



2019 Session IN General Assembly March 15, 2019 Bill Tracker

First Session of the 121th Indiana General Assembly

Committees in the Indiana House and Senate had busy schedules this week with several bills on our tracker list being heard. HB 1492 Noxious weed control passed out of the Senate Agriculture Committee Monday on a vote of 6-0 and passed on second reading on the full Senate floor Thursday making it eligible for final vote next week. HB 1266 Sediment and erosion control in construction, took testimony in the Senate Environmental Affairs Committee and HB 1270 Kankakee River basin development, did same in the Senate Local Government Committee but both bills were held due to concerns and needed amendments. HB 1279 Conservancy district petition, had been scheduled for a hearing but was pulled for the schedule at the last minute by the chair.

SB 4 Water and wastewater utilities and runoff, passed out of the full House on final reading 92-0 on Thursday. This key bill contains a section creating a storm water task force appointed by the governor that includes agriculture and will be of great interest to us. DNR, other state agencies and universities presented their budget requests in Senate Appropriations all week. Our funding increase is still alive in this committee and we need continued contacts with its members.

Out of 636 bills introduced in the Senate, 218 are still alive while the 715 authored in the House, only 201 remain to be considered.

2019 Session Deadlines

-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

Bills that did not receive a committee hearing could be amended into alive bills so I will continue to review all 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:

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House

- **HB 1001:** [Biennial budget.](#)
- **HB 1165:** [Farmland preservation.](#)
- **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 1406:** [Water infrastructure assistance fund and program.](#)
- **HB 1492:** [Noxious weed control.](#)
- **HB 1638:** [State fair.](#)

Senate

- **SB 4:** [Water and wastewater utilities and runoff.](#)
- **SB 516:** [Regulation of hemp.](#)

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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