



2022 Session IN General Assembly January 14, 2022 Bill Tracker

Second Session of the 122th Indiana General Assembly

Gov. Eric Holcomb leaned on Indiana's accomplishments and its reserves-padded fiscal position during his State of the State address on Tuesday, while steering clear of the controversial topics dominating discussions this year in the GOP-controlled Legislature. He focused on already-announced plans to improve the state's quality of life through economic development, workforce development, improving public health and investing in infrastructure. Holcomb also touted Indiana's population growth of 20,000 people in 2020, outpacing other Midwestern states that lost population.

As House Republicans steam ahead with tax cuts plans the Senate is debating more modest ideas in several individual bills, the main one aimed exclusively at reducing the business personal property tax on equipment. Republicans on the Indiana House Ways and Means Committee passed their \$1 billion tax-cut proposal Wednesday night on a 15-7 party-line vote, sending it to the full House for consideration. House Bill 1002 would cut four separate taxes—individual income, business personal property, sales and the utility receipts tax—all of which would mostly benefit businesses.

Bill filing deadlines have passed so our list is up to date with Committee hearings very active.

As mentioned, Committee work has started. **SB 85 Drainage task force, passed out of the Senate Natural Resources Committee on Monday, 6-0 as amended, added a seat for DNR and County Surveyors.** You can find links below to follow schedules.

One of Indiana's longest-serving state senators has decided to step down immediately from the Legislature. Democratic Sen. Frank Mrvan of Hammond, the father of U.S. Rep. Frank J. Mrvan, didn't give a reason for his resignation, but he has been absent from legislative sessions for weeks at a time in recent years for undisclosed health reasons.

U.S. Rep. Trey Hollingsworth announced Wednesday that he will not seek a fourth term in south central Indiana's 9th District. The three-term Republican congressman did not submit to interviews on what might be next, but he is widely considered to be pondering a run for governor in 2024. Upon the announcement, State Senator Erin Houchin, R-Salem expressed her intent to run for the open seat after being unsuccessful in a previous try.

2022 Session Deadlines

- 1/31 last day for 3rd readings of House Bills
- 2/1 last day for 3rd readings of Senate Bills
- 2/28 last day for 3rd readings of Senate Bills in House
- 3/1 last day for 3rd readings of House Bills in Senate
- 3/14 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/2022/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
- Latest Fiscal Note
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- Committee Reports

Conference Committee Reports

If you need any assistance, please contact me.

House

- [HB 1001: Administrative authority; COVID-19 immunizations.](#)
- [HB 1002: Various tax matters.](#)
- [HB 1036: Watershed development commissions.](#)
- [HB 1103: Department of natural resources.](#)
- [HB 1209: Carbon sequestration projects.](#)
- [HB 1249: Carbon sequestration pilot project.](#)
- [HB 1253: Old forest areas in state forests.](#)
- [HB 1334: Property tax deduction for maintaining wetlands.](#)

Senate

- [SB 1: Automatic taxpayer refund.](#)
- [SB 35: Logjam removal fund.](#)
- [SB 85: Drainage task force.](#)
- [SB 86: Cigarette tax evasion.](#)
- [SB 176: Agricultural land used for wind or solar energy.](#)
- [SB 186: Department of natural resources.](#)
- [SB 255: Climate and environmental justice task force.](#)
- [SB 278: Indiana geological and water survey advisory council.](#)

Other Issues Watch

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

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