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AROUND THE CAPITOL

Both chambers continued to approve mostly non-controversial bills on the floor today. The Senate approved five bills on the floor in the morning, and approved four bills in committee in the afternoon. The Senate introduced one new study bill today, but had no other new bills. Several successors should come out tomorrow. The House approved thirty-two bills and two resolutions on the floor. The House also introduced another twenty-six bills and is close to being caught up on successor bills.

The House approved two bills on policy with Israel ([HF 2220 ANTISEMITISM](#) and [HF 2373 ISRAEL BOYCOTT](#)) on largely party-line votes, with a few Democrats crossing over to vote with the Republicans. [HF 2220](#) adopts the definition from the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance for antisemitism. Representative Salmon, who managed [HF 2220](#), said that the Jewish people have faced more discrimination than other religious groups and that it is important to act. She said that the definition from the Holocaust Remembrance Alliance is widely used internationally to identify antisemitism. Representative Abdul-Samad, who offered two amendments to broaden the bill to include other religious groups and to define hate groups, said that the bill should be inclusive and offer protections for more groups.

Representative Nordman, who managed [HF 2373](#), said that the bill closes a loophole from 2016 when the Legislature first approved banning state investment in any foreign companies that boycott Israel. The bill adds American subsidiaries of those foreign companies. The Senate has companion bills on the calendar ([SF 2265 ISRAEL BOYCOTT](#) and [SF 2183 ANTISEMITISM](#)). Representative Wolfe said that the bill attacks the free speech rights of companies based in the US, such as Ben & Jerry's, which is a subsidiary of a foreign company. Representative Steckman said that bill will require IPERS to divest about \$2.7 million in assets and could have unintended consequences due to investments in Iowa agriculture by some companies affected by the bill.

The House also moved [HJR 2005 GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION](#) forward. The bill creates a process for the succession of a governor and lieutenant governor. Attorney General Tom Miller issued an opinion that Governor Reynolds could not appoint a lieutenant governor, and Adam Gregg served as the acting Lieutenant Governor, prior to his election in 2018. Representative Boden said that bill will give Iowans a voice in deciding the succession of these offices. Representative Wolfe offered an amendment to require that both houses of the Legislature approve any new lieutenant governor. The amendment failed. Wolfe said that since an appointed lieutenant governor has not been through an election, most states use require legislative confirmation. The Senate, and the next General Assembly still needs to approve the bill.

SENATE TO DEBATE TAXES ON THURSDAY

The Senate has released its debate calendar for Thursday. The only bill scheduled for debate is [SF 2206 SENATE TAX PLAN](#). The House has already approved its tax plan ([HF 2317 HOUSE TAX PLAN](#)). Republicans are in agreement to move Iowa to a flat tax, but have proposed different rates (4% for the House and 3.6% for the Senate). The Senate bill also includes corporate tax cuts and changes to the sales tax. As of press time, no amendments have been offered to the bill.

DISASTER DECLARATION

Governor Reynolds said that President Biden has granted her request for a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration for 25 counties that were severely impacted by in December by storms and high winds. The declaration makes FEMA assistance available for debris removal and emergency protective measures and to replace or repair damaged buildings. The storm damage is estimated at \$5.2 million.

The affected counties are Appanoose, Audubon, Buena Vista, Calhoun, Cass, Cherokee, Davis, Emmet, Floyd, Franklin, Greene, Guthrie, Hamilton, Hancock, Howard, Humboldt, Mills, Mitchell, Palo Alto, Pocahontas, Sac, Van Buren, Webster, Worth and Wright. Storm damage in those 25 counties is estimated at \$5.2 million.

The Presidential Disaster Declaration will include funding for hazard mitigation activities across the entire state, to reduce the damage from any future disaster.

ANAMOSA SAFETY ISSUES

Democrats held a news conference with the families of Robert McFarland today in order to speak about the need for improved safety at Iowa prisons. DOC corrections officer Robert McFarland and nurse Lorena Schulte were murdered by inmate attempting to escape from the Anamosa Correctional Facility in March of 2021.

Sara McFarland, the widow of Robert McFarland, said, "If my husband were here today, he would support these bills to protect the health and safety of all the workers in our correctional institutions. After his tragic death, I promised I would do all I can to make sure no family has to go through this again." Cathie McFarland, the mother of Robert McFarland, said, "My son paid the ultimate price for his job. It's something that should not happen to people in the prison system. I want the people who work there to be safe and go home to their families."

Representative Prichard said, "The tragic deaths of Robert McFarland and Lorena Schulte must never be forgotten and it's our job as lawmakers to do all we can to make sure this never happens again." Prichard and Representative Thorup co-sponsored two bills to address some of the safety issues and to restore some collective bargaining rights ([HF 2404](#) and [HF 2405](#)). Neither bill made it past the first funnel, but could be revived as amendments to appropriations bills. The bills include health workers at prisons as public safety employees, and would restore some of the bargaining rights for correctional officers that were lost in the changes approved by legislators in 2017. The bills require that the state pay for health care costs for the surviving spouse and children if a DOC employee is killed in the line of duty and that DOC employees who witness violent events be given trauma leave. Inmates who attack employees would lose earned good time. The bill also prohibits DOC paying more to contracted temporary nurses.

TODAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

Bills to the Senate: (32)

Bills to the House: (5)

House Files: 26 (HF 2505 - HF 2530)

House Study Bills: none (last introduced HSB 726)

Resolution ADOPTED by the House: (2)

HR 105 METASTATIC BREAST CANCER AWARENESS DAY

Designates October 13 as Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day and urges Iowans to learn about the impact of the disease.

HJR 2005 GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION

Proposes an amendment to the Iowa Constitution on the succession by the Lieutenant Governor on the disability or death of the Governor. Deems the office of Lieutenant Governor vacant on the death or resignation of the Governor.

[H 8070](#) by [Wolfe](#) - Requires that a person appointed to serve as a Lieutenant governor be approved by a majority vote of each chamber. **FAILED**, 57-40

The **House ADOPTED** the Resolution 63-34; it now GOES to the **Senate**

Senate Files: none (last introduced SF 2365)

Senate Study Bills: 1 (SSB 3153)

Resolution ADOPTED by the Senate: (1)

SCR 103 OMBUDSMAN APPOINTMENT

Proposes approving the appointment of Bernardo Granwehr as the Ombudsman as of July, 2022 as acting Ombudsman from February 18-June 30.

HOUSE FLOOR ACTION

Bills to the Senate: (32)

HF 2083 TEACH IOWA GRANTS

Makes teachers who finish preparation programs in the top 50% of the class eligible for Teach Iowa grants if the teacher is going to teach in-state. Strikes requirements on shortage areas. Splits grants for teachers based on the size of the district (half for under 1,200 students, half for over 1,200 students), and includes AEAs, private and charter schools. Authorizes the CSC to make different awards if there are not enough applicants the reserved funds.

[H 8000](#) by [Dolecheck](#) - Requires a private college to have been established prior to 2020 in order to qualify for the Iowa tuition grant program. **ADOPTED**

[H 8003](#) by [Dolecheck](#) - Strikes the 50% requirement. **ADOPTED**

The **House PASSED** the bill as amended, 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HOUSE FLOOR ACTION (CONTINUED)

Bills to the Senate: (continued)

[HF 2160](#) ASSISTED REPRODUCTION FRAUD

Makes it 4th Degree Sexual Abuse for a doctor or health care worker to use their own sperm or ova in assisted reproduction procedures without written consent from the patient. Sets the SOL for the same period as other sex abuse offenses. Makes the practitioner subject to license discipline.

The **House PASSED** the bill 92-5; it now GOES to the **Senate**

[HF 2220](#) ANTISEMITISM

Defines antisemitism using the definition from the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance. Requires the state to use this definition when determining if violations of law have been done for a discriminatory reason and for anti-bias training.

Amendments to [HF 2220](#)

[H 8058](#) by **Salmon** - Corrective. **ADOPTED**

[H 8069](#) by **Abdul-Samad** - *Strike & Replace*: Defines hate crimes against religious groups.

[H 8079](#) to [H 8068](#) by **Abdul-Samad** & **38 D's** - *Strike & Replace*: Defines hate groups according to the definition of the Southern Law Poverty Center and requires this definition to be used by the state.

[H 8069](#) and [H 8079](#) **RULED NOT GERMANE**; **MTSR FAILED** 59-38 ([H 8069](#)) and 58-39 ([H 8079](#))

The **House PASSED** the bill as amended, 66-31; it now GOES to the **Senate**

[HF 2282](#) SPOUSAL COMMUNICATIONS

Adds three exceptions to the spousal communication privilege (threats against the spouse or third party, communications that have already been disclosed, or if one spouse is charged with an offense against the other).

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

[HF 2293](#) VETERANS LOTTERY FUNDS

Increases the amount the Commission of Veterans Affairs receives from Lottery Funds to \$800,000.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

[HF 2296](#) UTILITY ACCESS

Requires an agency in control of a road to give non-discriminatory access to an agency conduit to utilities for broadband deployment. Prohibits such agencies from requiring the placement within an agency owned conduit as a condition for accessing the road.

[H 8063](#) by **Sorenson** - *Strike & Replace*: Prohibits municipalities from discriminating against broadband infrastructure in rights-of-way and municipally-owned conduits. Defines broadband infrastructure.

ADOPTED

The **House PASSED** the bill as amended 93-4; it now GOES to the **Senate**

[HF 2221](#) HEARSAY EVIDENCE

Makes an exception to hearsay rules to allow specific out-of-court statements in various sex offense trials where the victim is a child or developmentally disabled or otherwise cognitively impaired. Requires notice to the adverse party and includes other requirements for admission. Includes requirements on jury instructions if the statement is admitted.

[H 8056](#) by **Wolfe** - Includes requirements for the statement to be an initial disclosure. **ADOPTED**

[H 8060](#) by **Jones** - Corrective. **ADOPTED**

The **House PASSED** the bill as amended, 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HOUSE FLOOR ACTION (CONTINUED)

Bills to the Senate: (continued)

HF 2299 FIRE INSURANCE LOSSES

Specifies that the appraisal process will not be used to settle a dispute about the cause of a fire loss. Applies for fire insurance contracts after January 2023.

[H 8071](#) by **Lohse** - *Strike & Replace*: Limits the use of appraisals in fire insurance contracts to the value of the loss and not to determine the cause of whether the loss is covered. Applies to fire insurance contracts after January 2023. **ADOPTED**

[H 8077](#) to [H 8071](#) by **Lohse** - Perfecting amendment. **ADOPTED**
The **House PASSED** the bill as amended 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2300 CAP & COAST GUARD MEMBERS

Deems that a CAP (civil air patrol) member who is covered as a dependent under an under-25 health insurance policy and who is on duty when the policy terminates is considered to have been continuously insured when returning to coverage as a dependent. Excludes CAP members and Coast Guard members from provisions which exclude coverage for line-of-duty injuries from group insurance coverage. Extends various protections from discrimination, health care coverage and leaves of absence to Coast Guard members.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2330 ELECTRONIC INSURANCE POLICIES

Allows an employer to consent to the electronic delivery to group health plan documents to the employee-members, unless there is a federal requirement specifying modes of delivery. Requires the employees to receive paper notice prior to the start of electronic delivery. Requires notice each time a document is posted on the internet as to what is in the document. Requires that employees who request paper copies receive a copy without charge. Makes definitions.

[H 8051](#) by **Nordman** - Makes technical corrections. **ADOPTED**
The **House PASSED** the bill as amended, 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2337 ENDING THE UST FUND

Eliminates the Underground Storage Tank Fund & Board as of July 2023. Transfers duties to the DNR. Deems that tank clean-up claims after January 2023 are not eligible for money from the funds. **DALS**: Appropriates \$250,000 to DALS starting in FY 2024 for fuel inspections at terminals. Requires DALS to issue a report on fuel testing needs by December 2022. **Other**: Allows claimants who had previously received assistance to receive additional assistance for clean-ups. Requires the EPC to adopt rules regarding releases at sites that have received a no further action certificate has been received. Makes conforming changes.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2338 DISTRICT ASSOCIATE JUDGES

Establishes a weighted caseload formula for appointing district associate judges. Deems that vacancies in districts with too many district associate judges will not be filled.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2341 OUT-OF-STATE CAR TITLES

Includes insurance carriers under the exceptions that allow an Iowa title to be issued for an out-of-state car without surrendering the title to the Iowa treasurer.

The **House PASSED** the bill 96-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HOUSE FLOOR ACTION (CONTINUED)

Bills to the **Senate**: (continued)

HF 2346 NO-CONTACT CAR INFORMATION

Requires a defendant subject to a no-contact order to give to the court identifying information about a car the defendant owns or drives. Requires the defendant to update the information as needed.

The **House PASSED** the bill 93-4; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2348 ANTIQUE SNOWMOBILES

Makes a snowmobile more than 25 years old an antique snowmobile.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2357 PROPERTY TAX PROTESTS

Requires the Board of Review for property tax protests to set the start of the hearing period between May 1 and May 7. Effective on enactment.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2358 ILEA REQUIREMENTS

Strikes the requirement that the ILEA director certify an individual who has completed FBI training, has corrected 20/20 vision and is serving as a police chief in a city over 20,000 by examination. Strikes the requirement that the ILEA be the principal library and media center for law enforcement.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2359 TREASURER TAX SALES

Allows treasurer who cancels the June sale of delinquent taxes to reschedule the sale after June, or to combine with the tax sale for the following year.

The **House PASSED** the bill 96-1; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2360 COURT ADMINISTRATOR SALARY

Strikes the salary range for the State Court Administrator and makes corresponding changes to allow the Chief Justice to set the salary of the position.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2367 DRUG POLICY

Changes references in regard to the duties of the Iowa Drug Policy Coordinator and increases the number of members on the advisory council to 17.

The **House PASSED** the bill 96-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2372 TERMINATING PREGNANCIES

Makes it a Class D felony to attempt to terminate a pregnancy without the consent of the woman.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2373 ISRAEL BOYCOTT

Deems that restrictions on companies that boycott Israel apply to subsidiary, parent and affiliate companies.

The **House PASSED** the bill 61-35; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2374 PROTECTION OCCUPATION WORKERS

Deems that police officers and firefighters working for any covered employer under IPERS are protection occupation workers.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HOUSE FLOOR ACTION (CONTINUED)

Bills to the Senate: (continued)

HF 2375 DRAINAGE LEVY MANAGEMENT

Requires a petition to change the management of a drainage/levy district be signed by enough landowners who own a majority of land in the district in aggregate.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2378 RACEHORSE AFTER CARE

Increases the amount of purse money for thoroughbred racehorse organization for an aftercare program for racehorses. Requires the money be distributed to non-profits that retrain and rehome retired racehorses and have been in existence for at least three years.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2390 CHILD ADVOCACY

CAB Requires the DHS and DIA to jointly develop protocols for departmental duties for children under the Child Advocacy Board. Requires agencies to notify the CAB about foster care placements. Requires the CAB to review the CASA program. Expands the scope of the CAB annual report. Requires the evaluation of data from local boards and from CASA and dissemination to DHS, the governor and courts. **Foster Care:** Sets the number for local foster care boards as between five and seven members. Makes changes regarding membership, background checks and other duties of the local boards. Allows persons to submit written testimony to the board. **Records:** Allows certain DHS records on a child to be shared with CASA, CAB and local boards. Allows a court to release records to CASA or local boards to determine the needs of a child. Includes requirements for dealing with confidential records. Makes other changes regarding CAB training, duties, definitions and other matters. **CASA:** Makes changes regarding the duties of CASA. Requires CASA to receive notice of all matters related to a case CASA is appointed to. **Other:** Includes data about placement with fictive kin in a case permanency plan. Defines fictive kin.

H 8057 by **Bergan** - Corrective. **ADOPTED**

The **House PASSED** the bill as amended, 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2401 ON-LINE SALES

Requires on-line marketplaces to require high-volume sellers (\$20,000 gross) to disclose bank and tax information, and to verify such information. Prohibits the seller from collecting or using data beyond the requirements of the law. Requires high-volume sellers to disclose the name and the contact information of the seller, including a conspicuous display on the seller's website. Requires on-line marketplaces to have a mechanism to report suspicious activity. Allows the AG to enforce the provisions of the bill and establishes civil penalties up to \$100,000. Effective January 2023.

H 8058 by **Bousselot** - Corrective and conforms to federal language. **ADOPTED**

The **House PASSED** the bill as amended 94-2; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2411 PROSTHETIC DEVICES

Requires an employer to give an employee a prosthetic device for an injury that occurred while the person was employed and that would be considered compensable.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HOUSE FLOOR ACTION (CONTINUED)

Bills to the **Senate**: (continued)

HF 2427 VETERAN LICENSE PLATES

Allows veterans to submit an application on which the state or county commission of Veterans Affairs has certified that the person served and was dishonorably discharged, in order to establish that the veteran has a right to a veteran or license plate.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2428 COUNTY HOSPITAL TRUSTEES

Allows the trustees of a county hospital to receive compensation for services performed as a trustee.

The **House PASSED** the bill 94-3; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2429 VETERINARIAN IMMUNITY

Gives licensed veterinarians immunity for good-faith cooperation with police and civil authorities for various kinds of actions involving animals.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HF 2436 PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS

Changes the method for gathering costs and expenses related to public safety answering points to collecting the data only for the direct costs.

The **House PASSED** the bill 97-0; it now GOES to the **Senate**

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

Bills to the **House**: (5)

SF 2081 COMPUTER SCIENCE GRANTS

Allows the recipients of grants for computer science professional development to spend the money until the September 30th past the fiscal year the grants are awarded.

The **Senate PASSED** the bill 48-0; it now GOES to the **House**

SF 2297 FELONY JURY DISQUALIFICATIONS

Disqualifies a felon on parole or probation or a registered sex offender from jury service.

The **Senate PASSED** the bill 48-0; it now GOES to the **House**

SF 2322 COPYING RECORDS COSTS

Requires copying costs for public records to be reasonable. Does not allow costs for legal counsel for the review or redaction of records to be included.

The **Senate PASSED** the bill 48-0; it now GOES to the **House**

SF 2337 TRANSIT CDL TESTING

Authorizes a public transit or regional transit to serve as a 3rd party CDL tester. Makes definitions and other changes to the Code chapter.

The **Senate PASSED** the bill 48-0; it now GOES to the **House**

SF 2362 ELECTRONIC NOTICE/SCHOOL HEALTH

Bonds: Allows notice for bonds to be published electronically and allows bids to be received electronically. **School Boards:** Allows school boards to publish a notice of vacancy on the website for the school board. Allows boards to use electronic signatures and contracts in specific circumstances. Requires schools, rather than school boards, to administer the Pledge of Allegiance daily. **Work Group:** Requires the DOE to convene a work group on health care training for schools. Requires a report by December 2022. **School Bonds:** Authorizes notice for school bonds to be published electronically. **Conference Boards:** Allows a mayor to appoint a designee to serve instead of the mayor and strikes the requirements that the school boards for the high schools in the county appoint members to the board. **Seizure Plan:** Requires every school to have at least one employee with seizure training by the 2023-24 school year. **Residential treatment:** Requires residential treatment centers for children to give schools the necessary documentation to seek Medicaid reimbursement.

S 5017 by **Cournoyer** - Strikes seizure training requirements. **ADOPTED**

The **Senate PASSED** the bill 48-0; it now GOES to the **House**

SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Ways & Means Committee: Voted Out (4)

SF 590 LAND BANKS

Land Banks: Authorizes municipalities to establish land banks to deal with abandoned, blighted and tax-delinquent properties. Makes such a land bank a government body in terms of public meetings and public records. Sets the membership and the powers of the board. Requires the board to establish bylaws. Allows actions to quiet title and extinguish tax liens but prohibits eminent domain actions. **Tax Sales:** Includes procedures for land banks to acquire land through tax sales. **Other:** Makes conforming changes. **PASSED** 16-0; *FM: Dawson*

SSB 3130 WIND ENERGY PROPERTY

Deems that the special valuation taxation of wind energy property is in lieu of other taxation and continues until the 19th assessment year if the ordinance should be repealed. Defines repowering. **PASSED** 16-0; *FM: Brown*

SSB 3063 SALES TAX MATTERS

Allows combined sales/use tax receipts. Makes filings for the sales tax monthly, but allows a person who collects less than \$1,200 to file annually. Makes changes to terminology and other administrative sales tax matters. **LOST/SAVE:** Requires the amounts owed to local governments and schools to be transferred to the governments or schools from the DOR. Includes a transition period. **Certified Services:** Deems that a seller who contracts with a certified service provider is not liable for the sales tax on the transactions of the service provider. Makes the certified service provider liable. **Permits:** Allows the DOR to cancel certain permits if the permits are not being used. **EDA:** Makes changes related to EDA sales tax incentives related to completion dates, audits, criminal penalties for false claims and other matters. **Fuel:** Allows the DOR to require retailers to file fuel reports electronically. Makes changes to terminology. **PASSED** 16-0; *FM: Dawson*

HF 419 DRIVING CONVENIENCE FEE

Allows a county to charge a convenience fee of up to \$10 for issuing or renewing a driver's license for a person who is not a resident of the county, unless the person can show proof that they pay property taxes in the county. **PASSED** 12-4; *FM: Goodwin*

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022

7-9 AM	<i>Iowa Trappers Association Legislative Breakfast</i>	<i>Legislative Dining Room 15</i>
7:30-9:30 AM	<i>Blank Children's Hospital / AAP Legislative Breakfast</i>	<i>Rotunda</i>
8:30 AM	HOUSE CONVENES	House Chamber
9 AM	SENATE CONVENES	Senate Chamber
9:30-11 AM	<i>Community Support Advocates Legislative Day</i>	<i>Rotunda, West & South Wings</i>
9:30 AM	Senate State Government Committee Gubernatorial Appointments - En Bloc. HF 803 PA DUTIES: Cournoyer (C)	Room 116
10:30 AM	House Appropriations Committee Presentation: Iowa's Gaming Tax Revenue Situation - Iowa Racing & Gaming Commission Executive Director Brian Ohorilko and Adam Broich, LSA. HF 2125 TIERED PSYCHIATRIC REIMBURSEMENTS: Fry (C) SF 586 BANKING LAW CHANGES: G Mohr (C)	Room 103
11 AM-1 PM	<i>AC4C Youth Substance Use Prevention Day on the Hill</i>	<i>Rotunda</i>
12:30 PM	House Government Oversight Committee Presentation: Board of Educational Examiners - Executive Director Mike Cavin, BoEE Attorney Nicole Proesch, Assistant Attorney General Kristi Traynor, Board Chair Sara Yedlik, Board Vice Chair Dr Antony Voss and Board Public Member Tim Bower.	Room 103
1-5 PM	<i>2A Day at the Capitol</i>	<i>Rotunda</i>

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022

8 AM	House Appropriations Subcommittee HF 2125 TIERED PSYCHIATRIC REIMBURSEMENTS: Fry (C), Brown-Powers, A Meyer	<i>House Lounge 1</i>
8:30 AM	House Appropriations Subcommittee HF 2137 MH LOAN REPAYMENTS: Fry (C), Brown-Powers, Forbes, Kerr, A Meyer	<i>House Lounge 1</i>
9 AM	House Appropriations Subcommittee HF 307 SERVICE OFFICER TRAINING: Thompson (C), Fry, B Meyer (reassigned)	<i>House Lounge</i>
10 AM	House Commerce Subcommittee SF 2233 LAND SURVEYING SYSTEM: Westrich (C), Andrews, Hansen	<i>House Lounge</i>
11 AM	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee HF 2123 MISSING PERSON CASES: Reichman (C), Johnson, Kinney	<i>Room G15</i>

HOUSE DEBATE CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022

HF 825	JU	CONSENT AGREEMENTS (sim/comp to SF 512)	<i>Wolfe</i>
HF 2246	HR	PROVISIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS	<i>Fry</i>
HF 2247	SG	NATIVE WHISKEY SALES	<i>Bloomingdale</i>
HF 2297	CO	MEDICAID MCO OVERSIGHT	<i>Andrews</i>
HF 2328	JU	JUROR QUESTIONNAIRES	<i>Hite</i>
HF 2343	EP	GROUNDWATER HAZARD STATEMENTS (sim/comp to SF 2330)	<i>Ingles</i>
HF 2347	EP	GENERAL ISSUE PERMITS (sim/comp to SF 2311)	<i>Dunwell</i>
HF 2380	AG	HEMP ACREAGE (sim/comp to SF 2110)	<i>Mommsen</i>
HF 2399	CO	PRIOR AUTHORIZATION	<i>Andrews</i>
HF 2409	ED	EDUCATION MATTERS (sim/comp to SF 2128)	<i>Wheeler</i>
HF 2414	JU	ADOPTION CHECKS	<i>Hite</i>
HF 2419	JU	EXPUNGING DOMESTIC ABUSE	<i>Hite</i>
HF 2420	HR	NEWBORN INFANTS	<i>Osmundson</i>
HF 2437	JU	FREE EXERCISE OF RELIGION	<i>Wheeler</i>
HF 2438	HR	WELFARE CHECKS	<i>Jeneary</i>
HF 2443	JU	SMART CONTRACTS	<i>Lohse</i>
HF 2445	JU	CONTROLLABLE ELECTRONIC RECORD (sim/comp to SF 2333)	<i>Jacobsen</i>
HF 2446	PS	CHILD PORN OFFENSES	<i>Westrich</i>
HF 2468	JU	ARBITRATION ACTIONS	<i>Hite</i>
SF 183	SG	PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS	<i>Kaufmann</i>

SENATE DEBATE CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022

SF 2206	WM	SENATE TAX PLAN (sim/comp to attached HF 2317)	<i>Dawson</i>
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HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

AGRIULTURE

[SF 2245](#) PERSONAL USE OF MEAT Baxter (C), Gerhold, Williams

COMMERCE

[SF 2232](#) CERTIFYING WATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS Lundgren (C), McConkey, Nordman

[SF 2233](#) LAND SURVEYING SYSTEM Westrich (C), Andrews, Hansen

JUDICIARY

[SF 348](#) CONSERVATORSHIPS & GUARDIANSHIPS Hite (C), Holt, Prichard

[SF 2296](#) GARBAGE AS ABANDONED PROPERTY Holt (C), Wheeler, Wolfe

WAYS & MEANS

[HF 2397](#) BALL PARK REBATES Nordman (C), Kaufmann, Kurth

SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

APPROPRIATIONS

[HF 2152](#) REC ESTIMATES Kraayenbrink (C), Bolcom, Lofgren

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

[HF 2153](#) PIONEER CEMETERIES Driscoll (C), Hogg, Lofgren

WAYS & MEANS

[SF 2314](#) MH/DS FUNDING Goodwin (C), Dawson, Jochum

[SF 2347](#) ALL SYSTEMS WEIGHT PERMITS Brown (C), Sweeney, T Taylor

HOUSE FILES (HF 2505 - HF 2507)

HF 2505 SCHOOL COMPLAINT PROCEDURES (**Education**; Successor to [HSB 702](#)) *FM: Hite*

Requires certain mandatory reporters of child abuse to report such abuse regardless of the age of the child. Requires school employees who believes that another school employer is responsible for the injury to report that employee. Requires the DOE to develop a process for reporting and investigating incidents where a teacher or licensed professional may have broken a law. Creates a committee to investigate these matters and establishes membership of the committee. Includes immunity provisions for school boards. Requires records be kept of incidents but does not make those open records. Establishes civil penalties for administrators who fail to follow procedures regarding these incidents. **BEE**: Requires the BEE to suspend teachers who are convicted of aggravated misdemeanors. Requires BEE to adopt rules on complaint records and on giving notice of investigations to schools. Requires six members of the BEE to be from the public and four members to be license holders.

HF 2506 CONSUMER PERSONAL DATA (**Information Technology**; Successor to [HSB 674](#)) *FM: Sorenson*

Establishes personal data rights for consumers. Requires businesses that control personal data of 100,000 lowans or 25,000 lowans, if 50% of the gross revenue is from the sale of personal data, to meet these requirements, including answering requests about whether the business (controller) is processing the data of a consumer, limiting the collection of personal data, protecting consumer data and prohibitions against various kinds of discrimination. Requires privacy notices. Requires the controllers to assess their activities in regard to data collection. Allows the AG to investigate. Includes various exemptions. Makes definitions.

HF 2507 FAMILY FIRST (**Human Resources**; Successor to [HSB 653](#)) *FM: Fry*

Aligns the Iowa Family First act with the federal act. Specifies that the least restrictive environment for the placement of a child includes a preference for family or fictive kin. Redefines CASA, GaL and guardian, putative father, relative and makes other definitional changes and changes in duties. **Runaways**: Strikes placement in a runaway assessment center as an option for juveniles. **Notice**: Allows for service in juvenile and parental rights proceedings to be done by notice if a court believes service is otherwise impracticable. **Reports**: Requires a report of child abuse due to drug manufacturing to be done within five years. Requires reports of possible child abuse to be made orally to DHS. **ChINA**: Makes changes to legislative findings. Requires courts to find by substantial evidence that a need for removal exists before issuing an *ex parte* order. Includes requirements to consider placement of the child with another parent. Requires a foster care provider be given decision making authority in these placements. Includes provisions on placement with other family or fictive kin. Requires a court to give deference to DHS placement decisions. Includes provisions on domestic abuse situations. Presumes a child over 10 should be at ChINA hearings. Includes other provisions on procedures, evidence and matters related to ChINA hearings. **Father**: Gives a putative father the right to counsel in various proceedings. **Murder**: Allows a court to waive reasonable efforts to avoid a permanent removal for a parent convicted of murder offenses. Requires a county attorney to file for termination of parental rights for parents convicted of murder/voluntary manslaughter offenses. **Rights**: Does not require a finding of a non-accidental physical injury to terminate parental rights. Allows a court to terminate parental rights after a ChINA finding if the parent is a danger to people or has a severe SA disorder. Includes provisions on continuing relationships with other siblings, placements and other matters. **Other**: Prohibits reporting a CASA as a GaL for various proceedings. Includes provisions on shelter/detention costs and on the use of decategorization funds. Shifts certain duties to juvenile courts from DHS. Similar to [SF 2257](#).

HOUSE FILES (HF 2508 - HF 2519)

[HF 2508](#) REFILLING PRESCRIPTIONS (James) (Commerce) *(funneled)*

Allows a pharmacist to use professional judgement to refill a prescription, notwithstanding any other rules on filling prescriptions. Allows the prescription to be refilled once a year, with a 30-day supply.

[HF 2509](#) TARGETED SMALL BUSINESSES (James) (Economic Growth) *(funneled)*

Establishes a targeted small business program to help businesses owned by women, veterans with service disabilities and disabled persons. Makes an appropriation.

[HF 2510](#) CONTROLLING SEPSIS (James) (Human Resources) *(funneled)*

Requires hospitals to adopt evidence-based protocols for controlling sepsis. Requires the hospitals to submit the protocols to the DIA. Requires the initial protocols to be submitted by October 2022.

[HF 2511](#) REFILLING INSULIN PRESCRIPTIONS (James) (Human Resources) *(funneled)*

Allows a pharmacist to use professional judgement to refill an insulin prescription, notwithstanding any other rules on filling prescriptions. Allows the prescription to be refilled once a year, with a 30-day supply.

[HF 2512](#) LONG TERM SUPPORTS (James) (Human Resources) *(funneled)*

Directs the DHS to end the Medicaid MCO contracts for long-term supports and services and transfer them to fee for service programs. Includes transition provisions.

[HF 2513](#) HAIR DISCRIMINATION (James) (Judiciary) *(funneled)*

Prohibits discrimination in schools, at work and in other public accommodations on the basis of hair texture or hairstyles that are historically associated with a race.

[HF 2514](#) CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS (James) (State Government) *(funneled)*

Makes changes regarding campaign contributions.

[HF 2515](#) DISASTER FUNDS (Appropriations; Successor to [HF 2138](#)) FM: **Bossman**

Allows the DHS/ED to use the interest from flood recovery funds to reimburse the expenses of voting board members and for other costs. Effective on enactment.

[HF 2516](#) APPOINTING ATTORNEYS (Appropriations; Successor to [HF 2162](#)) FM: **Latham**

Allows a court to appoint two attorneys for an indigent defendant if one of the attorneys is an assistant state public defender in the Wrongful Conviction Division.

[HF 2517](#) LEVEE STUDY (Appropriations; Successor to [HF 2116](#)) FM: **Bossman**

Allows certain funds appropriated in FY 2022 for a levee study for DHS/EM to roll over for an additional year.

[HF 2518](#) OVERWEIGHT CRANES (Transportation; Successor to [HF 2207](#)) FM: **A Meyer**

Requires overweight cranes moving under a permit to get route approval.

[HF 2519](#) ECONOMIC PROGRAMS (Ways & Means; Successor to [HF 2292](#)) FM: **Graber**

Moves the repeal of the Iowa Energy Center to 2027. Allows the EDA to designate a county as economically distressed for the High Quality jobs program due to recent significant layoffs. Allows the EDA to extend the deadline for a housing project under the workforce housing program. Allows certain projects to still qualify if the average cost of housing is under 150% of the maximum, if the project costs exceed the maximum allowable. **Cities:** Adds small cities/townships in the biggest counties if it has a population under 2,500 and growth of less than 30%. Defines urban areas.

HOUSE FILES (HF 2520 - HF 2526)

[HF 2520](#) UTILITY DIGITAL SALES TAX EXEMPTION (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [HSB 615](#)) FM: **Maxwell**

Includes a public utility as a commercial enterprise that can receive digital products and software without paying sales taxes for products used exclusively by the utility.

[HF 2521](#) HEALTH WORKER AGENCIES (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [HF 2371](#)) FM: **Osmundson**

Requires health care employment agencies to register with the DIA. Establishes fees and defines such agencies. Requires the agency to make employees comply with the requirements and qualifications for health care workers. Prohibits non-compete clauses. Requires reports to the DIA. Allows a denial of registration for a failure to meet the requirements.

[HF 2522](#) ENDOW IOWA CREDITS (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [HSB 718](#)) FM: **Siegrist**

Reduces the amount of the Endow Iowa credits that can be claimed by one taxpayer in a year from 5% of the \$6 million cap to no more than \$100,000.

[HF 2523](#) NICOTINE/VAPOR TAXATION (**State Government**; Successor to [HF 98](#)) (Ways & Means)

Defines alternative nicotine and vapor products as tobacco products, subject to the same treatment, except for taxation. Sets the tax rate at 22%, split between SA/MH courts (17%) and tobacco law enforcement (5%).

[HF 2524](#) BOTTLE BILL CHANGES (**Commerce**; Successor to [HSB 709](#)) (Ways & Means)

Additions: Adds high alcohol beer and canned cocktails as beverages covered under the redemption law. **Fees:** Raises the handling fee for beverage containers paid by a distributor to 2 cents until 2032 and then lowers it to 1.5 cents. **Redemption:** Requires participating dealers to pay refunds in a reasonable period of time. Allows dealers to not be participating dealers and to refuse to take cans for refunds if the dealer is within fifteen miles of a redemption center and gives notice to the DNR. **UPC:** Requires cans to have a UPC code that meets requirements set by the DNR. **Centers:** Requires Redemption centers to register with the DNR but strikes DNR approval requirements. **Other:** Deems that any refund value or handling fee held by the distributor after required payments belongs at the distributor. Establishes civil penalties.

[HF 2525](#) DIRECT SHIPPING OF ALCOHOL (**State Government**; Successor to [HF 2108](#)) (Ways & Means)

Allows the direct shipping of alcohol within the state. Requires the shipper to be registered with the ABD. Includes reporting requirements and required payments to the ABD.

[HF 2526](#) ELECTION CHANGES (**State Government**; Successor to [HSB 719](#)) FM: **Kaufmann**

Strikes requirements for notice for precinct caucuses to be published in a newspaper. Changes certain signature/deadline requirements. Prohibits election commissioners from receiving funds to conduct an election except from local, state or federal government sources. Allows the use of electronic election registers. Makes changes to canvassing elections. Makes changes to recount procedures, absentee ballots and other changes. See [SF 2343](#)

HOUSE FILES (HF 2527 - HF 2530)

[HF 2527](#) GOVERNOR REGULATORY PROPOSALS (**Economic Growth**; Successor to [HSB 682](#)) (Ways & Means)

Zoning: Prohibits cities and counties from enforcing zoning ordinances if 80% of the lots covered do not conform. Prohibits requiring inspections of manufactured homes that has been inspected and built in accordance with federal regulations. **Work Learning:** Requires the DOE to have a process for school boards to report annually on student participation in work-based learning programs. Requires the BEE to develop certification for work-based learning supervisors. Requires student education plans to identify work-based learning opportunities in HS that will help the student in college. **Loan Repayment:** Includes neurology students in various student loan repayment programs. Strikes requirements for residency programs to be based in Iowa. Increases the number of loan agreements the CSC can enter into if funds are available. Allows for the part-time practice of medicine in Iowa under these programs. Includes community colleges as eligible institutions and ARNPs as health care providers. **Military/Guard:** Requires licensing boards to adopt expedited procedures for licensing military spouses by January 2023. Requires temporary licenses for spouses whose out-of-state licensing fails in order to give the spouse time to meet Iowa standards. Strikes requirements to first establish Iowa residency, except for certain professions. Requires fees be waived for veterans with a 25% service-disability. Requires fees for EMS exams to be waived for active military and active Guard members, or veterans honorably discharged. Allows all veterans to purchase a lifetime hunting & fishing license. Prohibits DOT from charging veterans with a 100% disability any fees for motorcycle or non-commercial licenses. Increases the military property tax credit. **Insurance:** Requires the Insurance Commissioner to issue a temporary insurance producer license if the applicant meets the requirements, pending the background checks. **Building Code:** Adopts parts of the various fire, energy conservation, plumbing and mechanical and other codes. Prohibits local building codes.

[HF 2528](#) BEST FARM PRACTICES ([Isenhart](#)) (Agriculture) (*funneled*)

Requires the parties to farm lease to enter into an agreement to use best farming practices in regard to water and soil conservation and that the agreement be filed with the appropriate soil conservation district.

[HF 2529](#) PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENCIES (**Human Resources**; Successor to [HF 2157](#)) FM: **A Meyer**

Requires the UI Hospitals and Clinics to administer a psychiatric residency program at the Cherokee and Independence MHIs and at the Oakdale Classification Center. Establishes the program with 12 positions and gives preferences to Iowans who attended college or medical school in Iowa. Establishes a fund for the program. Appropriates \$1.2 million FY 2024); \$2.4 million (FY 2025); \$3.6 million (FY 2026); \$4.8 million (FY 2027 and later).

[HF 2530](#) TRANSIT CDL TESTING (**Transportation**; Successor to [HSB 654](#)) FM: **Bush**

Authorizes a public transit system or a regional transit system to serve as a 3rd party CDL tester. Makes conforming changes. See [SF 2337](#) passed by the Senate today.

SENATE STUDY BILLS (SSB 3153)

[SSB 3153](#) GOVERNOR'S JUDICIAL BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS (AP) **Kraayenbrink** (C), **Bolkcom**, **Lofgren**

Makes the Governor's FY 2023 proposed appropriation to the Judicial Branch (\$202 million and \$3.6 million for the Jury & Witness Revolving fund. Makes other changes.