

2018 Session IN General Assembly March 23, 2018 Bill Tracker

Ending with Work Unfinished Means Special Session

The 2018 Indiana General Assembly did not finish its work by the mandated deadline of midnight Wednesday, March 14 and now Governor Holcomb expects to call them back into a Special Session. No date has been set but it is expected after the May Primary Election mid-month. Finger pointing for the last day chaos by leaders of the Republican super majority-controlled House and Senate, with each blaming the other for leaving 5 major priority Bills that included school safety, tax changes needed and school control unable to meet the closing deadline. Out of over 900 bills filed only 212 will reach Governor Holcomb desk, the fewest since 2012.

Overall IASWCD had a successful session. We were successful in preserving our District seats with last days changes to HB 1089 St. Joe River basin commission. HB 1227 Noxious weeds will update defined list for needed control and restrictions. And the water study task force will engage our members this summer as we prepare for funding needs in the 2019 Budget year. All Bills on our list are ready for action on the Governor's Desk.

Please find this link to Governor Holcomb's page for status of Bill signings: http://in.gov/gov/2966.htm.

Legislative Session Calendar

The Session is adjourned and lists are complete but I will continue to review House and Senate bills that may have impact on us. Below are bills of importance to IASWCD. *Please contact me at* (317.753.9627) or chizer@inaq.biz with any concerns or needs. Thank you, Cress

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TRACKING LIST

The State of Indiana has made major changes to its website, including the website for the Indiana General Assembly. To view any bill in its entirety, click here: **Bills**

Once there, scroll through the list of Senate and House bills filed and click on the bill you want to view. Once you are on the main page for a particular bill, you will need to click on the following options in the upper left side, which are self-explanatory:

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House

- HB 1089: St. Joseph River basin commission.
- HB 1115: Landowner immunity for trail access.
- HB 1155: County repair of subdivision drains.
- HB 1227: Noxious weeds.
- HB 1233: Environmental management matters.
- HB 1267: Water infrastructure task force.
- HB 1292: Department of natural resources.

Senate

- **SB 105**: State agriculture and animal certification programs.
- **SB 362**: Regulation of water and wastewater systems.

Other Issues Watch

We will review filed Resolutions for any support or concerns in this section.

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