Combines various levies into a single operations fund levy beginning in 2019. Changes provisions concerning the education fund and operations fund. Specifies the items to be included in a school corporation's capital projects plan. Changes the reasons for which a school corporation may appeal to increase the school corporation's operations fund levy for transportation purposes. Resolves conflicts among various 2017 acts that take effect before the education funding and accounting changes made by HEA 1009-2017.

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1/8/2018 - First Reading

1/8/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Brown T

State Bill Page: [HB1167](#)

- HB1170 SPEED LIMIT ON U.S. 40 (SAUNDERS T) Establishes that the speed limit on U.S. 40 within the corporate limits of an incorporated city or town is 30 miles per hour.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Hamm  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Thomas Saunders  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1170](#)
- HB1171 STUDY CONCERNING PROPERTY TAXES (SAUNDERS T) Urges a legislative interim study of property tax exemptions, property tax deductions, the stability of the property tax base, and providing public services that benefit property that is property tax exempt.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Hamm  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Thomas Saunders  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1171](#)
- HB1172 STUDY OF FUNDING TOWNSHIP FIREFIGHTING (SAUNDERS T) Urges the legislative council to assign to the appropriate interim study committee the task of studying issues related to the funding of township firefighting services.  
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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Hamm  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Thomas Saunders  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1172](#)
- HB1174 INSTALLATION OF USED TIRES (MORRIS R) Prohibits a supplier from installing or offering to install an unsafe used tire on a motor vehicle. Provides that a person who knowingly violates these provisions is subject to a civil penalty of \$500 for each violation.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 11; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 156-A  
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1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Robert Morris  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1174](#)
- HB1177 DRUG TESTING OF EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS (SUMMERS V) Provides that, unless federal law requires otherwise, a drug test given to an individual by or on behalf of an employer, or by or on behalf of a prospective employer as a condition of an offer of employment, may not include a screening for THC.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Vanessa Summers  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1177](#)
- HB1178 UNLAWFUL PROPOSITION OF A MINOR (HAMILTON C) Provides that the crime of making an unlawful proposition is a Level 6 felony if the person unlawfully propositions a person less than 18 years of age.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Torr, Schaibley and Wright  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Carey Hamilton  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1178](#)
- HB1179 COURT CLERK ADMINISTRATIVE FEE (KERSEY C) Allows a clerk of a city or town court to retain a court clerk administrative fee from the excess amounts of bail, fines, civil penalties, and certain fees and court costs collected by the clerk. (Current law allows only a clerk of a circuit court to retain an administrative fee.) Increases the maximum

amount of the court clerk administrative fee from \$3 to \$5.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading

1/8/2018 - Authored By Clyde Kersey

*State Bill Page:* [HB1179](#)

HB1180

EMT USE OF INJECTABLE EPINEPHRINE (MAHAN K) Requires the emergency medical services commission to establish training and certification standards for the administration of epinephrine through a prefilled syringe and a syringe and ampule by an emergency medical technician (EMT). Allows an EMT who has been certified to administer epinephrine through an auto-injector, a prefilled syringe, and a syringe and ampule.

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1/8/2018 - First Reading

1/8/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Davisson, Brown T and Hatfield

1/8/2018 - Authored By Kevin Mahan

*State Bill Page:* [HB1180](#)

HB1184

SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS (ERRINGTON S) Repeals (from Title 16) and replaces (in Title 35) a chapter relating to victims of sexual assault. Specifies that law enforcement officers, providers, or victim advocates shall order medical forensic examinations to be conducted at a sexual assault treatment center (rather than at a general hospital) if practicable. Provides for the establishment of a sexual assault response team (SART) in a county without a SART. Defines "sexual assault forensic examiner" (SAFE) and specifies the duties of a SAFE. Requires SARTs to develop a plan for the treatment of sexual assault crime victims, and specifies certain provisions that must be included in the plan. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading

1/9/2018 - Authored By Sue Errington

*State Bill Page:* [HB1184](#)

HB1187

E-LIQUIDS TAXES (KLINKER S) Imposes a tax on e-liquids that contain nicotine at a rate of \$0.10 per fluid milliliter of consumable product. Deposits the revenue from the tax in the state general fund and the addiction services fund.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading

1/9/2018 - Authored By Sheila Klinker

*State Bill Page:* [HB1187](#)

HB1188

FUNDING FOR VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS (KLINKER S) Requires the auditor of state to transfer from the build Indiana fund before October 1 of each year: (1) \$2,000,000 to the Indiana Veterans' Home; and (2) \$400,000 each to the American Legion, the Disabled American Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, AMVETS, and the Vietnam Veterans of America.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading

1/9/2018 - Authored By Sheila Klinker

*State Bill Page:* [HB1188](#)

HB1191

REPORTING OF SUSPECTED HUMAN TRAFFICKING (ENGLEMAN K) Removes the requirement that a licensed health practitioner report suspected human trafficking to the department of child services or a local law enforcement agency.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Family, Children and Human Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 156-A

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Family, Children and Human Affairs

1/9/2018 - First Reading

1/9/2018 - Authored By Karen Engleman

*State Bill Page:* [HB1191](#)

- HB1193 STUDY OF INJURED PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER MONUMENT (SPEEDY M) Urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate interim study committee the task of studying the construction of an injured public safety officer monument.
- Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - House Bills on Second Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/16/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 12; Nays: 0  
1/16/2018 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 156-D  
1/9/2018 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety  
1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Mike Speedy
- State Bill Page:* [HB1193](#)
- HB1197 VETERANS MATTERS (SPEEDY M) Requires the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) to issue a permanent parking placard to a disabled Hoosier veteran when requested. Removes the veteran and spouse indication from credentials issued by the bureau. Provides that an individual may use a United States Department of Veterans Affairs Identification Card to present to the bureau in order to receive a Hoosier veteran license plate.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Mike Speedy
- State Bill Page:* [HB1197](#)
- HB1198 WORK SHARING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (VANNATTER H) Establishes a work sharing unemployment insurance program. Requires an employer that desires to participate in the work sharing unemployment insurance program to submit a work sharing plan for approval by the commissioner of the department of workforce development. Establishes the work sharing benefit as equal to an affected employee's unemployment benefit reduced by a percentage that is equivalent to the number of hours by which an affected employee's normal weekly work hours are reduced divided by the employer's number of normal weekly work hours.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Heath VanNatter
- State Bill Page:* [HB1198](#)
- HB1199 VETERANS PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION (VANNATTER H) Eliminates the assessed value cap of \$175,000 that applies to the property tax deduction for a veteran who: (1) has a total disability; or (2) is at least 62 years of age and has at least a 10% disability.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Heath VanNatter
- State Bill Page:* [HB1199](#)
- HB1200 INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR MILITARY INCOME (LINDAUER S) Provides that income received for military service (other than qualified military income) or received as a retirement or a survivor's benefit paid because of an individual's military service is wholly deductible if the amount of the income is less than the specified maximum amount. Specifies that the maximum amount of the deduction for income received for military service (other than qualified military income) or received as a retirement or a survivor's benefit paid because of an individual's military service is equal to 12 times the monthly basic pay received as of July 1, 2017, by a member of the armed forces of the United States who: (1) served at the pay grade of E-7 on July 1, 2017; and (2) had nine years of service as of July 1, 2017. (Current law allows a deduction against the first \$5,000 received for military service and a deduction of \$6,250 for income received from retirement or survivor benefits.)
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Mayfield, Bartels and Bartlett  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Shane Lindauer
- State Bill Page:* [HB1200](#)
- HB1204 BATTERY ON A UTILITY WORKER (MOSELEY C) Makes battery a Level 6 felony instead of a Class B misdemeanor if the battery is committed against a utility worker engaged in the ordinary course of the utility worker's employment. Makes the offense a Level 5 felony if: (1) the battery involved the placement of any bodily fluid or waste on a utility worker; and (2) the person who committed the offense knew or recklessly failed to know that the bodily fluid or



waste placed on the utility worker was infected with hepatitis, tuberculosis, or human immunodeficiency virus.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Saunders  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Charles Moseley

*State Bill Page:* [HB1204](#)

- HB1206 SNAP BENEFITS (TAYLOR III J) Removes the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) requirements for reentry court program participants. Provides that individuals who were receiving SNAP through a reentry court program continue to receive SNAP until the individual: (1) no longer meets the SNAP eligibility requirements; or (2) has received SNAP for the maximum period allowed. Allows individuals convicted of a drug offense to be eligible to participate in SNAP under the federal opt out option.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Family, Children and Human Affairs
- All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Joe Taylor III
- State Bill Page:* [HB1206](#)
- HB1207 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS (TAYLOR III J) Permits the department of local government finance under certain circumstances to cancel property taxes imposed on: (1) a nonprofit corporation organized for educational, literary, scientific, religious, or charitable purposes; (2) an entity organized as a church or religious entity; or (3) a cemetery corporation, firm, or association.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Joe Taylor III
- State Bill Page:* [HB1207](#)
- HB1208 SCHOOL DISCIPLINE (TAYLOR III J) Provides that an evidence based plan for improving student behavior and discipline in a school corporation: (1) may not contain any zero tolerance requirements; (2) must reduce disproportionality in discipline or inappropriately high rates of in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension, and expulsion; and (3) must limit referrals to law enforcement or arrests on school property to those necessary to protect the health and safety of other students or school employees. Adds a definition of "exclusion". Adds a definition of "positive discipline". Provides that a school's discipline policy must include a graduated system of discipline and incorporate positive discipline principles and establish clear limits for referring students to law enforcement officials only in cases necessary to protect the safety of other students or school employees. Makes various changes to provisions relating to school discipline to reduce student exclusion from school. Repeals a provision that provides that a principal may require a student at least 16 years of age who wishes to reenroll in school after an expulsion to attend certain alternative educational programs.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Education
- All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Joe Taylor III
- State Bill Page:* [HB1208](#)
- HB1209 ENFORCEMENT OF GUARANTEED SAVINGS CONTRACTS (FRIEND W) Provides that, for all guaranteed savings contracts, the governing body must provide the attorney general a copy of the executed guaranteed savings contract, preproject energy costs and documentation of stipulated project costs and capital expenditures. Provides that the attorney general shall review all guaranteed savings contracts and supporting documentation every three years. Provides that the attorney general may bring an action to enforce the terms of a guaranteed savings contract and recover the amount owed under the guaranteed savings contract. Provides that a court may award: (1) treble damages; or (2) \$25,000; whichever is greater, if the court finds that the qualified provider willfully or knowingly failed to comply with the terms of the contract. Allows for the attorney general to refer the case to the local prosecuting attorney if the attorney general suspects criminal activity.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - added as coauthor Representative Karickhoff  
1/9/2018 - Authored By William Friend
- State Bill Page:* [HB1209](#)
- HB1210 MAIN STREET DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS (BARTELS S) Provides that a city or town having a population that does not exceed 20,000 (eligible municipality) may establish a main street downtown redevelopment district (district) within the eligible municipality for the purpose of capturing sales tax collected by businesses located in the district. Provides that the sales tax increment distributed to each eligible municipality that establishes a district

may be used to pay for improvements in the district or the financing of improvements in the district.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Steve Bartels

*State Bill Page:* [HB1210](#)

HB1212 USE OF PURPLE MARKS TO DENY ENTRY TO PROPERTY (BARTELS S) Authorizes the use of purple marks to post real property against trespassers.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading  
1/11/2018 - Authored By Steve Bartels

*State Bill Page:* [HB1212](#)

HB1213 STATE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF PROPERTY TAXES (BARTELS S) Requires the state to make payments in lieu of property taxes (PILOTs) for qualified parcels in counties in which at least 15% of all land in the county is: (1) in the aggregate, owned or leased by the state of Indiana or the federal government; and (2) subject to an exemption from property taxes. Defines "qualified parcel" as a parcel that is: (1) owned or leased by the state of Indiana; (2) subject to an exemption from property taxes; and (3) located in a county to which this act applies. Provides that a county containing qualified parcels is entitled to receive PILOTs from the state. Provides that for purposes of calculating a PILOT, each acre of the qualified parcel is considered to have an assessed value of 1/2 of the statewide agricultural land base rate value. Annually appropriates from the state general fund the amount necessary to pay the required PILOTs.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Steve Bartels

*State Bill Page:* [HB1213](#)

HB1215 PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT APPEALS (SMITH V) Allows an immediate family member to be a tax representative for a property owner at a property tax assessment board of appeals hearing.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Vernon Smith

*State Bill Page:* [HB1215](#)

HB1216 LOAN FORGIVENESS FOR DISTRESSED SCHOOLS (SMITH V) Provides that certain school corporations that are distressed political subdivisions may qualify to have common school fund loans or advances forgiven. Provides that the budget agency may approve to deposit reversions to the state general fund into the common school fund to offset advances or loans forgiven.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Vernon Smith

*State Bill Page:* [HB1216](#)

HB1217 TOBACCO CRIMES (SMITH V) Raises the penalty from a Class C infraction to a Class B infraction if a person sells cigarettes other than in an unopened package. Raises the penalty from a Class C infraction to a Class B infraction if a person sells or distributes tobacco or an electronic cigarette to a person less than 18 years of age. Requires the alcohol and tobacco commission to revoke a tobacco sales certificate if a certificate holder has three convictions for certain tobacco crimes.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Vernon Smith

*State Bill Page:* [HB1217](#)

HB1218 EXPEDITED ASSESSMENT APPEALS (SMITH V) Provides that the appeal process for an assessment, deduction, or other appealable item begins with a hearing before the assessing official who made the assessment. Eliminates the preliminary informal meeting with the assessing official who made the assessment. Provides that for assessment purposes the true tax value of real property is the fair market value of the property. Voids the rule of the Indiana Administrative Code that requires assessments of real property to be based on the 2011 real property assessment manual.

*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Vernon Smith  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1218](#)

- HB1219 BAN ON FLAME RETARDANT MATERIAL (HAMILTON C) Defines "flame retardant chemical". Prohibits the manufacture, assembly, acceptance for sale, and selling of certain upholstered furniture, mattresses, and mattress pads that contain more than 0.1% of a flame retardant chemical or more than 0.1% of a mixture that contains a flame retardant chemical.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Public Health  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Carey Hamilton  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1219](#)
- HB1221 ZONING VARIANCE PROCEDURES (EBERHART S) Eliminates a requirement that a board of zoning appeals (board) must provide notice by publication before a hearing on an administrative appeal, exception, use, or variance. Prohibits a board from requiring a party by rule or ordinance to: (1) provide notice by publication; or (2) assume the cost of notice by publication and due notice to interested parties.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Local Government  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Sean Eberhart  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1221](#)
- HB1222 EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES FOR MINORS (LYNESS R) Eliminates the requirement that a child less than 18 years of age obtain an employment certificate. Makes conforming amendments.  
*Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - First Reading  
1/9/2018 - Authored By Randy Lyness  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1222](#)
- HB1223 ELECTRONIC REPORTING OF VALUABLE METAL PURCHASES (GUTWEIN D) Transfers the authority of the state police department with respect to valuable metal dealers to the state department of homeland security (DHS). Requires a metals business (an automobile scrapyards, automotive salvage recycler, core buyer, recycling facility, or valuable metal dealer) to electronically submit daily reports to the DHS concerning its valuable metal purchases. Requires the DHS to maintain ownership and control of the computer software system used for the electronic reporting and to retain the information for at least two years. Declares that the information submitted electronically is confidential but requires that the information must be made available to law enforcement agencies. Makes a metals business immune from civil liability arising from the disclosure of information concerning valuable metal purchases if the information is disclosed through a computer system breach and if the breach is caused by a person other than, and without the knowledge or consent of, the metals business. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a metals business to knowingly or intentionally fail to comply with record keeping or reporting requirements. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a person to recklessly sell or attempt to sell stolen valuable metal to a metals business. Requires the executive director of the DHS to adopt rules concerning the electronic reporting of valuable metal purchases. Precludes a unit of local government from adopting an ordinance to regulate metals businesses regarding the holding of or record keeping or reporting regarding scrap metal, ferrous metal, or nonferrous metal. Includes a statement by which the general assembly covenants not to repeal or amend the law on valuable metal purchases, except for technical corrections or increases in penalties for violations, before July 1, 2028.  
*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Commerce, Small Business and Economic Development  
*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading  
1/11/2018 - Authored By Doug Gutwein  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1223](#)
- HB1225 WIND POWER DEVICES (SAUNDERS T) Provides that a county official or a relative of a county official who has entered into an agreement for a lease, an easement, or another agreement with a developer (a person that seeks to obtain a right to locate a wind power device on real property or a person that seeks to locate a wind power device on real property in which the person owns an interest) concerning a wind power device shall recuse himself or herself from any matter that involves the ownership, operation, construction, or location of a wind power device in the county. Prohibits a county official or a relative of a county official who is subject to this recusal requirement from participating in a meeting in another county where a proposed wind power device is the subject of discussion. Establishes criteria that a developer must meet to record a lease, an easement, or another agreement for a wind power device. Requires the county recorder to: (1) publish and mail to each owner whose real property is located

within two miles of the real property that is the proposed location of a proposed wind power device, notice that includes: (A) a copy of the county's wind energy conversion system ordinance, if applicable; (B) a copy of the developer's registration statement, if any; and (C) the name and contact information of a county official to contact with questions about the proposed wind farm development; and (2) send an invoice to the developer of the county recorder's costs to comply with the notification requirements. Provides that a developer shall reimburse the county recorder for the county recorder's costs to comply with the notification requirements. Requires a developer to file with the circuit court clerk a registration statement that provides: (1) contact information for the developer; (2) contact information for any agent, representative, or employee that is working or will work for the developer; (3) the identity of each county official the developer has contacted or plans to contact; and (4) a list of proceedings held by the county at which the developer has participated or plans to participate. Imposes a penalty on a developer if the developer fails to file a registration statement with the clerk.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Ober and VanNatter

1/11/2018 - Authored By Thomas Saunders

*State Bill Page:* [HB1225](#)

HB1227

NOXIOUS WEEDS (BAIRD J) Specifies that waterhemp, marehail, and Palmer amaranth are noxious weeds for purposes of the weed control board law, which requires the weed control board to take all necessary and proper steps to control noxious weeds affecting agricultural production in Indiana.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 156-A

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthor Representative DeLaney

1/11/2018 - Referred to House Agriculture and Rural Development

1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Authored By James Baird

*State Bill Page:* [HB1227](#)

HB1228

DATA CONCERNING YOUTH IN ADULT COURT (MCNAMARA W) Requires the criminal justice institute to: (1) track certain information concerning juveniles under the jurisdiction of an adult court due to a juvenile court not having jurisdiction; (2) track certain information concerning waivers of juvenile court jurisdiction; and (3) publish the information annually.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Authored By Wendy McNamara

*State Bill Page:* [HB1228](#)

HB1230

SCHOOL SAFETY (MCNAMARA W) Requires the department of education (department) to maintain a link on the department's Internet web site providing parents and school officials with resources or best practices regarding the prevention or reporting of cyberbullying. Requires the department to maintain a link on the department's Internet web site regarding the identification and reporting of human trafficking. Requires certain employees of a school corporation or an accredited nonpublic school to receive at least one hour of inservice training annually pertaining to the identification and reporting of human trafficking. Provides that a school corporation's disciplinary rules pertaining to bullying must prohibit bullying through the use of data or computer software that is accessed through a computer or through a cellular telephone or other wireless or cellular communications device. (Current law provides that a school corporation's disciplinary rules pertaining to bullying must prohibit bullying through the use of data or computer software that is accessed through a computer.)

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthors Representatives Cook, Behning, Goodin

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Education

1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Authored By Wendy McNamara

*State Bill Page:* [HB1230](#)

HB1231

DISTRIBUTION OF REGISTRATION FEES (MCNAMARA W) Establishes the law enforcement training academy account (account) consisting of money deposited from various registration or license plate fees (various fees) imposed by the bureau of motor vehicles (BMV). Requires that the money in the account be expended for: (1) capital projects related to the building and grounds for a law enforcement academy; (2) technology equipment and services; (3) curriculum development; and (4) training equipment and supplies necessary to operate a law enforcement academy. Requires money from the account to be appropriated to: (1) the law enforcement training board for the law enforcement academy; (2) the northwest Indiana law enforcement academy; and (3) the southwest Indiana law enforcement academy. Provides for amounts from various fees to be distributed to the account and the state police building

account. Provides for \$0.10 of the various fees to be deposited into the law enforcement training academy after December 31, 2018. Provides that the current amount of \$0.25 of the various fees deposited into the state police building account will be increased by \$0.10 after December 31, 2018, by an additional \$0.05 after December 31, 2028, and by an additional \$0.05 after December 31, 2038. Makes an appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Authored By Wendy McNamara

*State Bill Page:* [HB1231](#)

HB1232 FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACT CARRIERS (AUSTIN T) Establishes a minimum level of financial responsibility of \$5,000,000 for contract carriers that transport railroad employees.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Carbaugh

1/11/2018 - Authored By Terri Jo Austin

*State Bill Page:* [HB1232](#)

HB1233 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT MATTERS (WOLKINS D) Provides that the term "onsite sewage system" applies to systems that treat sewage from municipalities or publicly owned treatment works. Strikes an incorrect statutory reference in the section defining that term. Requires the state department of health to adopt rules concerning the disposal of sewage through the use of onsite sewage systems. Amends the air pollution control law to add a reference to the law establishing the procedure for environmental rule making. Authorizes the use of certain regulated combustion facilities to dispose of drugs confiscated or collected as evidence by law enforcement agencies. Provides for the renewal of the certificate of a wastewater treatment plant operator, water treatment plant operator, or water distribution system operator after three years (instead of two years). Authorizes the environmental rules board to establish: (1) continuing education requirements; and (2) dates by which fees must be paid and proof of compliance with continuing education requirements must be submitted; as a condition of certificate renewal for wastewater treatment plant operators, water treatment plant operators, and water distribution system operators. Repeals a section providing that a countywide regional water, sewage, or solid waste district established in response to an agreed order must have one appointed trustee who resides in the area that was the subject of the investigation resulting in the agreed order and one appointed trustee who is an elected official representing a political subdivision that has territory in the district. Provides that at least three members of the board of trustees of a regional water, sewage, or solid waste district must be ratepayers of the district. Requires the state department of health to adopt rules concerning sewage disposal in agricultural labor camps through methods other than septic tank absorption fields.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 156-C

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs

1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Errington and Lehe

1/11/2018 - Authored By David Wolkins

*State Bill Page:* [HB1233](#)

HB1234 DRUG OVERDOSES (MORRIS R) Allows mental health and addiction forensic treatment services to be provided to individuals charged, after June 30, 2018, with a misdemeanor offense. Requires specified emergency services personnel to transport an individual who has been administered an overdose intervention drug to the hospital for additional treatment and a blood draw. Provides that probable cause to issue a warrant to test a person's blood for controlled substances exists if: (1) the person is revived after administration of an overdose intervention drug; and (2) certain other conditions are met. Establishes that it is abuse of a controlled substance, a Class A misdemeanor, for an individual to knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly use a controlled substance without a valid prescription.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Judy

1/11/2018 - Authored By Robert Morris

*State Bill Page:* [HB1234](#)

HB1237 CERTAIN NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS VOID (PIERCE M) Declares certain nondisclosure agreements entered into after March 31, 2018, involving sexual assault, sexual harassment, and sexual discrimination as against public policy and void.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading

State Bill Page: [HB1237](#)

- HB1238 CRIMINAL HISTORY DATA COLLECTION (OLTHOFF J) Requires the criminal justice data division of the state police department to collect criminal history data in a manner consistent with the most recent revisions to the Uniform Crime Reporting Program maintained and operated by the United States Department of Justice. Urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate study committee topics related to: (1) criminal data collection by the state police department; and (2) whether Indiana should amend its definition of "rape".
- Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading  
 1/16/2018 - Authored By Julie Olthoff
- State Bill Page: [HB1238](#)
- HB1240 POSTJUDGMENT INTEREST CHARGES (WASHBURNE T) Provides that, in calculating postjudgment interest in matters where there is no contract for interest: (1) no interest is due for the first 10 business days if there is no appeal of the judgment; and (2) a reduced rate of interest is owed if an appeal is filed.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading  
 1/16/2018 - Authored By Thomas Washburne
- State Bill Page: [HB1240](#)
- HB1241 EMPLOYEE RELOCATION TAX CREDIT (SMITH M) Provides an individual income tax credit against state income tax liability of an individual that relocates to Indiana to accept employment with an Indiana employer in a high demand, unfilled job in: (1) manufacturing; or (2) science, technology, engineering, or mathematics. Requires the Indiana department of work force development (DWD) to establish a registry of high demand, unfilled jobs for purposes of determining eligibility for the tax credit. Requires the DWD to collaborate with private employers and other entities in determining the jobs that are placed on the registry. Provides that an individual is entitled to the tax credit if the individual: (1) relocates to Indiana from out of state to accept a high demand, unfilled job in Indiana; (2) applies for and is issued a tax credit certificate from the DWD; (3) is a resident of Indiana; and (4) during the taxable year, is employed with the same employer that initially hired the individual. Provides that the tax credit may be claimed for: (1) the taxable year in which the individual relocates to Indiana to accept employment with an Indiana employer; and (2) the next four consecutively succeeding taxable years (the tax credit may not be claimed in more than five taxable years). Provides that the tax credit amount is 100% of the individual's adjusted gross income tax liability for the taxable year.
- Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading  
 1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Bacon  
 1/11/2018 - Authored By Milo Smith
- State Bill Page: [HB1241](#)
- HB1243 RESISTING LAW ENFORCEMENT (DEVON D) Provides that the offense of resisting law enforcement is a Level 5 felony if the person has two or more prior unrelated convictions for resisting law enforcement. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading  
 1/16/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives McNamara and Morris  
 1/16/2018 - Authored By Dale DeVon
- State Bill Page: [HB1243](#)
- HB1244 LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPOSURE TO COMMUNICABLE DISEASES (DEVON D) Provides that a law enforcement officer who is exposed to blood or body fluids may request to be included in the list of individuals who are provided with notification concerning exposure to a dangerous communicable disease.
- Current Status:* 1/24/2018 - House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
 Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 156-D  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety  
 1/16/2018 - First Reading  
 1/16/2018 - Authored By Dale DeVon
- State Bill Page: [HB1244](#)
- HB1245 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING (DEVON D) Provides that the state and a local governmental unit (unit) shall explicitly list



the crimes that will disqualify an individual from receiving an occupational license. Provides that the use of an individual's conviction of a crime as a disqualifying criminal conviction is limited to a crime that specifically and directly relates to the duties and responsibilities of the occupation for which the individual is applying for or holds a license. Provides that the period of disqualification may not exceed five years unless the individual: (1) was convicted of a crime of violence or an offense relating to a criminal sexual act; or (2) is convicted of a second or subsequent crime during the disqualification period. Provides that an individual having a criminal conviction may at any time petition the board or unit requiring a license for a determination as to whether the individual's criminal conviction will disqualify the individual from receiving that license. Provides that the state or a unit shall grant a license for an occupation that an individual qualifies for or learns by the completion of an apprenticeship program to any applicant who successfully: (1) completes the eighth grade; (2) completes the apprenticeship program; and (3) passes an examination required by the apprenticeship program with a passing score established by the board. Provides that, if an applicant successfully completes an apprenticeship program that does not require an examination, the state or a unit may not require the applicant to take and pass an examination before granting the applicant a license. Provides that the length of an apprenticeship program may not exceed four years. Provides that, after June 30, 2018, a unit does not have the power to: (1) license, register, or certify an individual to practice the individual's occupation; or (2) impose fees and taxes related to the issuance, renewal, or reinstatement of an occupational license; unless the unit's licensing requirement is in effect on June 30, 2018, and the occupation is not subject to, and does not become subject to, licensure, registration, or certification under the Indiana Code. Provides that a unit, after June 30, 2018, does not have the power to impose or enforce occupational licensing fees and taxes that exceed \$25 per year, and if the fees and taxes imposed by a unit before July 1, 2018, exceed that amount, the unit shall reduce the fees and taxes to \$25 or less.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading

1/16/2018 - Authored By Dale DeVon

*State Bill Page:* [HB1245](#)

HB1246 AUTOMATED TRAFFIC CONTROL IN CONSTRUCTION ZONES (MOSELEY C) Authorizes the state police department to establish an automated traffic control system to enforce highway work zone speed limits.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Soliday

1/11/2018 - Authored By Charles Moseley

*State Bill Page:* [HB1246](#)

HB1247 RENTER'S DEDUCTION FOR DISABLED VETERANS (AYLESWORTH M) Allows a disabled veteran who rents a dwelling for use as the disabled veteran's principal place of residence to claim an increased adjusted gross income tax renter's deduction.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Heine and Moseley

1/11/2018 - Authored By Mike Aylesworth

*State Bill Page:* [HB1247](#)

HB1248 CHILD SAFETY ALERTS (NEGELE S) Specifies that missing endangered children are included in the silver alert program. Defines missing endangered children as a missing child who is incapable of returning to the missing child's residence because of physical or mental incapacities.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Family, Children and Human Affairs

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading

1/16/2018 - Authored By Sharon Negele

*State Bill Page:* [HB1248](#)

HB1249 ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT (NEGELE S) Makes it organized retail theft, a Level 6 felony, for a person to knowingly: (1) take, procure, receive, conceal, or otherwise exercise control over merchandise of a retail merchant; or (2) use an artifice, an instrument, a container, a device, or another article to facilitate taking, procuring, receiving, concealing, or exercising control over merchandise of a retail merchant; without the consent of the retail merchant or without paying the appropriate consideration for the merchandise, and with the intent to sell, deliver, or distribute the merchandise to another person. Makes organized retail theft, in certain circumstances, a Level 5 or Level 4 felony, depending on the value of the property that was stolen. Provides that the value of the property is the fair market value at the time and place the offense was committed. Allows property with a retail or repurchase value of at least \$100 that is stolen during the commission of the crime of organized retail theft to be seized and forfeited under the law concerning forfeiture of property used in violation of certain criminal statutes. Allows a victim of the crime of

organized retail theft to receive treble damages in a civil action concerning the crime. Adds organized retail theft to the list of crimes considered racketeering activity under the law concerning racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Authored By Sharon Negele

*State Bill Page:* [HB1249](#)

HB1250 CRIMES OF VIOLENCE (NEGELE S) Adds the following offenses to the statutory definition of "crime of violence": (1) Battery as a Level 2 felony. (2) Battery as a Level 3 felony. (3) Battery as a Level 4 felony. (4) Battery as a Level 5 felony. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading

1/16/2018 - Authored By Sharon Negele

*State Bill Page:* [HB1250](#)

HB1251 COURT FEES (RICHARDSON K) Provides that the clerk of a court shall collect a \$5 fee for a certificate under seal attached in authentication of a copy of any record, paper, or transcript. (Under current law, the fee is \$1.) Specifies that fees collected for a certificate under seal attached in authentication of a copy of any record, paper, or transcript are deposited into the clerk's record perpetuation fund (fund). Provides that a clerk shall, on the fifth day of each month, distribute 50% of the fee collected for a certificate under seal attached in authentication of a copy of any record, paper, or transcript in the previous calendar month to the county auditor for deposit into the county general fund. Provides that the sheriff, as opposed to the clerk, collects the \$60 fee for out-of-state service. Specifies that a sheriff may collect a service of process fee one time for out-of-state service and may not collect an additional service of process fee for any out-of-state postjudgment service. Provides that a clerk shall keep 3% of collected probation user's fees to defray the clerk's administrative costs. (Under current law, the clerk may, but is not required to, keep 3% of collected probation user's fees.) Authorizes a clerk to collect a home detention fee and keep not more than 3% of the fee to defray the administrative costs of collecting the fee. Specifies that the clerk shall deposit the fee in the fund. Establishes a process for a clerk to distribute the fee.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading

1/16/2018 - Authored By Kathy Richardson

*State Bill Page:* [HB1251](#)

HB1252 PETITION AND REMONSTRANCE PROCESS (RICHARDSON K) Provides that the local public question that is used in a referendum to issue debt for a political subdivision's controlled project may not exceed 200 words.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - First Reading

1/16/2018 - Authored By Kathy Richardson

*State Bill Page:* [HB1252](#)

HB1253 VARIOUS ELECTION LAW MATTERS (RICHARDSON K) Provides that a county voter registration office may destroy original voter registration applications, affidavits, and other voter registration forms if the county voter registration office scans the original document into the statewide voter registration system. Codifies current administrative procedures ("confidence factors") used by the Indiana election division to determine which potentially duplicate voter registration records to provide to county voter registration offices to assist the county in determining whether a voter of the county has registered more recently in another state. Provides that a voter may apply for permanent absentee voter status. Provides that absentee ballots would be sent automatically to voters who have permanent absentee voter status. Permits a county election board (or a board of elections and registration) to authorize the circuit court clerk to use an electronic voting system for voting by voters required to cast a provisional ballot. Changes the measure that triggers an audit of the vote totals in a precinct using electronic voting systems, in an election in which more than 80 votes are cast in the precinct on an electronic voting system, from a fixed number of votes to a specified percentage of the difference between the number of votes cast on an electronic voting system and the number of voters shown on the poll list who have voted. Repeals the provision that requires scanning an absentee ballot application for absentee ballots sent by mail or cast before a traveling board.

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HB1254 ANNEXATION OF NONCONTIGUOUS TERRITORY (SMITH M) Allows a municipality that meets certain requirements to

annex noncontiguous property and annex a public highway that connects the municipality and the territory.

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HB1256 VARIOUS LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (LYNESS R) Makes changes to certain statutes concerning redevelopment commissions.

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*State Bill Page:* [HB1256](#)

HB1257 STATE USE PROGRAM (HEATON R) Changes references of "person with a severe disability" to "individual with a disability" in the public purchasing laws and the laws concerning the committee for the purchase of products and services of individuals with a disability (committee). Defines "individual with a disability". Amends the definition of "qualified agency". Provides that a governmental body's purchasing agent must determine if a product or service is within 10% of the fair market price. Requires the department of administration to provide quarterly reports to the committee. Adds a nonvoting member to the committee who represents a central coordinating agency. Amends the requirements for a state use products and services catalog. Requires the committee to contract with a central coordinating agency. Requires the committee to approve the removal of products from a quantity purchasing agreement before the removal.

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HB1262 TAX REFUND INTERCEPTS FOR DEBT OWED TO LOCAL UNITS (KARICKHOFF M) Revises the procedures involved when a political subdivision seeks a set off of a tax refund from the department of state revenue for debts owed to the political subdivision by a debtor. Repeals a provision pertaining to hearings with debtors on disputed debts that are owed to political subdivisions that use the tax refund set off process.

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HB1263 CONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY JAILS (BROWN T) Provides that a county may not begin the construction or reconstruction of a county jail or submit final plans and specifications for the construction or reconstruction of a county jail to the department of correction, unless the county fiscal body first: (1) prepares a feasibility study of possible alternatives to the construction or reconstruction of the county jail; and (2) holds a public hearing on the feasibility study. Specifies certain items that must be included in the feasibility study.

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HB1267 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE TASK FORCE (SOLIDAY E) Establishes a water infrastructure task force (task force) consisting of 14 members, including the chair of the utility regulatory commission, four other ex officio members, three members of the senate, three members of the house of representatives, and three members appointed by the governor based on recommendations from certain organizations. Provides that the chair of the utility regulatory commission shall serve as chair of the task force and that the utility regulatory commission shall provide staff support to the task force. Requires the task force to: (1) study drinking water systems, wastewater management systems, and storm water management systems; (2) create an empirical decision making tool that will allow policymakers to prioritize water infrastructure projects; and (3) develop a long term plan for addressing drinking water, wastewater, and storm water management needs in Indiana. Requires the task force to submit a report containing certain recommendations to the general assembly and the governor not later than December 1, 2018.

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*State Bill Page:* [HB1267](#)

HB1270

HUMAN TRAFFICKING (SIEGRIST S) Changes the human and sexual trafficking statute by: (1) reclassifying the term "human and sexual trafficking" to "human trafficking", which includes the offenses of labor and sexual trafficking; (2) creating separate offenses for labor and sexual trafficking and renaming certain crimes; (3) removing the element of force from forced labor, marriage, prostitution, and participating in sexual conduct; (4) removing involuntary servitude from the human trafficking statute; (5) removing from the sexual trafficking statute the element that a buyer must know that a person is a human trafficking victim before committing the offense; and (6) adding elements to certain human and sexual trafficking offenses. Expands the rape shield statute to include victims of human trafficking and certain other offenses. Increases the penalties for the offenses of child exploitation and possession of child pornography. Adds an element to the defense of prosecution under the offenses of sexual misconduct with a minor and promotion of sexual trafficking of a younger child. Provides that the crime of making an unlawful proposition is a: (1) Level 6 felony if the person unlawfully propositions another person; and (2) Level 5 felony if the other person unlawfully propositioned is less than 18 years of age. Prohibits certain defenses to a prosecution of making an unlawful proposition. Requires law enforcement to notify the department of child services of a possible child trafficking victim in certain sexual offenses. Urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate interim study committee the task of studying the topic of human trafficking in Indiana involving law enforcement, creation of programs, and review of the penalties for human trafficking crimes in the criminal code. Requires the commission on improving the status of children in Indiana to study the topic of what specific authority a law enforcement officer has in order to take custody of or detain a child in certain situations where the officer believes a child may be a victim of human trafficking and who is potentially a child in need of services. Makes conforming amendments.

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1/11/2018 - Authored By Sally Siegrist

*State Bill Page:* [HB1270](#)

HB1272

LAURA'S LAW (GOODIN T) To honor the memory of Laura Russell, provides that if a court denies a request for an arrest warrant involving a crime of domestic violence, a prosecuting attorney may petition a court to hold an ex parte hearing to present additional evidence to establish probable cause. Requires a court to hold the ex parte hearing within 24 hours after the petition is filed. Provides that if a court denies a request for an arrest warrant after the ex parte hearing and issues a summons for the defendant, certain notice of the summons to the victim is required. Requires that the service of summons on a defendant concerning an alleged crime of domestic violence must be served by a law enforcement officer. Requires a bail hearing if a person is charged with a crime of domestic violence. Enhances the penalty for invasion of privacy to a Level 6 felony if a person violates a no contact order that was issued as a condition of probation or a bond. Enhances the penalty for domestic battery to a Level 6 felony if a person has a previous conviction of domestic battery. Provides that bail must be revoked for a defendant charged with a crime of domestic violence who violates a no contact order while on bail and who is subsequently charged with invasion of privacy or a subsequent crime of domestic violence.

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HB1281

SIMPLIFICATION OF ALCOHOL LAWS (LUCAS J) Modifies the general purpose section of Indiana Code Title 7.1. Reduces the number of alcohol permit types to seven. Allows the sale of alcoholic beverages every day. Requires the alcohol and tobacco commission (commission) to adopt rules concerning certain issues. Prohibits the commission from regulating the sale of beer, wine, and liquor based on the temperature of the beer, wine, and liquor. Prohibits the commission from requiring a bar or restaurant to maintain a physical barrier to separate people based on their age. Provides that permits are valid for three years. Repeals sections that restrict or prohibit minors from being present where alcohol is sold, served, or produced. Repeals certain alcohol related crimes. Repeals certain alcohol advertising statutes. Repeals a crime concerning crystalline or powdered alcohol. Repeals a crime concerning providing alcohol to a person without requiring the person to provide their identification. Makes it a Class D infraction for a minor to knowingly: (1) possess an alcoholic beverage; (2) consume an alcoholic beverage; or (3) transport an alcoholic beverage on a public highway when not accompanied by a parent or guardian. Requires the legislative services agency to prepare legislation for introduction in the 2019 regular session of the general assembly to correct

statutes affected by this act.

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*State Bill Page:* [HB1281](#)

HB1283

PASSENGER BOAT INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS (NISLY C) Allows the owner of a boat that operates upon public water and carries passengers for hire to elect to have the boat inspected by either a dry dock inspection or a dockside inspection with an underwater examination of the exterior portion of the boat that is below the waterline. Requires the owner to pay an additional fee for a dockside examination of the exterior portion of the boat that is below the waterline.

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*State Bill Page:* [HB1283](#)

HB1284

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING ISSUES (CLERE E) Requires the department of local government finance (DLGF) to annually prepare a report for each taxing unit that includes a calculation of the following: (1) The total property tax levy from the assessed value in the taxing unit and the amount of loss due to the circuit breaker credits. (2) The total property tax proceeds from the assessed value that exceeds the base assessed value in all allocation areas established within the taxing unit. (3) The effect, if any, on the amount of the tax levy or proceeds and the credit for excessive property taxes under IC 6-1.1-20.6 for the taxing unit and for the allocation areas if the allocation and distribution of tax proceeds in the allocation areas were: (A) eliminated; (B) reduced by 10%; (C) reduced by 20%; or (D) reduced by 30%. Requires the DLGF to: (1) post the report on the DLGF web site; and (2) file the report with the governor and the general assembly. Provides that the county council of a county in which a redevelopment authority is located may require redistribution to taxing units of up to 20% of the assessed value that is allocated to allocation areas if, when considering a reduction in the allocation in allocation areas from 10% to 20%, the amount of the reduction in losses due to the circuit breaker credits is exceeded by more than 50%. Provides, however, that the county council may not make a redistribution to taxing units if: (1) the redistribution would affect debt service; or (2) there is no loss that meets the criteria for a distribution that is to a unit other than the municipality in which the allocation area is located, or a special service district that is wholly located within the boundaries of the municipality that established the allocation area. Provides that allocated property tax proceeds may be expended for projects located outside a redevelopment district only if the commission adopts a declaratory resolution that finds that the expenditures: (1) will directly benefit the redevelopment district; and (2) will result in the creation of jobs in the private sector. Requires the legislative body of a unit and the redevelopment commission established by the unit to hold a joint public hearing before December 1 of each year for the purpose of reviewing the commission's proposed expenditures in the upcoming calendar year.

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HB1290

TRANSPORTATION FINANCE (SOLIDAY E) Repeals the motor carrier surcharge tax and increases the special fuel tax by \$0.21 per gallon. Distributes part of the special fuel tax revenue to the motor carrier regulation fund. Specifies how netted International Fuel Tax Agreement Clearinghouse refunds and receipts are deposited or credited. Specifies that the commercial vehicle excise tax rate calculation that must be done on or before October 1 of each year is effective on January 1 of the following year. Excludes the transportation infrastructure improvement fee and the supplemental fees for registering electric and hybrid vehicles from the calculation of the commercial vehicle excise tax. Changes various distribution percentages of revenue distributed from the motor vehicle highway account and highway, road and street fund. Provides that at least 50% of the revenue distributed to counties, cities, and towns must be used for the construction and reconstruction of highways in the respective jurisdictions. Makes various changes to the accounting system for local roads and streets. Provides that all registration fees collected under the International Registration Plan (IRP) or through an Indiana based IRP account (rather than only certain specified fees collected under the IRP or an Indiana based IRP account under current law) are covered by the statute providing for the first \$125,000 of such revenue each state fiscal year to be distributed to the state police building account and any remaining amounts to be distributed to the motor vehicle highway account. Specifies that the transportation infrastructure improvement fee shall be apportioned under the IRP. Specifies conditions under which a vehicle platoon may be operated in Indiana. Makes conforming changes.

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- HB1294 EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE (JUDY C) Urges the legislative council to assign to the education study committee during the 2018 legislative interim the topic of studying a diploma option that would replace the Core 40 diploma and general education diploma requirements. Urges the legislative council to assign to the education study committee during the 2018 legislative interim the topic of studying whether Indiana should replace the "A" through "F" grading scale to designate school performance because of changes in federal school accountability requirements under the Every Student Succeeds Act.
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- HB1297 BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (NEGELE S) Defines "unserved area" for purposes of the state broadband development program as an area that does not have access to the minimum speed thresholds for broadband services, and replaces the term "underserved area" with "unserved area". Changes the minimum speed threshold for broadband services to be consistent with the minimum broadband speeds set by the Federal Communications Commission. (Current law sets the minimum speed threshold at 384 kilobits per second in at least one direction.)
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- HB1300 COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE CUSTOMER INFORMATION (PIERCE M) Requires a communications service provider (provider) to provide notice to its Indiana customers of its privacy policies. Requires that the provider's notice include specified information about the provider's use and disclosure of customer proprietary information. Sets forth a customer's opt-out and opt-in approval rights for giving consent for a provider to use, disclose, or permit access to the customer's proprietary information. Requires a provider to make available a mechanism for customers to grant, deny, or withdraw opt-out or opt-in approval at any time. Specifies that a provider doing business in Indiana is subject to the: (1) the requirements concerning: (A) the safeguarding of the personal information of Indiana residents; and (B) the disclosure of security breaches that compromise the security of personal information maintained by the provider; that are set forth in the Indiana Code provisions governing security breaches by nongovernmental entities; and (2) the penalties set forth in those provisions for violations. Prohibits a provider of broadband Internet access service (BIAS) from doing the following: (1) Conditioning the provision of BIAS on a customer's agreement to waive any privacy rights guaranteed by law. (2) Terminating service or otherwise refusing to provide BIAS because of a customer's refusal to waive any privacy rights guaranteed by law. Provides that a BIAS provider that offers a financial incentive (such as lower monthly rates) in exchange for a customer's approval to use, disclose, or permit access to the customer's proprietary information must do the following: (1) Provide notice explaining the terms of the financial incentive program. (2) Obtain a customer's opt-in approval for participation in the program. (3) For customers that provide opt-in approval to participate in the program, make available a mechanism for those customers to withdraw the approval at any time. With respect to the provision of communications service other than BIAS to an enterprise customer, permits a communications service provider to bind itself contractually to privacy and data security practices other than those set forth in these new provisions, if certain conditions are met. Provides that a provider that violates these new provisions commits a deceptive act that is subject to the provisions of the Indiana Code concerning deceptive consumer sales.
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*State Bill Page:* [HB1300](#)
- HB1311 MOTOR VEHICLE MATTERS (SOLIDAY E) Establishes the department of state revenue pilot program (pilot program). Specifies that the purpose of the pilot program is to assist the state, other states, and other government agencies with: (1) the administration and processing of commercial vehicle registrations as required under the International Registration Plan; (2) the licensing and reporting of fuel tax use for motor carriers under the International Fuel Tax Agreement; (3) audit and record keeping for the International Registration Plan and the International Fuel Tax Agreement; and (4) any other essential or necessary functions related to the motor carrier services. Establishes the pilot program fund to assist with the implementation and administration of the pilot program. Requires the valuation of a motor vehicle to be based upon the vehicle's model year. Requires the county surtax for a motor vehicle to be based upon a vehicle's model year. Requires a person to certify that certain information requested from the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) will be used for a permissible purpose. Allows the bureau to determine how special



identification numbers should read. Repeals the statutory definition of "Indiana firefighter". Requires the bureau to consult with the Professional Firefighters Union of Indiana and the Indiana Firefighters Association concerning the design of the Indiana firefighter special group license plate. Removes the National Football League franchised football team license plate from the special group license plate program. Allows a police officer to charge a fee for title and vehicle identification number (VIN) inspections in certain instances. Specifies that a fee related to a title or VIN inspection performed by a police officer may not exceed \$5. Specifies that revenue generated by a fee related to a police officer's inspection of a title or VIN must be deposited in: (1) a special vehicle inspection fund; or (2) a local law enforcement continuing education fund. Allows the bureau to waive certain: (1) age; (2) experience; and (3) practice; requirements related to hardship waivers. Allows a motorcyclist who: (1) is not less than 16 years and 90 days of age; and (2) has successfully completed a motorcycle safety education course; or who is 16 years and 270 days of age to receive a motorcycle endorsement. Allows the bureau to waive certain vision and vision testing requirements related to learner's permits and driver's licenses if the applicant provides evidence from a licensed ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist demonstrating an ability to operate a motor vehicle in a manner that does not jeopardize individuals or property. Provides that a licensed ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist may not be civilly or criminally liable for a report made in good faith to the bureau concerning a person's fitness to operate a motor vehicle. Adds: (1) parents; (2) legal guardians; and (3) grandparents; to the list of individuals who may be transported by a probationary driver. Allows certain credentials to be renewed 24 months prior to the expiration of the credential. Creates a rebuttable presumption of knowledge for all driver's license suspensions when: (1) a notice; or (2) an order; concerning the suspension of an individual's driving privileges are mailed to the last known address of the individual. Requires affidavits pertaining to flood damaged vehicles to be kept and maintained by a dealer. Defines the term "fee" as any money assessed or collected by the bureau. Allows the bureau to refund certain fees. Makes conforming amendments. Makes a technical correction.

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HB1312

ANNEXATION MATTERS (ELLINGTON J) Provides that a waiver of remonstrance of annexation executed before, on, or after June 30, 2018, is void if the waiver is recorded more than 90 business days after the date the waiver was executed. Provides that an area located within certain fire protection districts (including any area added to the fire protection district after the district is established) remains within the fire protection district after the annexation. (Current law provides that the annexed area ceases to be a part of the fire protection district when the municipality begins to provide fire protection services to the area.)

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HB1314

STUDENTS RECEIVING FOSTER CARE SERVICES (DEVON D) Requires the department of education (department) to, in collaboration with the department of child services and the state board of education, prepare a report on foster care youth educational outcomes. Requires the department to, before November 1, 2018, and before November 1 each year thereafter, submit the report to the department of child services and legislative council. Requires the department to: (1) identify each student who attends a public school and is placed in foster care; and (2) provide notice to a principal of a public school when either of the following occur: (A) A student attending the public school is placed in foster care. (B) A student in foster care enrolls in the public school. Requires certain information regarding students receiving foster care to be included in a school corporation's annual performance report. Requires the department of child services to, not later than 10 days after a child who attends public school is placed in foster care, notify the department that the child has been placed in foster care.

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HB1315

SCHOOL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (BROWN T) Allows the distressed unit appeal board (DUAB) to delegate board authority and responsibilities to the executive director by resolution of the board. Permits only the emergency manager to petition the DUAB to terminate a political subdivision's distressed status. Allows the DUAB to adopt rules. Requires the attorney general to represent a member of the fiscal management board, an emergency manager, a chief financial officer, or a chief academic officer if the individual requests the representation. Specifies restrictions on

school corporations that are designated distressed. Specifies that waivers regarding the allocation of protected taxes apply only to distressed school corporations. Makes changes concerning the Gary Community School Corporation and its operation. Removes the laws concerning the Muncie Community Schools being a fiscally impaired school corporation. Permits the DUAB to recommend to the state board of finance that the state board of finance make an interest free loan to the Muncie Community Schools. Requires the DUAB to make a request for information on whether a state educational institution, educational organization, or other community group has an interest in partnering with the Muncie Community Schools. Allows state educational institutions to establish one or more laboratory schools within a school district or establish a laboratory school district by agreement with a school corporation. Allows the state educational institution to use property of the school corporation for a laboratory school. Requires the management performance hub (MPH) to determine the fiscal and qualitative indicators to be used in analyzing the financial condition of school corporations. Specifies certain factors that must be used. Requires the MPH to determine the financial condition of each school corporation. Requires the MPH to present the information on its Internet web site. Sets minimum standards for presenting the information. Permits the DUAB to enter into an agreement with a school corporation showing fiscal distress to establish a corrective action plan. Requires the DUAB to create a watch list of school corporations that show fiscal distress. Allows the DUAB to revoke or suspend a superintendent's license if a school corporation remains on the watch list for four consecutive years. Establishes the fiscal and qualitative indicators committee (committee) to make the initial determination of factors to be used for evaluating the financial condition of each school, the initial determination of the information to be presented by the MPH, and the initial determination of the frequency for updating the indicators, information, and presentation. Expires the committee on June 30, 2019. Requires various reports.

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HB1322

SMALL EMPLOYER EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HUSTON T) Provides that an employee of a small employer in a county in which a public health emergency has been declared under the syringe exchange program is entitled to access without cost to the same extent and on the same basis as a state employee any employee assistance program offered to state employees by the state personnel department. Requires the department of workforce development to pay the costs of providing these services using federal or state funds available to the department.

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HB1328

BAIL ISSUES (PORTER G) Specifies that the Indiana pretrial risk assessment system shall be designed to assess an arrestee's likelihood of failing to appear. Provides that murder is not bailable if the state proves by a preponderance of the evidence that the proof is evident or the presumption strong. Removes a provision requiring a judicial officer to take into account the defendant's criminal or juvenile record when determining the amount of bail needed to assure a defendant's appearance at trial.

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HB1329

WORKFORCE INCLUSION AND OPPORTUNITY PILOT PROGRAM (CLERE E) Establishes a workforce inclusion and opportunity pilot program for the purpose of demonstrating a coordinated training program that provides training and other services to: (1) incumbent workers of participating employers to allow those workers to qualify for higher paying positions; and (2) unemployed or underemployed individuals, particularly people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities, to allow those individuals to qualify for job openings created by incumbent workers taking new positions. Establishes a seven member task force to implement and administer the pilot program. Requires the task force to implement the pilot program not later than October 1, 2018. Appropriates to the task force from the skills enhancement training fund and the rehabilitation services fund amounts sufficient to provide: (1) grants to employers and providers of training and other services that are participating in the pilot program; (2) reimbursement of employer costs related to the hiring and training of new employees related to the pilot program; and (3) grants to incumbent workers of an employer participating in the pilot program to pay the costs related to the worker earning a portable, industry recognized certification or credential. Appropriates on July 1 each year, for the years 2018 and 2019, to a training institute for people with disabilities from the skills enhancement training fund \$1,750,000 for

curriculum development, operating expenses, and marketing expenses. Requires the Indiana economic development corporation to submit a report to the budget committee each year concerning the training institute's use of the money.

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HB1330

FREE OR REDUCED UTILITY RATES IN INCENTIVE AREAS (CANDELARIA REARDON M) Defines "incentive area". Provides that if a political subdivision dedicates funds of the political subdivision to provide or pay for utility infrastructure in an incentive area, an investor owned utility may furnish electric, gas, water, or wastewater utility service at a free or reduced rate to any customer or class of customer that locates within the incentive area. Provides that the resulting change in the utility's rates must be reflected in a new schedule of rates that the utility shall file with: (1) the political subdivision providing or paying for the utility infrastructure; and (2) the Indiana utility regulatory commission; at least 60 days before the time the new schedule of rates is to take effect. Provides that a utility that furnishes utility service at a free or reduced rate within an incentive area is not considered to be in violation of a statutory prohibition against a utility charging or receiving less compensation from any person for any service rendered than the utility charges or receives from any other person for a similar service. Provides that any customer or class of customer that receives utility service at a free or reduced rate within an incentive area is not considered to be in violation of a statutory prohibition against a person knowingly soliciting, accepting, or receiving utility service at a free or reduced rate.

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*State Bill Page:* [HB1330](#)

HB1338

WIND FARM SITING AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (JUDY C) Establishes minimum setback requirements for the siting of wind power devices after June 30, 2018. Amends the statute that establishes the criminal offense of conflict of interest by a public servant to provide that a public servant who serves a unit in which a proposed wind farm development is being considered commits an offense under the statute if either of the following apply: (1) The public servant knowingly: (A) has or will have a pecuniary interest in; or (B) derives or will derive a profit from; a contract or purchase related to the proposed wind farm development. (2) The wind farm developer does, or offers to do, certain specified acts related to the proposed wind farm development and involving the public servant's role as a public official. Provides that a public servant does not commit an offense under the statute if the public servant makes a written disclosure that describes the nature of the conflict the public servant has with respect to the proposed wind farm development. Provides that after June 30, 2018, a unit may not authorize, or establish requirements for, the installation or siting of wind power devices in the unit unless: (1) the voters of the unit have approved the installation or siting of wind power devices in the unit through a local public question; and (2) with respect to the siting of wind power devices in the unit, the unit requires at least the minimum setback requirement standards established in the bill. Provides that a regulation that: (1) is adopted or amended by a unit after June 30, 2018; and (2) authorizes, or establishes requirements for, the installation or siting of wind power devices in the unit; does not take effect unless these conditions are met. Sets forth procedures for conducting a local public question concerning the installation or siting of wind power devices in a unit. Requires a wind farm developer that seeks to install or locate one or more wind power devices in a unit to make certain disclosures regarding conflicts of interest involving elected or unelected officials with respect to the proposed project. Provides that a wind farm developer shall make the required disclosures as necessary throughout all phases of the proposed project and continuing for one year after the date on which all wind power devices included in the project are fully operational. Prescribes the form and manner in which the disclosures must be made. Confers authority upon the attorney general to investigate and adjudicate complaints alleging violations of the disclosure requirements. Provides that upon determining that a wind farm developer has violated the requirements, the attorney general may impose a civil penalty of not more than: (1) \$50,000 for the first violation; and (2) \$100,000 for any subsequent violation.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 156-B

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representative Ober

1/11/2018 - Authored By Chris Judy

*State Bill Page:* [HB1338](#)

HB1339

COMPENSATION OF COUNTY SHERIFF (MAHAN K) Specifies the statutory provisions for fixing the compensation of the county sheriff.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - First Reading  
1/11/2018 - Authored By Kevin Mahan

*State Bill Page:* [HB1339](#)

HB1341

AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES (SOLIDAY E) Provides that a political subdivision may not enact a measure, ordinance, policy, regulation, rule, or other restriction that prohibits the authorized use of: (1) an automated driving system; (2) an automated vehicle; or (3) an on demand automated vehicle network. Provides that a person in possession of a valid driver's license may operate an automated vehicle on a public highway. Requires automated vehicles to comply with all applicable federal and state laws pertaining to the type of motor vehicle being operated. Prohibits the use of an automated driving system or an automated vehicle that does not comply with federal and state laws concerning the functions operated by the automated driving system or the type of motor vehicle being operated. Provides that it is a Class C misdemeanor to operate an automated driving system or automated vehicle that does not comply with applicable federal and state laws. Allows a law enforcement officer to impound an automated vehicle in certain instances. Requires all automated vehicles to be registered with the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau). Specifies the equipment that all automated vehicles must have. Requires any person who operates an automated vehicle to maintain proof of financial responsibility with the bureau. Requires a person who operates, platoons, or tests an automated vehicle to have at least \$5,000,000 worth of financial responsibility per entity. Establishes the automated vehicle oversight taskgroup (taskgroup). Specifies that taskgroup membership consists of: (1) the bureau of motor vehicles (BMV) commissioner or BMV chief of staff; (2) the department of insurance commissioner or department of insurance chief of staff; (3) the Indiana department of transportation (INDOT) commissioner or INDOT chief of staff; (4) the Indiana State Police (ISP) superintendent, ISP assistant superintendent, or ISP chief of staff; (5) the appropriate county commissioner or county executive in certain instances; and (6) the appropriate mayor or town executive in certain instances. Requires a person who operates, platoons, or tests an automated vehicle on a public highway to: (1) register the vehicle with the bureau; (2) maintain proof of financial responsibility with the bureau; (3) submit an application to the taskgroup; (4) submit an operational protocol to the taskgroup; and (5) await receipt of written taskgroup approval before operating or platooning automated vehicles on a public highway. Allows the taskgroup to immediately prohibit: (1) the continued operation of a previously approved automated vehicle or platoon; or (2) previously approved testing; if the continued operation, platooning, or testing of an automated vehicle presents a risk to public safety or fails to comply with certain requirements. Requires a qualified and properly credentialed responsible occupant to occupy any automated vehicle during testing. Provides the taskgroup with emergency rulemaking authority. Provides that use of: (1) an automated driving system; or (2) an automated vehicle; does not exempt a responsible occupant or remote operator from certain obligations following an accident involving an automated vehicle. Provides civil immunity to the original manufacturer of a motor vehicle that is subsequently converted into an automated vehicle in certain instances. Provides civil immunity to a motor vehicle mechanic or motor vehicle repair facility that performs repairs on an automated vehicle in certain instances. Defines certain terms. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 12; Nays: 0

*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Roads and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 156-D

1/11/2018 - Referred to House Roads and Transportation

1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Coauthored by Representatives Sullivan and Ober

1/11/2018 - Authored By Edmond Soliday

*State Bill Page:* [HB1341](#)

HB1359

DRUG DEALING RESULTING IN DEATH (STEUERWALD G) Makes manufacturing or dealing certain controlled substances resulting in the death of a user: (1) a Level 1 felony if the controlled substance is cocaine, methamphetamine, or a schedule I, II, or III controlled substance; (2) a Level 2 felony if the controlled substance is a schedule IV controlled substance or a synthetic drug or synthetic drug lookalike substance; and (3) a Level 3 felony if the controlled substance is a schedule V controlled substance. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 11; Nays: 1

*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Courts and Criminal Code, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 156-C

1/16/2018 - added as coauthors Representatives Washburne, Mahan, Pelath

1/11/2018 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code

1/11/2018 - First Reading

1/11/2018 - Authored By Gregory Steuerwald

*State Bill Page:* [HB1359](#)

HB1374

FINANCING AND TRANSPORTATION (SOLIDAY E) Adds a new article to the Indiana Code to consolidate and rewrite various statutes related to the Indiana finance authority (IFA), including statutes: (1) establishing the IFA; (2) specifying the powers, duties, and purposes of the IFA and the members of the IFA; and (3) governing the following

programs and funds administered by the IFA: (A) state facility financing, health facility financing, educational facility financing, recreational development financing, and economic development project financing; (B) the wastewater revolving loan program, the drinking water revolving loan program, the supplemental drinking water and wastewater assistance program, and the environmental remediation revolving loan program; (C) the flood control revolving fund; (D) the infrastructure assistance program; (E) the local infrastructure program; and (F) the allocation of volume cap under federal law for private activity bonds. Repeals the existing statutes governing those programs and funds. Repeals the statutes concerning: (1) funding and insurance for export promotion; (2) the clean coal technology program; (3) the agricultural loan and rural development project guarantee fund; (4) the issuance of bonds for the underground petroleum storage tank excess liability fund; (5) the powers of the IFA related to substitute natural gas contracts; and (6) the IFA duty to monitor and study water quality. Adds one nonvoting legislative member to the IFA. Provides for the state, the IFA, and the northwest Indiana regional development authority to finance the northern Indiana commuter transportation district's construction of the mainline double tracking project and the West Lake corridor project. Makes conforming changes. Requires the IFA to include in a request for proposals a statement that it will consider only offerors that have experience and quality performance in comparable projects in North America in the last two years with regard to entering into a public-private partnership for a toll road, freeway, or facility project. Requires the IFA to consider affiliates of the offeror, predecessors to the offeror, and parties that would be entering into a substantive contract with the offeror. Requires a resubmission of certain information from an offeror before the IFA holds the public meeting announcing its final selection. Requires, instead of allows, the IFA to require the filing of financial statements for the term of the public-private agreement. Eliminates using a public-private partnership for a communications infrastructure project. Continues current law appropriations for the wastewater and drinking water programs. Changes cross references to statutes that are being repealed and rewritten by the bill. Makes conforming and technical changes.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 404

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Ways and Means  
1/11/2018 - First Reading  
1/11/2018 - Authored By Edmond Soliday

*State Bill Page:* [HB1374](#)

HB1419

VARIOUS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE MATTERS (SMALTZ B) Establishes requirements that a sales clerk in a grocery store or drug store must satisfy beginning July 1, 2020, in order to sell alcoholic beverages. Allows alcoholic beverages of any type to be sold from a portable structure or cart on a golf course. Repeals provisions regarding the following: (1) Malt manufacturer's permit. (2) Malt wholesaler's permit. (3) Malt dealer's permit. (4) Malt excise tax. (5) Seasonal resort hotel permit. Requires a grocery store, convenience store, or pharmacy to display alcoholic beverages in one area of the store. Reduces the escrow period for an alcoholic beverage permit from five years to two years. Amends for consistency provisions that allow a manufacturer of two types of alcoholic beverages, which has both production facilities in one building, to serve alcohol from both production facilities at a single service bar. Adds a similar provision in the law regarding artisan distilleries. Specifies that the holder of an artisan distiller's permit may hold only one other manufacturer's permit. Allows a patron to carry wine into a restaurant and the permit holder to charge a corkage fee for serving wine brought in by a patron. Requires the alcohol and tobacco commission (ATC) to post on the ATC's Internet web site quarterly reports of the noncompliance rates of permittees who were subject to certain ATC enforcement actions and to prepare an annual report of the noncompliance rates to transmit to the legislative council. Disqualifies persons from being eligible for certain alcoholic beverage permits or for appointment as an ATC commission member or member of the local ATC board if the person has certain criminal convictions within 10 years of the date of the application or appointment. Removes the requirement that these persons be of "good moral character". Defines "river" for purposes of a municipal riverfront development district project established after June 30, 2018, under the alcoholic beverage law. Provides that if a river is determined to be navigable, the determination has no legal effect beyond satisfying a requirement for establishing a municipal riverfront development district project. Removes a requirement that a county surveyor verify the location of a premises outside the corporate limits of a city or town of a person who applies for a beer retailer's permit (applicant) and specifies that the applicant may certify the location of the premises. Establishes the conditions when a county surveyor is required to verify the location of the premises of an applicant. Allows a retailer or dealer to extend credit to a customer for an alcohol purchase that the customer does not pay for before leaving the permitted premises.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 156-B

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - Referred to House Public Policy  
1/11/2018 - First Reading  
1/11/2018 - Authored By Ben Smaltz

*State Bill Page:* [HB1419](#)

SB1

SUNDAY CARRYOUT SALES (ALTING R) Allows the following to sell alcoholic beverages for carryout on Sunday from noon until 8 p.m.: (1) A package liquor store, grocery store, convenience store, or drug store. (2) A restaurant that satisfies the requirements to sell carryout. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the alcohol code



revision commission.)

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/11/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/10/2018 - Senate Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location:  
2:00 PM, Senate Chamber  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Public Policy  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ron Alting  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB1](#)

SB3 CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS (MERRITT J) Increases the penalty for battery if it is committed against a public safety official or a relative of a public safety official because of the official's status or perceived status as a public safety official, and increases the penalty for criminal recklessness if it is committed against: (1) a public safety official while the official is engaged in the official's official duties; or (2) a public safety official or a relative of a public safety official if the offense is committed because of the official's status or perceived status as a public safety official.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Ruckelshaus  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - added as third author Senator Ford  
1/3/2018 - added as second author Senator Sandlin  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By James Merritt  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB3](#)

SB4 DUTIES OF CORRECTIONS AND CRIMINAL CODE INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE (BRAY R) Provides that the interim study committee on corrections and criminal code shall review current trends with respect to criminal behavior, sentencing, incarceration, and treatment and may: (1) identify particular needs of the criminal justice system that can be addressed by legislation; and (2) prepare legislation to address the particular needs found by the committee. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on corrections and criminal code.)

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Steuerwald  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 12: yeas 40, nays 7  
1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Young M  
1/11/2018 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/11/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/9/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/9/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 6; Nays: 1  
1/9/2018 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 130  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB4](#)

SB7 SCHOOL CALENDAR (LEISING J) Prohibits public schools and accredited nonpublic schools from beginning student instructional days for the school year before the last Monday in August, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Senator Freeman  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jean Leising  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB7](#)

SB9 RESIDENCE OF INDIVIDUAL IN STATE INSTITUTION (LEISING J) Provides that an individual committed to an institution for individuals with a mental illness may state either of the following, but not both, as the individual's residence for purposes of voting: (1) The address of the institution where the individual has been committed. (2) The address where the individual lives when the individual is not committed to an institution. (Under current law, such an



individual does not gain residency in the precinct in which the institution to which the individual is committed is located.)

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Cosponsor: Representative DeVon  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Clere  
1/16/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 13: yeas 47, nays 0  
1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/11/2018 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/11/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Lanane  
1/8/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/8/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 8; Nays: 0;  
1/8/2018 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Rm. 125  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jean Leising  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB9](#)

SB10 TOWN EMPLOYEES HOLDING ELECTED OFFICE (BOHACEK M) Provides that the requirements for certain government employees to hold office do not apply to a town having a population of less than 2,500.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 7; Nays: 1  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 431  
1/10/2018 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 2:00 PM, Rm. 130  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mike Bohacek  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB10](#)

SB11 ELIGIBILITY FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE (BOHACEK M) Removes the 12 month limitation on receipt by certain individuals of supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) benefits. Specifies that, beginning January 1, 2019, Indiana elects to opt out of the federal law prohibiting individuals convicted of certain drug offenses from receiving SNAP assistance if the individual meets specified conditions. Specifies that if the individual violates any terms of the probation, parole, community corrections, or reentry court program, the individual is ineligible for SNAP.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Breaux  
1/16/2018 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/11/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 7; Nays: 0  
1/11/2018 - Senate Family and Children Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:00 PM, Senate Chamber  
1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mike Bohacek  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB11](#)

SB12 UNLAWFUL ENCROACHMENT BY A SEX OFFENDER (BOHACEK M) Provides that a sex offender who establishes a residence: (1) with the intent to reside at the residence; and (2) within a one mile radius of the residence of the victim of the offender's sex offense; commits unlawful encroachment by a sex offender, a Level 6 felony. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/23/2018 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Rm. 130  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - added as second author Senator Houchin  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mike Bohacek  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

- SB13      ADMINISTRATION OF OVERDOSE INTERVENTION DRUGS (GLICK S) Provides that community corrections officers and probation officers may administer an overdose intervention drug. Requires community corrections officers and probation officers to report the use of an overdose intervention drug to the emergency ambulance service responsible for reporting the use to the Indiana emergency medical services commission. Requires that persons permitted to administer an overdose intervention drug must receive education and training on drug overdose response and treatment, including the administration of an overdose intervention drug before the person may administer an overdose intervention drug. Provides civil immunity to community correction officers and probation officers who administer an overdose intervention drug. Provides civil immunity to a person who has an agency relationship with a community correction officer or probation officer who administers an overdose intervention drug. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed  
1/16/2018 - Amendment #2 (Young M) prevailed; voice vote  
1/16/2018 - Amendment #1 (Young M) prevailed; voice vote  
1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/11/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/8/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/8/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 7; Nays: 0;  
1/8/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Susan Glick
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB13](#)
- SB15      WORKER CAREER ENHANCEMENT TAX CREDIT (RUCKELSHAUS J) Provides a credit against state tax liability for an employer of an employee earning the federal or state minimum wage who completes a career enhancement training program (program). Provides that the amount of the credit is 50% of the difference between the employee's annual compensation before and after the employee completes the program.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - added as third author Senator Ford  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By John Ruckelshaus
- Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB15](#)
- SB17      VOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER WITH A DEADLY WEAPON (ZAKAS J) Increases the penalty for voluntary manslaughter from a Level 2 felony to a Level 1 felony if the offense is committed by means of a deadly weapon.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Joseph Zakas
- Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB17](#)
- SB19      OPERATION OF OFF-ROAD VEHICLES (TOMES J) Exempts the following individuals from the requirement of wearing a helmet while operating or riding on an off-road vehicle if the off-road vehicle is equipped with a roll cage: (1) An individual at least eight years of age who operates or rides on the off-road vehicle while wearing a safety belt. (2) An individual less than eight years of age who rides on the off-road vehicle while restrained in a child restraint system in accordance with state law. Defines "roll cage".
- Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as third author Senator Leising  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Head  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By James Tomes
- Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB19](#)
- SB20      DEER HUNTING (TOMES J) Authorizes the use of a rifle to hunt deer on privately owned land during: (1) the youth

deer season; (2) the firearms season; (3) the special antlerless season where authorized by the department; and (4) the deer reduction season where authorized by the department. Requires the department to adopt rules authorizing the use of a rifle to hunt deer on public property.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/11/2018 - added as third author Senator Messmer

1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Bray

1/10/2018 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

1/10/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 8; Nays: 1

1/10/2018 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location:

10:00 AM, Rm. 130

1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By James Tomes

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB20](#)

SB21

PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT (ZAKAS J) Provides the following if the application of an annual adjustment factor derived by an assessing official would result in an increase of more than 10% in the assessed value of one or more homesteads for property tax purposes: (1) The assessing official shall submit certain information to the division of data analysis (division) of the department of local government finance. (2) The division shall review the information submitted and make a determination of whether the annual adjustment factor was correctly calculated or is otherwise inappropriate. (3) If the division determines that the annual adjustment factor to be applied to the homestead was incorrectly calculated or otherwise needs to be adjusted, the division shall certify to the assessing official the information and instructions necessary for the assessing official to correct the annual adjustment factor. Makes technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Joseph Zakas

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB21](#)

SB22

INDEMNIFICATION FROM LEGAL MALPRACTICE CLAIMS (BROWN L) Provides that any provision in an agreement between an attorney and a client that purports to prospectively release the attorney from liability for malpractice is against public policy, void, and unenforceable.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Liz Brown

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB22](#)

SB23

REPEAL OF PROTECTIONS FOR OFF DUTY TOBACCO USE (BROWN L) Repeals employment protections for individuals who smoke cigarettes or use other tobacco products.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Liz Brown

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB23](#)

SB25

TERMINATION OF LOCAL DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS (BOOTS P) Requires the termination of a defined benefit plan sponsored by a political subdivision if the full actuarially determined contribution to the plan is not made for three consecutive years.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Philip Boots

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB25](#)

- SB26 COLD BEER SALES (BOOTS P) Allows a beer dealer (a grocery store, convenience store, or drug store) to sell beer at any temperature. Makes stylistic changes.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 12:00 PM, Senate Chamber  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Public Policy  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Philip Boots  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB26](#)
- SB27 1977 FUND NEW UNIT CREDITS FOR PRIOR SERVICE (BOOTS P) Provides, in the case of a unit (county, city, town, or township) that begins participation in the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund (1977 fund), that the unit and the member (firefighter, police officer, or emergency medical technician) may agree how to share the cost of acquiring credit in the 1977 fund for the member's prior service as a firefighter, police officer, or emergency medical technician. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on pension management oversight.)  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Melton  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph  
1/9/2018 - added as third author Senator Tallian  
1/9/2018 - added as second author Senator Doriot  
1/9/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Burton  
1/9/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 7: yeas 47, nays 0  
1/9/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/8/2018 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/8/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/4/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/3/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 233  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Philip Boots  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB27](#)
- SB28 NURSING FACULTY LOAN REPAYMENT GRANT PROGRAM (BECKER V) Establishes the nursing faculty loan repayment grant program (program) to increase the number of nursing faculty in Indiana. Requires the commission for higher education to administer the program. Establishes the nursing faculty loan repayment grant fund. Sets forth requirements for an individual to participate in the program. Funds the program using 10% of nursing licensure fees. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on public health, behavioral health, and human services.)  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Senator Leising  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Vaneta Becker  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB28](#)
- SB29 PREKINDERGARTEN PILOT PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY (MELTON E) Removes the requirement that, for an eligible child to qualify for a grant under the prekindergarten pilot program, the eligible child reside with a parent or guardian who is: (1) working or attending a job training program or educational program; or (2) actively seeking employment. Removes a provision that allows priority for a grant to an eligible child whose parent or guardian is involved in: (1) activities that improve the parent's or guardian's education; or (2) job training.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Eddie Melton  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB29](#)
- SB30 CHILD CARE HOME APPLICATION NOTICE AND COMMENT (NIEMEYER R) Requires the division of family resources

to provide to the plan commission that has jurisdiction notice and opportunity to comment on a residential child care home licensure application.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB30](#)

SB31 LOCAL LICENSING BOARDS IN LAKE AND PORTER COUNTIES (NIEMEYER R) Provides that a member of a board or other entity in Lake County or Porter County that issues a license, registration, or certificate required for a contractor to do business in the geographic area served by the board or entity must be at least 18 years of age, and except for an ex-officio member, a resident of the geographic area served by the board or entity. Provides that a member who ceases to be a resident of the geographic area served by the board or entity is considered to have resigned as a member of the board or entity, and the vacancy is filled as specified by ordinance.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB31](#)

SB32 REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONERS (NIEMEYER R) Requires a municipal or county redevelopment commissioner (commissioner) to reside within the commission's jurisdictional area instead of the municipality or county. Allows a commissioner of a municipal or county redevelopment commission in St. Joseph County to reside within an area designated by the redevelopment commission as a redevelopment project area or an economic development area. Allows a commissioner who does not meet the residency requirement to serve until the earlier of: (1) the appointment and qualification of the commissioner's successor; or (2) October 1, 2018.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB32](#)

SB33 HOUSES OF WORSHIP AND FIREARMS (SANDLIN J) Permits a person who may legally possess a firearm to possess a firearm on school property if the person possesses the firearm: (1) as an employee or volunteer of a house of worship located on the school property; or (2) while attending a worship service or religious ceremony conducted at a house of worship located on the school property.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Tomes

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jack Sandlin

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB33](#)

SB34 PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN (SANDLIN J) Provides that in order for a precinct committeeman or a precinct vice committeeman (exercising the precinct committeeman's proxy) to participate in a caucus to fill a vacancy, the committeeman or vice committeeman must be entitled to vote for the office for which a successor is to be selected in the caucus.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jack Sandlin

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB34](#)

SB60 OUT OF STATE SEX OR VIOLENT OFFENDERS (ZAKAS J) Provides that a failure to register as a sex or violent offender for an offense originating from another jurisdiction is a Level 5 felony in certain instances.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthors Senators Houchin and Holdman

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as third author Senator Bohacek  
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1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Joseph Zakas

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB60](#)

SB61 JUVENILE DNA COLLECTION (ZAKAS J) Requires a juvenile court to order a child found to be a delinquent child for the commission of an act that, if committed by an adult, would be: (1) burglary; (2) residential entry; (3) a crime of violence; or (4) a sex offense; to provide a DNA sample to the agency having supervision of the child or to the county sheriff. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Joseph Zakas  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB61](#)

SB63 SENTENCING ENHANCEMENT FOR INJURY TO OTHERS (YOUNG M) Makes a technical correction.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/11/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
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1/9/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
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1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Young  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB63](#)

SB64 SENTENCE MODIFICATION (YOUNG M) Provides that a court may not, without the consent of the prosecuting attorney, reduce the sentence of a person sentenced under a plea agreement if the reduction was not authorized by the plea agreement.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 7; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
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1/9/2018 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
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1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Young  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB64](#)

SB66 PUBLIC USE AIRPORTS (KRUSE D) Requires a person to apply for and receive a permit from the department of transportation (department) in order to construct on, alter, use, develop, or modify land located not more than two miles from a public use airport. Provides that the department may not grant the permit if the proposed construction, alteration, use, development, or modification (project) may contribute to, attract, or create an airport hazard that is detrimental to aviation safety within the airport operations area. Requires a permittee, when seeking a permit for the project from a local governmental agency, to provide to the local governmental agency: (1) a copy of the permit issued by the department; and (2) evidence that every public use airport within a five mile radius of the project received notice of the permittee's application for the permit issued by the department.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Dennis Kruse  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB66](#)

SB67 FUNDING OF 911 CALL CENTERS (LEISING J) Provides that, after June 30, 2018, a county that contains more than

one public safety answering point (PSAP) shall distribute funds to each PSAP in the county on a proportional basis according to the call volume received by each PSAP in the county during the immediately preceding calendar year. Provides that, in determining the amount to be distributed to each PSAP, the county may use the call data and statistics reported to the statewide 911 board (board) annually by the county's PSAPs. Requires the board to provide the relevant data and statistics to the county not later than 14 days after receiving the data and statistics from each of the county's PSAPs.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Glick  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jean Leising  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB67](#)

SB68 INTERNET CRIMES INVESTIGATION FEE AND FUND (CRIDER M) Establishes the Internet crimes investigation fund (fund). Requires the state police department (department) to administer the fund and use money in the fund to: (1) pay for certain costs incurred by the department and directly related to crimes that involve the use of the Internet, including crimes against children that involve use of the Internet; and (2) award grants to county, city, and town law enforcement agencies that agree to use the money to investigate Internet crimes against children in accordance with United States Department of Justice Internet Crimes Against Children Operational and Investigative Standards. Requires the department to report to the legislative council before November 1, 2019, and before November 1 of each year thereafter concerning the uses of money in the fund and the programs and activities paid for by expenditures of money in the fund. Provides that, in each court action in which a person is convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, the clerk of the court shall collect an Internet crimes investigation fee (fee) of \$10 from the person. Requires the clerk of a court to distribute the fees collected to the auditor of state. Requires the auditor of state to transfer the fees to the fund. Sunsets the fee on June 30, 2022.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 9; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 130  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Crider  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB68](#)

SB69 PROHIBITION ON TOLLWAYS AROUND INDIANAPOLIS (DELPH M) Prohibits the imposition of tolls on any interstate highway within 15 miles of the center of Indianapolis (Monument Circle).

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Delph  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB69](#)

SB70 STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR CHILD SEX OFFENSES (CRIDER M) Expands the list of offenses that may be prosecuted before a victim reaches 31 years of age to include all offenses of child molesting, vicarious sexual gratification, child solicitation, child seduction, sexual misconduct with a minor, and incest.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Crider  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB70](#)

SB71 EMPLOYMENT OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS (CRIDER M) Provides that if a governing body of a city, town, township, or county must reduce the number of its members of emergency medical services personnel by layoff for financial reasons, the last member appointed must be the first laid off, with other members laid off in reverse order of being hired. Provides that if the emergency medical services personnel are later increased in number, the members who have been laid off must be reinstated before any new member is appointed. Provides for notification of reinstatement to a member, and directs that a member in receipt of a notice must, within 20 calendar days after the notice is sent, advise the unit of government whether the member accepts reinstatement. Provides that the reinstatement rights of a member terminate upon the member's failure to accept reinstatement within the 20 day period or five years after the date of the member's layoff.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Crider  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB71](#)

SB72 SAFE DISTANCE FOR VEHICLES OVERTAKING BICYCLES (SANDLIN J) Requires the driver of a vehicle, when passing a bicycle that is proceeding in the same direction as the vehicle, to maintain a safe distance of at least three feet between the vehicle and the bicycle. (A violation of this requirement is a Class C infraction under IC 9-21-8-49.)

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - added as second author Senator Ford  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jack Sandlin  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB72](#)

SB73 PUBLIC ORDER OFFENSE ENHANCEMENT (SANDLIN J) Allows the court to sentence a person to an additional fixed term of imprisonment between six months and two and one-half years if a person is found guilty of committing a public order offense and the person concealed the person's identity by wearing a mask or face covering while committing the offense.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as third author Senator Tomes  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Freeman  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jack Sandlin  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB73](#)

SB74 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (YOUNG M) Adds the substance Mexedrone to the definition of "synthetic drug" and adds additional controlled substances to the existing statutory list of depressants, hallucinogens, and opiates classified as schedule I.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Steuerwald  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 14: yeas 46, nays 1  
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1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Young  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB74](#)

SB75 1977 PENSION FUND RETIREMENT AGE AND BENEFITS (FORD J) Reduces from 52 to 50 the age at which a member of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund (1977 fund) is eligible to receive an unreduced retirement benefit. Eliminates early retirement with a reduced retirement benefit. Increases from 1% to 1.5% the amount of the additional retirement benefit payable to a 1977 fund member for each six months of active service over 20 years. Reduces from 32 to 28 the maximum number of years of service that may be used to compute a retirement benefit for a 1977 fund member.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 233  
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1/8/2018 - added as third author Senator Sandlin  
1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Grooms  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jon Ford  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

- SB77 REDISTRICTING (LANANE T) Establishes a redistricting commission (commission) to create, hold hearings on, take public comment about, and recommend plans to redraw general assembly districts and congressional districts. Requires the legislative services agency (agency) to provide staff and administrative services to the commission. Establishes standards to govern the commission and the agency in the creation of redistricting plans. Provides that the general assembly must meet and enact redistricting plans before October 1 of a redistricting year. Authorizes the general assembly to convene in a session to act on redistricting bills at times other than the times the general assembly is currently authorized to meet. Repeals the current law establishing a redistricting commission for congressional redistricting.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Timothy Lanane  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB77](#)
- SB78 DRIVING AUTHORITY PERMITS (LANANE T) Provides for the issuance of driving authority permits and driving authority learner's permits (permits) to residents of Indiana who cannot provide proof of identity and lawful status in the United States. Provides that permits may not be used for federal identification or any federal purposes. Requires that an individual who holds a permit and operates a motor vehicle must verify that financial responsibility on any motor vehicle that the holder operates is continuously maintained in the amounts required by law. Makes conforming amendments. Makes a technical correction.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Timothy Lanane  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB78](#)
- SB93 FAIR PAY IN EMPLOYMENT (BREAUX J) Provides that: (1) it is an unlawful employment practice to pay wages that discriminate based on sex, race, or national origin for the same or equivalent jobs; and (2) the civil rights commission has jurisdiction for investigation and resolution of complaints of these employment actions.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as second author Senator Becker  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jean Breaux  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB93](#)
- SB94 DECEPTION (DELPH M) Provides that a person commits deception if the person, with intent to defraud, misrepresents the relationship of the person to another person.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Delph  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB94](#)
- SB95 LEGISLATIVE ETHICS (DELPH M) Provides that a lobbyist and certain persons associated with state educational institutions may not give a gift to a legislative person with certain stated exceptions. Requires a lobbyist who communicates with certain legislative persons to make a log of the communication. Requires a lobbyist to submit a copy of the communications log electronically to the lobby registration commission (commission) on a weekly basis. Requires a lobbyist to maintain a copy of written communications and an archived copy of certain electronic communications for four years. Provides that upon the request of the commission, a lobbyist shall provide the commission with an electronic copy of a communication that is required to be maintained or archived. Requires the commission to provide an electronic copy of any of those communications to any person who makes a request to inspect the communication. Repeals superseded statutes. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Delph  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB95](#)

- SB97 RESIDENCY OF POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS (ZAKAS J) Allows a city, town, or township to adopt an ordinance or resolution that allows a member of a police or fire department to reside within a county that is: (1) located outside Indiana and contiguous to the county in which the city, town, or township is located; or (2) any Indiana county, if the member resides within 25 miles from the nearest boundary of the city, town, or township where the police or fire department is located.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Joseph Zakas  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB97](#)
- SB98 SPECIALIZED DRIVING PRIVILEGES (YOUNG M) Provides that an individual's specialized driving privileges expire at the time the suspension of the individual's driving privileges is terminated if: (1) the underlying conviction, charge, adjudication, or determination that forms the basis of the suspension is reversed, vacated, or dismissed; or (2) the individual is acquitted of, found not liable for, or otherwise found not to have committed the underlying act or offense that forms the basis of the suspension. Requires the court to inform the bureau of motor vehicles of a termination of a suspension and expiration of specialized driving privileges.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Steuerwald  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 15: yeas 47, nays 0  
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1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Young  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB98](#)
- SB99 CIVIL FORFEITURE (BRAY R) Requires the prosecuting attorney to file an affidavit of probable cause with a court not later than seven days after property is seized, and provides for the return of the property to the owner if the court does not find probable cause. Establishes a procedure for an owner of real property or of a vehicle (if the owner was not operating the vehicle at the time of the seizure) to obtain provisional custody of the seized property pending a final forfeiture determination. Makes the time limit for filing a forfeiture action: (1) 21 days, if the owner has filed a written demand for return of the property; or (2) 90 days, if the owner has not filed a written demand for return of the property. Provides that an owner whose property is returned is not liable for the costs of storage, transportation, or maintenance. Specifies how the proceeds of a forfeiture action are to be distributed. Requires a prosecuting attorney to report certain information concerning forfeitures to the prosecuting attorneys council. Imposes certain requirements on the use and compensation of outside counsel in forfeiture actions, and prohibits a prosecuting attorney or deputy prosecuting attorney from receiving a contingency fee for a forfeiture action. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on courts and the judiciary.)
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB99](#)
- SB100 CARBON MONOXIDE EMISSIONS TESTING (DELPH M) Provides that a fire department established by a: (1) county; (2) city; (3) town; or (4) township; or a volunteer fire department may provide vehicular carbon monoxide testing (testing) to the owner of a motor vehicle. Requires testing to be offered to the owner of a motor vehicle without charge. Specifies the manner in which testing is to be conducted. Specifies certain paperwork and record keeping requirements. Provides that a test administrator's good faith effort to properly conduct a vehicular carbon monoxide test immunizes the test administrator from civil liability and all associated damages, including punitive damages, arising from or related to the administered test. Provides that a fire department, volunteer fire department, or other person may not be found liable for any: (1) claim; (2) cause of action; (3) damages, including punitive damages; (4) demand; or (5) expense; arising from or related to an administered vehicular carbon monoxide test by reason of an agency relationship between the test administrator and the fire department, the volunteer fire department, or the



other person. Defines certain terms.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

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1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Delph

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB100](#)

SB101 PUBLIC RECORDS (DELPH M) Restates the law describing the information that a public agency is required to keep about a public employee or an applicant for public employment. Describes the procedure for release of information that must be disclosed by a public agency relating to the suspension, demotion, or discharge of a public employee or former public employee.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Delph

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB101](#)

SB104 VETERANS' COURT FUND (DELPH M) Establishes the veterans' court fund. Requires the criminal justice institute (institute), the Indiana judicial center, and the department of veterans' affairs to coordinate to: (1) apply for local, state, and federal grants and other funding sources for the veterans' court fund; and (2) conduct an annual study to determine the number of veterans arrested in each county in Indiana. Requires the institute to report its findings and grant application progress to the legislative council. Urges the legislative council to assign to a study committee the topic of: (1) funding the expansion of veterans' courts throughout Indiana; and (2) continuing the funding of existing veterans' courts in Indiana. Amends the definition of "public safety" under the local income tax law to allow revenue allocated for public safety to be used for a veterans' court. Requires the study committee to issue a final report to the legislative council containing the study committee's findings and recommendations not later than November 1, 2018.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Delph

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB104](#)

SB106 SCHEDULE I CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (MERRITT J) Adds certain compounds to the list of schedule I controlled substances.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By James Merritt

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB106](#)

SB107 INSPECT REGISTRATION FOR DISPENSERS OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (MERRITT J) Requires certain registered dispensers of controlled substances to be registered with the INSPECT program.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Alting

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By James Merritt

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB107](#)

SB108 CRIMES INVOLVING SYNTHETIC DRUGS (MERRITT J) Makes possessing or dealing in a substance that is a controlled substance analog an offense of the same level as possession of or dealing in the controlled substance of which the substance is an analog. Defines "substance represented to be a controlled substance" and establishes certain factors the trier of fact may consider to determine if a substance meets the definition. Repeals crimes concerning synthetic drug lookalike substances. Provides that convictions for synthetic drug offenses will, in certain cases, no longer be treated the same as marijuana offenses. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By James Merritt  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB108](#)

- SB109 SATELLITE VOTING (TAYLOR G) Allows a county election board to adopt a resolution by the majority vote of the board's entire membership in order to establish satellite locations for early voting. (Currently, a resolution to establish satellite voting locations must be adopted unanimously by the board.)  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Greg Taylor  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB109](#)
- SB110 COUNTING ABSENTEE BALLOTS (TAYLOR G) Repeals the statute that requires Marion County to count absentee ballots at a central location.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Greg Taylor  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB110](#)
- SB111 PROHIBITED EQUIPMENT ON FIREARMS (TAYLOR G) Defines the term "multiburst trigger activator". Creates the crime of "unlawful possession of a multiburst trigger activator". Provides that the possession or sale of a multiburst trigger activator is a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that the crime of unlawful possession of a multiburst trigger activator is a Level 6 felony if the person has a prior, unrelated conviction for the offense.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Greg Taylor  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB111](#)
- SB112 CONTINUANCE FOR CONFLICT WITH STUDY COMMITTEE (RANDOLPH L) Requires a court or governmental entity to grant a continuance upon the motion of a party, a defendant, or an attorney if the party, defendant, or attorney is a member of the general assembly and a proceeding of the court or governmental entity conflicts with the member's attendance at a meeting of a study committee.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB112](#)
- SB113 PAID EMPLOYEE LEAVE (RANDOLPH L) Urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate interim study committee during the 2018 legislative interim the task of studying paid personal leave from employment.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Ford  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB113](#)
- SB114 PROTECTIVE ORDERS AND EMPLOYMENT (RANDOLPH L) Provides that an employer may not discriminate against an employee with respect to compensation and benefits from the employer or terms and conditions of employment based on: (1) the employee's filing of a petition for a protective order, whether or not the protective order has been issued; or (2) the actions of an individual against whom the employee has filed a protective order.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

Priority: Tier 2 - Medium  
State Bill Page: [SB114](#)

- SB116 ELECTION OF LAKE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT JUDGES (RANDOLPH L) Provides that the judge of the juvenile division of the Lake County superior court (court) is elected in a nonpartisan election instead of being subject to a retention election as are the other judges of the court. Provides that the first nonpartisan election of the judge of the juvenile division of the court is at the 2022 general election. Provides that in appointing magistrates, the judge of the St. Joseph County probate court and the juvenile judge of the Lake County superior court shall strive to reflect the ethnic and racial demographics of their respective counties.  
Current Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph  
Priority: Tier 3 - Low  
State Bill Page: [SB116](#)
- SB118 SCHOOL CITY OF EAST CHICAGO LOAN (RANDOLPH L) Transfers, not later than July 1, 2018, to the school disaster loan fund from the state general fund an amount sufficient to pay off the loan that was made to the School City of East Chicago school corporation from the school disaster loan fund.  
Current Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Appropriations  
All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph  
Priority: Tier 3 - Low  
State Bill Page: [SB118](#)
- SB119 1977 FUND PURCHASE OF SERVICE (GROOMS R) Allows a member of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund (1977 fund) to purchase service performed in Indiana as a full-time, fully paid police officer or firefighter for an employer that does not participate in the 1977 fund.  
Current Status: 1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Melton  
All Bill Status: 1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph  
1/10/2018 - added as third author Senator Tallian  
1/9/2018 - added as second author Senator Ford  
1/9/2018 - Cosponsor: Representative Stemler  
1/9/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Clere  
1/9/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 8: yeas 47, nays 0  
1/9/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/8/2018 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/8/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/4/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/3/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:30 AM, Rm. 233  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ronald Grooms  
Priority: Tier 1 - High  
State Bill Page: [SB119](#)
- SB120 USE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICES WHILE DRIVING (GROOMS R) Makes it a Level 5 felony if a person uses hands free or voice operated technology while operating a moving motor vehicle unless the device is used to call 911 to report a bona fide emergency. Revises the term "telecommunications device" for purposes related to motor vehicle operation.  
Current Status: 1/8/2018 - Withdrawn  
All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ronald Grooms  
Priority: Tier 1 - High  
State Bill Page: [SB120](#)
- SB121 MINIMUM WAGE (MRVAN F) Increases the minimum wage paid to certain employees in Indiana as follows: (1) after June 30, 2019, from \$7.25 an hour to \$10 an hour; (2) after June 30, 2020, from \$10 an hour to \$13 an hour; and

(3) after June 30, 2021, from \$13 an hour to \$15 an hour. Provides that after June 30, 2022, and each subsequent June 30, the hourly minimum wage increases at the same percentage as any increase in the Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year. Makes technical corrections and corresponding changes. Removes outdated language.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Frank Mrvan

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB121](#)

SB122

REGIONAL JAILS (SANDLIN J) Specifies that the executive of a county may enter into an interlocal agreement with one or more other local or state entities for the construction, maintenance, or operation of a regional jail. Provides that in the case of a county, the county executive may not enter into a regional jail agreement unless the regional jail agreement is first approved by both the county fiscal body and the county sheriff. Specifies certain terms that must be included in the regional agreement (in addition to those terms required under all interlocal agreements).

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Pursuant to Senate Rule 68(b); reassigned to Committee on Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - added as second author Senator Koch

1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Jack Sandlin

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB122](#)

SB123

NEWBORN SAFETY DEVICES AT FIRE DEPARTMENTS (HOLDMAN T) Specifies under the safe haven law that it is a defense to a claim of neglect of a dependent if the individual left the child in a newborn safety device that is located at a fire department, including a volunteer fire department, that meets specified requirements. Provides civil immunity for a fire department that operates a newborn safety device for an act or omission relating to the device: (1) if the device meets specified requirements; and (2) unless the act or omission constitutes gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Cosponsor: Representative Heine

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Carbaugh

1/16/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 16: yeas 47, nays 0

1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

1/11/2018 - Second reading ordered engrossed

1/11/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/9/2018 - added as third author Senator Charbonneau

1/9/2018 - added as second author Senator Houchin

1/9/2018 - added as coauthors Senators Ruckelshaus and Zakas

1/8/2018 - added as coauthors Senators Merritt and Buck

1/8/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/8/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 6; Nays: 1

1/8/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130

1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Travis Holdman

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB123](#)

SB125

UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES (MERRITT J) Provides that a person may not excavate real property or demolish a structure served by an underground utility facility without first being authorized to do business in Indiana. Provides that in an entity filing required or permitted under the Uniform Business Organizations Administrative Provisions Act, a person that seeks to excavate real property or demolish a structure served by an underground utility facility in Indiana must include a signed statement that the person will comply with the Indiana statute concerning underground utility facilities. Provides that before commencing such an excavation or demolition, a communications service provider shall serve notice on the executive of each municipality and county in which any part of the excavation or demolition will be performed. Provides that the required notice must be received by each municipal or county executive at least 10 full working days before the commencement of the excavation or demolition and must: (1) include documentation that all employees or contractors who will perform the excavation or demolition have received training on excavation industry best practices and on the requirements of the Indiana statute concerning underground utility facilities; (2) include documentation that all contractors who will perform the excavation or

demolition are authorized to do business in Indiana; and (3) be signed by or on behalf of a person authorized to sign the notice. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on energy, utilities, and telecommunications.)

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Utilities  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By James Merritt  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB125](#)

SB126 KOSCIUSKO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT (HEAD R) Adds a fourth judge to the superior court of Kosciusko County.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431  
*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations  
1/10/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 10; Nays: 0  
1/10/2018 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Randall Head  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB126](#)

SB127 PROTECTIVE ORDERS (HEAD R) Provides that, after notice and a hearing, including a hearing at which the respondent does not appear, a court may order the petitioner for an order for protection or a modification of an order for protection to refrain from being at a specific location at a specific time. Provides that a respondent may seek to have the protective order modified if the respondent reasonably believes the petitioner is acting in bad faith under the terms of the protective order.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 130  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Randall Head  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB127](#)

SB128 CHANGE OF PLACEMENT OF A CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES (HEAD R) Requires that, before changing the out-of-home placement of a child who has been in the same out-of-home placement for at least one year, the department of child services must file a motion requesting a change in placement and provide notice to the persons affected. Requires the juvenile court to hold a hearing on the question if the person with whom the child is placed files a written objection to the motion.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Family and Children Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Senate Chamber  
*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - Senate Family and Children Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:00 PM, Senate Chamber  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Randall Head  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB128](#)

SB129 FINAL DISPOSITION OF INDIGENT DECEDENT (BUCK J) Transfers the township trustee's responsibility for the final disposition of an indigent decedent to the county coroner. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 2:00 PM, Rm. 130  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By James Buck  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB129](#)



- SB130 COURT APPOINTED CHILD ADVOCATE IMMUNITY (BOHACEK M) Provides immunity from civil and criminal liability for: (1) a guardian ad litem program; (2) a court appointed special advocate program; and (3) an employee, contract employee, or volunteer for a guardian ad litem program or court appointed special advocate program; when a child is placed on a waiting list for guardian ad litem or court appointed special advocate services.
- Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 130
- All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski  
1/8/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mike Bohacek
- Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium
- State Bill Page:* [SB130](#)
- SB131 CRIMES INVOLVING SYNTHETIC DRUGS (BOHACEK M) Makes certain offenses involving synthetic drugs an enhancing circumstance. Removes certain misdemeanor prosecutions concerning synthetic drugs and synthetic lookalike drugs from eligibility for conditional discharge.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as second author Senator Merritt
- All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mike Bohacek
- Priority:* Tier 3 - Low
- State Bill Page:* [SB131](#)
- SB132 FIRE DEPARTMENT RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS (RAATZ J) Provides that a city, town, or township may adopt an ordinance or resolution that allows a member of the city, town, or township fire department to reside within a county that is: (1) located outside Indiana and contiguous to the county in which the city, town, or township is located, if the member becomes an Indiana resident within two years of being hired; or (2) any Indiana county, if the member resides within 25 miles from the boundaries of the city, town, or township where the fire department is located. Removes provisions requiring a member of a city, town, or township fire department to maintain, in the member's residence, telephone service with the city, town, or township.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government
- All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jeff Raatz
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High
- State Bill Page:* [SB132](#)
- SB135 REQUIRED DCS NOTIFICATIONS FOR SCHOOLS (BOHACEK M) Requires DCS to notify the individual designated as the point of contact for a child's school if the child is removed from the child's home. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
- All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as third author Senator Houchin  
1/16/2018 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted  
1/11/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 7; Nays: 0  
1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Zay  
1/11/2018 - Senate Family and Children Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
Time & Location: 1:00 PM, Senate Chamber  
1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mike Bohacek
- Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium
- State Bill Page:* [SB135](#)
- SB136 WORKFORCE READY GRANT (ZAKAS J) Provides that an applicant is eligible to receive a high value workforce ready noncredit-bearing grant if the applicant has been accepted for enrollment in a noncredit-bearing credential or similar program that offers a certification or credential upon completion that is approved by the department of workforce development. Provides that the credential or similar program may be offered by any public, private, or nonprofit entity, including a postsecondary educational institution. Provides that the noncredit-bearing credential or similar programs determined to be eligible for the high value workforce ready noncredit-bearing grant may not be limited to

programs offered by a postsecondary educational institution.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Joseph Zakas

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB136](#)

SB137

ACCESS TO EMPLOYEE RESTROOMS (BECKER V) Provides that if a retail establishment has a restroom facility on its premises for the use of the retail establishment's employees, a customer who suffers from an eligible medical condition must, upon request, be allowed to use the restroom facility during normal business hours if certain conditions are met. Specifies that a customer who uses the retail establishment's employee restroom facility is responsible for leaving the restroom facility in the same condition as when the customer entered the restroom facility. Provides immunity from civil liability for any act or omission in allowing a customer to use an employee restroom facility if all of the specified conditions for use of the facility are met, provided that the act or omission: (1) is not willful or grossly negligent; and (2) occurs in an area of the retail establishment that is not accessible to the public. Imposes a maximum \$100 civil penalty on an owner, operator, or employee of a retail establishment for violating these provisions.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Second reading amended, ordered engrossed

1/16/2018 - Amendment #1 (Young M) prevailed; voice vote

1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/11/2018 - added as third author Senator Crider

1/11/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Taylor G

1/9/2018 - added as second author Senator Head

1/8/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

1/8/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 7; Nays: 0;

1/8/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130

1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Vaneta Becker

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB137](#)

SB138

MAKING AN UNLAWFUL PROPOSITION (LANANE T) Increases the penalty for making an unlawful proposition from a Class A misdemeanor to a Level 6 felony if the person to whom the offer or payment is made is less than 18 years of age. Makes it a Level 5 felony if a person who commits the offense of making an unlawful proposition knows that the other person is less than 18 years of age.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Timothy Lanane

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB138](#)

SB139

INVESTIGATION OF OVERDOSE DEATHS (MERRITT J) Requires the county coroner to do the following if the county coroner reasonably suspects the cause of a person's death to be accidental or intentional overdose of a controlled substance: (1) Obtain any relevant information about the decedent maintained by the INSPECT program. (2) Extract and test certain bodily fluids of the decedent. (3) Report test results to the state department of health (department). (4) Provide the department notice of the decedent's death, including any information related to the controlled substances involved, if any. Authorizes the department to adopt rules. Makes conforming changes.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);

Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431

1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau

1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By James Merritt

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB139](#)

- SB140 MAINTAINING A COMMON NUISANCE (YOUNG M) Provides a defense to the crime of maintaining a common nuisance if: (1) the location was not primarily used for specified unlawful acts; (2) the charged offense involves less than a specified quantity of marijuana, hashish, hash oil, or salvia or involves paraphernalia; and (3) the person does not have a prior unrelated conviction for maintaining a common nuisance.
- Current Status:* 1/9/2018 - added as second author Senator Young M  
*All Bill Status:* 1/9/2018 - added as author Senator Bohacek  
1/9/2018 - removed as author Senator Young M  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Young
- Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB140](#)
- SB141 COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EXCISE AND WHEEL TAXES (NIEMEYER R) Provides that the county vehicle excise tax does not apply to a vehicle registered in a municipality in which the municipal vehicle excise tax is in effect. Provides that a municipality in which the municipal vehicle excise tax is in effect does not receive a distribution of county vehicle excise tax revenue. Provides that the county wheel tax does not apply to a vehicle registered in a municipality in which the municipal wheel tax is in effect. Provides that a municipality in which the municipal wheel tax is in effect does not receive a distribution of county wheel tax revenue.
- Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as second author Senator Bohacek  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 431  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB141](#)
- SB144 ABSENTEE VOTING (FORD J) Permits a voter who is qualified to vote in person to vote by absentee ballot. Removes all other qualifications for a voter to vote by absentee ballot except for a voter with disabilities who is unable to make a voting mark on the ballot or sign the absentee ballot secrecy envelope. (Such a disabled voter is currently required to vote before an absentee voter board.)
- Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Rm. 125  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jon Ford
- Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB144](#)
- SB146 AIDING IN THE ESCAPE OF AN INMATE (ZAY A) Adds cellular telephone components to the existing list of prohibited items for which trafficking with an inmate is a Level 5 felony. Creates the crime of aiding in the escape of an inmate. Adds carrying a deadly weapon into a correctional facility and aiding in the escape of an inmate to: (1) the list of offenses that make the offender ineligible for a forensic diversion program; (2) the list of offenses for which a juvenile's arrest or custodial detention by a law enforcement agency must be reported by the law enforcement agency to the juvenile's school; (3) the offenses that may be considered as an aggravating factor in sentencing under certain circumstances; and (4) the list of offenses that make the offender a serious violent felon for purposes of the statute regarding possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Andy Zay
- Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB146](#)
- SB147 APPOINTED COURT MAGISTRATES (RANDOLPH L) Provides that in appointing magistrates, the judge of the St. Joseph County probate court and the judge of the juvenile division of the Lake County superior court shall strive to reflect the ethnic and racial demographics of their respective counties.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB147](#)

SB148 ELECTION OF LAKE COUNTY JUVENILE JUDGE (RANDOLPH L) Provides that a vacancy in the judgeship of the juvenile division of the Lake County superior court (court) is filled by the governor rather than by the governor from a list of names submitted by the Lake County judicial nominating commission. Provides that in appointing magistrates, the juvenile judge of the court shall strive to reflect the ethnic and racial demographics of Lake County. Provides that the judge of the juvenile division of the court is elected in a partisan election instead of being subject to a retention election as are the other judges of the court.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB148](#)

SB150 WITNESS PROTECTION PILOT PROGRAM (BREAUX J) Authorizes the establishment of a three-year witness protection pilot program in Marion County and in Vanderburgh County to provide protection for victims of and witnesses to crime. Appropriates \$200,000 in each of three fiscal years to the Indiana criminal justice institute to fund the pilot programs.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Appropriations  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jean Breaux  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB150](#)

SB151 CONTRACEPTIVE COVERAGE (BREAUX J) Requires state employee health plans, policies of accident and sickness insurance, and health maintenance organization contracts to provide coverage for contraceptive products and services without cost sharing. Exempts certain policies and contracts sold to certain employers.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jean Breaux  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB151](#)

SB152 SURVIVOR HEALTH COVERAGE (CRIDER M) Provides that, if the employer of a public safety officer who dies in the line of duty after June 30, 2018, offers health coverage for active employees, the employer shall offer to provide and pay for health coverage under the plan covering active employees for the surviving spouse and each natural child, stepchild, and adopted child of the public safety officer. Provides that health coverage for a surviving child continues: (1) until the child becomes 18 years of age; (2) until the child becomes 23 years of age, under certain circumstances; or (3) during the entire period of the child's physical or mental disability; whichever period is longest.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as coauthors Senators Merritt, Sandlin, Doriot, Ford, Niezgodski, Melton  
1/9/2018 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations  
1/9/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 9; Nays: 0  
1/9/2018 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 233  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Crider  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB152](#)

SB153 INTERFERING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT (ZAKAS J) Provides that a person commits interfering with law enforcement, a Class B misdemeanor, if the person enters a crime scene or similar location that is marked off with barrier tape or other markers. Increases the penalty if the person draws or uses a deadly weapon, or causes injury to or death of another person.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Joseph Zakas  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB153](#)

SB156 RURAL UTILITY COOPERATIVES (HOUCHIN E) Amends the statutes concerning rural telephone cooperative corporations (cooperative corporations) as follows: (1) Specifies that for purposes of the statute, a "member" of a cooperative corporation means a person admitted to membership both under law and under the cooperative corporation's bylaws. (Current law provides that a member means a person admitted to membership under law or the cooperative corporation's bylaws.) (2) Allows for electronic notice of a meeting of the cooperative corporation's members. (3) Authorizes a cooperative corporation to include a provision in its articles of incorporation or its bylaws to allow any votes cast: (A) after notice of a meeting is provided; and (B) before a meeting of its members; to count toward specified quorum requirements. Amends the statute concerning the merger or consolidation of rural electric membership corporations and rural telephone cooperative corporations to: (1) allow for electronic notice of a meeting of a surviving corporation's or successor corporation's members; (2) authorize a surviving corporation or successor corporation to include a provision in its articles of incorporation or its bylaws to allow any votes cast: (A) after notice of a meeting is provided; and (B) before a meeting of its members; to count toward specified quorum requirements; and (3) specify that a person may not become or remain a member of a surviving corporation or successor corporation unless the person uses energy, communications, or other services (rather than retail electric service or communications service, as specified in current law) supplied by the surviving corporation or successor corporation. Makes conforming amendments concerning voting requirements in the statute governing rural electric membership corporations.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Utilities  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Erin Houchin  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB156](#)

SB157 REAL WORLD CAREER READINESS PROGRAM (RUCKELSHAUS J) Establishes the real world career readiness program (program). Provides that the state board of education (state board) shall establish the program to provide a real world career readiness student with career and technical education credentials necessary to transition from school to the workforce. Provides that the state board, in consultation with the department of workforce development, may create an authorized program, or approve high or moderate value career and technical education programs administered by one or more school corporations or charter schools. Provides that a real world career readiness student may attend an authorized program for a period of not more than one school year after the student's cohort's expected graduation year in order to obtain an industry recognized certification, credential, or postsecondary degree. Provides that a program must include an apprenticeship program, a cooperative program, or a work based learning program. Provides that a student may participate in an authorized program if the student: (1) participates in the Indiana career explorer program or curriculum or an alternative Internet based system and curriculum approved by the department of education, in consultation with the department of workforce development, that includes an aptitude assessment that demonstrates the student's aptitude, in a manner prescribed by the state board, on the aptitude assessment administered for the applicable field of study; or (2) meets alternative qualification requirements for the student's applicable field of study established by the state board in consultation with the department of workforce development. Provides that not later than July 1, 2019, each school corporation or charter high school, either solely, or in a cooperative or consortia with one or more school corporations or charter high schools, must participate in an authorized program beginning with a cohort with an expected graduation year of 2023. Provides that an eligible pupil, for purposes of calculating state tuition support, includes a student enrolled in a program.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Coauthored by Senator Niezgodski  
1/3/2018 - Authored By John Ruckelshaus  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB157](#)

SB158 SCLERAL TATTOOING (RUCKELSHAUS J) Defines "scleral tattooing". Prohibits the act of performing or offering to perform scleral tattooing. Provides an exception for the act of a licensed health care professional when the act is performed in the scope of the health care professional's practice. Provides that the attorney general: (1) has authority to receive and investigate complaints regarding violations of the statute; (2) may seek civil penalties of up to \$10,000 per violation of the statute; and (3) may seek an injunction to restrain a person from continuing to violate the statute.



*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - Cosponsor: Representative Eberhart  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - House sponsor: Representative Frizzell  
1/16/2018 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 18: yeas 42, nays 5  
1/16/2018 - Senate Bills on Third Reading  
1/11/2018 - Second reading ordered engrossed  
1/11/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
1/9/2018 - added as third author Senator Brown L  
1/9/2018 - added as second author Senator Buck  
1/8/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/8/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 5; Nays: 2;  
1/8/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By John Ruckelshaus  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB158](#)

SB159 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (RUCKELSHAUS J) Establishes a redistricting commission (commission) to create, hold hearings on, take public comment about, and recommend plans to redraw general assembly districts and congressional districts. Provides for appointment of four commission members by the legislative leadership. Establishes the redistricting commission nominating committee (committee) to receive applications from and evaluate applicants to fill the five remaining positions on the commission. Provides for selection of those five commission members from pools of applicants selected by the committee. Requires the legislative services agency (agency) to provide staff and administrative services to the commission. Establishes standards to govern the commission and the agency in the creation of redistricting plans. Provides that the general assembly must meet and enact redistricting plans before October 1 of a redistricting year. Authorizes the general assembly to convene in a session to act on redistricting bills at times other than the times the general assembly is currently authorized to meet. Repeals the current law establishing a redistricting commission for congressional redistricting.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Niezgodski  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - added as third author Senator Ford  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By John Ruckelshaus  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB159](#)

SB161 SPAY-NEUTER GRANT PROGRAM (MESSMER M) Provides for the state board of animal health (board) to administer forfeited deposits held by animal care facilities for spay-neuter procedures. (Current law provides for the bureau of motor vehicles to administer the forfeited deposits.) Establishes the spay-neuter grant program and the spay-neuter fund. Provides that the board administers the grant program and the fund.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 6; Nays: 0;  
1/8/2018 - Senate Agriculture, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 431  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Agriculture  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mark Messmer  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB161](#)

SB162 RESIDENCY OF POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS (MESSMER M) Allows a member of a police or fire department to reside within a county that is noncontiguous to the county where the police or fire department is located but is not more than 50 miles from the closest boundary of the city, town, or township where the police or fire department is located.

*Current Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as second author Senator Ruckelshaus  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mark Messmer  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

- SB165 TOWNSHIP BOARD TERMS OF OFFICE (CRANE J) Provides for the staggering of the terms of the members of township boards (other than township boards in Marion County) beginning with the 2022 general election.  
*Current Status:* 1/22/2018 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Senate Chamber  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - Senate Elections, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Rm. 125  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Elections  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By John Crane  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB165](#)
- SB166 REPORTING ON WORKER MISCLASSIFICATION (NIEZGODSKI D) Requires the state department of revenue, the state department of labor, the worker's compensation board of Indiana, and the department of workforce development to report before November 1 of each year for three years, beginning November 1, 2018, to the interim study committee on employment and labor for the immediately preceding state fiscal year: (1) the number of employers that each department or the board determined during the immediately preceding state fiscal year improperly classified at least one worker as an independent contractor; (2) the total number of improperly classified workers employed by those employers; (3) the department's or board's estimate of the revenue not collected or the additional costs to the state that the department or board attributes to the improperly classified workers; and (4) the amount of the penalties and interest assessed against those employers by each department or the board, and the amount of the penalties and interest assessed that has been collected.  
*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 8; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 233  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB166](#)
- SB167 GRANTS FROM STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND (NIEZGODSKI D) Provides that the maximum amount that an individual may receive from the state disaster relief fund (fund) as compensation for damages to the individual's property is \$10,000. (Current administrative rules provide that the maximum amount is \$5,000.) Voids provisions in the Indiana Administrative Code that set forth a maximum compensation amount of \$5,000. Directs the department of homeland security (department) to amend, before July 1, 2019, the administrative rule concerning the fund to reflect a maximum compensation amount of \$10,000 for individuals. Makes an annual appropriation from the state general fund to the fund for the department's use in carrying out the purposes of the fund.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB167](#)
- SB168 BAN ON SALE OR USE OF COAL TAR PAVEMENT PRODUCTS (NIEZGODSKI D) Prohibits the: (1) sale or offer for sale; and (2) application to pavement; of a coal tar pavement product except as required for purposes of research on the effects of the coal tar pavement product on the environment.  
*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Stoops  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - Senate Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 233  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB168](#)
- SB170 ELIGIBILITY FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES (NIEZGODSKI D) Requires the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) to compile a list of all employers that relocate a call center to a foreign country and to disqualify employers on that list from state grants, loans, and tax credits. Requires an employer receiving a state

grant, loan, or tax credit to notify the IEDC if it intends to relocate a call center. Imposes a civil penalty on an employer that does not notify the IEDC.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB170](#)

SB171 LIMITS ON ANNEXATION ORDINANCES (BUCK J) Limits a municipality to adoption of one annexation ordinance per calendar year. Provides that an annexation ordinance is void if, for the assessment date in the calendar year preceding the calendar year in which the annexation ordinance is adopted, the total gross assessed value of property within the annexation territory is more than 15% of the total gross assessed value of the annexing municipality.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 431

*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By James Buck

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB171](#)

SB172 COMPUTER SCIENCE CURRICULUM (RAATZ J) Establishes the next level computer science grant program (program) and the next level computer science fund (fund) to award grants, after June 30, 2019, to eligible entities to implement teacher professional development programs for training in teaching computer science. Requires the state board of education to: (1) administer the program and fund; and (2) develop guidelines to award grants from the fund to eligible entities. Requires (beginning July 1, 2021) each public school, including a charter school, to offer a computer science course as a one semester elective course in its curriculum at least once each school year to high school students. Requires (beginning July 1, 2021) each public school, including a charter school, to include computer science in the public school's curriculum for students in kindergarten through grade 12. Makes conforming changes. Makes a continuing appropriation.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Education and Career Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 130  
1/10/2018 - Senate Education and Career Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 3:00 PM, Rm. 130  
1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Kruse  
1/8/2018 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development  
1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Jeff Raatz

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB172](#)

SB173 STATE AND LOCAL AUDIT EXAMINATIONS (BUCK J) Requires the audit examinations of state and local units conducted by the state board of accounts to include: (1) a disclosure of any pledge, covenant, or agreement that the state or local unit has made as security or guarantor for a private bond issue of a private company; and (2) an opinion concerning the extent of any risk the pledge, covenant, or agreement poses to the public funds of the state or local unit.

*Current Status:* 1/23/2018 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431

*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 431  
1/8/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy  
1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By James Buck

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB173](#)

SB174 TAX DEDUCTION FOR HEALTH CARE SHARING EXPENSES (CRANE J) Provides that an individual who is an Indiana resident and a member of a health care sharing ministry is entitled to an adjusted gross income tax deduction for a taxable year equal to the total amount of qualified health care sharing expenses paid by the taxpayer during the taxable year.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By John Crane  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB174](#)

SB176 SERVICE OFFICER MATTERS (NIEZGODSKI D) Requires notification from the director of the department of veterans' affairs to county and city executives concerning noncompliance with: (1) designation of service officers; and (2) accreditation requirements. Provides that a vacancy may not occur in the office of a designated or employed service officer for more than 60 consecutive days. Requires, after one year of noncompliance, a part of local income taxes to be withheld from cities and counties that fail to enforce: (1) designation and employment requirements; and (2) accreditation and reaccreditation requirements for city and county service officers. Requires county executives to designate county service officers for five year terms. Allows for funding for training and accreditation of service officers to be paid from the military family relief fund.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to Senate Veterans Affairs and The Military  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB176](#)

SB177 THE INDIANA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA (KRUSE D) Requires the state board of education (state board) to establish one Indiana diploma for individuals who successfully complete high school graduation requirements. (Current law establishes four different diplomas.) Provides that an Indiana diploma may include one of the following distinctions: (1) Core 40 distinction. (2) Core 40 academic honors distinction. (3) Core 40 technical honors distinction. Provides that each student must meet course and credit requirements for an Indiana diploma. (Current law requires each student to meet Core 40 course and credit requirements and allows a student to be exempted from these requirements.) Removes certain requirements that a student may, if the student fails to meet a graduation pathway requirement, elect to complete to be eligible to graduate. Makes conforming changes. Repeals provisions that: (1) require the state board to design a high school diploma for the high school fast track program; (2) establish a subcommittee to make recommendations regarding diplomas and certain course requirements and develop the requirements for a career and technical education diploma; and (3) allow a student to be exempted from Core 40 curriculum requirements.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Raatz  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development  
1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Dennis Kruse  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB177](#)

SB178 TAKING OF SAND FROM BED OF LAKE MICHIGAN (TALLIAN K) Provides that sand taken from the bed or from under the bed of Lake Michigan pursuant to a permit from the department of natural resources (DNR) may only be deposited on the beach of Lake Michigan and may not be removed to any other place or used for any other purpose. Provides, however, that the sand shall be disposed of in a manner consistent with the hazardous waste management law if the director of the DNR determines that the sand contains a toxic material or a substance that is potentially harmful to human health or to the environment.

*Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources  
*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Karen Tallian  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB178](#)

SB179 CHILD SUPPORT (BRAY R) Provides that incarceration of a parent may not be considered to be voluntary unemployment in determining an amount to be ordered for support of a child. Provides that a court may modify the child support order, or approve a proposed modification, without holding a hearing if: (1) a petition to modify a child support order based on incarceration of a party is filed; and (2) after receiving notice, no party timely files an objection or request for hearing. Requires the child support bureau (bureau), beginning July 1, 2019, to notify both parties of each party's right to request a modification of the child support order not later than fifteen (15) days after learning that an obligor in a Title IV-D case is or may be incarcerated for a period of at least one hundred eighty (180) calendar days. Requires a prosecuting attorney or private attorney entering into an agreement or a contract with the bureau to review all requests for modification of child support received from an incarcerated obligor with an open Title IV-D case and, if appropriate, file a petition for modification of child support and proposed order in the

appropriate court.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 9; Nays: 0  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 130  
1/8/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB179](#)

SB182 COUNTY BUILDING AUTHORITIES (GROOMS R) Authorizes the municipal county seat of a county building authority to withdraw its membership from the building authority.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ronald Grooms  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB182](#)

SB184 MAXIMUM NUMBER OF FOSTER CHILDREN (ZAY A) Increases from five to six the number of children who may be supervised in a foster family home.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Bills on Second Reading  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - Committee Report do pass, adopted  
1/11/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 7; Nays: 0  
1/11/2018 - Senate Family and Children Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
Time & Location: 1:00 PM, Senate Chamber  
1/4/2018 - added as second author Senator Ford  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Andy Zay  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB184](#)

SB188 ATTORNEY GENERAL CONSUMER FUND (MISHLER R) Creates the consumer protection restitution and settlements fund (fund), which pays: (1) expenses for the attorney general to administer and litigate multistate consumer protection cases; and (2) additional program and operating expenses of the attorney general. Provides that the consumer protection restitution and settlements fund does not include: (1) funds received by the Medicaid fraud control unit; (2) funds paid in certain consumer restitution matters; (3) amounts received under the tobacco master settlement agreement; and (4) funds required to be deposited in the consumer protection restitution and settlements fund. Provides that the funds appropriated to the attorney general from the consumer fees and settlement fund for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, and the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, shall instead be appropriated from the agency settlement fund.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431  
*All Bill Status:* 1/16/2018 - added as second author Senator Bray  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Appropriations  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ryan Mishler  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB188](#)

SB190 HEALTH FACILITY CERTIFICATE OF NEED (MISHLER R) Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to cooperate with the state department of health (state department) in the provision of certain health facility information. Establishes a comprehensive care health facility certificate of need program administered by the state department. Sets forth certificate of need application requirements and exemptions.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS Yeas: 10; Nays: 1  
*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431  
1/16/2018 - added as second author Senator Charbonneau  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Ryan Mishler

Priority: Tier 2 - Medium

State Bill Page: [SB190](#)

- SB191 TOWNSHIP CEMETERY OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE (BUCK J) Transfers from townships to counties the current provisions concerning cemetery establishment, ownership, and maintenance. Requires townships to transfer to the county in which the township is located cemetery related property and responsibilities before January 1, 2019.  
*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 2:00 PM, Rm. 130  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By James Buck  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB191](#)
- SB194 DISTRIBUTIONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY INCOME TAX REVENUE (NIEMEYER R) Requires the distribution of public safety local income tax revenues to a township that provides fire protection or emergency medical services.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB194](#)
- SB195 1977 PENSION AND DISABILITY FUND SURVIVING SPOUSE BENEFIT (NIEMEYER R) Increases, from 60% to 80% of the member's monthly benefit, the monthly benefit of a surviving spouse of an individual who: (1) is a member of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund; and (2) dies other than in the line of duty after June 30, 2018.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB195](#)
- SB196 ELIMINATION OF ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS OF ASSESSED VALUES (NIEMEYER R) Eliminates the annual adjustments (or "trending") to assessed values of certain real property for assessment dates beginning after December 31, 2018. Does not eliminate trending for agricultural land. Retains the provisions in current law that require four year cyclical reassessments. Makes conforming changes. Makes technical corrections.  
*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Appropriations  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB196](#)
- SB197 VARIOUS PROPERTY ISSUES (DORIOT B) Provides that: (1) if the department of transportation (department) acts to acquire real property identified within the rights-of-way for an addition to the state highway system; and (2) if, before the owner of the affected property receives notice of the planned acquisition: (A) the lines and corners of the property have been marked and monumented; and (B) a plat of the legal survey has been entered in the legal survey record book; the department shall, not later than 45 days after taking legal title to the property, cause the new lines and corners of the property to be marked and monumented to reflect the department's right-of-way, and shall cause the plat of the resulting legal survey to be entered in the legal survey record book. Amends the statute concerning the Indiana coordinate system for describing real property to provide that coordinates based on specified coordinate systems and used to define the position of a point on a land boundary may not be presented to be recorded unless the recording document also contains: (1) the method used to relate the coordinates to the National Spatial Reference System; and (2) the name and zone of the coordinate system. Eliminates other reporting and certification requirements with respect to such recordings. Provides that if any coordinates (not specifically coordinates based on the Indiana coordinate system, as provided in current law) are used to describe a tract of land that is also described by a reference to the United States public land surveys: (1) the description by coordinates shall be construed as supplemental; and (2) in the event of a conflict, the description by reference to the United States public land surveys prevails over the description by coordinates. Provides that the statute does not require a purchaser or mortgagee of real estate to rely on a description, any part of which depends exclusively upon the Indiana coordinate system, unless the same description was previously used in a document conveying title to the real estate. Amends the statute



concerning the statute of limitations for actions for the recovery of the possession of real estate to provide that such an action that: (1) involves a line located and established by a professional surveyor; and (2) accrues before the lines are located and established by the surveyor; must be commenced before the expiration of the appeal period set forth in the statute governing county surveyors. Provides that after June 30, 2018, a county recorder may receive for recording or filing an instrument concerning an interest in or lien on property only if the following is included in the instrument presented for recording or filing: (1) The name of the surveyor or attorney who prepared the property description. (2) If the description is of property that has been previously described in a recorded instrument of conveyance, a citation to the recording information for that instrument. Makes conforming changes to cross references to Indiana Code sections amended by these provisions. Amends the Indiana Code provision concerning the establishment of property lines by means of a legal survey to: (1) eliminate the exception to the required notice when all adjoining landowners consent in writing; and (2) specify that: (A) the lines established are binding on all affected landowners, including a landowner who claims title under a claim of adverse possession; and (B) the procedures set forth apply to the department when acquiring marked and monumented real property that is within the rights-of-way for an addition to the state highway system. Makes conforming changes concerning notice of the survey in the Indiana Code provision concerning appeals of surveys.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 130

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Blake Doriot

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB197](#)

SB199 SENTENCE MODIFICATION (FREEMAN A) Provides that a court may not, without the consent of the prosecuting attorney, reduce the sentence of a person sentenced under a plea agreement if the reduction was not authorized by the plea agreement.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB199](#)

SB200 SUSPENSION OF A SENTENCE FOR A FELONY (FREEMAN A) Provides that a court may suspend only that part of a sentence that is in excess of the minimum sentence for a person convicted of a Level 2 or Level 3 felony who has a prior unrelated felony conviction, other than a conviction for a felony involving marijuana, hashish, hash oil, or salvia divinorum. (Current law provides that a court may suspend any part of a sentence for certain Level 2 and Level 3 felony convictions, including drug related convictions.)

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB200](#)

SB201 PAROLE FOR VIOLENT OFFENSES (FREEMAN A) Increases the potential maximum parole period from 12 months to 24 months for certain felons who have committed a violent offense (as defined by statute).

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB201](#)

SB202 NONCONSENSUAL PORNOGRAPHY (FREEMAN A) Defines "intimate image" and makes it a Class A misdemeanor for a person to distribute or display an intimate image of an individual who the person knows or reasonably should know does not consent to the distribution or display of the intimate image. Increases the penalty to a Level 6 felony for a second or subsequent offense.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as third author Senator Sandlin

*All Bill Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Bohacek  
1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB202](#)

SB203 CRIMES RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF A FETUS (FREEMAN A) Provides that the crimes of: (1) murder; (2) voluntary manslaughter; (3) involuntary manslaughter; and (4) feticide; may be committed against a fetus in any stage of development. Specifies that the offenses do not apply to a lawfully performed abortion. Repeals a superseded provision.

*Current Status:* 1/23/2018 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);  
Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Rm. 130

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB203](#)

SB206 TRAFFIC STOP SAFETY EDUCATION (FREEMAN A) Requires that an examination for a learner's permit or driver's license must include a test of the applicant's knowledge of the rights and responsibilities of a driver and passenger during a traffic stop by a law enforcement officer. Requires the driver education advisory board to consult with the commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles and the state police department on the administration of a traffic stop safety education program. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to coordinate with the state police department to provide a traffic stop safety education program.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB206](#)

SB207 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS AND SOLAR POWER (FREEMAN A) Prohibits a homeowners association from adopting or enforcing certain rules, covenants, declarations of restrictions, and other governing documents concerning solar energy systems after June 30, 2018.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Aaron Freeman

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB207](#)

SB212 VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS (BROWN L) Excludes bulk milk from the definition of "overweight divisible load". Provides that the department of transportation (department) may issue an overweight permit for the transportation of bulk milk up to 100,000 pounds. Requires the department to issue an annual permit with a fee of \$20 to an applicant for a bulk milk permit whose total equivalent single axle load calculation is less than 2.40 equivalent single axle load credit. Requires the department to issue a nondivisible overweight permit to an applicant for a bulk milk permit whose total equivalent single axle load calculation is greater than 2.39 equivalent single axle load credit.

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1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Liz Brown

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB212](#)

SB213 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING (ECKERTY D) Provides a property tax exemption for affordable rental housing property when the property does not otherwise qualify for a property tax exemption. Provides that, in order to qualify for the exemption, the owner must meet the criteria applied by the Internal Revenue Service in determining if an organization that provides low income housing is considered charitable because it relieves the poor and distressed.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Douglas Eckerty

Priority: Tier 1 - High

State Bill Page: [SB213](#)

SB216 STORAGE OF FIREARMS AT PUBLIC VENUES (SANDLIN J) Provides that a person in possession of: (1) a valid Indiana handgun permit; or (2) a valid handgun permit from a state sharing a reciprocity agreement with Indiana; may carry or possess a handgun on the grounds or premises of certain buildings, facilities, and structures. Provides that a law enforcement officer or an off duty law enforcement officer may carry or possess a handgun on the grounds or premises of certain buildings, facilities, or structures without restriction. Creates certain exceptions. Provides that any: (1) administrative rule; (2) contractual term; (3) ordinance; (4) policy; (5) regulation; (6) rule; or (7) statute; that prevents or prohibits a person possessing a valid handgun permit or a law enforcement officer from carrying or possessing a handgun on the grounds or premises of certain buildings, facilities, or structures, is void. Creates certain exceptions.

Current Status: 1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Tomes

All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Jack Sandlin

Priority: Tier 1 - High

State Bill Page: [SB216](#)

SB219 INSPECT PROGRAM REPORTING AND REVIEW (HOUCHIN E) Requires the medical director of the law enforcement agency or an emergency medical services agency supervising an emergency medical services provider to transmit certain information to the INSPECT program when an emergency medical services provider administers an overdose intervention drug to a patient. Removes lapsed provisions. Establishes the INSPECT peer review subcommittee.

Current Status: 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services

All Bill Status: 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Erin Houchin

Priority: Tier 1 - High

State Bill Page: [SB219](#)

SB221 INSPECT PROGRAM (HOUCHIN E) Allows a dispenser of ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance to transmit certain information to the INSPECT program by any electronic method that meets specifications prescribed by the state board of pharmacy (board). Provides that, to the extent considered appropriate by the board, the INSPECT data base must be interoperable with other similar registries operated by federal and state governments. Requires the following practitioners to obtain information about a patient from the data base before prescribing an opioid or benzodiazepine to the patient: (1) A practitioner who has had the information from the data base integrated into the patient's electronic health records. (2) Beginning January 1, 2019, a practitioner who provides services to the patient in the emergency department of a hospital or a pain management clinic. (3) Beginning January 1, 2020, a practitioner who provides services to the patient in a hospital. (4) Beginning January 1, 2021, all practitioners. Removes lapsed provisions. Provides that beginning January 1, 2019, a practitioner who is permitted to distribute, dispense, prescribe, conduct research with respect to, or administer ephedrine, pseudoephedrine, or a controlled substance in the course of the practitioner's professional practice or research must be certified to receive information from the INSPECT program.

Current Status: 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 10; Nays: 0

All Bill Status: 1/17/2018 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);

Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431

1/16/2018 - added as coauthor Senator Lanane

1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Erin Houchin

Priority: Tier 2 - Medium

State Bill Page: [SB221](#)

SB222 MISLEADING OR INACCURATE CALLER IDENTIFICATION (HEAD R) Provides that a person who knowingly violates the statute concerning the transmission of misleading or inaccurate caller identification information commits: (1) a Class A misdemeanor; or (2) if the person has a previous unrelated conviction under the statute, a Level 6 felony. (Current law provides that a person who knowingly violates the statute commits: (1) a Class B misdemeanor; or (2) if the person has a previous unrelated conviction under the statute, a Class A misdemeanor.) Makes technical changes to the deceptive consumer sales act (act) to: (1) include in the list of acts constituting deceptive acts for purposes of the act, a reference to a violation of the statute concerning misleading or inaccurate caller identification information; and (2) include a reference to the Indiana Code provision that specifies the civil penalty that the attorney general may

recover for a knowing or intentional violation of the statute concerning misleading or inaccurate caller identification.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Randall Head

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB222](#)

SB227 ELIGIBILITY FOR RESIDENT TUITION RATE (NIEZGODSKI D) Provides that an individual who meets certain conditions is eligible for the resident tuition rate as determined by the state educational institution. Requires the commission for higher education to prescribe the form of the affidavit an individual must file to be eligible for the resident tuition rate. Provides that an agency or political subdivision is not required to verify that an individual is a United States citizen or qualified alien for the individual to be eligible to pay the resident tuition rate. Repeals a provision that provides that an individual who is not lawfully in the United States is not eligible to pay the resident tuition rate.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB227](#)

SB228 DRIVING CARDS (NIEZGODSKI D) Provides for the issuance of driving cards and driving card learner's permits (cards) to residents of Indiana who cannot provide proof of identity and lawful status in the United States. Provides that cards may not be used for federal identification or any federal purposes. Requires that an individual who holds a card and operates a motor vehicle must verify that financial responsibility on any motor vehicle that the holder operates is continuously maintained in the amounts required by law. Makes conforming amendments. Makes technical corrections.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB228](#)

SB229 PENSION COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS (NIEZGODSKI D) Provides for cost of living adjustments for certain members of the: (1) public employees' retirement fund; (2) Indiana state teachers' retirement fund; (3) state police pre-1987 benefit system; and (4) state police 1987 benefit system.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By David Niezgodski

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB229](#)

SB231 TOWNSHIP PROPERTY TAXES (RUCKELSHAUS J) Specifies that when formulating an annual budget, a township must consider: (1) the ending balance that will remain in each township fund relative to the budgeted expenditures from the fund; and (2) whether the part of the balance in excess of 10% of budgeted expenditures should be used instead of imposing additional property taxes for the ensuing year. Requires the department of local government finance to consider those factors when reviewing a township's budget, tax rate, and tax levy.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By John Ruckelshaus

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB231](#)

SB232 ACCESS TO FOOD PROGRAM (RUCKELSHAUS J) Establishes the access to food program (program) under the administration of the Indiana housing and community development authority (IHCDA). Provides that the purpose of the program is to focus on: (1) distribution of fresh and nutritious food; and (2) education in food preparation and nutrition in food deserts. Defines "food desert". Requires the IHCDA to convene an annual meeting to share best practices and information concerning effective programs.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Family and Children Services, (First Hearing); Time & Location: 9:30 AM, Senate Chamber

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services

1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By John Ruckelshaus

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB232](#)

- SB237      HANDGUN LICENSING (BRAY R) Increases the duration of a four year handgun license to five years. Requires a law enforcement officer to whom an application for a handgun license is made to determine the applicant's: (1) country of citizenship; (2) place of birth; and (3) alien or admission number issued by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement or any successor agency as applicable; when evaluating a noncitizen's application for a handgun license. Requires a law enforcement officer to whom an application for a handgun license is made to consult available local, state, and federal criminal history data banks, including the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS), when determining whether possession of a firearm by an applicant would be a violation of state or federal law.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB237](#)
- SB238      OFFICE OF JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION (BRAY R) Changes all references to the division of state court administration and the judicial center to the office of judicial administration. Changes all references to the executive director of the division of state court administration and the judicial center to chief administrative officer of the office of judicial administration. Makes various changes to laws governing courts and court officers, including laws concerning evening court sessions, magistrate judges, specialized driving privileges, temporary guardianships, judicial conference membership, and senior judge compensation. Repeals the law describing the division of state court administration. Repeals the law setting forth the duties of the division of supreme court administration. Repeals the law requiring the judicial center to maintain a roster of in-state facilities to provide child services in a residential setting. Makes technical corrections. Makes conforming changes.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB238](#)
- SB240      SERVICE ANIMALS (LEISING J) Specifies that a person who offers to rent or otherwise make available a dwelling may not ask an individual with a disability who seeks to use a service animal about the existence, nature, and extent of the individual's disability. Provides that a person who offers to rent or otherwise make available a dwelling to an individual with a disability that is not apparent may require that the individual certify in writing from a health service provider the individual's need for a service animal. Provides that an individual with a disability that is not apparent who submits a request for a service animal that falsely suggests the individual has a disability that entitles the individual to the use of a service animal in a dwelling commits a Class A infraction. Specifies that a person who offers to rent or otherwise make available a dwelling and permits an individual with a disability the use of a service animal on the premises of a dwelling as a reasonable accommodation under certain federal, state, or local laws is not liable for an injury to another individual caused by an individual's service animal.
- Current Status:* 1/8/2018 - added as second author Senator Messmer  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Jean Leising  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB240](#)
- SB241      CITY AND TOWN COURT JURISDICTION (BRAY R) Specifies that the jurisdiction of a city or town court with respect to misdemeanors and infractions extends only to misdemeanors and infractions committed within the city or town.
- Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary  
*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB241](#)
- SB242      TAX ISSUES (HOLDMAN T) Provides that the lottery commission must obtain a tax clearance statement from the

department of state revenue (DOR) for a retailer before the lottery commission may enter into a contract with that retailer. (Current law requires the retailer to provide the tax clearance statement to the lottery commission.) Requires the riverboat supplemental wagering tax and wagering tax to be paid four days (rather than one day, under current law) before the last business day of each month. Provides that, beginning after June 30, 2018, a county, city, or town that receives an initial application for a property tax abatement deduction (abatement deduction) for real or personal property in an economic revitalization area must notify each taxing unit in the taxing district in which the property is located of the receipt of the application. Allows each taxing unit to adopt a resolution to support the abatement deduction. Provides that, if less than all taxing units pass a resolution to support the abatement deduction, the county auditor shall apply the deduction only against assessed value for those taxing units that support the deduction, and may not apply the deduction against assessed value for the taxing units that do not support the deduction. Provides that the separate net assessed value must be used for purposes of calculating a budget, rate, or levy of the taxing unit. Prohibits a county, city, or town from approving an abatement deduction if the deduction applicant or property owner, on the date of the application, is conducting the business activities: (1) that form the basis for the statement of benefits; or (2) that are required for the approval of the application; at another location in Indiana. Eliminates the infrastructure development zone property tax exemption for assessment dates after January 1, 2019. Eliminates the property tax deduction for personal property within a certified technology park that is assessed for the first time after January 1, 2019 (but does not eliminate the property tax deduction claimed under a deduction schedule filed after January 1, 2019, for personal property that was assessed for the first time before January 2, 2019). Eliminates the maritime opportunity district property tax deduction for new manufacturing equipment installed in a district after June 30, 2018. Provides that the reduced tax rate for a corporation in a qualified military enhancement area (area) applies only to a corporation that locates all or part of its operations in an area before January 1, 2019 (but does not prevent the tax rate from applying to succeeding taxable years of a corporation after December 31, 2018, if the corporation has located all or part of its operations in an area before January 1, 2019). Eliminates various income tax credits and deductions. Makes technical corrections and conforming changes. Provides that the DOR may require that certain information be provided or updated before the issuance or renewal of a registered retail merchant's certificate. Specifies that if for any taxable year a taxpayer is subject to different corporate income tax rates, the calculation is based on the number of days (rather than months, under current law) that each of the different tax rates is in effect. Provides that if the due date for a federal income tax return is extended by the Internal Revenue Service to a date that is later than the date otherwise required for a state income tax return, the DOR may extend the due date of the state return to the due date permitted for the federal return. Authorizes the DOR to issue refunds in certain circumstances without a taxpayer filing a refund claim. Requires certain state and local employees and contractors, subcontractors, and parties to a cooperative agreement with the state whose duties include access to confidential tax information to submit to a fingerprint based criminal history background check of both national and state records data bases.

*Current Status:* 1/23/2018 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy  
1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Travis Holdman

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB242](#)

SB244

EXCISE TAX ON HEAVY EQUIPMENT (HOLDMAN T) Excludes motorized heavy equipment vehicles from the assessment of the personal property tax. Imposes an excise tax on the rental of motorized heavy equipment vehicles (excise tax). Provides procedures for the sourcing, collection, and distribution of the excise tax. Provides that the excise tax is apportioned and distributed to local governmental units (units) in the same manner that property taxes are apportioned and distributed. Requires the units to deposit the excise taxes in the units' levy excess fund.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure

*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading  
1/10/2018 - Authored By Travis Holdman

*State Bill Page:* [SB244](#)

SB246

CEMETERY MAINTENANCE EXPENSES (KOCH E) Defines "immediate maintenance needs" of a cemetery. Allows a cemetery owner to withdraw 100% of any appreciation of the principal of the cemetery's perpetual care fund each year to meet the immediate maintenance needs of the cemetery. (Under current law, only 50% of the appreciation of the principal of the perpetual care fund may be withdrawn.) Provides that money in the perpetual care fund of a cemetery may be invested in certificates of deposit, mutual funds, money market mutual funds, and other interest bearing accounts or funds. Allows a cemetery owner to withdraw up to 30% of the principal of the cemetery's perpetual care fund if necessary to meet the immediate maintenance needs of the cemetery. Allows a cemetery owner, upon the sale of a burial plot, crypt, or niche, instead of paying into the perpetual care fund the part of the sale price that is otherwise paid into the perpetual care fund, to use that part of the sale price to meet the immediate maintenance needs of the cemetery if the money otherwise available from the cemetery's perpetual care fund is not



sufficient to meet the immediate maintenance needs of the cemetery. Allows a cemetery to obtain maintenance funds from the state consumer protection fund for cemetery maintenance if the appreciation and income of the principal of the cemetery's perpetual care fund are not sufficient to meet the immediate maintenance needs of the cemetery. Authorizes the trustee of a township to provide financial assistance for maintenance purposes to a cemetery that is operated by a nonprofit organization and located in the township if the trustee reasonably believes that: (1) the funds available to the cemetery from its perpetual care fund and other sources are not sufficient to provide for the necessary maintenance of the cemetery; and (2) providing financial assistance to the cemetery will help to prevent the full responsibility for maintenance of the cemetery from falling on the township. Provides, for purposes of the law concerning township care of cemeteries, that the maintenance of a cemetery includes mowing the lawn.

*Current Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 130

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Eric Koch

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB246](#)

SB248

BIOMETRIC IDENTIFIERS (KOCH E) Provides that a person shall not enroll a biometric identifier of an individual in a data base unless the person first: (1) provides notice to the individual from whom the biometric identifier was captured; (2) obtains the consent of the individual; or (3) provides a mechanism that can be used to prevent the subsequent use of biometric identifiers for a commercial purpose following enrollment in the data base. Provides that a person who enrolls the biometric identifier of an individual in a data base as permitted under these provisions may not sell, lease, or otherwise disclose the biometric identifier to another person for a commercial purpose unless the disclosure is made for certain specified purposes. Imposes certain duties on a person that knowingly possesses a biometric identifier that has been enrolled in a data base. Provides that a person that violates these provisions commits a deceptive act that is actionable under the deceptive consumer sales act. Provides that a person who: (1) knowingly and intentionally; and (2) with the intent to defraud or cause harm to another person, or to wrongfully obtain anything of value; violates these provisions, commits a Level 6 felony. Provides that the offense is a Level 5 felony if: (1) the offense involves the biometric identifiers of more than 100 individuals; or (2) the fair market value of the fraud or harm caused by the offense is at least \$50,000.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Eric Koch

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB248](#)

SB251

AGE OF CONSENT (MRVAN F) Adds the criminal offense of indiscretion, which is committed when a person who is at least 22 years of age engages in sexual intercourse or other sexual conduct, fondling, or touching with a child who is at least 16 years of age but less than 18 years of age. Adds indiscretion to the list of: (1) sex offenses; and (2) offenses that would determine if a child is a child in need of services. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Frank Mrvan

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB251](#)

SB253

REGISTRY OF EMPLOYERS PREFERRING VETERANS (MRVAN F) Requires the Indiana department of workforce development to establish and maintain a registry of private employers, local units of governments, and labor unions in Indiana that have a voluntary veterans' preference employment policy.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Veterans Affairs and The Military

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Frank Mrvan

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB253](#)

SB254

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE ACCOUNTABILITY (MRVAN F) Adds various job and employee definitions to the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) laws. Requires that all records related to taxpayer funded economic development incentives must be disclosed under the open records law. Requires that the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report must be published on the Indiana transparency portal Internet web site. Requires the IEDC and the department of state revenue to compile information on all job creation incentives granted, including the total amount of uncollected or diverted state tax revenues resulting from each incentive, and requires

that this information must be included as part of the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report. Requires the IEDC to recapture job creation incentives from a recipient that: (1) fails to make the level of capital investment; (2) fails to create or retain the promised number of jobs; or (3) pays less in wages; than specified in an incentive agreement. Requires the IEDC to compile information on all recapture activities and incentives recouped from unfulfilled commitments and to include the information as part of the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report. Requires incentive recipients to prepare an annual compliance report on the number of jobs created or retained, employee pay, and various other information concerning the use of the incentives, and requires the IEDC to compile this information and include it in the IEDC's annual job creation incentives and compliance report. Repeals and replaces the definition of "job creation incentive" without change to maintain alphabetical order.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Frank Mrvan

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB254](#)

SB256 TAXATION OF ONLINE TRAVEL SERVICES (HOLDMAN T) Extends the various innkeeper's taxes to cover the rental of a residential unit for fewer than 30 days. Provides that a facilitator who accepts payment on a transaction to which the innkeeper's tax applies is required to register with the department of state revenue as a retail merchant and collect innkeeper's taxes on the transaction.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Rules and Legislative Procedure

*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading  
1/10/2018 - Authored By Travis Holdman

*State Bill Page:* [SB256](#)

SB258 WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT STRUCTURES (MESSMER M) Provides that, for purposes of the statute concerning the local permitting of support structures for wireless communications services, with respect to the construction, placement, or use of a small cell facility and the associated supporting structure, a permit authority may prohibit the placement of a new utility pole or new wireless support structure in a right-of-way within an area that is designated strictly for underground or buried utilities, if the designation is made before April 15, 2017, and if certain other conditions are met. (Current law provides that the designation concerning underground or buried utilities must be made before May 1, 2017.) Provides that with respect to the construction, placement, or use of a small cell facility and the associated supporting structure in a right-of-way within an area that is: (1) zoned exclusively for residential land use; and (2) designated strictly for underground or buried utilities after April 14, 2017, and before May 1, 2017; a permit authority may not prohibit the placement of a new utility pole or new wireless support structure in a right-of-way within the area. Provides that if a permit authority receives an application for the placement of a new utility pole or a new wireless support structure in a right-of-way within such an area, a group of residents residing within the area and satisfying the statutory standing requirements for filing a complaint with the utility regulatory commission (IURC) may, not later than 30 days after the permit authority's receipt of the application, submit objections to the IURC for an informal determination of whether the placement is in the public interest. Requires the IURC to make its determination not later than 45 days after receipt of the submission. Provides that if the IURC does not make a determination within the prescribed 45 day period, the placement is considered to be in the public interest. Provides that the time for the permit authority to approve or deny the application is tolled until the IURC makes its determination or for 45 days, whichever occurs earlier. Provides that if a permit authority maintains an Internet web site, the permit authority shall post on its Internet web site notice of any applications the permit authority receives after March 27, 2018, for the construction, placement, or use of a small cell facility on one or more new utility poles or new wireless support structures. Provides that a regulation that: (1) is adopted by a permit authority after April 14, 2017, and before May 1, 2017; and (2) designates an area within the jurisdiction of the permit authority as strictly for underground or buried utilities; is void.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Mark Messmer

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB258](#)

SB259 MOTOR VEHICLE MATTERS (HEAD R) Prohibits the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) from suspending the driving privileges of a person who provides proof of financial responsibility but did not own the motor vehicle that the person was operating at the time of the accident or violation. Repeals the law allowing the bureau to suspend a person's driving privileges for certain offenses. Specifies conditions for suspension of driving privileges for convictions of certain offenses in other states. Provides that a person arrested or charged on probable cause of operating a vehicle while intoxicated is not required to provide proof of future financial responsibility until the person is convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated. Specifies that a person must petition for specialized driving privileges in each court that has ordered the suspension of the person's driving privileges. Requires the bureau to withhold disclosure of

a moving traffic violation if the action is dismissed, the person is acquitted, or the action is vacated. Provides that this requirement does not apply to a moving traffic violation of an individual who holds a commercial driver's license.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Randall Head

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB259](#)

SB261

RECORDING OF ANNEXATION REMONSTRANCE WAIVERS (BRAY R) Provides that a waiver of remonstrance of annexation executed before, on, or after June 30, 2018, is void if the waiver is recorded more than 30 business days after the date the waiver is executed.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - DO PASS AMEND Yeas: 6; Nays: 2

*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 431

1/16/2018 - added as third author Senator Doriot

1/10/2018 - added as second author Senator Koch

1/10/2018 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 2:00 PM, Rm. 130

1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB261](#)

SB263

SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES CONTRACTS (CRIDER M) Provides that any provision in certain contracts for snow removal services that purports to release: (1) a person that performs snow removal services; or (2) a person that contracts for snow removal services; from liability for negligence, recklessness, or intentional acts is void as against public policy.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading  
1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Crider

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB263](#)

SB265

PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTIONS (CRIDER M) Provides that a taxpayer is entitled to a property tax deduction equal to 100% of the assessed value of land that meets the following conditions: (1) The land is assessed as agricultural land. (2) The land is located within a clear sight triangle of the intersection of two or more roads, as determined under a report published by the Federal Highway Administration. (3) The intersection is not controlled by a traffic signal. (4) During the year containing the assessment date, the land will not contain: (A) any crops that typically exceed a height of three feet; or (B) any other vegetation or structures, signs, fences, walls, or obstructions that exceed a height of three feet.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Crider

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB265](#)

SB266

MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY (CRIDER M) Requires that a license plate must be displayed in a horizontal position that displays the registration expiration year in the upper right corner. Requires that a renewal sticker for a license plate must be securely affixed in the upper right corner of the license plate covering the previous registration expiration year. Provides that a trailer of less than 3,000 pounds gross weight is not required to be equipped with brakes. Specifies that head lamps on motor vehicles, motorcycles, and motor driven cycles may display only white or amber light. Requires that motor vehicles must be equipped with two stoplights. Specifies that: (1) stop lamps on the rear of a vehicle; and (2) signal lamps on the rear of a vehicle; must display only red or amber light or any shade of color between red and amber. Specifies that signal lamps showing to the front of a vehicle must display only white or amber light or any shade of color between white and amber. Specifies that window treatments may not be applied below the AS-1 line. Specifies that private buses designed to transport 15 or more passengers, including the driver, must have an inspection performed by the state police department. Provides that exceeding an altered speed limit established by a local authority is a Class C infraction. Provides that exceeding a speed limit in a school zone is a Class B infraction. Provides that failing to maintain a minimum speed limit established by the department of transportation is a Class C infraction. Provides that exceeding an altered speed limit established by the department of

transportation is a Class C infraction. Provides that a vehicle must be driven entirely within a marked lane. Requires a person operating a motor vehicle to retain proof of financial responsibility either: (1) within the motor vehicle; or (2) on the person operating the motor vehicle in a form that can be presented to law enforcement when requested. Provides that a plain clothes law enforcement officer may make an arrest for a violation of: (1) reckless driving in a manner that endangers a person; and (2) operating a vehicle while intoxicated in a manner that endangers a person.

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1/3/2018 - Authored By Michael Crider

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB266](#)

SB268

ANNEXATION (BUCK J) For an annexation ordinance adopted after June 30, 2018, upon the request of a member of the county executive, requires a majority of the members of the county executive to approve or deny the annexation. Provides that the annexation proceedings are terminated if the county executive votes to deny the annexation.

Provides that the annexation is considered approved by the county executive if the county executive does not vote to approve or deny the annexation within 90 days after the annexation ordinance and fiscal plan are filed with the county executive. Requires that a fiscal plan after June 30, 2018, must address any estimated effects the annexation may have on taxing units (in addition to political subdivisions) not included in the annexation. Requires after June 30, 2018, that notice be given of certain annexation proceedings to taxing units and political subdivisions evaluated for purposes of the fiscal plan.

*Current Status:* 1/3/2018 - Referred to Senate Local Government

*All Bill Status:* 1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By James Buck

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB268](#)

SB269

ROAD AND UTILITY REPAIR (KOCH E) Defines "department action" as one or more of the following: (1) Detour creation or implementation. (2) Planned bridge repair. (3) Planned road repair. Requires the department of transportation (department) to consult with the appropriate: (1) county commissioner; (2) county executive; (3) mayor; or (4) town executive; whenever a proposed department action adversely affects certain local interests. Requires the department to: (1) consult with an appropriate local representative; and (2) memorialize; the substance of any consultation involving a local representative. Requires the commissioner of the department to review the substance of all consultations involving a local representative. Requires the commissioner to either: (1) approve a proposed department action subject to the concerns of the appropriate local representative; or (2) remand a proposed department action to appropriate department personnel for the purpose of devising a revised department action that is less destructive to certain local interests. Provides the department with rulemaking authority. Allows the department to contract with third party agencies approved of by the commissioner of the department. Provides that the hearing officer appointed to conduct a hearing concerning a petition to establish a regional water, sewage, or solid waste district is required to provide notice of the hearing to the executive of a city or town that has a municipal sewage works or public sanitation department having extraterritorial jurisdiction within the boundaries of the area to be included in the proposed district. Requires the board of trustees of a regional sewage district, when seeking to add territory to the district, to file a copy of its motion for the addition of territory in the office of: (1) the executive of each governmental entity having territory within the territory proposed to be added to the regional sewage district; and (2) the executive of a city or town that has a municipal sewage works or public sanitation department if the territory proposed to be added to the regional sewage district includes territory within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipal sewage works or public sanitation department. Defines "governmental entity", for purpose of the law concerning regional water, sewage, and solid waste districts, as a municipal corporation or a special taxing district. Defines certain terms.

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1/3/2018 - First Reading

1/3/2018 - Authored By Eric Koch

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB269](#)

- SB271 BIAS CRIMES (TAYLOR G) Requires law enforcement officers to receive training in identifying, responding to, and reporting bias motivated crimes in which the person who committed a criminal offense selected the victim who was injured or whose property was damaged because of the individual's actual or perceived race, color, creed, disability, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender, or gender identity. Allows an individual who suffers a personal injury or property damage because of a criminal offense or delinquent act to bring a civil action to recover damages, including punitive damages, if the person who committed the criminal offense or delinquent act that caused the injury or property damage selected the individual because of the individual's actual or perceived race, color, creed, disability, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender, or gender identity. Establishes a sentencing procedure that requires a court, when sentencing an individual who has committed a crime that is motivated by a bias against another individual's race, color, creed, disability, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender, or gender identity, to impose an additional fixed term of imprisonment not to exceed five years, if the offense is a felony, or three years, if the offense is a misdemeanor.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Greg Taylor  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB271](#)
- SB273 VARIOUS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PROVISIONS (BASSLER E) Provides the following effective July 1, 2019: (1) Allows a grocery store (which includes a convenience store) or drug store to sell cold beer. (2) Eliminates the restriction on the commodities that a package liquor store may sell. (3) Requires that a sales clerk in a grocery store or drug store, in order to sell alcoholic beverages, must be at least 21 years of age, have an employee's permit, and complete a server program. (4) Increases dealer permit fees and judgments for alcoholic beverage infractions, and deposits the amount of the increases into the alcohol and tobacco commission's enforcement and administration fund. Increases the alcohol and tobacco commission's maximum civil penalty limit for violations by some permittees.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Public Policy  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Eric Bassler  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB273](#)
- SB274 UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS SUBJECT TO DELIVERY PROHIBITION (BASSLER E) Authorizes the commissioner of the department of environmental management (IDEM), after issuing an initial temporary order prohibiting the use of a particular underground storage tank, to reissue the temporary order prohibiting the use of the tank if the tank remains ineligible for delivery, deposit, or acceptance of a regulated substance when the initial order expires. Authorizes the commissioner of IDEM to require the closure of an underground storage tank that is subject to delivery prohibition if: (1) the owner or operator of the tank has failed to complete the corrective actions required by the commissioner in an earlier order; and (2) the tank has been the subject of one temporary order prohibiting the use of the underground storage tank and at least two consecutive actions by the commissioner reissuing the order prohibiting the use of the underground storage tank.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Eric Bassler  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB274](#)
- SB276 TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS (BASSLER E) Provides that if a redevelopment commission outside Marion County wishes to establish a tax increment financing (TIF) area after December 31, 2018, a unit (county, city, town, or township) or school corporation that is located wholly or partly within a proposed TIF area may elect whether to participate in the TIF area. Provides that after December 31, 2018, each taxing unit that is located wholly or partly in a TIF area is bound by the terms of the TIF area until the TIF area expires, except for those units and school corporations that do not elect to participate in the TIF area.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Eric Bassler  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB276](#)
- SB277 RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION FROM WORKER'S COMPENSATION (BASSLER E) Provides for an exemption from worker's compensation and occupational diseases coverage for a member of certain religious sects or a division of a religious sect who meets certain requirements and obtains a certificate of exemption (certificate) from the worker's



compensation board (board). Provides that, if an employee for whom a certificate is issued no longer meets the requirements for a certificate, the employee and the employee's employer are required to notify the board in writing. Requires the employer to provide worker's compensation and occupational diseases coverage for that employee beginning on the date of the notice.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Eric Bassler

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB277](#)

SB278 MEDICAL SERVICE FACILITY PECUNIARY LIABILITY (BOOTS P) Provides that, if another amount is not negotiated, the pecuniary liability of an employer or the employer's insurance carrier for a specific service or product covered under worker's compensation or occupational diseases compensation and provided by a medical service facility is not more than 200% of the amount that would be paid to the medical service facility on the same date for the same service or product under the medical service facility's Medicare reimbursement rate.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Philip Boots

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB278](#)

SB280 CANNABIDIOL (CBD) AND MARIJUANA (BOOTS P) Excludes certain substances with a tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) concentration of not more than 0.3% from the definition of marijuana. Authorizes the alcohol and tobacco commission to adopt rules concerning: (1) the testing of the THC concentration in certain substances; (2) the approval of a laboratory to conduct THC testing; and (3) the certification of THC test results.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Philip Boots

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB280](#)

SB282 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MATTERS (BOOTS P) Requires the state board of education, when establishing an apprenticeship as a graduation pathway requirement, to establish as an apprenticeship only an apprenticeship program registered under the federal National Apprenticeship Act or another federal apprenticeship program administered by the United States Department of Labor. Requires the state workforce innovation council, not an advisory committee, to approve all applicable federal and state workforce related programs. Defines apprenticeship program and work based learning course for career and technical education purposes.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Philip Boots

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB282](#)

SB286 SPEA STUDY OF INDIANA ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY (LANANE T) Requires the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs (SPEA) to: (1) conduct a study that evaluates how Indiana compares to other states in enacting environmental policies and achieving performance goals in the areas of pollution control, renewable energy deployment, and natural resource management; and (2) assess the potential for development of low-carbon and green industries in Indiana and the job creation, economic growth, and wealth generation that could result for Indiana communities from the development of these industries. Requires SPEA to report the results of its study and assessment to the legislative council not later than December 1, 2018.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Timothy Lanane

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB286](#)

SB288 VEHICLE WEIGHT (FORD J) Adds coal to the list of commodities hauled within the definition of "overweight divisible load". Specifies that a tractor-semitrailer hauling coal must have a gross vehicle weight of more than 80,000 pounds but not more than 120,000 pounds to meet the requirements of the definition.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Jon Ford  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB288](#)

SB290 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (FORD J) Establishes a time frame for the payment of compensation under a settlement agreement, a permanent partial impairment agreement, and an award of compensation ordered by a single hearing member of the worker's compensation board (board). Provides that an employer that fails to make a timely payment is subject to a civil penalty. Requires an employer that has mobile or remote employees to convey information about worker's compensation coverage to the employer's employees in an electronic format or in the same manner as the employer conveys other employment related information. Allows the electronic filing of certain documents with the board. Provides that a permanently, totally disabled worker must reapply to the second injury fund for a wage replacement benefit every three years instead of every 150 weeks. Requires the reporting of workplace injuries needing medical attention beyond first aid instead of injuries causing an absence from work for more than one day. Provides that reporting requirements for workplace injuries are intended to be consistent with those set out in the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration's regulations. Changes from \$50 per employee to \$100 per day the civil penalty for an employer's failure to provide proof of worker's compensation coverage. Revises the definition of employer to include corporations, limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships, and other entities that have common control and ownership. Makes conforming amendments for occupational diseases compensation.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 233  
1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor  
1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Jon Ford  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB290](#)

SB291 EXPUNGEMENTS (YOUNG M) Provides that the court shall order the central repository for criminal history information maintained by the state police department to seal a person's expunged conviction records for a misdemeanor or Class D and Level 6 felony conviction including information related to: (1) an arrest or offense in which no conviction was entered and that was committed as part of the same episode of criminal conduct as the case ordered expunged; and (2) any other references to matters related to the case that was ordered expunged. Establishes a method for a person to expunge a protective order.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Michael Young  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB291](#)

SB292 CRIMINAL LAW MATTERS (YOUNG M) Repeals the offense of auto theft and receiving stolen auto parts. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally exerts unauthorized control of a motor vehicle or a component part of a motor vehicle, with the intent to deprive the other person of any part of its value or use, commits theft, a Level 6 felony. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally exerts unauthorized control of a motor vehicle or a component part of a motor vehicle, with the intent to deprive the other person of any part of its value or use, and has a prior unrelated conviction for a qualifying offense, commits theft, a Level 5 felony. Defines "qualifying offense". Repeals the offense of theft as a Level 6 felony if a person has a prior unrelated conviction for theft or criminal conversion. Prohibits the expunged conviction records of an undocumented alien to be sealed or redacted. Prohibits a minor in adult court to waive, as part of a plea agreement, the right to transfer jurisdiction to juvenile court for adjudication and disposition under certain circumstances. Amends the statute concerning the suspension of a sentence for a person with a juvenile record. Makes conforming amendments.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Michael Young  
*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB292](#)

SB293 NALOXONE (YOUNG M) Provides that probable cause to issue a warrant for a blood test exists if: (1) a person is revived after administration of an overdose intervention drug; and (2) certain other conditions are met. Specifies that a person revived by means of an overdose intervention drug and who meets certain other qualifications: (1) has the

right to pretrial diversion and participation in an addiction treatment program; and (2) shall be issued a summons instead of being arrested (if there is no probable cause to believe that the person has committed an offense other than possession of a controlled substance or controlled substance paraphernalia). Specifies that a person who abuses a controlled substance: (1) commits a Class A misdemeanor; (2) has the right to receive a summons instead of arrest for the offense; and (3) has the right to participate in a treatment program without being charged with the offense. Provides that the court shall order all documents relating to the person's case and treatment to be sealed.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Michael Young

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB293](#)

SB295 SCHOOL PROPERTY AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS (YOUNG M) Permits a sex offender to enter school property if: (1) a religious institution or house of worship is located on the school property; and (2) the person enters the school property for the sole purpose of attending worship services or receiving religious instruction.

*Current Status:* 1/11/2018 - added as second author Senator Mrvan

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Michael Young

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB295](#)

SB296 ORDER TO REPAIR TAX SALE PROPERTY (RAATZ J) Provides that an order for necessary repairs originally issued by an enforcement authority under the unsafe building law to the owner of a vacant or abandoned property that is later sold at a tax sale may subsequently be enforced against the successful bidder at the tax sale. Organizes several tax sale definitions.

*Current Status:* 1/22/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 10:00 AM, Rm. 130

*All Bill Status:* 1/18/2018 - Senate Civil Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 8:30 AM, Rm. 130  
1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Jeff Raatz

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB296](#)

SB297 EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS CURRICULUM (RAATZ J) Provides that, not later than July 1, 2019, each school within a school corporation shall include interdisciplinary employability skills standards established by the department of workforce development, in consultation with the department of education and approved by the state board of education, in the school's curriculum. Establishes the work ethic certificate program (program) and fund. Requires the department of workforce development to administer the program.

*Current Status:* 1/17/2018 - Senate Education and Career Development, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location: 1:30 PM, Rm. 130

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1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Jeff Raatz

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB297](#)

SB299 STUDY CONCERNING LOCAL SURCHARGE ON STATE PARK FEES (RAATZ J) Urges the legislative council to assign to a study committee the task of studying whether counties should be authorized to: (1) adopt an ordinance to impose a surcharge on fees collected within a state park; and (2) use the revenue from the surcharge to assist a unit of local government that provides police protection, fire protection, emergency medical services, or road repairs to the state park.

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1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Jeff Raatz

Priority: Tier 2 - Medium

State Bill Page: [SB299](#)

SB306 POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA, HASH OIL, HASHISH, OR SALVIA (TALLIAN K) Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally possesses more than two ounces of marijuana commits the offense of possession of marijuana. (Current law provides that the offense of possession of marijuana can be for any amount of marijuana.) Repeals the offense of possession of marijuana, hash oil, hashish, or salvia as a Level 6 felony. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Karen Tallian

Priority: Tier 3 - Low

State Bill Page: [SB306](#)

SB309 FAMILY LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM (TALLIAN K) Requires the department of insurance to establish, not later than January 1, 2019, a family leave insurance program (program) for the purpose of providing benefits to employees who elect to participate in the program. Requires that: (1) the program be voluntary for both employers and employees; (2) both employers and employees make contributions to the program to fund benefits; (3) employee contributions be made by payroll deduction; (4) the benefit eligibility requirements established for the program include, at a minimum, the requirements that qualify an employee for leave under the federal Family and Medical Leave Act; and (5) an employee have the option to select whether the employee's benefit is equal to 100%, 75%, or 50 % of the employee's salary and the number of weeks that a benefit will be paid. Requires the department of insurance to develop the program with the assistance of and in coordination with the department of labor. Requires the department of insurance, not later than November 1, 2018, to submit a report to the legislative council and the budget committee concerning the proposed program. Establishes the family leave insurance program trust fund (trust fund) for the purpose of paying program benefits. Transfers and appropriates the balance in the political subdivision risk management fund to the trust fund.

Current Status: 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions

All Bill Status: 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Karen Tallian

Priority: Tier 3 - Low

State Bill Page: [SB309](#)

SB310 MARIJUANA AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (TALLIAN K) Excludes from the definitions of: (1) "controlled substance"; (2) "controlled substance analog"; and (3) "marijuana"; certain substances containing less than 0.5% tetrahydrocannabinol. Specifies that "tetrahydrocannabinol", for purposes of inclusion in schedule I, does not include a compound containing less than 0.5% tetrahydrocannabinol. Removes certain references to hashish and hash oil. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/4/2018 - First Reading

1/4/2018 - Authored By Karen Tallian

Priority: Tier 3 - Low

State Bill Page: [SB310](#)

SB316 REGULATION OF CONFINED FEEDING OPERATIONS (STOOPS M) Amends the law on confined feeding operations (CFOs, which include any confined feeding of at least 300 cattle, 600 swine or sheep, 30,000 fowl, or 500 horses). Provides that a person who owns a CFO, owns the livestock in a CFO, applies for a permit, permit renewal, or permit modification for a CFO, or is otherwise in direct or responsible charge of a CFO is a "responsible party" with respect to the CFO. Provides that a person may not start construction or operation of a CFO without obtaining a permit from the department of environmental management (IDEM) and may not modify a CFO without obtaining a permit modification from IDEM. Requires IDEM to provide public access to a permit application through IDEM's Virtual File Cabinet, to publish a notice requesting public comments on the application, to allow interested persons to submit written comments, and to hold a public hearing on the permit application upon written request. Requires the commissioner of IDEM (commissioner) to deny an application for a permit or permit modification if the proposed activity would substantially endanger public health or the environment. Authorizes the commissioner to revoke a permit to prevent or abate a substantial endangerment to public health or the environment. Requires the environmental rules board to adopt rules establishing new requirements for new CFOs and for existing or expanding CFOs, including the requirement to maintain at least one mile in distance between a CFO's structures and the

boundary of any property on which an existing residence is located and the requirement to meet an odor standard. Removes from the Indiana Code a statement that the Indiana Code shall be construed to protect the rights of farmers to choose among all generally accepted farming and livestock production practices. Amends the law stating that an agricultural operation that has been in operation for more than one year does not become a nuisance by a change in conditions if there is no "significant change" in the type of operation by eliminating provisions of the law declaring that certain types of changes are not significant changes.

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Agriculture

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Mark Stoops

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB316](#)

SB317 PUBLIC TRANSIT FUNDING (STOOPS M) Allows counties to impose an additional local income tax rate to fund the operations of a public transportation corporation and the operations of a rural transportation assistance program. Provides that the rate must be adopted by the county council and must be at least 0.1% but not more than 0.25%. Excludes from this provision any county that is eligible to hold a referendum on funding transportation projects under the central Indiana public transportation projects statute.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading  
1/10/2018 - Authored By Mark Stoops

*State Bill Page:* [SB317](#)

SB318 RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARDS (STOOPS M) Requires an electricity supplier to supply a certain percentage of its total electricity supply from renewable energy resources. Establishes the renewable energy resources fund to receive penalties paid by electricity suppliers that fail to supply electricity from renewable energy resources. Continuously appropriates money in the fund. Requires the utility regulatory commission to adopt guidelines to assist electricity suppliers that participated in the voluntary clean energy portfolio standard (CEPS) program in complying with the new renewable energy standards. Repeals IC 8-1-37 (voluntary CEPS program).

*Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Utilities

*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Mark Stoops

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB318](#)

SB331 IMPLEMENTATION OF FEDERAL FOOD SAFETY REGULATIONS (LEISING J) Amends the definition of "federal act" in the title governing health to recognize the amendments to the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act by the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act. Adds a definition of "produce farm" in the title governing health. Allows the state health commissioner or the commissioner's authorized representative to enter and inspect produce farms. Requires a produce farm to register with the state department of health (department), have at least one supervisor or responsible party who has completed a good agricultural practices course that has been approved by the department, and comply with federal requirements under the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act. Provides that the department may suspend the requirement to comply with the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act if the federal government does not provide sufficient funds for the department to administer and enforce the federal requirements. Provides that the department shall suspend the requirement to comply with the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act if the federal government does not provide any funds for the department to administer and enforce the federal requirements.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Agriculture

*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading  
1/10/2018 - Authored By Jean Leising

*State Bill Page:* [SB331](#)

SB332 PROTECTING PETS IN DISTRESSED HOMES (GROOMS R) Provides that: (1) an adult protective services unit conducting an investigation; or (2) a caseworker conducting an assessment; who observes, or has reason to believe, that an animal is a victim of animal cruelty, abandonment, or neglect may make a report to the local law enforcement agency or local animal control officer. Provides that: (1) an adult protective services unit; or (2) a caseworker; who makes a report of animal cruelty, abandonment, or neglect is immune from civil and criminal liability.

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1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Ronald Grooms

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

- SB334 PROHIBITION ON OPERATING A DRONE WHILE IMPAIRED (GROOMS R) Provides that a person who operates an unmanned aerial vehicle while intoxicated commits the crime of operating an unmanned aerial vehicle while intoxicated, a Class B misdemeanor.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
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- SB335 PRESCRIBING OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE (GROOMS R) Requires that a controlled substance prescription be issued electronically after June 30, 2019, and establishes a Class B infraction for a prescriber who fails to comply. Requires a prescriber to obtain three hours of continuing education every two years on the prescribing of opioid medication in order to continue issuing prescriptions for opioid medication and establishes a Class B infraction for failure to comply. Requires the medical licensing board of Indiana to study and determine, before November 1, 2018, whether a waiver is necessary for the electronic prescription requirement and to report back to the general assembly. Sets forth requirements for the report.
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*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
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- SB336 SENTENCING (MERRITT J) Makes Level 2 through Level 4 felonies nonsuspendible if the person has a prior unrelated felony conviction. Increases the maximum penalty for a Level 1 felony from 40 to 50 years. Makes the penalty for a Level 3 felony six to 20 years, with an advisory sentence of 12 years. (Under current law, the penalty is three to 16 years, with the advisory sentence being nine years.) Raises the minimum penalty for a Level 4 felony from two to four years, and increases the advisory sentence from six to eight years. Increases the maximum penalty for a Level 6 felony from two and one-half years to three years, and raises the advisory sentence from one year to one and one-half years. Makes conforming amendments.
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*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB336](#)
- SB337 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (MERRITT J) Provides that a person who deals carfentanil or fentanyl commits a Level 2 felony. Provides that a person who deals carfentanil or fentanyl that results in the user's death commits murder.
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*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low  
*State Bill Page:* [SB337](#)
- SB338 DRUG TAKE BACK PROGRAM AND DRUG MANUFACTURERS (MERRITT J) Transfers the powers of administering a drug take back program from the Indiana board of pharmacy to the state department of health (state department). Requires the state department to implement a drug take back program (program) and sets forth requirements. Requires a pharmaceutical manufacturer to: (1) operate a program individually or jointly with another pharmaceutical manufacturer; (2) enter into an agreement with another entity to act as the pharmaceutical manufacturer's agent and operate a program; or (3) operate an alternative plan to assist in funding programs. Sets forth requirements of a program. Requires an operator of a program to file an annual report and sets forth requirements of the report. Establishes the drug take back fund.
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*State Bill Page:* [SB338](#)

- SB339 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE DISPENSING (MERRITT J) Requires a pharmacy and pharmacist to sell or dispense a controlled drug in schedule II (controlled drug) in a lockable vial and bill the controlled drug manufacturer for the cost of the lockable vial. Prohibits billing the patient for the cost of the lockable vial. Provides for immunity from liability for a pharmacy, pharmacy personnel, and pharmacist in certain circumstances.
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1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By James Merritt
- Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium
- State Bill Page:* [SB339](#)
- SB346 SALES TAX DISTRICT FOR HEALTHY FOOD PROGRAMS (TAYLOR G) Allows the fiscal body of a county (fiscal body) to adopt an ordinance to impose an additional sales tax in an area designated by the fiscal body as a special food desert district (district). Requires a district designated by a fiscal body to be located in a census tract with low median income and low access to the nearest supermarket as determined by the United States Department of Agriculture in its Food Access Research Atlas. Provides that an additional sales tax applies to retail transactions within the district. Provides that the additional sales tax rate must be imposed in an increment of .25% and may not exceed 1%. Specifies that this additional sales tax is imposed, paid, and collected in the same manner as the state sales tax. Establishes the healthy food and community development financing fund (fund) under the administration of the Indiana housing and community development authority (IHCDA). Requires the amounts received from the additional sales tax to be paid monthly by the treasurer of state to the fund. Requires the IHCDA to: (1) establish an account within the fund for each district designated by a county; (2) deposit money received from the treasurer of state from the tax collected in a district in the district's account; and (3) expend money from the account only for projects within the district in which the tax revenue is collected. Authorizes the IHCDA to conduct a healthy food and community development financing program (program), in coordination with each county that has designated a district, to provide financing in the form of grants or loans for eligible projects. Provides that the projects eligible for financing may include: (1) healthy food; (2) affordable housing; and (3) community development; projects. Provides that the fiscal body of the county that designated the district may adopt an ordinance to specify the types of eligible projects that may be financed within the district. Provides that the IHCDA may contract with one or more nonprofit organizations or community development financial institutions to administer the program through a public-private partnership. Provides that an applicant for a grant or a loan from the fund must demonstrate the capacity to successfully implement the project and the ability to repay the loan. Specifies that an applicant that is a grocery store must agree to the following: (1) To accept Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. (2) To accept Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children benefits. (3) To promote the hiring of local residents. Specifies the purposes for which financing for a project may be used. Continuously appropriates money in the fund.
- Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading  
1/10/2018 - Authored By Greg Taylor
- State Bill Page:* [SB346](#)
- SB347 BONDING PROCEDURES (TAYLOR G) Permits political subdivisions to sell bonds at a public sale or negotiated sale. (Current law requires a public sale of bonds.) Provides that this change does not apply to some revenue bonds that are dedicated to a limited purpose. Makes technical corrections.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2018 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
- All Bill Status:* 1/4/2018 - First Reading  
1/4/2018 - Authored By Greg Taylor
- Priority:* Tier 1 - High
- State Bill Page:* [SB347](#)
- SB349 REGULATION AND TAXATION OF SHORT TERM RENTALS (TALLIAN K) Extends the various innkeeper's taxes to cover the rental of a residential unit for fewer than 30 days. Provides that a facilitator who accepts payment on a transaction to which the innkeeper's tax applies is required to register with the department of state revenue as a retail merchant and collect innkeeper's taxes on the transaction. Provides that the sales tax and the various innkeeper's taxes that are imposed on the rental of rooms, lodgings, or other accommodations for less than 30 days do not apply to the rental of a residential unit in a year if: (1) the person who rents the rooms, lodgings, or other accommodations uses the residential unit as a residence; and (2) the residential unit is rented for less than 15 days during the year. Creates a uniform municipal innkeeper's tax. Requires an owner that uses residential property for short term rentals, or a facilitator on an owner's behalf, to maintain primary liability insurance for third party claims for death, bodily injury, and property damage occurring during a short term rental period. Provides that short term rentals of residential units are prohibited in a zoning district that is zoned solely for single family dwelling units unless the county, city, or town that adopted the zoning restriction adopts an ordinance to allow short term rentals within the



zoning district. Provides that short term rentals of residential property are allowed in a zoning district that is not restricted solely for single family dwelling units unless the county, city, or town adopts an ordinance to prohibit short term rentals within the zoning district. Allows a county, city, or town that adopts an ordinance concerning short term rentals to impose restrictions on short term rentals in the areas that are the concern of the ordinance.

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SB353

TAX CREDITS (KRUSE D) Establishes the regional development tax credit (credit). Allows a taxpayer to apply to the Indiana economic development corporation (IEDC) for the credit. Provides that a taxpayer is entitled to a credit against state tax liability if: (1) the taxpayer makes a qualified investment for the redevelopment or rehabilitation of real property that is vacant or underused; and (2) the qualified investment is approved by the IEDC. Specifies the factors that the IEDC shall consider in evaluating applications for a proposed qualified investment. Specifies that the credit is subject to an agreement entered into by the IEDC and the taxpayer. Provides that the amount of the credit is equal to: (1) the qualified investment made by the taxpayer and approved by the IEDC in the agreement; multiplied by (2) the applicable credit percentage determined by the IEDC. Specifies the maximum applicable credit percentages that apply to qualified investments. Prohibits the carryback or refund of any unused credit. Allows a taxpayer to carry forward any unused credit amounts and to assign any part of a credit to which the taxpayer is entitled. Authorizes the IEDC to negotiate with a taxpayer and include in the credit agreement a return on investment provision requiring the taxpayer to repay all or part of a credit awarded to the taxpayer if one or more conditions specified in the agreement are satisfied. Provides that a taxpayer is not entitled to receive any of the following (with certain exceptions): (1) An industrial recovery tax credit for a qualified investment made after December 31, 2018. (2) A community revitalization enhancement district tax credit for a qualified investment made after December 31, 2018.

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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB353](#)

SB356

BROADBAND READY COMMUNITIES GRANT PROGRAM (HOUCHIN E) Authorizes the office of community and rural affairs (office) to award grants for eligible projects that: (1) are undertaken or funded by eligible entities; and (2) are related to: (A) the construction or deployment of wireline or wireless communications facilities to provide communications services in a local unit; or (B) the promotion of broadband adoption in a unit. Defines an "eligible entity" for purposes of these provisions as: (1) a unit that has been certified as a broadband ready community by the Indiana economic development corporation; or (2) a school corporation that: (A) is located, entirely or in part, in a unit that has been certified as a broadband ready community; or (B) submits, in connection with a grant application, evidence of the school corporation's participation in a planned or pending application for certification as a broadband ready community with respect to a unit in which the school corporation is located entirely or in part. Provides that the office shall determine: (1) the number of grants awarded; and (2) the amount of each grant awarded; in any state fiscal year. Specifies sources of funding from which the office may award grants, including the rural economic development fund, subject to appropriation by the general assembly and approval by the office. Requires each grant to be made under a grant agreement by and between the office and the grant recipient. Sets forth the duties of the office in administering the grant program.

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*State Bill Page:* [SB356](#)

SB357

INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER AND DRUG DEALING (HOUCHIN E) Makes manufacturing or delivering certain controlled substances involuntary manslaughter, a Level 4 felony, if the use of the substance results in the death of the user. Increases the penalty to a Level 3, Level 2, or Level 1 felony based on the identity of the controlled substance and whether an enhancing circumstance applies.

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*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB357](#)

- SB361 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE TASK FORCE (CHARBONNEAU E) Establishes a water infrastructure task force (task force) consisting of two members of the senate, two members of the house of representatives, and five governor's appointees, one of whom the governor shall appoint to serve as chair of the task force. Requires the task force to: (1) study drinking water systems and wastewater management systems; and (2) develop a long term plan for addressing drinking water and wastewater needs in Indiana. Requires the Indiana Finance Authority to provide staff support to the task force. Requires the task force to submit a report containing certain recommendations to the general assembly and the governor not later than December 1, 2018.
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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB361](#)
- SB362 REGULATION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS (CHARBONNEAU E) Provides that a water or wastewater utility that begins providing service to the public after June 30, 2018, is subject to the jurisdiction of the Indiana utility regulatory commission with respect to rates and charges and other matters for the period of 10 years beginning on the day on which the water or wastewater utility begins providing service to the public. Amends the laws concerning the wastewater revolving loan program and the drinking water revolving loan program to require a demonstration that each participant to which a loan would be made has the financial, managerial, technical, and legal capability of operating and maintaining its system and has developed or is in the process of developing an asset management program. Establishes new requirements for water treatment plants and wastewater treatment plants applying to the department of environmental management for the issuance or amendment of a permit, including a cost-benefit analysis, a capital asset management plan, and a cybersecurity program.
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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB362](#)
- SB368 SCHOOL FINANCIAL CONDITION ANALYSIS (MELTON E) Provides for a coordinated effort by the department of education, the department of local government finance, the state board of accounts, the management performance hub (MPH), and the distressed unit appeal board (DUAB) in identifying whether a school corporation needs technical assistance in addressing its financial condition. Requires the MPH to submit a preliminary report of its findings to the interim committee on fiscal policy before submitting a final report to the DUAB. Requires the DUAB to make a determination whether a school corporation identified by another agency needs technical assistance, and requires the DUAB to initiate contact with the school corporation governing body chairperson and superintendent to offer the technical assistance. Provides that if a school corporation accepts the assistance, a technical assistance team is created. Requires the team to perform a thorough review of the school corporation's financial condition and recommend actions the school corporation could take to address its financial condition. Requires the team leader to meet with the school corporation officials to review the report. Requires the team leader to include any written response by the school corporation officials in the final report to the DUAB. Specifies that the governing body, the superintendent, and the DUAB may enter into an agreement setting forth the actions that will be taken to implement the recommendations.
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*State Bill Page:* [SB368](#)
- SB372 NOTARIAL ACTS (HOLDMAN T) Makes technical changes to standardize language concerning registration of trademarks and regulation related to notarial acts. Specifies requirements related to notarial acts, including use of electronic documentation and technology for electronic notarial acts. Requires the secretary of state to adopt rules related to electronic notarial acts and remote notarial acts. Specifies requirements for remote notarial acts, including: (1) registration of a remote notary public; (2) certification of and record keeping related to remote notarial acts; (3) use of audio visual communication and recording; (4) verification of credentials; and (5) maintenance of records. Makes conforming amendments.
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State Bill Page: [SB372](#)

SB373

PENSION SUPPLEMENTAL ALLOWANCE RESERVE ACCOUNTS (WALKER G) Establishes supplemental allowance reserve accounts (reserve accounts) within the legislators' defined benefit plan, the state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan (EGC), the public employees' retirement fund (PERF), and the pre-1996 and 1996 accounts of the Indiana state teachers' retirement fund (TRF) for the purpose of paying postretirement benefit increases, thirteenth checks, and other benefit changes or adjustments granted by the general assembly after June 30, 2018. Requires that, after June 30, 2018, the state lottery commission (commission) transfer each quarter \$7,500,000 of the surplus revenue from the commission's administrative trust fund to the Indiana public retirement system (INPRS) for credit first to the pension stabilization fund and second to one or more of the reserve accounts as allocated by the INPRS board of trustees (board). (Current law transfers this amount to the pension stabilization fund.) Requires that, after December 31, 2018, each employer having employees who are members of PERF, the 1996 TRF account, or EGC contribute to the applicable reserve account an amount not to exceed 1% of the employer's payroll that is attributable to those employees. Provides that all amounts in the reserve account are available to pay postretirement benefit increases, thirteenth checks, or other benefit changes or adjustments, but a postretirement benefit increase, thirteenth check, or other benefit change or adjustment may be granted by the general assembly: (1) only in an odd-numbered calendar year; and (2) only if the postretirement benefit increase, thirteenth check, or other benefit change or adjustment: (A) may be funded from the uncommitted balance in the reserve account of the particular fund or plan; and (B) may be paid in the same amount or percentage, or by using the same formula or computation method, to members of each of the funds and plans. Makes changes to the actuarial evaluation and the actuarially determined contribution for each fund or plan to track postretirement benefit increases, thirteenth checks, and other benefit changes or adjustments granted by the general assembly after June 30, 2018, separately. Provides that, in each even-numbered calendar year, the INPRS board shall present to the interim study committee on pension management oversight an actuarial report concerning the status of each reserve account. Provides that the board may not pay a postretirement benefit change or adjustment, including a postretirement benefit increase, thirteenth check, or other benefit change or adjustment granted by the general assembly after June 30, 2018, unless the change or adjustment is actuarially pre-funded. Appropriates to the INPRS \$40,000,000 from the personal services/fringe benefits contingency fund for credit to the PERF reserve account for purposes of paying postretirement benefit adjustments, including postretirement benefit increases, thirteenth checks, and other benefit changes or adjustments granted by the general assembly after June 30, 2018. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on pension management oversight.)

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Priority: Tier 2 - Medium

State Bill Page: [SB373](#)

SB374

INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS (DORIOT B) For purposes of the statute concerning individual development accounts (accounts), provides that, in addition to a community development corporation (as provided under current law), a municipality may administer accounts under the statute. Makes conforming changes throughout the statute and in the Indiana Code provisions establishing the individual development account tax credit. Provides that a municipality that administers accounts may, in determining an individual's order of placement on a waiting list maintained by the municipality to allow qualified individuals to establish accounts, give preference to qualified individuals who reside in or near the municipality over qualified individuals who do not reside in or near the municipality. Specifies that a community development corporation or a municipality may, but is not required to, administer accounts under the statute. Allows an individual who qualifies for an account under the statute (qualifying individual) to use funds in an account to reduce the principal amount owed on a primary residence located in Indiana. (Current law allows funds to be used for such purposes only if the residence was purchased with money from an individual development account.) Provides that a qualifying individual may deposit the following in an account: (1) Earned income. (2) Social Security benefits. (3) Social Security disability benefits. (4) Veterans benefits. (Current law provides that a qualifying individual may deposit money from the individual's earned income into the individual's account.) Provides the following with respect to state deposits made in individual accounts by the housing and community development authority (authority): (1) That the authority shall allocate to each account \$4 for each \$1 of the first \$1,000 that an individual deposited into the individual's account during the preceding 12 months. (2) That the authority shall not make any allocation with respect to any amount that an individual deposits in the individual's

account after the five year anniversary of the date on which the individual's account was opened. (3) That the authority's total allocation for any one individual's account may not exceed \$4,000 with respect to all deposits made by the individual during the five year period, regardless of when during that period the \$4,000 limit is reached. (4) That before making allocations under the statute, the authority may retain up to 20% of the allocation amount to pay for expenses incurred by the authority (and, at the discretion of the authority, by community development corporations and municipalities) in administering the statute. (Current law: (1) requires the authority to allocate \$3 for each \$1 of the first \$400 that an individual deposited during the preceding 12 months, subject to the sufficiency of appropriated funds; and (2) allows the authority to allocate \$3 for each \$1 of any part of an amount above \$400 that an individual deposited into the individual's account, subject to a total cap of \$2,400 per account.)

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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB374](#)

SB376

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY (PERFECT C) Provides, for purposes of the unclaimed property act, that a time deposit that is automatically renewable is considered matured upon the expiration of its initial period, unless: (1) the owner has consented to a renewal at the time of the account opening or at about the time of the renewal; and (2) the consent is in writing or is evidenced by the original account agreement or by any memorandum or other record on file with the holder of the account. (Current law does not specify that the owner's consent to renewal can occur at the time of the account opening or be evidenced by the original account agreement.)

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB376](#)

SB380

INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN HISTORIC DISTRICTS (MESSMER M) Provides that certain requirements for an alteration to a historic site or a historic structure do not apply to a construction project that is funded by the state that involves the substantial alteration, demolition, or removal of a road or a sidewalk within the boundaries of the property of a historic site or a historic structure. Requires a person who intends to perform a construction project on a road or a sidewalk within the boundaries of the property of a historic site or a historic structure to submit an application for a certificate of approval with the division of historic preservation and archeology (division) before the person may begin work on the proposed construction project. Requires the division to determine not later than 30 days after the date the person submits an application for a certificate of approval whether the proposed construction project will have an adverse impact on the historic site or the historic structure. Provides that if the division fails to issue a determination regarding the proposed construction project's impact on the historic site or the historic structure within 30 days after the date the person submits an application for a certificate of approval, a person may begin work on a construction project regardless of the proposed construction project's impact on the historic site or the historic structure.

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*State Bill Page:* [SB380](#)

SB381

CHILDREN IN NEED OF SERVICES (MESSMER M) Provides that a child who is: (1) a victim of certain offenses; and (2) unlikely to receive necessary care, treatment, or rehabilitation without the intervention of the court; is a child in need of services. Provides that a child who: (1) lives in the same household as an adult who committed an offense against a child that resulted in a conviction or judgment; or (2) lives in the same household as an adult who has been charged with an offense against a child and is awaiting trial; and is unlikely to receive necessary care, treatment, or rehabilitation without the intervention of the court is a child in need of services.

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- SB382      PREEMPTION OF LOCAL BANS ON SHORT TERM RENTALS (MESSMER M) Provides that a local unit of government (local unit) shall not adopt any ordinance that restricts or prohibits the use of a person's primary residence as a short term rental, except for the following purposes: (1) The protection of the public's health and safety. (2) Residential use and zoning related to noise, protection of welfare, property maintenance, and nuisance issues. Provides that, in the case of residential property that is not the person's primary residence, a local unit may require a special exception, special use, or zoning variance for the short term rental of the property. Provides, however, that the local unit may not interpret and enforce the local unit's zoning regulations for a special exception, special use, or zoning variance in a manner that is intended or has the effect of prohibiting or unreasonably restricting all short term rentals of the property. Exempts ordinances adopted before January 1, 1970, that are contrary to the provisions of the bill. Excludes homeowners associations and similar property owners associations from the provisions of the bill.
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*State Bill Page:* [SB382](#)
- SB383      SPECIFICATIONS FOR LOCAL PUBLIC WORK CONTRACTS (MESSMER M) Provides that specifications for a local public work contract must be written to encourage competition for each product or system furnished under the contract. Provides that for a local public work project with an estimated cost greater than \$1,000,000, the designer must specify at least three products or systems that are acceptable as substantially equal in terms of quality, durability, appearance, and functionality. Establishes a procedure for the specification of a single approved source for a product or system when the political subdivision considers it to be in the best interest of the public to do so.
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1/8/2018 - Authored By Mark Messmer  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB383](#)
- SB385      LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET NOTICES (GLICK S) Reinstates certain expired and repealed statutes concerning local government budget notices. Reinstates the requirement that a political subdivision must give notice by publication to taxpayers of the estimated budget, the estimated maximum permissible levy, the current and proposed tax levies of each fund, the amount by which the political subdivision's property taxes may be reduced by circuit breaker credits, the amounts of excessive levy appeals to be requested, and the time and place of the public hearing on the budget. (Under current law, the political subdivision is required to submit this information to the department of local government finance's (DLGF's) gateway.) Provides that a political subdivision must include in each notice the Internet address of the DLGF's gateway at which the budget information is also available. Reinstates an expired statute providing that if the budget notice is not timely published due to the fault of a newspaper, the notice is a valid notice if it is published one time at least three days before the budget hearing. Reinstates an expired provision allowing the DLGF to correct certain errors or omissions that cause the budget notice to inaccurately reflect the tax rate, tax levy, or budget of a political subdivision.
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1/8/2018 - Authored By Susan Glick  
*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB385](#)
- SB386      FINANCING OF FLOOD CONTROL IMPROVEMENTS (RUCKELSHAUS J) Authorizes certain redevelopment commissions (commissions), following a written recommendation from the board of public works and approval of the legislative body, to adopt an ordinance designating an area as a flood control improvement district (district) to capture incremental property tax revenue within the district to be used for the construction, replacement, repair, maintenance, or improvement of flood control works. Provides that only special flood hazard property may be included within the boundaries of a district. Defines "special flood hazard property" as property that on January 1, 2018, is situated in a special flood hazard area as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Provides that, before making a recommendation to the commission to establish a district, a board of public works must: (1) establish the boundaries for the district; (2) identify the owners of each parcel of property in the district; (3) create a proposed plan for flood control works within the district; and (4) hold a public hearing on the proposed district. Provides that the fiscal officer of a unit shall establish a flood control improvement fund (fund) for each district that is established within the jurisdiction of the unit. Provides that the commission shall administer the fund. Provides that the incremental property tax revenue from a district shall be deposited in the fund and used only for providing flood control works within the boundaries of that district. Provides that the commission may issue bonds



payable from the fund for the purpose of construction, replacement, repair, maintenance, or improvement of flood control works. Provides that the proceeds from the sale of bonds issued for a district shall be deposited in the fund established for that district. Specifies the types of costs for flood control works that may be funded from a bond issue. Provides that a district expires 75 years after the date it is established. Requires a commission to make an annual report to the unit that established the commission and the board of public works.

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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB386](#)

SB390 REIMBURSED COSTS FOR A CHILD REMOVED FROM HOME (ZAY A) Requires the department of child services (department) to determine if a child who: (1) is removed from the home of the child's parent or guardian; and (2) placed in a foster family home or the home of a relative of the child that is not a foster family home; has an adequate supply of clothing and personal hygiene items at the time the child is initially placed. Requires the department to provide an immediate payment to the foster parent or relative in an amount that is sufficient to purchase adequate clothing and personal hygiene items if the child does not have an adequate supply of clothing and personal hygiene items.

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

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SB391 TOWNSHIP PROPERTY TAX LEVIES (NIEMEYER R) Authorizes a township to appeal to the department of local government finance (DLGF) for an increase in the township's maximum property tax levy to meet the costs of providing township assistance. Specifies that the maximum increase that the DLGF may authorize for a township for a particular calendar year is the levy that would result from a \$0.01 increase in the township's township assistance property tax rate. Provides that the DLGF shall increase the maximum property tax levy for a township's firefighting fund for 2019 and thereafter if: (1) the township imposed a debt service levy in 2018 to pay amounts borrowed to furnish fire protection; and (2) the township executive before August 1, 2018, submits a petition to the DLGF requesting the increase. Specifies that the amount of the increase in the maximum property tax levy for the township's firefighting fund is equal to the total amount of the principal that will be due in 2019 on amounts borrowed by the township to furnish fire protection. Makes a technical correction.

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*State Bill Page:* [SB391](#)

SB392 LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (NIEMEYER R) Establishes a process to: (1) divide and transfer land that is owned by a county, city, or town; and (2) assess the value of land that a county, city, or town owns that the county, city, or town has divided and transferred to an adjacent property owner. Provides that, in a tax sale, a county executive may include any costs directly attributable to the county in the price for the sale of a certificate of sale. Makes conforming changes.

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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB392](#)

SB393 SAFETY NOTICE OF ADVANCED STRUCTURAL BUILDINGS (ECKERTY D) Requires an individual applying for a building permit for a Class 1 or Class 2 structure after June 30, 2018, to disclose the use of advanced structural components on the building permit application. Requires the building commissioner to notify the local fire department and local 911 call center of a Class 1 or Class 2 structure's use of advanced structural components not later than 90 days after issuing a building permit. Directs that a building commissioner shall not: (1) approve a structure on final inspection; or (2) issue a certificate of occupancy; unless the appropriate application and notice requirements are met.

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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High  
*State Bill Page:* [SB393](#)

SB394 HUMAN TRAFFICKING (GROOMS R) Requires manufacturers, sellers, and distributors of Internet enabled devices to install blocking software to prevent the device from accessing: (1) an Internet web site hosting indecent content; and (2) an Internet web site that promotes human trafficking or prostitution. Allows a consumer to deactivate blocking software by paying a \$20 deactivation fee and meeting certain other requirements, and provides that: (1) 60% of the fee shall be deposited in the violent crime victims compensation fund; (2) 20% of the fee shall be deposited in the human trafficking prevention and victim assistance fund; and (3) 20% of the fee shall be deposited in the state general fund. Requires the attorney general to monthly compile and transmit a list of Internet web sites to be blocked.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Ronald Grooms  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB394](#)

SB395 CLARKSVILLE FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX (GROOMS R) Authorizes the town of Clarksville to adopt a town food and beverage tax. Provides that the tax rate may not exceed 1%. Provides that money received from the tax shall be distributed by the treasurer of state to the town of Clarksville. Specifies the uses to which receipts from the food and beverage tax may be applied.

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1/10/2018 - First Reading  
1/10/2018 - Authored By Ronald Grooms  
*State Bill Page:* [SB395](#)

SB396 VETERANS' PROPERTY TAX MATTERS (WALKER G) Provides that a veteran who is classified as individually unemployable is entitled to a property tax deduction. Increases the limit of the gross assessed value below which the veteran's property tax deduction is allowable for a veteran who is totally disabled, is at least 62 years of age and has a disability of at least 10%, or is individually unemployable. Provides that the surviving spouse of an individual who dies while serving in the military or naval forces of the United States is entitled to a property tax deduction. Provides a county option deduction to eligible individuals for the acquisition and occupation of abandoned dwellings as homesteads.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Greg Walker  
*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium  
*State Bill Page:* [SB396](#)

SB397 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS (BOOTS P) Specifies the funding amounts that must be provided by counties to community mental health centers. Provides that a county's maximum funding amount for a year is equal to the maximum funding amount for the previous year multiplied by the percentage change in the county's general fund property tax levy, after subtracting circuit breaker credits (but provides that the maximum funding amount will not be less than the preceding year's maximum funding amount). Provides that unless otherwise agreed to by the county and the community mental health center, the county payment to the community mental health center shall be paid by the county treasurer to the treasurer of the community mental health center's board of directors at least as frequently as semiannually (in July and in December). Deletes provisions requiring the county to pay the appropriated amounts to the division of mental health and addiction (the division). Deletes the provisions specifying how the payments to the division must be made. Repeals a provision allowing the appropriation of an additional amount under certain circumstances. Provides that the governing board of a community mental health center must include a member of a county fiscal body or a member of a board of county commissioners, appointed by the board of county commissioners of the county where the community mental health center maintains its corporate mailing address. Requires a community mental health center to provide an annual report to the division and to the fiscal body and board of county commissioners of each county located in the community mental health center's primary service area. Specifies certain information that must be included in the annual report. Requires the division to review each annual report submitted by a community mental health center to determine whether the annual report is in the format

required by the division and includes all information required by the division. Requires the division to provide an annual report containing certain information to the county fiscal body and board of county commissioners of each county.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Philip Boots

*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB397](#)

SB398 OFFICE BASED OPIOID TREATMENT PROGRAMS (HOUCHIN E) Establishes requirements for office based opioid treatment program providers in order to operate in Indiana. Requires the division of mental health and addiction (division) to: (1) oversee the office based opioid treatment programs; and (2) establish a central registry containing specified information concerning patients of office based opioid treatment programs. Allows a city, town, or county to adopt an ordinance or a township to adopt a resolution that: (1) establishes reporting requirements for office based opioid treatment programs that are more stringent or detailed than the statute; or (2) bans, after January 1, 2018, the establishment of an office based opioid treatment program.

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB398](#)

SB399 OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION OVERSIGHT AND REVIEW (HOLDMAN T) Provides that the small business ombudsman (ombudsman) shall review a proposed rule that is an occupational regulation and imposes requirements or costs on persons subject to the occupational regulation. Requires the attorney general to disapprove a proposed rule if it violates federal antitrust laws. Requires that a statement must be filed concerning the economic impact of the proposed occupational regulation on persons who are subject to the occupational regulation. Requires a regulatory flexibility analysis that considers any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed occupational regulation, including the establishment of the least restrictive regulation that is necessary to regulate the occupation or protect consumers. Establishes guidelines to analyze an occupation regulation to determine if it is the least restrictive regulation. Makes conforming changes to include regulated occupations in the laws that affect adoption of rules that affect small businesses. Allows an individual who has a criminal record to submit a petition to the board that issues a license, certificate, or permit that an individual is required by law to hold to engage in a business, profession, or occupation to determine if the individual's criminal record will disqualify the individual from obtaining a license, certificate, or permit. Establishes criteria and procedures to determine if an individual's criminal record disqualifies the individual from obtaining a license, certificate, or permit.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Travis Holdman

*Priority:* Tier 3 - Low

*State Bill Page:* [SB399](#)

SB400 RANKED CHOICE VOTING (STOOPS M) Permits a municipality to implement ranked choice voting for all of the municipality's elected offices. Permits a county to implement ranked choice voting for all offices elected in the county. Establishes the procedure for a voter to rank the candidates according to the voter's choice when there are three or more candidates for election to an office. Establishes the procedures to count the voter's choices as votes at various stages of tabulating ballots. Makes conforming amendments.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading  
1/8/2018 - Authored By Mark Stoops

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB400](#)

SB402 TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS (BECKER V) Requires the department of child services (department) to file a petition for termination of parental rights if a child's parent, guardian, or custodian accumulates a total of three instances of certain acts or omissions. Adds to the list of allegations that satisfy the requirements for a petition for termination of parental rights an allegation that a child's parent, guardian, or custodian has accumulated a total of three instances of certain acts or omissions. Provides that a court may find that reasonable efforts to reunify a child

with the child's parent, guardian, or custodian are not required if the parent, guardian, or custodian accumulates a total of three instances of certain acts or omissions. Requires that a predispositional report and progress reports are provided to: (1) a child, the child's parent, guardian, or custodian; (2) a guardian ad litem or a court appointed special advocate; (3) a foster parent; and (4) an attorney representing a child's parent, guardian, or custodian; not later than 48 hours before a hearing. Requires a court to order a child's parent, guardian, or custodian to submit to bimonthly drug screen tests to be conducted by, or on behalf of, the department, at times determined by the department if the court determines that use of a drug or controlled substance by a parent, guardian, or custodian was a factor that resulted in the child being adjudicated a child in need of services. Requires the department to provide a monthly report to a foster parent concerning the status and any progress made by the child and the child's parent, guardian, or custodian in a child in need of services proceeding that involves a child who is placed in the foster parent's foster family home.

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB402](#)

SB404

IMPAIRED DRIVING OFFENSES (KOCH E) Changes the term "under" to "in accordance with" in certain statutes concerning defenses involving the use of valid prescriptions while operating a motor vehicle. Creates the offense of operating a vehicle while intoxicated causing moderate bodily injury. Raises the penalties for offenses involving operating a vehicle while intoxicated causing injuries or death. Removes the minimum age requirement for a person to be convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated causing death. Increases the penalties for leaving the scene of an accident. Provides that a person operating a vehicle involved in an accident is subject to conviction of a separate offense for each person whose bodily injury or death is a result of the accident.

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB404](#)

SB405

WAGERING ON SPORTS (FORD J) Authorizes sports wagering at riverboats, racinos, and satellite facilities after the Indiana gaming commission determines that current federal prohibitions on sports wagering are no longer applicable. Provides for the administration, conduct, and taxation of sports wagering. Imposes initial and annual fees on a licensed owner, operating agent, or permit holder conducting sports wagering.

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*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB405](#)

SB407

MORATORIUM ON PRIVATELY OPERATED FACILITIES (MELTON E) Prohibits the department of correction from contracting with a private organization for the incarceration of committed persons or immigration detainees in a facility owned by the private organization, and for the operation by the private organization of a correctional facility or immigration detention center owned by the state. Prohibits a unit of local government from contracting with a private organization for the incarceration of prisoners or immigration detainees in a facility owned by the private organization or for the operation by the private organization of a correctional facility or immigration detention center owned by the unit of local government. Provides exceptions for centers providing reentry services as part of a community transition program.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/8/2018 - First Reading

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*Priority:* Tier 2 - Medium

*State Bill Page:* [SB407](#)

SB409

REGULATED DRAINS AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS (CHARBONNEAU E) Authorizes a county surveyor to classify a regulated drain as a drain in need of reconstruction if: (1) the functionality of the drain is compromised; and (2) the drain could, at a reasonable cost, be reconstructed to perform the function for which it was designed while also better serving the interests of public health or significantly reducing undesirable environmental effects, or while also providing flood reduction benefits. Authorizes a county surveyor to classify a regulated drain as a drain in

need of periodic maintenance if the drain can be made: (1) to perform the function for which it was designed and constructed; (2) to properly drain affected land; and (3) to better serve the interest of public health, produce fewer undesirable environmental effects, or provide flood reduction benefits; through periodically cleaning, spraying, removing obstructions from, and making minor repairs, additions, or alterations to the regulated drain. Provides that the maintenance fund established for a regulated drain or combination of regulated drains may be used to: (1) better serve the interests of public health; (2) reduce undesirable environmental effects; (3) provide flood reduction benefits; (4) improve drainage control; or (5) provide drainage water storage infrastructure or technology associated with water that flows in or into a particular regulated drain or combination of regulated drains. Authorizes a county surveyor, when determining the best method of reconstructing a regulated drain or the best method of drainage for the area to which a petition to establish a new regulated drain relates, to consider cost effective drainage designs that limit undesirable environmental effects, improve public health, or provide flood reduction benefits.

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1/10/2018 - Authored By Ed Charbonneau

*State Bill Page:* [SB409](#)

SB411 DISTRESSED UTILITIES (KOCH E) Amends a provision in the statute concerning the acquisition of distressed water or wastewater utilities to require that, upon filing a petition with the utility regulatory commission (IURC) to include the cost differentials of the transaction as part of the acquiring utility company's rate base, the acquiring utility company must provide notice to its customers that the petition has been filed. (Current law requires the acquiring utility company to provide notice to its customers if the proposed acquisition will increase the utility company's rates by an amount that is greater than 1% of the utility company's base annual revenue.) Amends a provision in the statute concerning the sale or disposition of nonsurplus municipally owned utility property to provide that in determining whether the sale or disposition according to the parties' proposed terms and conditions is in the public interest, the IURC shall accept as reasonable the valuation of the property as determined through an appraisal and review made under the procedures set forth in the statute.

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1/8/2018 - Authored By Eric Koch

*Priority:* Tier 1 - High

*State Bill Page:* [SB411](#)

SB414 PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION FOR LANDLORDS OF VETERANS (NIEMEYER R) Provides a property tax deduction to an owner of real property that uses the owner's real property to provide rental housing to a veteran.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading

1/10/2018 - Authored By Rick Niemeyer

*State Bill Page:* [SB414](#)

SB417 DISTANCE BETWEEN WATER WELL AND SEPTIC SYSTEM (DORIOT B) Requires the natural resources commission and the state board of health to adopt joint rules establishing a minimum distance that must exist between a residential septic system and the location in which a water well is drilled. Provides that the holder of a water well driller's license may be reprimanded by the director of the department of natural resources (director) for a first violation of these rules, that the holder of a water well driller's license who commits a second or subsequent violation of these rules commits a Class B infraction, and that the director may revoke the water well driller's license of a licensee who commits a third violation of these rules.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources

*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading

1/10/2018 - Authored By Blake Doriot

*State Bill Page:* [SB417](#)

SB418 BIAS MOTIVATED CRIMES (GLICK S) Makes it an aggravating circumstance (for purposes of imposing a criminal sentence) that the crime was committed with the intent to harm or intimidate an individual because of certain perceived or actual characteristics of the individual. Requires law enforcement agencies to report bias motivated crimes to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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- SB419 ORDINANCES AFFECTING PROFESSIONAL LICENSES (DORIOT B) Provides that a unit does not have the power to license, register, or certify a person to practice the person's profession or occupation within the unit if the occupation or profession is subject to licensure, registration, or certification under the Indiana Code. Provides that this prohibition does not apply to: (1) a license, registration, certification, or permit required under an ordinance or rule adopted under a unit's planning and development powers; or (2) a permit or another approval for the alteration, construction, demolition, or repair of a building, or work on real property required under an ordinance or rule that the unit otherwise has the power to adopt.
- Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology  
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1/10/2018 - Authored By Blake Doriot
- State Bill Page:* [SB419](#)
- SB422 LAND BANKS (BECKER V) Revises the land bank statute. Provides that in a county that has established a county land bank the county treasurer shall establish a county land bank fund for the purpose of accumulating money for distribution to the county land bank. Provides that a county fiscal body may adopt an ordinance to allocate to the county land bank an amount or percentage of the county's share of any penalties and interest on delinquent tax payments that is distributed to the county from the semiannual distribution made by the county auditor. Increases the fee charged for filing a sales disclosure form. Provides that in a county that has established a county land bank, part of the revenue received from fees charged for filing a sales disclosure form and any associated penalties shall be deposited in the county land bank fund. Reinstates the mortgage foreclosure counseling and education fee (expired July 1, 2017) to be collected as a civil cost in all mortgage foreclosure actions. Enacts a blight fee to be collected as a civil cost in all mortgage foreclosure actions. Enacts a supplemental tax deed petition fee to be collected as a civil cost in all petitions for issuance of a tax deed. Provides that redevelopment commissions and land banks are not required to pay recording fees or other fees charged by county recorders. Shortens the time limit for claiming a refund of excess property taxes paid by a taxpayer from three years to two years. Provides that unclaimed property tax refunds shall be deposited into the county land bank fund in a county that has established a land bank and a county land bank fund. Increases the penalties for delinquent property taxes in those counties that have established a county land bank. Emphasizes that the statute requiring execution of a residential real estate sales disclosure form does not apply to transfers of residential real property to or from a redevelopment commission or a land bank. Provides that the usual procedures for disposal of real property by a political subdivision do not apply to the disposal of property by a land bank. Provides that an enforcement authority may, upon determination that a vacant structure or an abandoned structure exists, inform the executive of the county, city, or town with which the enforcement authority is associated that the property is a candidate for inclusion on the executive's list of vacant or abandoned properties that are eligible for tax sale. Revises the statute concerning the determination by a court or hearing authority that real property is abandoned.
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1/10/2018 - Authored By Vaneta Becker
- State Bill Page:* [SB422](#)
- SB423 MECHANIC'S LIENS (BECKER V) Amends the statute concerning mechanic's liens to provide that a statement and notice of intention to hold a lien filed after June 30, 2018, must include verifiable documentation of the performance of labor, or the furnishing of materials or machinery, on which the statement and notice of intention to hold a lien is based. Sets forth: (1) the information that the documentation must include; and (2) the forms that the documentation may take. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally: (1) files, or threatens to file, one or more notices of an intention to hold a mechanic's lien with respect to the same: (A) property; or (B) property owner; primarily for purposes of harassment or intimidation; or (2) submits false, misleading, or forged documentation in connection with the filing of an intention to hold a mechanic's lien; commits a deceptive act that is subject to the remedies and penalties set forth in the deceptive consumer sales act.
- Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Civil Law  
*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading  
1/10/2018 - Authored By Vaneta Becker
- State Bill Page:* [SB423](#)
- SB424 PROHIBITION ON REQUIRING SPRINKLER SYSTEMS (MESSMER M) Prohibits the fire prevention and building safety commission or a state agency from adopting rules requiring the installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system. Prohibits a political subdivision from adopting an ordinance or other regulation requiring the installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading

1/10/2018 - Authored By Mark Messmer

*State Bill Page:* [SB424](#)

SB427 VOTE BY MAIL (TALLIAN K) Authorizes a county election board to provide that all municipal primary elections, municipal elections, and special elections for a public question held in the county in odd numbered years be held by all mail voting. Authorizes towns that conduct their own municipal elections to provide that all the town's municipal primary elections, municipal elections, and special elections for a public question held in the town in odd numbered years be held by all mail voting.

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*State Bill Page:* [SB427](#)

SB429 REGULATION OF FIREARMS (BRAY R) Removes provisions requiring an applicant to pay an application fee when applying for a four year license to carry a handgun. Removes provisions requiring an applicant to submit fingerprints when applying for a four year license to carry a handgun or a lifetime license to carry a handgun. Requires the superintendent of the state police to charge: (1) \$75 for a lifetime handgun license for a person who does not currently possess a valid Indiana handgun license; and (2) \$60 for a lifetime license for a person who currently possesses a valid Indiana handgun license. Requires use of a person's Social Security number when: (1) applying for; or (2) investigating the eligibility of a person to receive; a license to carry a handgun. Removes provisions pertaining to qualified licenses and unlimited licenses.

*Current Status:* 1/10/2018 - Referred to Senate Judiciary

*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading

1/10/2018 - Authored By Rodric Bray

*State Bill Page:* [SB429](#)

SB432 BATTERY AGAINST A BAILIFF OR SPECIAL DEPUTY (KOCH E) Adds a bailiff of any court and a special deputy to the definition of "public safety official" for purposes of the battery statute.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading

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*State Bill Page:* [SB432](#)

SB435 BUILDING CODES (FORD J) Requires the fire prevention and building safety commission (commission) to adopt a statewide residential code to be known as the Indiana Residential Code. Requires the commission to provide access to the statewide residential code on the commission's Internet web site. Prohibits a state agency or political subdivision from enforcing standards that exceed those established in the statewide residential code. Requires the commission to establish a review committee to make recommendations for amendments to the statewide residential code and provide a report on any fiscal impact of the recommended amendments. Provides that rules adopted by the commission are the only rules binding upon a state agency or political subdivision adopting the rules of the commission. Provides that rules adopted by the commission take precedence over any rules adopted by a state agency or any ordinance or other regulation that pertains to the fire prevention and building safety rules. Provides that a state agency and political subdivision shall only enforce the fire prevention and building safety rules. Requires a political subdivision to revise an ordinance or other regulation if the commission sends a notice that the ordinance or other regulation duplicates, conflicts, or overlaps with the rules of the commission.

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*All Bill Status:* 1/10/2018 - First Reading

1/10/2018 - Authored By Jon Ford

*State Bill Page:* [SB435](#)

SB437 TAX CREDIT FOR HIRING UNEMPLOYED VETERANS (TAYLOR G) Provides a nonrefundable tax credit to a small business for employing an individual who is receiving unemployment benefits and returning from military service (qualified new employee). Provides that the small business must employ a greater number of full-time employees in Indiana in the taxable year than the small business employed in Indiana, on average, in the small business's base employment period (normally January 1, 2017, through June 30, 2017). Provides that the employee must be hired full time. Provides that the credit applies only to taxable years beginning in 2018 through 2020. Provides that the credit is \$3,000 per qualified new employee, not to exceed \$100,000 per small business. Provides that the small business may carry any excess credit over to not more than three subsequent taxable years. Provides that the small business forfeits 50% of the amount of the tax credits attributable to the employment of a qualified new employee, if within 18



months after the qualified new employee was initially hired: (1) the qualified new employee is terminated, laid off, or otherwise reclassified to a position that is not a full-time employment position with the small business; or (2) the position created for the qualified new employee is eliminated.

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1/10/2018 - Authored By Greg Taylor

*State Bill Page:* [SB437](#)

SB438

STATE AGENCY MANAGEMENT (SPARTZ V) Requires state agencies to identify state government priorities and performance objectives and measure state government success in achieving these objectives. Requires the director of the office of management and budget to establish guidelines and requirements for the enterprise risk management and evaluation by state agencies of their systems of internal controls and aligning risk with strategy and performance metrics. Requires a state government performance plan. Provides for an agency improvement plan when performance objectives are not met. Requires each state agency to have a strategic plan aligned with the state government's core functions and a performance plan. Requires various reports and information concerning these matters.

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