



2019 Session IN General Assembly February 8, 2019 Bill Tracker

Committees Get Busy in First Session of the 121th Indiana General Assembly

House and Senate Committees are busy with hearings as deadlines approach the end of this month for first chamber votes. We need continued calls, emails, letters and visits with members of the House Ways and Means Committee to amend into HB 1001 Biennial budget, our funding request. Thank you Marion County SWCD for spending the day at the Statehouse Wednesday!

We testified in the House Ag and Rural Development Committee yesterday in support of HB 1492 Weed control, authored by Rep. Beau Baird, R-Dist. 44, Greencastle. We also worked on getting HB 1491 Clean Water, also authored by Rep. Baird, a hearing in the House Natural Resources Committee in the next two weeks. This bill is a product of our resolution/policy governance and committee work.

Please review HB 1266 Sediment and erosion control in construction, and SB 4 Water Study, for impacts to your district.

Two new bills (**in red**) have added this week that are of interest to us; HB 1165 Farmland preservation and SB 425 Minimum age to purchase tobacco and e-liquids, raising purchase age from 18 to 21.

2019 Session Deadlines

- 2/25 last day for 3rd readings of House Bills
- 2/26 last day for 3rd readings of Senate Bills
- 4/15 last day for 3rd readings of House Bills in Senate
- 4/16 last day for 3rd readings of Senate Bills in House
- 4/26 last day for adjournment of both houses

Bill filing lists are near 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@inag.biz with any concerns or needs. Thank you, Cress*

Useful Links

House Committee Schedules <http://iga.in.gov/documents/d818d017>

Senate Committee Schedules <http://iga.in.gov/documents/85381d73>

Find your Legislator: <http://iga.in.gov/legislative/find-legislators/>

TRACKING LIST

The State of Indiana has made changes to its website, including the website for the Indiana General Assembly. To view any bill in its entirety, click here: <http://iga.in.gov/legislative/2019/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:

Latest Version

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Bill Actions

Bill Versions

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If you need any assistance please contact me.

House

- **HB 1001:** [Biennial budget.](#)
- **HB 1045:** [Regulation of mining.](#)
- **HB 1165:** [Farmland preservation.](#)
- **HB 1265:** [Study of low head dams and riparian rights.](#)
- **HB 1266:** [Sediment and erosion control in construction.](#)
- **HB 1270:** [Kankakee River basin development.](#)
- **HB 1278:** [Various environmental matters.](#)
- **HB 1279:** [Conservancy district petition.](#)
- **HB 1376:** [Conservation funding.](#)
- **HB 1406:** [Water infrastructure assistance fund and program.](#)
- **HB 1438:** [Water and wastewater infrastructure.](#)
- **HB 1491:** [Clean water Indiana program.](#)
- **HB 1492:** [Noxious weed control.](#)
- **HB 1513:** [Department of natural resources.](#)
- **HB 1514:** [Department of environmental management fees.](#)
- **HB 1519:** [Capture of sales tax on water.](#)
- **HB 1531:** [Local regulation of natural resource development.](#)
- **HB 1551:** [Tobacco issues.](#)
- **HB 1565:** [Cigarette taxes.](#)
- **HB 1592:** [Regulated drains and environmental concerns.](#)
- **HB 1632:** [Industrial hemp pilot program.](#)
- **HB 1638:** [State fair.](#)

Senate

- **SB 4:** Water and wastewater utilities and runoff.
- **SB 305:** Timber management.
- **SB 425:** Minimum age to purchase tobacco and e-liquids.
- **SB 610:** State forest commission and management plan.

Other Issues Watch

Resolutions are still being filed and as ones of interest are researched, they will be listed here.

- **HCR 10:** *Recognizing FFA and all of its work to advance the quality of agricultural education both locally and nationally.*

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Thank you for your help! INAg/Cress Hizer appreciates your willingness to contact legislators when called upon during the session. Without the assistance of the client/association, it would be difficult to pass proactive legislation or thwart detrimental language. Thanks for your support.