

HB1001

STATE BUDGET (HUSTON T) Appropriates money for capital expenditures, the operation of the state, K-12 and higher education, the delivery of Medicaid and other services, and various other distributions and purposes. Provides for bonding authority for capital projects for higher education institutions. Renames the build Indiana fund the lottery surplus fund. Eliminates all the build Indiana fund accounts. Declares the policy of the state that no person may be denied coverage for a preexisting condition under a plan of health coverage offered or administered by the state. Specifies that the preexisting condition exclusion provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) are in effect and enforced in Indiana, regardless of the legal status of the PPACA. Repeals the Indiana technology fund. Eliminates the office of state based initiatives. Makes the budget agency responsible for coordinating federal assistance to state agencies. Prohibits certain state agency action regarding federal assistance. Requires state agencies to provide federal assistance information to the budget agency. Requires the budget agency to: (1) prepare an annual report summarizing the federal assistance received by state agencies during the preceding federal fiscal year; (2) publish a comprehensive federal assistance review plan; and (3) perform a review of the current impact and projected future impact of federal mandates and regulations on Indiana. Makes the budget agency the state's single point of contact to review and coordinate proposed federal financial assistance and direct federal development. Permits the trust fund for self-insurance for employees, including retired employees, for the state police department, conservation officers of the department of natural resources, and the state excise police to invest in the same investments as the state police pension plan instead of the public employees' retirement fund (the trust fund could not invest in equity securities). Permits the retiree health benefit trust fund to invest in the same investments as the public employees' retirement fund instead of in the same manner as public deposits may be invested. Requires a periodic actuarial study of the retiree health benefit trust fund. Provides that employer contributions to the retirement medical benefits account (RMBA) on behalf of a participant must be sufficient to provide the specified benefit. Changes the administration and investment decisions for the RMBA from the budget agency to the Indiana public retirement system (INPRS). Changes responsibility for reports concerning other post-employment benefits (OPEB) from the office of management and budget (OMB) to the INPRS. Changes responsibility for reports concerning local pensions from the OMB to the INPRS. Changes references to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements that apply to OPEB reports. Adds the two deputy budget directors as alternate members of the budget committee, and specifies that one of the deputy directors shall take the place of the budget director when the budget director is not present. Removes the restriction on the Indiana horse racing commission using money distributed under a distribution agreement for administrative purposes. Requires 0.5% of the money distributed under a distribution agreement to be deposited in the Indiana horse racing commission's operating fund. Establishes the problem gambling program fund. Specifies that the part of the problem gambling fee that is retained annually by the Indiana gaming commission must be deposited into the fund. Provides that the money in the fund is continuously appropriated. Renames the state board of accounts trust and agency fund the examinations fund. Annually appropriates money in the fund for the payment of the state board of accounts' expenses for examinations. Provides that money in the fund does not revert to the state general fund. Requires that the state board of accounts certify the expense incurred for an examination as needed. (Currently, expenses may not be certified more often than monthly.) Provides that the money in the Indiana twenty-first century research and technology fund is continuously appropriated. Provides that the money in the Indiana regional cities development fund is continuously appropriated. Provides that a taxpayer may submit, beginning in 2021, a personal property tax return using an online submission system established by the department of local government finance in collaboration with county assessors. Establishes requirements to be eligible to claim the Indiana research expense income tax credit effective January 1, 2019. Increases the cap on the scholarship granting organization scholarship tax credit from \$14,000,000 to \$15,000,000 for the state fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and to the greater of \$16,000,000 or 120% of the credits awarded in the prior state fiscal year for state fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2020. Provides various tax exemptions for the College Football Playoff Group for the College Football Playoff National Championship, including ancillary events. Replaces the postwar construction fund with a fund named the state construction fund. Dedicates \$1,800,000 to the state construction fund from a part of the cigarette tax revenue formerly appropriated to the department of natural resources. Repeals the state police building account and directs the revenue formerly deposited in the account to the state construction fund. Removes the reduction from the motor vehicle highway account fund for the appropriation to the department of transportation for traffic safety. Transfers \$325,000 each month to the motor carrier regulation fund from the motor vehicle highway account fund. Requires the bureau of motor vehicles to determine the allocation to counties from the motor vehicle highway account fund that is based on motor vehicle registrations. Changes the annual appropriation from the motor vehicle highway account for assisting counties in employing a full-time county highway engineer from \$920,000 to the amount necessary to make distributions to counties. Provides that proceeds received under the First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Indiana Toll Road Concession and Lease Agreement entered on September 21, 2018, are to be deposited in a new

fund known as the toll road lease amendment proceeds fund for certain state highway projects. Establishes the next level connections fund to be used to accomplish the transportation plan of the department of transportation. Terminates the appropriation to the state police department of part of the handgun license fees as of July 1, 2019. Transfers any balance remaining in the fund holding these fees to the state general fund on June 30, 2021. Provides that money in the state department of toxicology's breath test training and certification fund is continuously appropriated. Requires the division of disability and rehabilitative services to establish a cost participation schedule for purposes of the first steps program. Repeals the statutory cost participation schedule. Provides that the money in the division of family resources child care fund is continuously appropriated. Removes the requirement that a school corporation distribute to the state general fund 3% of the federal reimbursement for claims paid under the federal Medicaid program. (Under current law, these funds distributed to the state general fund are dedicated for consulting to encourage school parti

Current Status: 3/12/2019 - added as third sponsor Senator Tallian

Recent Status: 3/12/2019 - added as second sponsor Senator Holdman

3/4/2019 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

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. Specifies that "sole negligence" for purposes of liability under a construction or design contract does not include: (1) vicarious liability; (2) imputed negligence; or (3) assumption of a nondelegable duty.

Current Status: 3/4/2019 - added as third sponsor Senator Doriot

Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology

2/27/2019 - First Reading

HB1018 COUNTY PARK BOARDS (SOLIDAY E) Makes changes to: (1) the procedure for a county to adopt an ordinance creating a department of parks and recreation (department); and (2) the composition of the county park board (county board). Provides that the county fiscal body (before July 1, 2019) may amend an ordinance that created a department. Requires that if the county fiscal body amends the ordinance that created a department, the amended ordinance must provide that the composition of the members of the county board are selected in accordance with the remainder of the bill. Prohibits a county fiscal body (after June 30, 2019) from adopting an ordinance to create a department. Provides that, if the county fiscal body has not adopted an ordinance creating a department before June 30, 2019, the county executive may adopt an ordinance to create a department. Provides that the composition of the county board in a county that does not use the procedure added by the bill is governed by the current law for the composition of the county board. Sets forth who may serve as an ex officio member of the county board created by the county executive using the procedure added by the bill. Makes conforming and stylistic changes.

Current Status: 3/14/2019 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0

Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government

HB1019 PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION (PRESSEL J) Increases, from \$100,000 to \$150,000, the ceiling under which a board of aviation commissioners or an airport authority board may perform certain public construction projects with its own workforce. Increases, from \$75,000 to \$150,000 the ceiling under which a county drainage board may obtain quotes rather than advertise for bids for certain projects under the drainage law.

Current Status: 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Third Reading

Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Second reading ordered engrossed

3/14/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading

HB1025 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: 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading

Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

3/12/2019 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

HB1034 POLITICAL SUBDIVISION CONTROLLED PROJECTS AND DEBT (THOMPSON J) Modifies the threshold amounts used for determining whether a political subdivision's project is a controlled project and whether the petition and remonstrance process or the referendum process applies. Bases these threshold amounts on gross assessed value. Provides that for a road, street, or designated bridge project, only the costs paid from property taxes are considered when applying these threshold amounts. 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 includes certain information and statements. Provides that if a political subdivision experiences a decrease in net assessed value it may be stated as an exception to a political subdivision's statement about maintaining its property tax rate to fund a new controlled project because of the retirement of debt. Specifies the ballot language for the referendum on such a proposed controlled project. Provides that the restrictions on supporting a position on a controlled project apply to any political subdivision that has assessed value within the same taxing district as the political subdivision proposing the project.

Current Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading

1/29/2019 - Referred to Senate

HB1052 LOCAL INCOME TAX AND OTHER FINANCING MATTERS (THOMPSON J) Changes the allocation of local income tax (LIT) revenue that is based on property taxes to be based on maximum permissible property tax levies instead of actual levies. Provides that if a township passes a local public question on whether the county in which the township is located should be required to fund and carry out a public transportation project under the central Indiana public transportation projects statute, the township board shall adopt a resolution to impose a special local income tax rate on the local taxpayers residing in the township, instead of the fiscal body of the county. Allows political subdivisions to enter into public-private agreements with an operator to accomplish the design, financing, construction, acquisition, improvement, renovation, equipping, operation, or maintenance of a regional jail. Requires the department of local government finance to prepare a report before January 1, 2020, concerning school funding in each school corporation for the period beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019. Requires the department of education to prepare a report before January 1, 2020, concerning school funding in the surrounding states, Indiana, and each school corporation in Indiana for the period beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019.

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading

2/21/2019 - Senate sponsor: Senator Holdman

HB1059 SURVIVOR BENEFITS (CARBAUGH M) Provides that a surviving spouse or a surviving dependent of a member of the public employees' retirement fund (PERF) or the Indiana state teachers' retirement fund (TRF) who dies after June 30, 2018, and before the member retires from PERF or TRF is entitled to a survivor benefit, regardless of whether the member dies in service in a position covered by PERF or TRF or out of service, if: (1) the member has at least 10 years of creditable service; and (2) the surviving spouse or surviving dependent otherwise qualifies for the benefit. Makes conforming changes. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on pension management oversight.)

Current Status: 3/14/2019 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations

Recent Status: 3/13/2019 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 9; Nays: 0
3/13/2019 - Senate Pensions and Labor, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

HB1062 UNEMPLOYMENT MATTERS (LEONARD D) Makes various changes to unemployment compensation law concerning confidentiality, the method of sending notices to claimants and employers, the removal of the cap on expenditures from the special employment and training services fund, employing units subject to the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, and appeals regarding seasonal determinations. Updates and eliminates outdated language. Makes technical corrections.

Current Status: 3/11/2019 - added as cosponsor Senator Randolph

Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Pensions and Labor
2/27/2019 - First Reading

HB1065 REGIONAL HOLDING FACILITY (FRYE R) Specifies that a county sheriff may contract with the department of correction (department) to transfer a confined jail offender from a county jail to a regional holding facility established and operated by the department if the county jail is overcrowded. Provides that reimbursements paid by the state to the county for the costs of incarcerating a confined jail offender shall be used to pay for a confined jail offender housed in either a regional holding facility or a county jail. Provides that the Indiana criminal justice institute shall identify any federal, state, or local grants that can be used to assist in the funding and operation of regional holding facilities.

Current Status: 3/19/2019 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 3/12/2019 - added as third sponsor Senator Young M
3/4/2019 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

HB1078 COMMITMENT OF LEVEL 6 OFFENDERS TO DOC (STUEERWALD G) Provides that a court may commit a person

convicted of a Level 6 felony to the department of correction (DOC) if the person: (1) is a violent offender; or (2) has two prior unrelated felony convictions.

Current Status: 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading

Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
3/12/2019 - added as cosponsor Senator Zay

- HB1086 LOCAL LICENSING AND PERMITTING (PRESSEL J) Provides that if a political subdivision requires a person to post a surety bond as a condition that the political subdivision issue a license or permit to the person, a surety bond posted by the person is considered sufficient if the following are satisfied: (1) The bond is written by a surety company authorized to transact business in Indiana. (2) The obligation on the bond is for an amount that is at least the amount required by the political subdivision for the issuance of the particular license or permit. (3) The obligee or obligees named on the bond are any of the following: (A) The political subdivision that requires the bond. (B) Specifically named political subdivisions in the county that include the name of the political subdivision that requires the bond. (C) All political subdivisions in the county in which the political subdivision that requires the bond is located. (D) All political subdivisions of the same kind as the political subdivision that requires the bond located in the county. (4) The conditions of the bond otherwise comply with the requirements of the ordinance that imposes the bond condition. Provides that a person required to post a bond satisfies the posting requirement if the person files a copy of the bond with the political subdivision or appropriate agency of the political subdivision that requires the bond. Provides that a political subdivision may not require that the person record the license bond.
- Current Status:* 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading
- Recent Status:* 3/14/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading
3/11/2019 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
- HB1087 PAYMENT OF COURT COSTS (PRESSEL J) Allows a court to reduce some or all of the court costs owed by a person who performs community service or approved uncompensated volunteer work by: (1) determining the number of hours of community service or volunteer work performed by the person; (2) multiplying the number of hours worked by the Indiana minimum wage; and (3) deducting that figure from the amount owed. Excludes from the calculation community service hours required to be performed under a plea agreement.
- Current Status:* 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading
- Recent Status:* 3/14/2019 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
3/12/2019 - added as cosponsor Senator Randolph
- HB1113 TELECOIL (MILLER D) Requires the fire prevention and buildings safety commission to adopt rules requiring that a person performing new construction or any major alteration of an existing public address system in a Class 1 structure located in a first or second class city after June 30, 2020, must consider the installation of an audio frequency induction loop systems (AFIL). Requires that the person performing new construction or any major alteration of an existing facility's public address system must solicit at least one bid for the installation of an AFIL. Requires audiologists, individuals who hold a hearing aid dealer certificate of registration, and individuals who fit or dispense hearing aids while under the supervision and direction of an individual who holds a hearing aid dealer certificate of registration to provide information about telecoil and AFILs when fitting and dispensing hearing aids.
- Current Status:* 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Commerce and Technology
- Recent Status:* 2/27/2019 - First Reading
2/5/2019 - added as coauthor Representative Campbell
- HB1116 VARIOUS LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (KARICKHOFF M) Allows the governing body of a state or local government agency to discuss in an executive session strategy regarding a real estate transaction by the governing body. Allows the fiscal officer of a political subdivision to appropriate funds received from any private entity or individual for the purpose of repairing or replacing damaged property. (Current law allows only appropriation of funds from an insurance company.) Eliminates political party affiliation requirements for members of a utility service board, storm water management board, or board of aviation commissioners. Provides that if a board of aviation commissioners has four members, the executive of the county, city, town, or other municipal corporation or district that operates the airport serves as an ex officio member of the board for purposes of breaking a tie vote. Allows a political subdivision to receive electronic bids for public work projects that exceed a certain amount, if the bid solicitation states the procedure for transmitting the electronic bid and the means of transmission protects the bid contents. Requires a political subdivision that receives electronic bids to provide electronic access to the notice of the bid solicitation through the computer gateway administered by the state office of technology in addition to newspaper publication. Requires the head of the department of law of a second or third class city to reside within Indiana (instead of within the county). Provides that a hazardous tract of land containing a building that is not an unsafe building constitutes an unsafe premises and is subject to the unsafe building law. Eliminates the requirement that a negotiable note for a public work project or eligible efficiency project be repaid by a political subdivision on January 1 and July 1 of each year of the note's term.
- Current Status:* 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government

Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading
1/29/2019 - Senate sponsors: Senators Ruckelshaus and Niezgodski

- HB1125 CUMULATIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND (ELLINGTON J) Permits a local government unit to establish a cumulative capital improvement fund to provide money to purchase, lease, or pay all or part of the cost of electronic monitoring equipment used by a community corrections program or other similar program.
Current Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government
Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading
2/19/2019 - Referred to Senate
- HB1128 CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (MILLER D) Provides that a local unit may not require, as a condition precedent to granting, issuing, or approving certain permits for any Class 1 or Class 2 structures, completion of work upon which the performance bond or other surety was obtained prior to recording the secondary plat. Provides that a local unit may not require, as a condition precedent to granting, issuing, or approving a certificate of occupancy for any Class 1 or Class 2 structure, the completion of work upon which the performance bond or other surety was obtained prior to recording the secondary plat, unless required under certain state building laws or another law to meet a local unit's basic needs for public health and safety. Requires a local governmental agency to issue certain permits to a person not later than 12 business days after the person has filed a completed application and meets all required conditions, in certain instances.
Current Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government
Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading
2/5/2019 - added as coauthor Representative Hostettler
- HB1139 PENSION THIRTEENTH CHECKS (BURTON W) Provides for thirteenth checks in 2019 and 2020 for certain members of the: (1) Indiana state teachers' retirement fund; (2) public employees' retirement fund; (3) state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan; (4) state police pre-1987 benefit system; and (5) state police 1987 benefit system.
Current Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Appropriations
Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading
1/29/2019 - Referred to Senate
- HB1140 TRANSITIONS OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS (PRYOR C) Requires the department of local government finance (department) and the state board of accounts (board) to work with local government associations to develop a checklist that describes, for each elected local office, the information relating to that local office that is important and useful for a successor to that local office to have access to before the successor assumes office. Requires an incumbent of a local elected office to provide to the successor, not later than 14 days after the successor's election is certified, access to the information described by the department and the board. Provides that not later than 14 days after the successor requests access to information relating to the local office, other than information described in the checklist developed by the department and the board, the incumbent shall provide the successor access to that information unless federal or Indiana law otherwise prohibits the successor's access to the information before the successor assumes the office. Provides that if an incumbent denies access to information to which the successor is required or requested to have access, the successor has a cause of action to mandate the incumbent to provide the information. Makes a change to a provision regarding the transfer of records used in the preparation of an annual report by a township executive (executive) whose term expires to require that the new executive provide the former executive access to the records necessary in the preparation of the former executive's annual report.
Current Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government
Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading
1/29/2019 - added as coauthor Representative Chyung
- HB1170 PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS (MAHAN K) Creates the following minimum requirements for a written agreement (agreement) entered into after June 30, 2019, between a county, city, town, or township and an employee organization for fire department or police department employees: (1) Requires the parties to submit to nonbinding mediation if they fail to agree to a new agreement within one year after the existing agreement expires. (2) Requires the agreement to continue without any change in its terms and conditions until the earlier of the following: (A) The parties fail to reach an agreement after mediating the dispute, at which time the written agreement no longer binds the parties. (B) The date the parties execute a new written agreement.
Current Status: 3/14/2019 - Senate Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 6; Nays: 0
Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
3/7/2019 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

- HB1177 TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT ISSUES (ZIEMKE C) 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. Requires the legislative council to assign to the appropriate interim study committee the study of: (1) the level of preparedness of volunteer fire departments; and (2) whether volunteer fire departments have the necessary resources to perform their duties. Allows a township to make a one time transfer of an excess balance or part of an excess balance between township funds. Provides that the transfer may not be completed until after the township adopts a capital improvement plan, if the township is required to adopt a capital improvement plan. Requires the transfers must be completed not later than December 31, 2020. Provides that if an eligible municipality petitions an adjacent township to accept the transfer of the territory of the eligible municipality that is within the transferor township, the legislative body of the adjacent township must accept transfer of the territory of an eligible municipality within two years (instead of one year) after the legislative body receives the petition. Repeals a provision that prohibits the transfer of territory from taking effect in the year before a federal decennial census is conducted.
Current Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government
Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading
2/19/2019 - Referred to Senate
- HB1182 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (LEHMAN M) Provides that, for worker's compensation purposes, an employee who leaves work to serve as a volunteer firefighter or member of a volunteer emergency medical services association (volunteer member) is considered an employee of the firefighting unit while in the performance of duties as a volunteer firefighter or volunteer member. Increases the maximum amount of burial expenses that an employer must pay under the worker's compensation act for the burial expenses of a covered employee who dies from an injury by an accident arising out of the employee's employment from \$7,500 to \$10,000. Increases the maximum amount of burial expenses that an employer must pay under the worker's occupational diseases compensation act for the burial expenses of an employee who dies from an occupational disease arising out of the employee's employment from \$7,500 to \$10,000.
Current Status: 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading
Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - added as second sponsor Senator Perfect
3/14/2019 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
- HB1185 BUNKHOUSE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS (NEGELE S) Defines "bunkhouse". Provides that, before January 1, 2021, the commission may adopt rules to exempt bunkhouses from being required to be equipped with an automatic fire sprinkler system.
Current Status: 3/19/2019 - Senate Homeland Security and Transportation, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
3/7/2019 - First Reading
- HB1192 THEFT BY PUBLIC SERVANTS (LAUER R) Specifies that in the case of a public servant who criminally exerts unauthorized control over public funds of the public servant's employer, the employer may be reimbursed from the public servant's public pension fund contributions and benefits. Provides that assets of the judges' retirement system and the prosecuting attorneys retirement fund are exempt from levy, sale, garnishment, attachment, or other legal process. (Current law provides similar exemptions for certain funds administered by the Indiana public retirement system.)
Current Status: 3/20/2019 - Senate Judiciary, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
2/27/2019 - First Reading
- HB1198 DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES MATTERS (FRIZZELL D) Defines "child", for purposes of provisions regarding the filing of a petition to terminate a parent-child relationship involving a delinquent child or a child in need of services, as an individual who is: (1) less than 18 years of age; and (2) a delinquent child or a child in need of services. Updates the list of nonwaivable offenses under juvenile law in accordance with requirements for reimbursement under related federal programs. Adds department of child services employees to the list of individuals who may request that a county, municipality, or township restrict access to the individual's home address on a public property data base operated by the county, municipality, or township.
Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Family and Children Services
Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading
2/26/2019 - Referred to Senate
- HB1214 CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS AS CONSTRUCTORS; FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICTS (TORR J) Repeals a provision in

the construction manager as constructor statute that establishes a time period for public agencies (other than state educational institutions) to use the construction manager as constructor statute. Provides that for purposes of the construction manager as constructor statute, the term "public agency" includes a public library and the health and hospital corporation. Provides that a fire protection district (district), which includes any property added to the district at any time, having a total assessed value of more than \$1,000,000,000 remains within the district after annexation. (Current law provides that the annexed property ceases to be a part of the district when the annexing municipality begins to provide fire protection services to the property.) Provides that property added to a district is considered part of the district as of the date that the district was originally established. Makes provisions regarding: (1) the effective date of annexations of property within districts; and (2) indebtedness of districts that are annexed; apply to districts established after July 1, 1987 (instead of June 14, 1987). Makes a conforming change.

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading

2/21/2019 - Senate sponsors: Senators Ruckelshaus, Koch and Spartz

HB1217 PORTER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD (SOLIDAY E) Establishes a board of elections and registration for Porter County. Provides that Porter County is a county that counts absentee ballots at a central location. Provides that an appointed member of a county election board or a board of elections and registration may not be a relative of any individual that has the authority to appoint a member of the board.

Current Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Elections

Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - First Reading

1/29/2019 - Senate sponsor: Senator Charbonneau

HB1266 SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL IN CONSTRUCTION (MILLER D) Prohibits an MS4 community (a county, city, or town that administers a program under which construction plans including erosion and sediment control measures are submitted for approval) from requiring erosion and sediment control measures that are more stringent than the erosion and sediment control measures required by the administrative rule of the environmental rules board concerning storm water runoff associated with construction activity. Provides that a review authority (the department of environmental management, a soil and water conservation district, or an MS4 community) to which a construction plan is submitted must make a preliminary determination whether the construction plan is substantially complete before the end of the fifth working day after the day on which the construction plan is submitted to the review authority. Provides that an individual who reviews and makes a conclusive determination concerning a construction plan submitted to an MS4 community: (1) must be a registered professional civil engineer, registered architect, or registered surveyor; (2) must have successfully completed either of two particular MS4 training programs or a comparable training program; or (3) must be working under the direct supervision of an individual described in (1) or (2). Provides that if an MS4 community has made a conclusive favorable determination concerning a construction plan and work on the construction project has begun, the MS4 community may not order work on the construction project to stop on the grounds of inadequate erosion and sediment control measures unless the project site owner given written notice of the inadequacies of the erosion and sediment control measures and the inadequacies are not resolved within 72 hours after the project site owner receives the written notice.

Current Status: 3/11/2019 - Senate Environmental Affairs, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

2/27/2019 - First Reading

HB1342 TELEPHONE CPR INSTRUCTION TRAINING (BACON R) After July 1, 2020, requires an individual to complete a telephone cardiopulmonary resuscitation (T-CPR) training program (program) approved by the division of fire and building safety (division) if the individual: (1) answers 911 emergency medical telephone calls for a state or local law enforcement agency or fire protection agency, including a volunteer fire department (agency); and (2) is authorized by the agency's protocols to provide T-CPR instructions to a caller. Provides that the division may provide programs or third parties may provide programs that are approved by the division. Requires the division to: (1) adopt minimum standards for programs that meet or exceed evidence based nationally recognized emergency cardiovascular care guidelines; and (2) establish continuing education requirements. Allows the division to collect reasonable fees for providing programs and certifications that are deposited in the fire and building services fund. Sets forth certain requirements for a public safety answering point if a public safety answering point transfers a telephone caller to a public safety telecommunicator. Provides that a public safety telecommunicator who has completed a certified training program in emergency medical dispatch call handling is exempt from completing a T-CPR training program. Provides civil immunity for damages relating to the provision of T-CPR instruction. Makes a technical correction.

Current Status: 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Third Reading

Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Second reading ordered engrossed

3/14/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading

HB1345 PROPERTY TAX MATTERS (MILLER D) Provides that if a for-profit land developer acquires land in inventory from a school corporation or a local unit of government, the land in inventory shall be assessed as agricultural land at the

agricultural land base rate on the first assessment date immediately following the date on which the land developer acquires title to the land in inventory, and thereafter the land in inventory is subject to the usual provisions for reassessment of a land developer's land in inventory. Restores the property tax exemption for certain real property that is acquired for the purpose of erecting, renovating, or improving a single family residential structure that is to be given away or sold: (1) in a charitable manner; (2) by a nonprofit organization; and (3) to low income individuals who will use the land as a family residence. Provides a property tax exemption for assessment dates occurring after December 31, 2016, for certain property owned by an Indiana nonprofit public benefit corporation exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code if: (1) the property is used in the operation of a nonprofit health, fitness, aquatics, and community center; and (2) the acquisition and development of the property are provided in part under the regional cities initiative of the Indiana economic development corporation. Allows a refund for any property taxes paid in 2018 and 2019 for property that qualifies for the exemption.

Current Status: 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Third Reading

Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Second reading ordered engrossed

3/14/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading

HB1375

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS (LEHMAN M) Makes various changes to statutes concerning the state board of accounts (board). Provides that an examination of an entity shall be limited to matters relevant to the use of public money received by the entity. Relocates language addressing examinations of certain not-for-profit corporations. Provides that an examination of a not-for-profit corporation that derives at least 50% but less than \$750,000 (rather than \$200,000, under current law) of its disbursements from appropriations, public funds, taxes, and other sources of public expense shall be limited to matters relevant to the use of the public money received by the entity. Provides that an individual may confidentially report suspected malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance that involves an individual who has responsibility for administering public funds on behalf of an entity. Expands the list of individuals to whom the board may disclose examination workpapers and investigation records. Makes changes to the procedure governing the payment of delinquent property taxes and specifies how delinquent property tax payments are to be applied. Eliminates a requirement that the county auditor transmit a monthly financial report to the board. Authorizes a county fiscal body to establish a salary schedule that includes greater compensation for the presiding officer or secretary of the county fiscal body or county executive if certain conditions are satisfied. Defines "compensation" for purposes of statutes concerning compensation paid to elected county, city, town, and township officials (local elected officials). Provides that certain information must be included in an ordinance establishing compensation for local elected officials. Makes corresponding changes.

Current Status: 3/19/2019 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

3/4/2019 - First Reading

HB1402

INNKEEPER'S TAXES AND OTHER LOCAL TAXES (KARICKHOFF M) Renames the convention center operating fund established under the Vanderburgh County innkeeper's statute to the convention center operating, capital improvement, and financial incentive fund (fund). Provides that expenditures from the fund for a convention center in Vanderburgh County may be used only for operating expenses, capital improvements, and financial incentives to attract new businesses. Changes the date on which Vanderburgh County innkeeper's tax revenue deposited in the fund decreases from the amount equal to the revenue generated by a 2% innkeeper's tax rate to the amount equal to the revenue generated by a 1% innkeeper's tax rate. Allows the Clark County and Floyd County councils to adopt substantially similar ordinances to increase the innkeeper's tax rate in both counties from 4% to 6% (these taxes were imposed by state law in 1976). Allows the Allen County council to adopt an ordinance to increase the innkeeper's tax rate in the county from 7% to 8%. (The tax was imposed by state law before 1980). Provides that if an ordinance to increase the innkeeper's tax rate to 8% is in effect in Allen County, the minimum part of the innkeeper's tax proceeds used to provide development and promotion grants within the county increases from 2/7 to 3/8. Allows the fiscal body of White County to levy the county innkeeper's tax on resorts and any other buildings or structures in the county in which lodging is regularly furnished for consideration. Repeals the innkeeper's tax law specific to Howard County. (Howard County elected to impose an innkeeper's tax under the uniform innkeeper's tax law beginning in 2014.) Provides that the maximum innkeeper's tax rate for Howard County under the uniform innkeeper's tax law is 8% on the gross income derived from lodging income. (Current law authorizes a maximum tax rate of 5% under the uniform innkeeper's tax law.) Authorizes Brown County to impose a \$1 admissions tax upon admissions to the indoor performing arts center. Specifies how the revenue may be used. Permits the county to enter into an operating lease with the convention and visitors commission and a contract with a nonprofit organization to operate the indoor performing arts center. Authorizes the fiscal body of the city of Attica (in Fountain County) to impose a food and beverage tax. Authorizes the town of Danville to impose a food and beverage tax. Authorizes the city of Greenwood to impose a food and beverage tax. Authorizes the town of Whitestown to impose a food and beverage tax.

Current Status: 3/19/2019 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

3/7/2019 - First Reading

HB1406 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE ASSISTANCE FUND AND PROGRAM (SOLIDAY E) Provides that money from certain sources in the water infrastructure assistance fund (fund) is continuously appropriated for the purposes of the law concerning the water infrastructure assistance program. Authorizes the authority to establish: (1) the interest rate; or (2) parameters for establishing the interest rate; on each loan made from the fund. Provides that a participant, to receive a loan, grant, or other financial assistance from the fund: (1) must have an asset management program; and (2) must demonstrate to the authority that it has a plan to participate with one or more other participants in cooperative activities. Provides that a participant, after receiving a loan or grant from the fund, must maintain its asset management program: (1) as long as the loan remains unpaid; or (2) during the useful life of the asset financed with the loan or grant. Requires a participant, if appropriate, to conduct or participate in efforts to determine and eliminate the causes of non-revenue water in its water distribution system. Requires the authority to establish a project prioritization system and project priority list for the purposes of awarding loans and grants from the fund. Requires the authority to set aside 40% of the fund for purposes of providing grants, loans, and other financial assistance to or for the benefit of utilities serving less than 3,200 customers. Authorizes the authority to provide advisory services to participants in connection with loans from the fund. Provides that, if appropriate, the authority shall require a participant receiving a loan or other financial assistance from the fund to establish and maintain sufficient user charges, fees, taxes, special assessments, or revenues to: (1) operate and maintain; and (2) pay the obligations of; its water or wastewater collection and treatment system. Authorizes the authority to make loans or provide other financial assistance from the fund to or for the benefit of a participant to establish guaranties, reserves, or sinking funds or for other purposes. Authorizes the authority, as an alternative to making loans or providing other financial assistance to participants, to use the money in the fund to provide a leveraged loan program and other financial assistance programs to or for the benefit of participants.

Current Status: 3/11/2019 - added as cosponsor Senator Randolph
Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - Referred to Senate Utilities
3/4/2019 - First Reading

HB1411 EMINENT DOMAIN FOR NONPUBLIC USES (WOLKINS D) Amends the statute concerning the use of eminent domain to acquire real property for nonpublic uses to provide that the requirement that a condemnor compensate the owner of residential property acquired under the statute in the amount of 150% of the fair market value of the property applies: (1) only to residential property occupied by the owner as a residence, in the case of an eminent domain proceeding: (A) initiated before July 1, 2019; and (B) with respect to which the fair market value of the parcel has been determined before July 1, 2019; and (2) to all residential property, regardless of whether the property is occupied by the owner as a residence, in the case of an eminent domain proceeding initiated: (A) after June 30, 2019; or (B) before July 1, 2019, and with respect to which the fair market value of the parcel has not been determined before July 1, 2019. Defines "residential property" for purposes of the statute.

Current Status: 3/18/2019 - House Bills on Second Reading
Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - added as cosponsor Senator Randolph
3/14/2019 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

HB1427 LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (LEONARD D) Provides that the state board of accounts, instead of the budget agency, is to approve audits for regional development authorities and allows for private examiners to perform audits. Excludes political subdivisions that do not have the power to impose property taxes from the requirement to upload a digital copy of certain contracts on the Indiana transparency Internet web site. Provides that if a political subdivision publishes or submits to the department of local government finance's (DLGF) computer gateway a notice that contains an error or omission that inaccurately reflects the tax rate, tax levy, or budget actually proposed or fixed by the political subdivision by an amount that is less than 0.1%, the notice is a valid notice and the DLGF shall correct the error or omission. Specifies the deadlines for county auditors to submit property tax settlement and distribution information to the 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. Eliminates the permissive written demand to a county resident who is delinquent in the payment of personal property taxes during the period from May 10 to October 31. Changes the time period from at least 21 to 30 days for the county treasurer's notice of the sale of a mobile home. 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. Eliminates (effective retroactive to July 1, 2017) several property tax deduction and credit reapplication requirements that were added by HEA 1450-2017 concerning unmarried taxpayers who

married, married taxpayers who divorced, and taxpayers who came to own their property jointly or as tenants in common with another individual. 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. 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. Provides that a person seeking a property tax exemption for property used for a charitable purpose may file an exemption application up to 30 days following the statutory deadline for the exemption application if the person pays a late filing fee. 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 DLGF not later than five business 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. Provides that the county executive (instead of the DLGF) may cancel any property taxes assessed against real property owned by a county, township, city, town, or body corporate and politic under certain circumstances. Removes the provision in current law that requires the DLGF to be a party to any contract in which a county assessor employs professional appraisers as technical advisers for assessments. Provides that the standard contract to employ professional appraisers is void if: (1) the appraiser is not certified at the time the contract is executed; or (2) the DLGF subsequently revokes the appraiser's certification. Requires a county that enters into a contract for computer software and with a software provider to upload the contract to the Indiana transparency Internet web site. Provides that a governmental entity shall (not may) submit a proposed notice, ordinance, or resolution to the DLGF for review. Requires a political subdivision to adopt the needed changes to its budget, tax levy, or rate in a public meeting if the political subdivision's tax levy is increased by the DLGF to an amount that exceeds the amount originally advertised or adopted by the political subdivision. Provides that a civil taxing unit may not request permission to impose a property tax on account of revenue shortfalls, if the revenue shortfall preceded the most recent certified budget for the civil taxing unit by more than five years. Specifies that: (1) 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) 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 that Highland Township in Greene County may increase its maximum township property tax levy for 2020 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 2020 and thereafter. Allows Green Township in Hancock County to increase its maximum levy for the township's general fund to offset the reduction in the maximum levy that occurred beginning in 2003 that was based on the township's actual levy (levy banked amount).

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - added as second sponsor Senator Buchanan

Recent Status: 2/27/2019 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy
2/27/2019 - First Reading

HB1437

TRAINING FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICERS (ENGLEMAN K) Adds a definition of "training course" for purposes of the training requirements that are applicable to the executive, legislative, and fiscal bodies of counties, cities and towns. Requires the Indiana office of community and rural affairs (office) to develop and make available courses to train members of the following county, city, and town bodies: (1) A plan commission and board of zoning appeals. (2) A county drainage board. Provides that the office may work in cooperation with public and private organizations and state educational institutions in developing and making the training courses available. Requires a member of a county, city, or town body to complete the training by the later of the following dates: (1) Twelve months after the member is elected or appointed. (2) July 1, 2020. Allows a county, city, or town to fix the compensation of a building inspector that has attained certification from the International Code Council at a salary that is higher than a building inspector that has not attained certification. Provides that an individual elected to the office of county auditor, treasurer, recorder, or surveyor must take a newly elected official training course before the individual first takes the office. Provides that money in the county elected officials training fund (fund) may be used to provide to county auditors, treasurers, recorders, and surveyors the following: (1) Travel, lodging, and related expenses associated with any training paid for from the fund. (2) Training of one or more designees of a county elected official if sufficient funds are appropriated by the county fiscal body. Provides that money in the fund may be used for the newly elected official training course expenses. Provides that the failure of an individual to complete the required training does not prevent the individual from taking an office to which the individual was elected. Provides that a county, city, or town may pay the training expenses of a member of the executive, legislative, or fiscal body from the county, city, or town's general fund without appropriation.

Current Status: 3/4/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government

Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - First Reading

2/12/2019 - Senate sponsor: Senator Garten

HB1486

NEW SEWAGE TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL TECHNOLOGY (BARTELS S) Requires the state department of health (state department) to establish and maintain a technical review panel consisting of individuals with technical or scientific knowledge relating to onsite sewage systems. Requires the technical review panel to decide whether "technology new to Indiana" (TNI), which is sewage treatment or disposal methods, processes, or equipment that are not recognized in the administrative rules of the state department or the executive board of the state department, is approved for use in Indiana. Requires the technical review panel, in response to an application, to decide: (1) that the TNI is approved for use in Indiana; (2) that the TNI is approved for use in Indiana with certain conditions; (3) that the TNI is approved for use in Indiana on a project-by-project basis; or (4) that the TNI is not approved for use in Indiana. Requires the technical review panel to approve TNI for use in Indiana if: (1) the TNI has been certified as meeting the ANSI/NSF 40 Standard; (2) a proposed Indiana design and installation manual for the TNI is submitted with the permit application; and (3) the technical review panel certifies that the proposed Indiana design and installation manual meets the vertical and horizontal separation, sizing, and soil loading criteria of the state department. Requires the technical review panel to inform an applicant of the technical review panel's initial or final decision on a complete application not more than 90 days after receiving the application. Provides that, in the case of a tie vote, the technical review panel shall request more information from the applicant, review any new information provided by the applicant, and vote again on the application not more than thirty (30) days after receiving the information.

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Environmental Affairs

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading

2/21/2019 - Senate sponsor: Senator Doriot

HB1506

BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES (SOLIDAY E) Exempts collector vehicles from the motor vehicle excise tax in certain instances. Provides that if one or more of the following taxes have not been paid for one or more preceding years, the bureau of motor vehicles may collect only the tax for the year immediately preceding the current registration year, the current registration year, and the year immediately following the current registration year: (1) The county vehicle excise tax. (2) The county wheel tax. (3) The municipal vehicle excise tax. (4) The municipal wheel tax. (5) The motor vehicle excise tax. (6) The recreational vehicle excise tax. (7) The commercial vehicle excise tax. (8) The boat excise tax. Specifies to which vehicles a county vehicle excise tax, county wheel tax, municipal vehicle excise tax, and municipal wheel tax apply. Provides that an owner who has paid a surtax or wheel tax and moves out of state may be entitled to a refund. Specifies the minimum and maximum vehicle registration periods for a vehicle with an: (1) expired; and (2) unexpired; registration. Requires that all copies of all ordinances that impose, rescind, or change the rate or amount of a surtax or wheel tax be submitted in a manner prescribed by the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau). Provides that the maximum design speed for a low speed vehicle is 25 miles per hour. (Current law provides for 35 miles per hour.) Provides that, in certain instances, off-road vehicles and snowmobiles need to be registered. Provides that, during the registration or registration renewal process, the bureau may provide information concerning a manufacturer issued motor vehicle safety recall to the registered owner of a motor vehicle subject to an ongoing recall. Specifies that the bureau may not charge a fee for providing information concerning an ongoing, manufacturer issued safety recall. Provides that: (1) the bureau; (2) the commissioner of the bureau; (3) employees of the bureau; and (4) third party vendors responsible for providing the bureau with manufacturer issued safety recall information; are immune from civil liability for any act or omission related to the bureau providing safety recall information. Provides that a person may transfer a plate from a wrecked or destroyed vehicle to a vehicle acquired or owned by the person. Removes the provisions providing for a probationary period for independent colleges under the special group recognition license plate program. Provides that the Indiana department of transportation must review plans for general vehicle platoon operations. (Current law provides that the commissioner of the bureau must review plans). Specifies that an individual who is 75 years of age or older may renew an operator's, chauffeur's, or public passenger chauffeur's license by mail or electronic service if the individual provides proof of an eyesight examination with the renewal application. Establishes distribution by percentage of fees paid for reinstatement of driving privileges. Specifies that a court may waive part or all of a reinstatement fee for driving privileges. Removes the requirement that an emergency contact for the purposes of the emergency contact data base must hold a valid credential. Requires an individual seeking a license to be a driver education instructor to be currently employed or have an employment offer from a licensed driver training school. Requires a rider coach trainer to meet standards established by the bureau for instructors in motorcycle safety and education. (Current law requires that the standards be equivalent to or more stringent than those established by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation.) Requires an applicant from a foreign country that has a reciprocity agreement with the bureau for obtaining an operator's license to possess a valid driver's license for the type of vehicle being operated or the equivalent from the foreign country. (Current law also allows the applicant to possess an international driving permit.) Specifies that the court may grant driving privileges to an individual whose driving privileges have been suspended for life: (1) for a specified period of time; and (2) subject to certain conditions. Requires an individual who has been granted driving privileges through a court order after the individual's driving privileges have been suspended for life to possess the order when operating a vehicle or produce the order upon request of a police officer. Provides that the bureau of motor vehicles may waive

certain testing requirements for an applicant seeking a learner's permit or a driver's license in certain instances.

Current Status: 3/5/2019 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - First Reading

2/12/2019 - Senate sponsor: Senator Merritt

HB1544 MENTAL HEALTH CENTER APPROPRIATION ALLOTMENT (KIRCHHOFER C) Amends the allotment of county funds to community mental health centers in Marion County to provide for a phased transition from a formula based on populations of service areas to a formula oriented toward numbers of enrolled consumers served. (Current law requires the allotment to be based upon the population residing in each service area.)

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Appropriations

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading

2/21/2019 - added as coauthor Representative Shackelford

HB1596 EXPENDITURES OF REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS (FLEMING R) Provides that except for property tax proceeds transferred to a school corporation or public school, including a charter school, allocated property tax proceeds may be expended for projects located outside an allocation area only if the redevelopment commission adopts a declaratory resolution that finds that the expenditures: (1) will directly benefit the allocation area; or (2) will result in the creation or retention of jobs in the private sector. Adds various requirements related to expenditures under contracts between redevelopment commissions and providers of educational and training programs to establish programs designed to prepare individuals to participate in the competitive and global economy.

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Local Government

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading

2/26/2019 - Referred to Senate

HB1625 HOUSING COST INFORMATION (CLERE E) Amends the statute concerning state rulemaking procedures to provide that if a state agency intends to adopt a rule that may increase or decrease the costs of housing in Indiana, the agency shall prepare a housing impact analysis (analysis) for the rule. Provides that: (1) the full text of the analysis must be published in the Indiana Register; and (2) the rule must be referenced in the required newspaper notice of the rule; under state rulemaking procedures. Requires a county or a municipality to prepare an analysis if a proposed regulation may increase or decrease the cost of housing in the county or municipality. Requires the analysis to be submitted to the members of the legislative body not less than 30 days before the legislative body considers the regulation. Sets forth the required information for an analysis prepared by a state agency or by a county or municipality. Requires the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) to prepare a comprehensive five year state housing strategy plan (plan). Sets forth required elements of the plan. Requires the authority to: (1) annually update the plan; and (2) submit the plan to the governor and the legislative council before October 1 of each year. Requires a municipality to annually prepare a housing fee report. Requires the municipality to post the report on the municipality's Internet web site (or on the county's Internet web site if the municipality does not maintain an Internet web site). Provides that a municipality may not impose any housing related fee that is not: (1) included in the fee report; or (2) posted on the municipality's Internet web site.

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading

2/21/2019 - Senate sponsors: Senators Messmer and Garten

SB3 INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN FUND (CRIDER M) Establishes the Internet crimes against children fund (fund). Requires the state police department (department) to administer the fund and use money in the fund to: (1) pay for costs incurred by the department for training and purchasing equipment for the investigation of offenses that involve the use of the Internet in which a child is the alleged victim; 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.

Current Status: 3/11/2019 - added as cosponsors Representatives Zent and Bartels

Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

3/5/2019 - Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 127

SB16 PROTECTIVE ORDERS AND EMPLOYMENT (RANDOLPH L) Urges the general assembly to assign to an appropriate interim study committee the task of studying the issue of whether an individual can be subject to disqualification from eligibility for unemployment benefits because the individual was discharged from employment due to circumstances directly related to the individual's filing of a petition for a protective order.

Current Status: 3/4/2019 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions

Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - First Reading

2/21/2019 - Cosponsors: Representatives Campbell and Jackson

- SB22 PENSION MATTERS (BOOTS P) Makes additional conforming changes with previous legislation for the purpose of allowing a retired member of PERF or TRF to make partial withdrawals from the member's annuity savings account. Rephrases provisions concerning the election to begin receiving PERF or TRF benefits while employed that applies to certain elected officials and other employees who have attained the age of 70. Rephrases the method for calculating service credit for leaves of absence taken by PERF members. Provides that money in the pension relief fund may be used for reasonable administrative expenses approved by the Indiana public retirement system. Rephrases certain provisions in the statutes governing the public employees' defined contribution plan and the teachers' defined contribution plan to remove references to the annuity savings accounts in PERF and TRF, which are no longer used to implement the two defined contribution plans. Adds the public employees' defined contribution plan and the teachers' defined contribution plan to the list of public pension and retirement funds that comprise the Indiana public retirement system. Provides that assets of the judges' retirement system and the prosecuting attorneys retirement fund are exempt from legal process and that a member may assign benefit payments only for certain medical insurance premiums and association dues for certain associations. Specifies that any postretirement benefit increase to the PERF part of a prosecuting attorney's retirement benefit has no effect on the part of the retirement benefit that is paid from the prosecuting attorneys retirement fund. Makes clarifying additions to certain provisions of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund relating to the purchase of service credit by or on behalf of members. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the interim study committee on pension management oversight.)
- Current Status:* 3/12/2019 - Returned to the Senate with amendments
Recent Status: 3/11/2019 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 301: yeas 94, nays 0
3/11/2019 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
- SB33 COMPREHENSIVE ADDICTION RECOVERY CENTERS (MERRITT J) Establishes certification and a grant program for comprehensive addiction recovery centers to be administered by the division of mental health and addiction (division). Sets forth requirements for certification and a grant. Requires entities that are awarded a grant to report specified data to the division. Establishes the comprehensive addiction recovery center fund.
- Current Status:* 3/14/2019 - Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 127
Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
3/13/2019 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
- SB83 TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (MELTON E) Allows a redevelopment commission (including the Indianapolis metropolitan development commission) to the use up to 15% of the property tax proceeds allocated to a redevelopment district in a fiscal year for ongoing maintenance and repair of: (1) public ways; and (2) sewers, central water systems, central sewer systems, roads, sidewalks, and levees; that are located in an allocation area and that were funded in whole or in part with tax proceeds allocated to the redevelopment district.
- Current Status:* 3/7/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means
Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading
2/7/2019 - added as coauthor Senator Bohacek
- SB85 1977 FUND RETIREMENT AND SURVIVING SPOUSE BENEFITS (FORD J) Increases the basic monthly pension benefit payable to a member of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund (1977 fund) who retires after June 30, 2019, with 20 years of service from 50% to 52% of the monthly salary of a first class patrolman or firefighter in the year the member ended active service. Increases from 60% to 70% of the member's monthly benefit the monthly benefit paid to a surviving spouse of a 1977 fund member who dies after June 30, 2019, other than in the line of duty. Establish a supplemental allowance reserve account (reserve account) within the 1977 fund for the purpose of paying cost of living increases in benefits required under current law. Requires the contribution rate established by the Indiana public retirement system board (board) for 2020 and each year thereafter to include a surcharge that is paid to the reserve account in an amount determined annually by the board that is necessary, based on an actuarial valuation, to fully fund the estimated future cost of living increases amortized over a term not to exceed 30 years. Requires the board, before July 1, 2019, to transfer \$210,500,000 from the assets of the 1977 fund to the reserve account.
- Current Status:* 3/12/2019 - Committee Report amend do pass, adopted
Recent Status: 3/12/2019 - Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 127
3/12/2019 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 10; Nays: 0
- SB94 ANNEXATION (BOOTS P) Provides, with certain exceptions, that the following apply to annexations for which an annexation ordinance is adopted after April 30, 2019: (1) A municipality initiating an annexation must file a petition

with the court signed by at least: (A) 51% of the owners of land that is not exempt from property taxes in the annexation territory; or (B) the owners of more than 75% in assessed valuation of land that is not exempt from property taxes in the annexation territory. (2) If the petition filed by the municipality has enough signatures, the court must hold a hearing to review the annexation. (3) Adds provisions regarding the validity of a signature on an annexation petition. (4) Eliminates the remonstrance procedure for annexations and reimbursement of remonstrator's attorney's fees and costs. (5) Voids remonstrance waivers. (6) Provides that a settlement agreement in lieu of annexation that is executed after April 30, 2019, is void. (7) Eliminates provisions regarding the contiguity of a public highway. Eliminates provisions that prohibit an annexation from taking effect in the year preceding the year that a federal decennial census is conducted.

Current Status: 3/6/2019 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - added as cosponsor Representative Negele

2/26/2019 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

SB109 FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX AND INNKEEPER TAX (GROOMS R) Permits the fiscal body of White County to levy the county innkeeper's tax on resorts and any other buildings or structures in the county in which lodging is regularly furnished for consideration. Authorizes the city of Greenwood, town of Danville, and town of Whitestown to adopt a 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 city of Greenwood, town of Danville, or town of Whitestown. Specifies the uses to which receipts from the food and beverage tax may be applied.

Current Status: 3/6/2019 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means

2/26/2019 - First Reading

SB118 COUNTY COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONER SALARIES (BOHACEK M) Allows the president of the county executive and the president of the county fiscal body in a county other than Marion County to receive a salary that is more than that of the other members as compensation for extra services performed as president. Provides that a president may not receive additional compensation that exceeds 25% of the salaries of the body's other members. Legalizes and validates any action taken by the bodies or members of the bodies before July 1, 2019, regarding the fixing or receipt of a president's salary that includes compensation for extra services.

Current Status: 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Local Government

Recent Status: 2/26/2019 - First Reading

2/19/2019 - Cosponsors: Representatives Pressel and Boy

SB127 REFERENDUM FOR SCHOOL SAFETY LEVY (HOLDMAN T) Allows a school corporation to adopt a resolution to place a referendum on the ballot to impose a school safety referendum tax levy to improve school safety. Allows a school corporation to impose a school safety referendum tax levy if approved by a majority of the voters. Requires a school corporation to certify a copy of: (1) the resolution to place a referendum for a school safety referendum tax levy on the ballot; and (2) the language for the question; to the department of local government finance (department) for review and approval. Provides that voters may not approve a school safety referendum tax levy that is imposed for more than 10 years. Provides that a school safety referendum tax levy may be reimposed or extended. Requires a county auditor to distribute proceeds attributable to property taxes imposed after being approved by the voters in a referendum to the school corporation. Specifies when a referendum is to be held. Requires the circuit court clerk of each county to certify the results of the referendum for a school safety referendum tax levy to the department. Provides that if a school safety referendum tax levy is approved by the voters in a school corporation in a calendar year, another school safety referendum levy question may not be placed on the ballot in the school corporation in the following calendar year. Provides that if a school corporation imposes a school safety referendum tax levy approved in a referendum, the school corporation may not simultaneously impose more than one additional school safety referendum tax levy approved in a subsequent referendum. Provides that during the period beginning with the adoption of a resolution by a school corporation to place a school safety referendum tax levy question on the ballot and continuing through the day on which the referendum is submitted to the voters, the school corporation may not promote a position on the referendum by taking certain actions. Provides that a school board member, school corporation superintendent, school corporation assistant superintendent, or chief school business official of a school corporation may discuss and personally advocate a position on a referendum for a school safety referendum tax levy outside a regular school day as long as public funds are not used. Provides that the public question for a controlled project referendum, a school referendum levy, or a school safety referendum tax levy must include a statement that if approved, the tax rate approved by referendum would represent a stated percentage increase (calculated by the department of local government finance) of the political subdivision's or school corporation's total tax rate as of the time of the referendum. Requires the governing body of a school corporation for which a school safety referendum tax levy is approved to establish a school safety referendum tax levy fund (fund). Specifies purposes for which money from the fund may be used. Requires the governing body of a school corporation for which a school safety referendum tax levy is approved to establish a school safety referendum debt service fund. Specifies purposes for which money from the school safety referendum debt service fund may be used. Expands the use of a matching grant

from the Indiana secured school fund by a school corporation or charter school (school) to allow the school to use the matching grant to provide a response to a threat in a manner that the school sees fit, including the use of firearms training or other self-defense training. Provides that if a school safety referendum tax levy is approved by the voters in a school corporation in a calendar year in an amount greater than \$0.075 on each \$100 dollars of assessed valuation, the school corporation may not be awarded a matching grant from the Indiana secured school fund. Requires that a school resource officer participate in the development of programs designed to identify, assess, and provide assistance to troubled youth.

Current Status: 3/14/2019 - added as cosponsor Representative Porter

Recent Status: 3/13/2019 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
2/26/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means

- SB142 BUILDING PERMITS (BOHACEK M) Prohibits a building commissioner, building code official, or inspector for a local unit of government (unit) from issuing a building permit when the building commissioner, building code official, or inspector has a direct or indirect financial interest in the issuance of the permit. Requires a unit to adopt an ordinance to establish a procedure to address instances where a building commissioner, building code official, or inspector has a direct or indirect financial interest in the issuance of a permit.
- Current Status:* 3/12/2019 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 308: yeas 91, nays 1
Recent Status: 3/12/2019 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
3/11/2019 - added as cosponsor Representative Abbott D
- SB156 FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PER DIEMS (RANDOLPH L) Increases the maximum amount (from \$20 to \$100) that a member of the board of fire trustees of a fire protection district may receive for each day that the member devotes to the work of the district.
- Current Status:* 3/12/2019 - added as cosponsor Representative Frye
Recent Status: 3/12/2019 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 309: yeas 93, nays 0
3/12/2019 - Senate Bills on Third Reading
- SB172 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, 2019, 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:* 3/7/2019 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety
Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading
2/4/2019 - added as coauthor Senator Randolph
- SB193 SEWER AND WATER CONNECTIONS THROUGH RIGHTS-OF-WAY (BOHACEK M) Provides that a unit may not prohibit a property owner from installing a sewer line or other sewage works: (1) in or through a public right-of-way owned or controlled by the unit; and (2) for the purpose of connecting the owner's property to a sewer system owned or operated by another unit or entity; if the owner provides to the unit a written determination from a specified authority that the owner's existing sewage disposal system is failing, and if certain other conditions are met. Provides that in the case of a connection to a sewer system made under these provisions, a municipality (or a board of sanitary commissioners for the department of sanitation in certain municipalities) that owns or operates the sewer system to which the connection is made may waive the requirement that the property owner must release the property owner's right to remonstrate against pending or future annexations of the property owner's property by the municipality. Provides that a unit may not prohibit a property owner from installing a water service line or other water utility service infrastructure: (1) in or through a public right-of-way owned or controlled by the unit; and (2) for the purpose of connecting the owner's property to a waterworks owned or operated by a water utility other than a water utility owned or operated by the unit; if the property owner's property is served by a private water well, and if certain other conditions are met. Provides that the property owner may not install a sewer line or water line unless (1) the unit or entity that operates the sewer system or waterworks approves the connection to the sewer system or waterworks; (2) the sewer line or water service line does not extend outside the regulated territory, if any, that the property is located in; and (3) the property owner obtains all permits and approvals that are required for installation of the sewer line or water service line by the state and the unit in which the property is located.
- Current Status:* 3/6/2019 - House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
Recent Status: 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
2/26/2019 - First Reading
- SB221 TOWNSHIP MERGERS (KOCH E) Eliminates the requirement that one member of the township board of a merged

township must reside within each of the townships that merged. Requires the voters of each merging township to vote in favor of the merger in a public question.

Current Status: 3/4/2019 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform

Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - First Reading

2/27/2019 - Referred to House

- SB223 ACCOUNTING BY ATTORNEY IN FACT (KOCH E) Provides that an attorney in fact is required to render and deliver a written accounting if requested by a person who jointly owns an account with the principal. Provides that an attorney in fact may not render and deliver an accounting to the child of the principal, if a court has determined that the rendering and delivery of an accounting is not in the best interests of the principal.
- Current Status:* 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Judiciary
- Recent Status:* 2/26/2019 - First Reading
1/17/2019 - Referred to House
- SB230 UNLAWFUL INDEMNITY AGREEMENTS (MESSMER M) Provides that the law concerning indemnity agreements in construction or design contracts applies to certain design-build contracts. Specifies that "sole negligence" for purposes of liability under a construction or design contract does not include: (1) vicarious liability; (2) imputed negligence; or (3) assumption of a nondelegable duty.
- Current Status:* 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Judiciary
- Recent Status:* 2/26/2019 - First Reading
2/5/2019 - Cosponsor: Representative VanNatter
- SB248 DISTRIBUTIONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY INCOME TAX REVENUE (NIEMEYER R) Requires the distribution of public safety local income tax revenues to a township that provides fire protection or emergency medical services (other than a township in Marion County). Permits a qualified fire protection territory and a qualified fire protection district (other than in Marion County) to be eligible to receive distributions of public safety local income tax revenues.
- Current Status:* 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- Recent Status:* 2/26/2019 - First Reading
2/19/2019 - Cosponsor: Representative Aylesworth
- SB255 CULTURAL DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT (FORD J) Provides that an arts and cultural district certified by the Indiana arts commission is subject to annual review by the commission and must be recertified every four years. Specifies certain requirements for certification (or recertification) of a district.
- Current Status:* 3/6/2019 - House Government and Regulatory Reform, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
- Recent Status:* 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
2/26/2019 - First Reading
- SB270 RECUSAL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS (HEAD R) Provides that county, city, town, and township elected officials (local officials) may not, outside of a public meeting: (1) participate in a discussion or a vote; or (2) persuade the vote of another elected official of the unit; if the local official has a financial interest in the outcome of a decision before the body the local official serves. Provides that an elected official has a financial interest if the decision involves: (1) the transfer or authorized use of property owned or controlled by the elected official or a relative of the elected official; or (2) the procurement of services by the unit from the elected official, the elected official's employer or prospective employer, the elected official's relative, or an entity the elected official owns or controls. Provides that if disqualification of a body's members prevent a vote from being taken or cause a tie vote, the decision will be made or the tie broken by the following: (1) The mayor, in the case of a city legislative body. (2) The clerk-treasurer, in the case of a town legislative body. (3) The township trustee, in the case of a township legislative body. (4) The county fiscal body, in the case of a county executive body. (5) The county executive, in the case of a county fiscal body.
- Current Status:* 3/7/2019 - Referred to House Government and Regulatory Reform
- Recent Status:* 3/7/2019 - First Reading
2/19/2019 - House sponsor: Representative Manning
- SB283 STATE PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF PROPERTY TAXES (HOUCHIN E) Urges the legislative council to assign to an appropriate interim study committee the task of studying the topic of state payments in lieu of property taxes to 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.
- Current Status:* 3/4/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means
- Recent Status:* 3/4/2019 - First Reading
2/27/2019 - Referred to House

- SB285 REGIONAL TRANSIT EXPANSION (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 if the: (1) voters of the county approve a local public question; and (2) fiscal body of the county adopts an ordinance to impose the additional tax rate. Provides that the rate 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: 3/4/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means
Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - First Reading
2/27/2019 - Referred to House
- SB293 ALLEN COUNTY SUBSTANCE ABUSE PILOT PROGRAM (MERRITT J) Changes the date by which the administrator of the Allen County substance abuse pilot program must raise local funds in order to be allowed to expend state funds.
Current Status: 3/12/2019 - added as cosponsors Representatives Kirchhofer and Davisson
Recent Status: 3/11/2019 - removed as cosponsor Representative Davisson
3/11/2019 - added as sponsor Representative Heine
- SB319 SENTENCING AFTER PROBATION REVOCATION (HEAD R) Permits a person convicted of a Level 6 felony to be committed to the department of correction (DOC) if: (1) the person's probation, parole, or community corrections is revoked due to commission of a new criminal offense; (2) the person has been charged with the new criminal offense; and (3) commitment to the DOC is due to the revocation.
Current Status: 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
Recent Status: 2/26/2019 - First Reading
2/21/2019 - added as cosponsor Representative May
- SB322 SALES TAX ADMINISTRATION (HOLDMAN T) Provides that a marketplace facilitator is required to collect and remit state sales tax as a retail merchant when it facilitates a retail transaction for sellers on the marketplace facilitator's marketplace. Specifies circumstances in which a marketplace facilitator or a seller would not be required to collect and remit the state sales tax on the retail sale. Retains provisions that go into effect on July 1, 2019, for state sales tax collection and remittance requirements of a person or marketplace facilitator that facilitates a retail transaction for sellers that rent or furnish rooms, lodgings, or accommodations in Indiana. Repeals the definition of facilitator that is set to go into effect on July 1, 2019.
Current Status: 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means
Recent Status: 2/26/2019 - First Reading
2/19/2019 - Cosponsors: Representatives Lehman, Leonard and Mahan
- SB358 WORKER'S COMPENSATION (TALLIAN K) Increases benefits for injuries and disablements by 2% each year for three years, beginning on July 1, 2019.
Current Status: 3/4/2019 - Referred to House Employment, Labor and Pensions
Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - First Reading
2/27/2019 - Referred to House
- SB375 COLLECTING SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FEES (NIEMEYER R) Amends the solid waste management district law and the local government law to provide that, after June 30, 2019, a unit of local government may not enact an ordinance requiring a solid waste hauler or a hauler of recyclable materials to collect solid waste management fees and remit the fees to the board of a solid waste management district or a unit of local government.
Current Status: 3/4/2019 - Referred to House Environmental Affairs
Recent Status: 3/4/2019 - First Reading
2/26/2019 - Referred to House
- SB405 ELECTION AUDITS (SPARTZ V) Allows the secretary of state to designate counties as risk-limiting audit pilot counties and sets forth procedure for a county to follow to be designated as a pilot county to conduct risk-limiting audits. Provides for conducting election procedure audits after an election. Authorizes the secretary of state to adopt rules detailing procedures for such audits.
Current Status: 3/18/2019 - Senate Bills on Second Reading
Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
3/14/2019 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 12; Nays: 0
- SB421 SCHOOL CORPORATION DISANNEXATION (BOHACEK M) Creates a process by which Greene Township in St. Joseph County can elect to disannex from an existing school corporation and annex to another existing school corporation.
Current Status: 3/18/2019 - Senate Bills on Second Reading

Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
3/14/2019 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 4

- SB423 COURT APPOINTED YOUTH ADVOCATE PILOT PROGRAM (BOHACEK M) Provides that office of judicial administration may establish a youth advocate pilot program (pilot program) until July 1, 2021, for purposes of providing early intervention and mentoring services for children who are adjudicated delinquent. Provides that a youth advocate appointed under the pilot program is: (1) a volunteer; (2) appointed by a court to provide services for a child who is adjudicated delinquent; and (3) an officer of the court during the youth advocate's appointment. Provides that a youth advocate serves under the pilot program until: (1) the child for whom the youth advocate is appointed becomes 18 years of age; or (2) the court discharges the youth advocate; but may continue to serve in a volunteer capacity as a resource for the child thereafter. Provides that, except for gross misconduct, a youth advocate is immune from civil liability resulting from the youth advocate's performance of the youth advocate's duties: (1) in good faith; and (2) within the scope of the youth advocate's duties. Provides that information provided to a youth advocate by a child for whom the youth advocate is appointed: (1) is confidential; (2) may be disclosed only to the court that appointed the youth advocate or to the child's parent or guardian; and (3) may not be used against the child in a criminal or civil proceeding; except as required to report child abuse or neglect. Provides that the pilot program is funded through a combination of state, county, local, and private funding, with the state providing a dollar-for-dollar match of county and local funding, up to a maximum of \$25,000 for any one county in any one state fiscal year. Provides for the reversion or return of funds upon the expiration of the pilot program.
Current Status: 3/14/2019 - Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 127
Recent Status: 3/14/2019 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
3/14/2019 - added as cosponsor Representative Summers
- SB460 BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (MESSMER M) Provides that a communications service provider that holds a certificate of territorial authority shall be designated as a public utility solely as that term is used in federal law that allows a state to exempt a public utility from the federal law's requirement that the state must charge fair market value for the use of real property acquired by the state using federal transportation funding. Provides that the department of transportation (department) may not charge an access rate or any other charge or fee, on an annual basis or otherwise, for certain communications infrastructure that is located before March 14, 2019, in any rights-of-way that are owned or controlled by the department. Provides that, before July 1, 2020, the department shall adopt rules to provide that, as used throughout the department's administrative code regarding utility facility relocation for purposes of construction contracts, "utility" has the meaning set forth in federal law concerning utility relocations, adjustments, and reimbursement. Provides that the department may create a broadband corridor program.
Current Status: 3/5/2019 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - First Reading
2/18/2019 - added as coauthors Senators Altling and Buck
- SB483 COUNTY SERVICE OFFICERS (ALTING R) Provides that 5% of the funds a county receives under the excise tax replacement disbursement to be used to fund county service officers is to be set aside from each individual county's distribution after the state welfare and tuition support allocation is deducted from the total amount available for apportionment and distribution. Requires a county with more than 2,500 veterans to hire an additional part-time county service officer.
Current Status: 3/5/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means
Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - First Reading
2/26/2019 - Referred to House
- SB488 PUBLIC DEFENDERS (YOUNG M) Authorizes the Indiana public defender commission to create guidelines and requirements pertaining to a multicounty public defender's office. Authorizes a county executive to adopt an ordinance that allows the county to enter into an interlocal agreement with one or more counties for the purpose of: (1) creating a multicounty public defender's office; and (2) providing legal services to indigent persons located in the areas subject to the interlocal agreement. Requires interlocal agreements concerning indigent criminal defense to be administered by a joint board. Prohibits certain persons from acting as a member of a joint board. Specifies: (1) term limits; and (2) meeting requirements; for joint boards. Requires the auditor of one county belonging to an interlocal agreement to: (1) receive; (2) disburse; and (3) account for; all monies distributed to a multicounty public defender's office. Amends certain definitions. Makes conforming amendments.
Current Status: 2/26/2019 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
Recent Status: 2/26/2019 - First Reading
1/29/2019 - Referred to House
- SB513 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, 2020, the administrative rule concerning the fund to reflect a maximum compensation amount of \$10,000 for individuals.

Current Status: 3/5/2019 - Referred to House Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - First Reading
2/27/2019 - Referred to House

SB517

UTILITY RELOCATION FOR ROAD PROJECTS (HEAD R) Codifies Indiana department of transportation (INDOT) rules prescribing the administrative process for the relocation of a utility's facilities for a road construction contract. Provides that if a utility authorizes an INDOT contractor to perform required utility relocation work as part of a road improvement project, INDOT shall indemnify the utility for any: (1) damage to the property or facilities of the utility or the utility's customers; (2) loss of utility service to the utility's customers; or (3) interruption of service to the utility's customers; caused by the INDOT contractor's work. Provides that if a utility does not perform the utility's relocation duties imposed by a final work plan within the time set forth in the final work plan, INDOT may: (1) relocate, or cause the relocation of, the utility's facilities; or (2) file a complaint in court for an emergency order to compel the utility to relocate the facilities. Provides that if INDOT relocates, or causes the relocation of the facilities, INDOT: (1) may recover from the utility the costs of the relocation; and (2) shall indemnify the utility for any: (A) damage to the property or facilities of the utility or the utility's customers; (B) loss of utility service to the utility's customers; or (C) interruption of service to the utility's customers; caused by INDOT's or an INDOT's contractor's relocation of the facilities. Provides that if INDOT prevails in a court action to compel a utility to relocate the utility's facilities or customer service facilities, the court shall order the utility to: (1) reimburse INDOT for INDOT's reasonable litigation expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees; and (2) pay to INDOT a civil penalty of not less than \$20,000. Provides that if a utility prevails in a court action to compel the utility to relocate the utility's facilities or customer service facilities, the court shall order INDOT to pay: (1) the costs of any relocation of the utility's facilities in connection with the project; and (2) the reasonable litigation expenses, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by the utility. Provides that these same procedures apply with respect to the relocation of utility customer service facilities in connection with construction projects involving the state highway system. Provides that if a county executive determines that the location of a utility's facilities will interfere with a planned road, highway, or bridge project under the jurisdiction of the county: (1) the county executive may order the utility to relocate the utility's facilities in accordance with the procedures used by INDOT for projects involving the state highway system; and (2) if the county executive elects to use those procedures: (A) the county executive has all of the authority granted to, and the obligations of, INDOT under that statute, to the extent applicable; and (B) the utility has all of the obligations and rights of a utility under that statute, to the extent applicable.

Current Status: 3/5/2019 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - First Reading
2/27/2019 - Referred to House

SB535

EXTRATERRITORIAL POWERS OF CITIES AND TOWNS (BOOTS P) Repeals the general authority of a city or town (municipality) to exercise the following powers outside of its corporate boundaries: (1) Regulating conduct or property use endangering public health, safety, and welfare. (2) Capturing and destroying animals. (3) Operating recreational parks and exercising eminent domain to acquire property for park purposes. Provides that an ordinance adopted before January 1, 2019 that regulates the public health, safety, and welfare outside the municipality's boundaries is not void upon repeal of the statute and is not legalized or validated if the ordinance violates the law. Provides that ordinances adopted exercising the other extraterritorial powers under (1) and (3) are void. Provides that a municipality may only exercise eminent domain within the municipality unless a statute expressly provides otherwise. Repeals a provision that allows a municipality to exercise powers regarding watercourses within 10 miles outside its corporate boundaries. Requires a municipality to obtain the approval of the county executive before exercising advisory planning and zoning jurisdiction in the two mile area outside its municipal boundaries. Allows a municipality to continue to exercise eminent domain to acquire property outside its boundaries, if it has reached a specified point in the eminent domain proceedings on January 1, 2019.

Current Status: 3/19/2019 - House Select Committee on Government Reduction, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to House Select Committee on Government Reduction
3/7/2019 - First Reading

SB552

GAMING MATTERS (MESSMER M) Authorizes sports wagering at riverboats, racinos, a Vigo County casino, and satellite facilities. Provides for the administration and conduct of sports wagering. Imposes initial and annual fees on a licensed owner, operating agent, vendor, or permit holder conducting sports wagering. Imposes initial and annual licensing fees on vendors conducting sports wagering. Specifies that a vendor contracting with a certificate holder has the same authority to conduct sports wagering as the certificate holder. Requires the use of official data to determine

the winner of in-play wagers. Requires the Indiana gaming commission (IGC) to deposit vendor license application fees in the sports wagering fund. Requires the IGC to deposit sports wagering service provider license application fees in the sports wagering fund. Sets forth duties for the IGC concerning: (1) sports wagering; and (2) granting certain gambling licenses. Requires the IGC to adopt administrative rules. Specifies that the IGC may act upon information received from a sports governing body in considering requests to prohibit wagering on particular events or to prohibit making wagers of a particular type. Establishes a sports wagering service provider license. Provides that certain items must be acquired from a person that holds both a supplier's license and a sports wagering service provider license. Provides that certain services must be obtained from a person holding a sports wagering service provider license. Specifies that required background checks apply to employees engaged in activities related to sports wagering. Specifies permissible sports wagering wagers. Prohibits wagering on e-sports. Provides the process for withholding delinquent child support from sports wagering winnings. Makes changes to the appointment of members on breed development advisory committees. Provides each horsemen's association, certain licensees, and any association for backside benevolence shall submit to an audit by an independent public accountant and submit the report to the commission. Repeals the provision that prohibits money distributed to a horsemen's association from being used for lobbying. Authorizes a holder of a Gary riverboat license to change locations under certain circumstances, to another location in Gary or to Vigo County. Provides that, if gaming operations are relocated within the city of Gary, certain units of government may receive supplemental payments from wagering tax distributions. Provides a procedure if the owner of one of the Gary riverboat licenses applies to operate in Vigo County to notify the other riverboat owners who may then file a declaration of interest to compete for ownership of the riverboat license to be located in Vigo County. Sets forth the procedure to determine the value of the Gary riverboat license being proposed to be relocated to Vigo County. Provides that the IGC may determine that the holder of the Gary riverboat license may be required to sell its license to another riverboat owner that filed a declaration of interest. Requires a licensed owner or permit holder operating a casino in Vigo County to enter into a development agreement. Provides that a riverboat operating in Vigo County shall pay: (1) \$2,000,000 to the Indiana horse racing commission annually to be distributed to the breed development funds; (2) \$1,500,000 to the department of natural resources (DNR) and DNR will deposit the payment in the West Baden Springs historic hotel preservation and maintenance fund (fund), each year, for three years; (3) certain sums to the city of Evansville, each year, for three years. Provides that the state treasurer shall distribute the tax revenue from an operating agent operating a riverboat in a historic hotel district (operating agent) to the state general fund and the fund. Provides that if the balance of the fund exceeds \$25,000,000, distribution of tax revenue from the operating agent shall be paid to the state general fund. Repeals the maximum number of owner's licenses that may be issued to a riverboat owner. Provides that a racino is authorized to conduct wagering on table games after submitting a plan to the IGC that meets requirements for table games for riverboats. Provides distributions of taxes from live table games at racetracks. Provides that beginning after June 30, 2020, a licensed owner or racino may not deduct more than \$9,000,000 from adjusted gross receipts from wagering on gambling games. Provides that a racino shall distribute monthly 12% of the adjusted gross receipts of live table game wagering. Imposes a gambling game tax for wagering on table games at racinos. Provides that a Gary riverboat operation relocated to Vigo County and any future relocation of a license is prohibited from relocating within 75 miles of another racetrack, riverboat, inland casino, riverboat operated by an operating agent, or relocated casino. Makes technical corrections and other changes to conform with recent changes to the riverboat law.

Current Status: 3/5/2019 - Referred to House Public Policy

Recent Status: 3/5/2019 - First Reading

2/27/2019 - Referred to House

SB558

ELECTION SECURITY (HOUCHIN E) Requires the secretary of state to refer suspected criminal violations of election law for investigation by the appropriate prosecuting attorney. Establishes an administrative enforcement mechanism for enforcement of election laws other than campaign finance laws. Requires the statewide voter registration file to employ multi-factor authentication to restrict access. Provides that all information concerning an absentee ballot application is confidential with some exceptions. Requires certain individuals to provide an absentee ballot report to each candidate of that political party for nomination or election to an office upon the request of the candidate. Allows a declination to register by the voter in certain circumstances to be used in determining whether a voter's address is current. Requires a communication that includes an absentee ballot application form to state certain information regarding the identity of the sender. Provides for administrative remedies for violations of this requirement. Establishes a procedure for documenting and investigating the failure of an election official to initial ballots. Sets forth procedure for a circuit court clerk to follow after an individual files a statement to obtain a replacement official ballot. Requires the inspector to record certain data during election day regarding the number of voters waiting to vote. Requires voting system vendors to disclose certain information about foreign nationals who may control or have an ownership interest in the vendor. Specifies procedure for counting of absentee ballots cast on an electronic voting system. Sets forth procedures concerning affidavits.

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to House Elections and Apportionment

Recent Status: 3/7/2019 - First Reading

2/18/2019 - Referred to House

SB566

RESIDENTIAL TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (RAATZ J) Permits redevelopment commissions in counties having a

population of not more than 100,000 to establish a program for residential housing development and a tax increment funding allocation area for that program. Defines "residential housing" as housing that consists of single family dwelling units.

Current Status: 3/7/2019 - Referred to House Ways and Means

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SB570

ELECTION CYBER SECURITY (WALKER G) Defines "VSTOP" (the "voting system technical oversight program") in the election code. Requires the election division to, if a voter registration record does not contain a date of birth or a birth 115 years or more, to request the information from the bureau of motor vehicles. Requires the secretary of state to establish proficiency standards for individuals who are authorized to access the statewide voter registration file. Requires such individuals to meet the proficiency standards in order to access the file. Sets forth requirements to be met before delivery of an electronic poll book. Requires the county election board (rather than the inspectors), teams that meet specified requirements, or commercial delivery entities to deliver voting systems and electronic poll books to precincts and vote centers and sets requirements. Requires counties to consider relevant factors to ensure the security of polling locations. Provides that a county election board is responsible for ensuring that all electronic poll books are dedicated devices to be used only for their intended purpose and for no other activity. Provides that software that is not needed for the essential purpose of running the electronic poll book may not be installed on an electronic poll book. Revises the procedure for selection of machines of voting systems for testing before an election and sets time frames. Sets forth time frames and requirements for conducting risk limiting audits. Provides that after December 31, 2029, a county may not use an electronic voting system that does not have a voter verifiable paper audit trail. Provides that each application for certification of an electronic poll book must be accompanied by a fee of \$1,500. Requires these fees to be deposited in the voting system technical oversight program account. Increases the application fee for certification of voting systems from \$1,500 to \$5,000. Requires voting system vendors to conduct annual background checks on certain employees. Requires voting system vendors to report certain information relating to malfunctions of the voting systems. Sets forth requirements of correcting a ballot. Adds information required in the VSTOP evaluation report given to the secretary of state for electronic poll books. Adds certain information that must be reported by the vendor of an electronic poll book relating to an anomaly or problem with the electronic poll book. Requires license branches to transmit electronically scanned copies of voter registration.

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SB582

JURISDICTION OF THE TAX COURT OVER FEES (CHARBONNEAU E) Provides that a taxpayer's appeal of an assessment may not include a claim related to the legality or constitutionality of certain other charges, rates, or fees. Provides that the tax court does not have jurisdiction over a challenge to the establishment, fixing, charging, imposition, or collection of user fees included in a case over which the tax court otherwise has jurisdiction. Defines "user fee" for purposes of tax court jurisdiction.

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SB602

INDEPENDENT REVIEW BOARD (BOOTS P) Urges the legislative council to assign to the appropriate interim study committee the task of studying the process by which a 1977 fund member is determined to be entitled to receive a disability benefit, including the advisability of requiring the Indiana public retirement system to establish a single independent review board for disability determinations.

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SB608

STATE AND LOCAL AUDIT EXAMINATIONS (BUCK J) Provides that the uniform compliance guidelines for audit examinations of state and local units conducted by the state board of accounts must include a requirement that the unit disclose any pledge, covenant, or agreement that the unit has made as security or guarantor for a private bond issue of a private company. Requires any entity that: (1) is subject to examination or audit by the state board of accounts; and (2) has made a pledge, covenant, or agreement as security or guarantor for a private bond issue of a private company; to disclose such fact in the notes of the entity's financial statements. Provides that, before a political subdivision that is subject to audit by the state board of accounts may issue or guarantee any debt obligation, the fiscal officer of the political subdivision must first prepare a debt capacity analysis report (report) and present the report to the fiscal body of the political subdivision in a public hearing. Requires the state board of accounts, with the assistance of the department of local government finance, to prescribe a standard form report that must be used by a fiscal officer in the presentation. Requires the report to include a determination of the percentage of the political subdivision's total debt obligations (including guarantees) compared to the political subdivision's prospective revenue

available for debt service.

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SB623

PROPERTY TAX MATTERS (BUCHANAN B) Provides that a county assessor or township assessor (if any) may request the department of local government finance (department) to perform a state conducted assessment of a particular commercial building or structure used for retail purposes. Specifies the procedures for the state conducted assessment. Provides that the true tax value of commercial real property used for retail purposes that is occupied by the original owner or by a tenant for which the improvement was built shall be determined by the cost approach for the first 10 years of occupancy of the property, less normal depreciation and normal obsolescence under the rules and guidelines of the department of local government finance. Provides that a county fiscal body may adopt an ordinance to provide that the county assessor be reimbursed for legal costs (in addition to other specified costs under current law) incurred by the county assessor in defending an appeal that is uncommon and infrequent in the normal course of defending appeals.

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