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AROUND THE CAPITOL

The House debated the first bill of the session on the floor today; as a result, the House held fewer committee meetings but introduced 45 new or successor House Files. The Senate gavelled-out early and spent the day in committee meetings.

The House approved [HF 2128 GOVERNOR'S E-15 PROGRAM](#) on an 82-10 vote; the support for and the opposition to the bill were both bi-partisan, with 50 Republicans and 32 Democrats supporting bill and 7 Republicans and 3 Democrats opposing the bill. Governor Reynolds requested the bill; it requires gasoline retailers to start selling higher blends of ethanol or to seek a waiver from the requirements.

Representative Hein, who managed the bill, said that [HF 2128](#) gives lowans an opportunity to purchase higher blends of ethanol at the pump. He said that [HF 2128](#) is a big improvement over the ethanol bill considered last year. Hein said that smaller retailers who don't wish to sell higher ethanol will be able to use a "good waiver process" and said that that the bill has money and incentives for retailers who wish to upgrade their tanks. Hein said that the amendment to the bill improved the appeals process and thanked Representative Wolfe for suggesting that retailers who are denied a waiver from the bill needed an appeals process.

Representative Wolfe said that the waiver process in the original bill did not offer enough protections for small retailers. She said that the changes in the bill helped ensured broad bi-partisan support for the bill.

Representative Prichard said that the bill will have a positive impact on rural Iowa. He said that ethanol and renewable fuels have revitalized agriculture in Iowa. Representative Isenhardt said that the people of Iowa also deserve credit for supporting the ethanol industry because [HF 2128](#) includes about \$180 million in tax credits.

Governor Reynolds spoke to a business group today in support of her tax plan. She said that the state is tied for the third highest corporate income tax rate in the nation. She said that the state needs to lower the rate to compete with other states. The proposals from the Governor ([HSB 551/SSB 3044](#)) lower the top rate to 5.5% but she said that 11 other states will still have a lower rate. The House did not include corporate tax cuts in its proposal; the Senate proposal cuts the corporate income tax and also reforms tax credits.

Governor Reynolds said that her income tax proposal will reduce from "one of the highest to the 5th lowest in the nation." She said it is "practical tax reform that meets the priorities of the state, allows lowans to keep more of what they earn, and creates a highly competitive tax system. This historic tax cut will benefit every taxpayer, and turbocharge widespread, broad-based prosperity in our state, and most importantly, it rewards hard work."

TODAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

House Files: 44 (HF 2204 - HF 2248)

House Study Bills: 7 (HSB 651 - HSB 657)

Resolution INTRODUCED by the House: (1)

[HR 103](#) HONORING DUANE KING (Jacobsen)

Honors the life of Duane King who translated the Bible into ASL and who ministered to the deaf.

Senate Files: 12 (SF 2174 - SF 2185)

Senate Study Bills: 2 (SSB 2093 - SSB 2094)

HOUSE FLOOR ACTION

Bills to the Senate: (1)

[HF 2128](#) GOVERNOR'S E-15 PROGRAM

E-15: Requires dealers to sell E-15 and sets the minimum number of pumps for such sales after 2023. Requires a dealer with one pump to sell E-15. Requires 50% of the pumps to sell E-15 if a dealer has installed or converted a storage tank after 2023. Exempts dealers who have not converted tanks to not sell E-15 but prohibits installing or converting a storage tank and requires that the dealer must sell E-15 from one pump by 2026. Establishes penalties. **Exceptions:** Makes exceptions for certain pumps (aviation fuel, diesel, kerosene) and certain off-site fueling pumps. Makes a special exemption for a dealer who cannot meet these requirements due to repair or maintenance of infrastructure. Allows the Governor to suspend compliance by executive order. Allows the Secretary of Agriculture to waive compliance for dealers on a site-by-site basis if certain conditions are met. **Other:** Changes retailer reporting requirements. Requires DAS to require state vehicles to use the highest class of renewable fuel available. **Credits:** Extends tax credits and changes threshold levels for renewable fuel Is in other tax credit. Changes excise tax for fuel blender pumps. Makes other changes related to tax credits. **Infrastructure:** Includes requirements on new infrastructure installed retailers. Allows an infrastructure board to assume the evaluation duties of the Underground Storage Tank board for renewable fuel infrastructure projects. Authorizes special priorities and includes other changes to the renewable fuel infrastructure.

Amendments to HF 2128

[H 8005](#) by Hein - Specifies that marinas are exempt. Includes an appeal process for retailers who are denied a waiver. Allows an existing tank that meets standards to be designated as an ethanol tank. Includes provisions on biodiesel testing. **ADOPTED**

[H 8006](#) by Paustian - **WITHDRAWN**

The **HOUSE PASSED** the bill as amended 82-10; it now GOES to the **Senate**

HOUSE COMMITTEE ACTION

House Judiciary Committee: Voted Out (3)

[HF 2043](#) MAGISTRATE RETIREMENT AGE

Raises the retirement age for magistrates to 78. **PASSED** 18-3; *FM: Westrich*

[HSB 528](#) SPOUSAL COMMUNICATIONS

Adds six exceptions to the spousal communication privilege (threats against the spouse or third party, communications that have already been disclosed, are criminal in nature or that have no relationship to the mutual trust between spouses, if the spouses are separated or as otherwise determined by the court).

PASSED 21-0; *FM: Lohse*

[HSB 592](#) VIDEO HEARINGS

Allows video/telephone hearings in non-contested criminal cases for various matters on the motion of a party. Allows for such hearings in contested cases on the motion of a party if the hearing can be handled efficiently without prejudicing any party. **PASSED** 20-0; *FM: Mitchell*

SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Commerce Committee: Voted Out (3)

[SSB 3030](#) NO SMOKING AREAS

Strikes specific requirements in regard to placing no-smoking signs in areas where smoking is prohibited by Code. Allows a person in control of property not covered under the smoking prohibitions to make it a non-smoking area by placing a sign. **PASSED** 12-3; *FM: Schultz*

[SSB 3057](#) 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 requiring the placement within an agency-owned conduit as a condition for accessing the road. **AMENDED & PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Williams*

[SSB 3058](#) CEMETERY/FUNERAL SERVICES

Prohibits the transfer of sale agreements for funeral services until the seller has transferred the copies of all the agreements and certain other information to the buyer. Requires disclosures to the Insurance Commissioner. Includes requirements on annuities used to fund such agreements, on written plans and on other matters. **PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Williams*

Senate Education Committee: Voted Out (3)

[SF 168](#) NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL SERVICES

Requires that the parents of children with disabilities who attend non-public schools and receive certain support services from by AEAs to agree to the provision of those services on at the non-public school, in addition to current requirements from the owner/custodian of the property for the non-public schools.

PASSED 14-0; *FM: Cournoyer*

[SSB 3003](#) MH LOAN REPAYMENTS

Establishes a MH professional loan repayment program in the CSC. Requires the professional to practice for five years (full-time) or seven years (part-time). Gives priority to lowans and members of the Iowa National Guard. Limits loan repayments to \$8,000 annually and \$40,000 overall. Creates a fund, establishes reporting requirements and other provisions. **PASSED** 14-0; *FM: Cournoyer*

SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION (CONTINUED)

Senate Education Committee: Voted Out (continued)

SSB 3067 TEACHERS & STUDENT LOANS

Allows the CSC to make awards of Teach Iowa grants that differ from the reserved amounts for various groups if there are not enough applicants for one of the reserves. **BEE:** Allows an out-of-state applicant to qualify for a regional exchange license by showing a bona fide offer of employment to the BEE. Requires the BEE to issue a teacher intern license to an applicant who qualifies as a non-traditional applicant. Requires the BEE to adopt rules to allow a teacher seeking a career and technical secondary authorization to receive the authorization prior to getting employment. **Student Loans:** Authorizes student loan repayment programs to attract teachers and the use of the district management levy to make repayments for the program. **AMENDED & PASSED** 14-0; *FM: Sinclair*

Senate Labor & Business Relations Committee: Voted Out (1)

SSB 3072 MINOR PIZZA ROLLERS

Allows a minor under 18 to operate a power-driven pizza roller, if certain safety features are in place. **AMENDED & PASSED** 11-0; *FM: Rowley*

Senate State Government Committee: Voted Out (7)

SF 355 COPYING EMPLOYEE FILES

Requires that an employer give an employee one copy of the employee's personnel file at no cost, upon request. Requires an employer to repay an employ for any charges for files copied after January 1, 2021. Retroactive to January 1, 2021. **AMENDED & PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Koelker*

SF 409 INFORMATION BOARD TIMELINES

Increases the time to file a complaint with the Information Board after an incident to 90 days. **PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Cournoyer*

SF 2015 COGNITIVE SCREENINGS

Allows speech pathologists and audiologists to do cognitive screenings if the practitioner has the appropriate training. Allows the practitioner to refer the patient to a health care professional based on the results of the screening. **AMENDED & PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Brown*

SF 2022 HOME BARBER PRACTICE

Allows barbers and cosmetologists to practice in the homes of clients. **PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Schultz*

SSB 3007 DISASTER FUNDS

Allows the DHS/EM to use the interest from flood recovery funds to reimburse the expenses of voting board members and for other costs. Effective on enactment. **PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Cournoyer*

SSB 3029 DISASTER PROTECTIONS

Gives state agencies, and employees, officers and agents, protection from liability for good-faith actions take in response to a state or federal disaster proclamation. **PASSED** 15-0; *FM: Cournoyer*

SJR 15 GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION

Proposes an amendment to the Iowa Constitution to create a replacement process in the event of permanent or temporary disability of the Governor. **PASSED** 15-0; *FM: R Smith*

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022

7-9 AM	<i>Orchard Place Legislative Breakfast</i>	<i>Rotunda, North Wing</i>
	<i>Polk County Medical Society</i>	<i>Room G15</i>
7-9:30 M	<i>Department of Corrections Legislative Breakfast</i>	<i>Rotunda, West & South Wings</i>
	<i>Iowa Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (IACTE) Day at the Iowa Capitol</i>	<i>Rotunda, East Wing</i>
8 AM-4 PM	<i>Administrative Hearing</i>	<i>Wallace Auditorium</i>
8:30 AM	HOUSE CONVENES	House Chamber
9 AM	SENATE CONVENES	Senate Chamber
9:30 AM-3:30 PM	<i>Iowa Occupational Therapy Association Day on the Hill</i>	<i>Rotunda</i>
9:30 AM	House Economic Growth Committee HSB 540 ECONOMIC PROGRAMS: Thompson (C)	<i>Room 102</i>
	House Public Safety Committee Presentation: Brady-Giglio Update. HSB 652 SELLING HEROIN: Paustian (C)	<i>Room 19</i>
	House State Government Committee HSB 123 MIDWIFE LICENSING: Kaufmann (C) HSB 571 DISASTER PROTECTIONS: Jacobsen (C) HSB 582 GUBERNATORIAL SUCCESSION: Boden (C) HSB 606 AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTERS: Bossman (C)	<i>Room 103</i>
10 AM	Senate Ways & Means Committee SSB 3074 SENATE TAX PLAN (w/amend): Dawson (C)	<i>Room 116</i>
10:30 AM	House Information Technology Committee HF 2035 UTILITY ACCESS: Sorensen (C) HSB 534 CYBERSECURITY (w/amend): Gobble (C) HSB 555 CYBER SECURITY DEFENSES: Hite (C)	<i>Room 304</i>
	House Veterans Affairs Committee HF 2107 DISABLED VETERAN PROPERTY CREDIT: Stone (C) HSB 562 VETERANS LOTTERY FUNDS: Thompson (C) HSB 598 CAP & COAST GUARD MEMBERS: Andrews (C)	<i>Room 102</i>
11 AM	Senate Education Committee SSB 3079 PARENTAL RIGHTS AT SCHOOL: Sinclair (C) SSB 3090 2.25 SSA: Sinclair (C)	<i>Room 116</i>
11:30 AM	House Agriculture Committee	<i>Room 102</i>
	House Human Resources Committee Presentation: Behavioral Health - Marissa Eyanson, DHS; Erich Preuss & Keri Neblett, DPH.	<i>Room 103</i>

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA (CONTINUED)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022		
12:30 PM	House Environmental Protection Committee HSB 550 GENERAL ISSUE PERMITS: Dunwell (C) HSB 553 GROUNDWATER HAZARD STATEMENTS: Ingels (C)	Room 19
1:30 PM	House Commerce Committee HSB 585 MEDICAID MCO OVERSIGHT: Andrews (C) HSB 588 FIRE INSURANCE LOSSES: Lohse (C) HSB 602 ALCOHOL MATTERS: Best (C) HSB 617 FINANCIAL WELLNESS OFFICE: Graber (C)	Room 103
	House Education Committee HF 2040 NO COVID IMMUNIZATIONS: Stone (C) HF 2109 HOTLINE NUMBERS ON STUDENT ID: Bossman (C)	Room 102
2:30 PM	House Appropriations Committee	Room 103

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022		
7:30 AM	House State Government Subcommittee HF 2105 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: Sexton (C), Hunter , Jones	House Lounge
8 AM	House Judiciary Subcommittee HF 2112 DEPENDENT/ELDER ABUSE: Hite (C), Salmon , Wolfe	Room 102
	House Judiciary Subcommittee HSB 629 ILEA REQUIREMENTS: Osmundson (C), Holt , Wilburn	Room 304
	House State Government Subcommittee HSB 578 GAMING MATTERS: Lundgren (C), Cphoon , Sexton	Room 304.1
	House Transportation Subcommittee HSB 618 LICENSE PLATE COUNTIES: Bossman (C), Hansen , Mommsen	Room 19
	House Ways & Means Subcommittee HF 325 VETERANS ORGANIZATION EXEMPTION: Graber (C), Gjerde , Nordman	House Lounge
8:15 AM	House Education Subcommittee HF 2158 STUDENT SUBSTITUTES: Bossman (C), Steckman , Stone	Room 19
8:30 AM	House Judiciary Subcommittee HSB 590 COURT ADMINISTRATOR SALARY: Hite (C), Anderson , Lohse	Room 102
	House Public Safety Subcommittee HSB 633 PUBLIC NUISANCES: Paustian (C), Jeneary , Olson	House Lounge
	House State Government Subcommittee HF 2106 THREADING: Bacon (C), Donahue , Mitchell	House Lounge 2

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS (CONTINUED)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022		
8:30 AM (continued)	Senate Education Subcommittee SSB 3085 FREE SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: Sinclair (C), Carlin, J Smith	Room 217
	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SSB 3086 JURY EXEMPTION: Shipley (C), Bolkcom, Rowley	Room G17
9 AM	House Public Safety Subcommittee HSB 646 GUNS ON THE HIGHWAY II: Holt (C), Anderson, Paustian	Room 19
	House State Government Subcommittee HSB 614 SPORTS WAGERING FUND: Kaufmann (C), Mascher, Sexton	House Lounge
	House State Government Subcommittee HF 2071 MOVEABLE SALONS: Bacon (C), Bossman, Donahue	House Lounge 2
10 AM	Senate Commerce Subcommittee SSB 3056 CERTIFYING WATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS: Klimesh (C), Chapman, Giddens	Room 217
	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SF 2123 POLICE FIRINGS: Reichman (C), Kinney, Rowley	Room G15
NOON	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SF 2109 1ST DEGREE MURDER SENTENCES: J Taylor (C), Kinney, Rowley	Room G15
	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee HF 456 PUBLIC EXPRESSION PROTECTION: Reichman (C), Boulton, Johnson (reassigned)	Room 24
	Senate Local Government Subcommittee SF 2072 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUDGETS: Klimesh (C), Hogg, Lofgren	Room G17
	Senate Local Government Subcommittee SF 2099 ER DISTRICTS: Driscoll (C) Guth, Quirmbach	Room 217
	Senate State Government Subcommittee SF 2060 MASSAGE THERAPY REPORTING: Brown (C), Celsi, Cournoyer	Senate Lounge
12:30 PM	Senate Local Government Subcommittee SF 2156 VACCINE INFORMATION: Guth (C), Lofgren, Quirmbach	Room G15
1 PM	Senate State Government Subcommittee SJR 2002 FEDERAL FISCAL RESTRAINTS: Guth (C), Celsi, R Smith	Room G15
2 PM	Senate Commerce Subcommittee SSB 3033 BOTTLE BILL CHANGES III: Brown (C), Klimesh, Quirmbach	Room G17
2:30 PM	House Ways & Means Subcommittee HSB 522 SALES TAX MATTERS: Lohse (C), Bloomingdale, Winckler	House Lounge
3:30 PM	House State Government Subcommittee HF 98 NICOTINE/VAPOR TAXATION: A Meyer (C), Bacon, Gjerde	Room 19

HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

APPROPRIATIONS

[HF 2116](#) LEVEE STUDY **Bossman** (C), **Running-Marquardt**, **Wills** (reassigned)
[HF 2138](#) DISASTER FUNDS **Bossman** (C), **Latham**, **Running-Marquardt** (reassigned)

EDUCATION

[HF 2177](#) SCHOOL LIVESTREAMS **Sorensen** (C), **T Moore**, **Smith**
[HF 2182](#) AEA REORGANIZATION **Thompson** (C), **Fry**, **Mascher**
[HF 2186](#) DYSLEXIA SPECIALISTS **Brink** (C), **Mascher**, **Salmon**

JUDICIARY

[HF 202](#) JOINT CUSTODY **Wheeler** (C), **Osmundson**, **Prichard** (reassigned)

LABOR

[HSB 596](#) UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS **Stone** (C), **Bergan**, **Running-Marquardt** (reassigned)

SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

COMMERCE

[SF 2164](#) DIAGNOSTIC BREAST EXAMS Schultz (C), Mathis, Williams

EDUCATION

[SF 2163](#) SCHOOL MH GRANTS Sinclair (C), Rozenboom, Trone Garriott

JUDICIARY

[SF 2159](#) ASSAULTS ON SOCIAL WORKERS Shiple (C), Bolkcom, J Taylor

[SF 2162](#) RAGBRAI BUSINESS OPERATIONS Schultz (C), Bolkcom, Sinclair

[SF 2173](#) SIMULATED WEAPONS Shiple (C), Kinney, Rowley

[SJR 2003](#) MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION Zaun (C), Bolkcom, Dawson

LABOR & BUSINESS RELATIONS

[SF 2148](#) DONATING LEAVE Driscoll (C), Rowley, T Taylor

[SF 2161](#) RETURN TO WORK Green (C), Boulton, Rowley

STATE GOVERNMENT

[SF 2093](#) SERVICE ANIMAL ACCOMODATIONS Dawson (C), Bisignano, Schultz

[SF 2120](#) NATIVE WHISKEY SALES Cournoyer (C), Giddens, Johnson

[SF 2158](#) BALLOT WATERMARKS R Smith (C), Cournoyer, Jochum

[SF 2166](#) IPERS RETIREMENTS/SCHOOL CONTRACTS Goodwin (C), Boulton, Cournoyer

[SF 2172](#) ABD MATTERS Cournoyer (C), Bisignano, Koelker

[SJR 2002](#) FEDERAL FISCAL RESTRAINTS Guth (C), Celsi, R Smith

TRANSPORTATION

[SF 2155](#) BICYCLING PENALTIES Brown (C), Koelker, J Smith

WAYS & MEANS

[SF 2157](#) MEDICAL CANNABIS EXEMPTIONS Dawson (C) Bolkcom, Goodwin

HOUSE FILES (HF 2204 - HF 2215)

HF 2204 SCHOOL ACTIVITY WEIGHTING ([Mascher](#)) (Education)

Establishes supplementary weighting for school activities (0.001 per pupil) for the student activity fund. Effective as of the 2022-23 school year.

HF 2205 NURSING HOME MONITORING ([McConkey](#), [5 D's](#), [1 R](#)) (Human Resources)

Allows nursing home residents to have their rooms monitored electronically (Evelyn's Law). Requires consent from any roommate. Requires notice to the nursing home. Makes the resident responsible for all the costs. Includes other implementing provisions and penalties for violations.

HF 2206 TERMINATING PREGNANCIES ([Salmon](#)) (Judiciary) [Salmon](#) (C), [Jones](#), [Olson](#)

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

HF 2207 OVERWEIGHT CRANES ([Kaufmann](#)) (Transportation)

Requires overweight cranes being moved under a permit to obtain route approval.

HF 2208 RAILROAD CREWS ([Thompson](#)) (Transportation)

Limits the length of a freight train to 8,500 feet. Requires freight trains to have crews of at least two. Includes exceptions for hostler and utility services. See [HF 462](#), [SF 2051](#), [SF 2125](#)

HF 2209 TRAPPING/HUNTING WITH MINORS ([Natural Resources](#); Successor to [HF 2044](#)) *FM: Maxwell*

Allows an Iowa minor under the age of 16 to accompany a parent or other adult while the adult is hunting or trapping, without the minor having a license. Does not allow the minor to hunt or trap or to carry a gun.

HF 2210 TERMINATING PREGNANCIES ([Salmon & Boden](#)) (HR) [Osmundson](#) (C), [Lundgren](#), [Wessel-Kroeschell](#)

Requires health care providers to report to the DPH if they treat a woman due to complications from an abortion. Includes requirements for tracking information. Requires the DPH to develop forms and to develop a public website to report the data no later than February, 2023. Establishes criminal penalties for knowing violations of the bill.

HF 2211 BANNING DOG BREEDS ([Ehlert](#), [B Meyer](#), [Donahue](#)) (Local Government)

Prohibits local ordinances to ban specific breeds of dogs.

HF 2212 SCHOOL AGE ([Jacoby](#)) (Education)

Allows the parents of a child born in September to elect to have the child covered under compulsory attendance rules when the child is 5 and to elect to have the school treat the child as age five, when the child reaches age 6.

HF 2213 HATE CRIMES ([Wilburn](#), [9 D's](#)) (Judiciary)

Adds a list of factors (membership in a hate group, whether the crime coincides with a holiday or significant date, previous involvement in such offenses, whether no other legitimate purpose explains the crime, and other factors) to be considered when a court determines if a hate crime has occurred. Defines hate groups.

HF 2214 RESTORE THE OUTDOORS ([Siegrist](#)) (Natural Resources) [Siegrist](#) (C), [Brown-Powers](#), [Mommson](#)

Creates the Restore the Outdoors program in the DNR to finance repair or replace infrastructure at state parks. Requires annual reports by the DNR. Sunsets the program as of July 2027. Appropriates \$8 million annually for five years (FY 2023-FY 2028).

HF 2215 REDISTRICTING HEARINGS ([Siegrist](#)) (State Government)

Requires the Temporary Redistricting Commission to hold three public hearings and to make a report after each redistricting map is made available.

HOUSE FILES (HF 2216 - HF 2225)

HF 2216 ELDERLY PROPERTY TAX CREDITS (*Jacoby*) (Ways & Means)

Includes any claimants who are 65 year old in the provisions allowing claimants who are 70, and who have an income under 250% of the FPL, for certain property tax credits.

HF 2217 INSURANCE FILINGS (*Commerce*; Successor to [HSB 547](#)) FM: *Graber*

Requires the person with ultimate control over an insurer to file certain group capital calculations and information with the lead state commissioner. Defines such calculations. Requires filings of liquidity stress tests with the lead commissioner. Includes requirements for such filings. Deems various supporting documentation as regulatory tools and not as a means to rank insurers. Prohibits public announcements of such results, except to rebut the falsity of certain other public announcements.

HF 2218 SCHOOL INTERNET FILTERS (*Education*; Successor to [HF 2052](#)) FM: *Gobble*

Allows school districts to filter internet sites to prevent connections to social media.

HF 2219 INSURANCE INVESTMENT (*Commerce*; Successor to [HSB 587](#)) FM: *Graber*

Allows a life insurance company to make investments outside of the US or Canada. Enacts caps for the amount that can be invested in bonds outside the US and Canada.

HF 2220 ANTISEMITISM (*Judiciary*; Successor to [HSB 538](#)) FM: *Salmon*

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.

HF 2221 HEARSAY EVIDENCE (*Judiciary*; Successor to [HSB 522](#)) FM: *Jones*

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.

HF 2222 PRO SE MOTIONS (*Judiciary*; Successor to [HSB 524](#)) FM: *Hite*

Allows defendants, and applicants for post-conviction relief, to file certain pro se motions for the disqualification of counsel, for notice of appeals and motions to withdraw.

HF 2223 EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS (*Wheeler, 10 R's*) (Education)

Establishes education scholarships (Iowa Hope Scholarships) for K-12 students who attend private schools or are home-schooled in the DOM. Establishes a formula based on state school aid for students and phases the scholarships in eligibility. Establishes a fund in the DOM and creates a standing appropriation for the program. Allows the DOM to contract with a 3rd-party to manage the fund. Excludes the educational scholarships from the income tax.

HF 2224 BANNING NATIVE MASCOTS (*Wolfe, 3 D's*) (Education)

Bars schools from using names, mascots and symbols depicting a Native American tribe after January 2024. Does not include schools controlled by a tribe or a BIA school.

HF 2225 MERGING SOCIAL WORK BOARDS (*Fry*) (Human Resources) *Fry* (C), *Bacon*, *Mascher*

Merges the Board of Behavioral Sciences and the Board of Social Work. Includes transitional provisions on the terms of current members and on the continuing effectiveness of rules already adopted by one of the boards.

HOUSE FILES (HF 2226 - HF 2235)

[HF 2226](#) WITNESS TAMPERING (**Westrich**) (Judiciary)

Increases the penalty for jury or witness tampering to a Class B felony.

[HF 2227](#) TENANT DELINQUENCIES (**Siegrist**) (Judiciary)

Strikes requirements for landlords to give the name of a tenant who is responsible for paying delinquencies to a city utility in order for the landlord to be exempt from liens (but still requires the landlord to give written notice to the utility that the tenant is responsible). Allows a landlord to withhold money from a security deposit to pay for delinquent accounts. Defines rents to include other amounts paid to the landlord by the tenant. Makes changes in computing notice times for a forcible entry and detainer (eviction) and deems that time requirements are not jurisdictional and do not affect the subject matter jurisdiction of the court.

See [SF 2106](#)

[HF 2228](#) PRISONER PHONE CALLS & E-MAILS (**Wolfe**) (Public Safety)

Requires the DOC to adopt rules to allow each prisoner 300 free minutes for phone calls and four e-mails (offender e-mails) each week.

[HF 2229](#) PREGNANT ASSAULTS (**Latham**) (Public Safety)

Increases the penalties for various assaults on a pregnant woman by one step, starting at aggravated misdemeanor and increasing to a Class C felony for the most serious assault. Requires the attacker to have known, or should have known, the woman was pregnant. Similar to [HF 2231](#).

[HF 2230](#) RECORDS & SENTENCES (**Westrich**) (Public Safety)

Deems that the confidentiality provision shall be absolute if a defendant is seeking the disclosure of privileged records in a criminal case. Increases the amount of a term that must be served before work release or parole to 90% of the sentence for prisoners subject to serving a 70% requirement. Deems attempted murder of a police officer and certain other felonies to be Category C sentences that are not eligible for sentence reductions.

[HF 2231](#) PREGNANT ASSAULTS II (**Westrich** & **27 R's**) (Public Safety)

Makes an assault on a pregnant woman a Class D felony. Requires the attacker to have known, or should have known, that the woman was pregnant. Similar to [HF 2229](#).

[HF 2232](#) CHILD PORN OFFENSES (**Westrich** & **6 R's**) (Public Safety)

Requires a person who knowingly purchases multiple pictures of the same minor engaging in prohibited sex acts to be prosecuted for multiple offenses.

[HF 2233](#) MEDICAL NON-COMPETES (**Westrich**) (State Government)

Makes a non-compete agreement between a prior employer and an MD, DO or pharmacist that limits the locations the professional can practice or the contact that the professional can have with former patients unenforceable.

[HF 2234](#) VACCINATION DISCRIMINATION (**Westrich**) (State Government)

Includes vaccination status under unfair and discriminatory practices in employment, public accommodations, housing and other matters. Defines vaccination status. Prohibits maintaining a record of a person's vaccination status except under federal HIPAA rules. Effective immediately. Similar to [HF 2141](#).

[HF 2235](#) WRITING FEES (**Westrich**) (Transportation)

Makes applications for a certificate of title or for the perfection of a security interest for a boat subject to a writing fee by the county recorder. Makes an application for any privilege for a snowmobile or ATV subject to a writing fee.

HOUSE FILES (HF 2236 - HF 2246)

HF 2236 ENTERTAINMENT SURCHARGES (Lohse) (Commerce)

Allows cities to establish entertainment zones and to charge entertainment surcharges in those zones. Establishes requirements that the zone be at least 75 acres of contiguous parcels and have an annual attendance of 500,000 visitors to establishments in the zone. Prohibits the area encompassing the entire city. Sets the surcharge at 3%. Includes procedures for adopting or repealing the surcharge and for the uses of the surcharge.

HF 2237 OWI CONVERSATIONS (Wolfe & Hite) (Judiciary)

Allows a person who is arrested for an OWI offense to have a private conversation with an attorney about whether or not to consent to testing.

HF 2238 UE BENEFITS & OFFSETS (Lohse) (Labor)

Reduces the calculation for the maximum UE benefits to 16 weeks. **Offset:** Creates a payment to offset the difference in the wage paid at a new job and a person's UE benefit, if the person accepts a job that pays less than their UE benefit. Requires that the UE benefit not be exhausted.

HF 2239 SEX ABUSE EVIDENCE (Judiciary; Successor to HSB 529) FM: Westrich

Deems that the rule of evidence for sexual abuse cases applies to discovery proceedings and post-conviction proceedings. Requires substantial compliance.

HF 2240 RESTORING DRIVING PRIVILEGES (Anderson, 4 D's) (Public Safety)

Strikes provisions requiring the DOT to suspend a driver's license for unpaid court fines and requires DOT to reinstate those licenses.

HF 2241 MARIJUANA OFFENSES (Anderson, 3 D's) (Public Safety)

Makes marijuana offenses involving less than 42.5 grams or possession of paraphernalia without the intent to sell the paraphernalia civil offenses subject to a \$25 fine. Deems a number of circumstances (odor of marijuana, possession without evidence of more than 42.5 grams) as not being reasonable suspicion except for OWI offenses.

HF 2242 CRIME VICTIM REPORTS (Boden) (Public Safety)

Requires the county attorney to give a victim who has registered with the office any reports prepared by law enforcement, except if the release would unreasonably interfere with the investigation.

HF 2243 PROTECTION OCCUPATION WORKERS (Thorup & McClintock) (State Government)

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

HF 2244 CAMPAIGN REPORTS (State Government; Successor to HSB 567) FM: T Moore

Requires candidates to file report in July during non-election years for January to July and makes corresponding changes.

HF 2245 TELEHEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS (Human Resources; Successor to HF 2031) FM: Boden

Requires certain health carriers to reimburse out-of-state MH professionals for telehealth services if the professional is licensed in Iowa and able to deliver appropriate services. Effective on enactment.

HF 2246 PROVISIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS (Human Resources; Successor to HF 2017) FM: Fry

Allows the BOP to give a doctoral psychology student a two-year provisional license during the student's internship. Authorizes the intern to practice under the supervision of a licensed psychologist. Includes provisions on rates and fees.

HOUSE FILES (HF 2247 - HF 2248)

[HF 2247](#) **NATIVE WHISKEY SALES** (State Government; Successor to [HSB 576](#)) FM: *Bloomingtondale*

Allows a seller who holds a Class A and a Class C wine permit to buy native distilled spirits from a distillery with a Class E license, for sale on the Class C premises.

[HF 2248](#) **AMBULATORY SURGICAL REFERRAL** (State Government; Successor to [HSB 605](#)) FM: *Bossman*

Requires a health care provider who refers a patient to an ambulatory surgical center to give the patient a written document on the factors for the patient to consider. Specifies the factors. Makes a provider subject to license discipline for the failure to do so.

HOUSE STUDY BILLS (HSB 651 – HSB 654)

[HSB 651](#) **BOWHUNTING** (Natural Resources) **Bacon** (C), **Baxter**, **Smith**

Allows a person with a bowhunting license who did not get a deer to use the late muzzleloader season or to use the January antlerless deer season. Allows the use of a crossbow during the January season.

[HSB 652](#) **SELLING HEROIN** (Public Safety) **Paustian** (C), **Gobble**, **Sunde**

Increases the penalties for the manufacture or delivery, or possession with intent, for heroin: Class B felony (over 100 grams); Class C (under 100 grams). See [SF 2179](#)

[HSB 653](#) **JUVENILE JUSTICE** (Human Resources) **Fry** (C), **Andrews**, **Wessel-Kroeschell**

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. **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. Includes provisions on domestic abuse situations. Creates a presumption a child over 10 should be at ChINA hearings. Includes other provisions on procedures, evidence and other matters related to ChINA hearings. **Putative 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. **Parental 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 the costs related to shelter and detention and on the use of decategorization funds. Shifts certain duties to juvenile courts from DHS. Makes conforming changes. (DHS)

HOUSE STUDY BILLS (HSB 654 – HSB 657)

[HSB 654](#) TRANSIT CDL TESTING (Transportation) **Bush** (C), **Cisneros**, **Prichard**

Authorizes a public transit or regional transit to serve as a 3rd party CDL tester

[HSB 655](#) AG TRUCK WEIGHTS (Agriculture) **Mommsen** (C), **Bradley**, **Forbes**

Makes certain waivers from weight limits on roads made by the Governor for agricultural projects permanent. Allows various crops, silage, stover and manure to be hauled on non-interstate highways with weights 12.5% over the weight limits, not to exceed 90,000 pounds.

[HSB 656](#) TEACHING LICENSE RENEWALS (Education) **Moore** (C), **Bossman**, **Gjerde**

Strikes requirements for teachers with a master's degree or PhD to renew their licenses. Includes conforming provisions.

[HSB 657](#) TUITION GRANTS (Education) **Bossman** (C), **Brink**, **Staed**

Strikes requirements for teachers with a master's degree or PhD to renew their licenses. Includes conforming provisions. See [SSB 3082](#)

SENATE FILES (SF 2174 – SF 2176)

[SF 2174](#) CHILD ADVOCACY (**Human Resources**; Successor to [SSB 3077](#)) FM: **Costello**

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.

[SF 2175](#) USS IOWA SUB (**Veterans Affair**; Successor to [SF 2050](#)) FM: **Reichman**

Appropriates \$200,000 to the DPD for a grant to support the christening and commissioning of the USS Iowa submarine (SSN 797). See [HF 2147](#)

[SF 2176](#) DNR ENVIRONMENTAL REFERENCES (**Natural Resources**; Successor to [SSB 3041](#)) FM: **Shipley**

Changes certain environmental references in regard to landfills and waivers regarding the remediation and application of certain soils. Strikes outdated sections regarding the Interagency Missouri River Association and the mercury-free recycling act.

SENATE FILES (SF 2177 – SF 2185)

SF 2177 DNR BILL (Natural Resources; Successor to [SSB 3040](#)) FM: *Green*

Strikes an employment preference for persons who meet green thumb qualifications. Includes state forests as areas that the DNR can establish fees for by rule. Requires persons offering an on-line education course for watercraft to have a written agreement with the DNR. **Dams:** Strikes certain powers the NRC has over dams and certain provisions allowing Water-powered mill owners to collect damages. **Life jackets:** Reclassifies various devices as wearable personal floatation devices. Requires canoers and kayakers to have throwable personal floatation devices. **Boating OWI:** Aligns such offenses with other OWI offenses.

SF 2178 NO CONTACT ORDERS (Judiciary; Successor to [SSB 3027](#)) FM: *Reichman*

Requires courts to extend the period for a non-contact order for five years on the expiration of the order unless the defendant applies to end the order within 90 days and the court finds the defendant is no longer a threat.

SF 2179 SELLING HEROIN (Judiciary; Successor to [SSB 3011](#)) FM: *Dawson*

Increases the penalties for the manufacture or delivery, or possession with intent, for heroin: Class B felony (over 100 grams); Class C (under 100 grams).

SF 2180 DOMESTIC ABUSE DOCUMENTS (Kinney) (Transportation)

Requires the DOJ to develop documents that a victim of domestic abuse can use to get a non-operator ID. Allows the DOJ to allow emergency shelters to give victims of domestic abuse inquiry documents. Does not require a person to surrender other IDs when applying for an ID with domestic abuse documents. Requires the DOJ and DOT to adopt rules about the necessary documents.

SF 2181 LAKE MANAWA/WAUBONSIE (Dawson & Costello) (Natural Resources)

Repeals the current pilot project for user fees at Lake Manawa and Waubonsie State Park and enacts a daily user fee program. Repeals the fees as of 2025.

SF 2182 FERAL HOGS BY AIR (Dawson & Schultz) (Natural Resources)

Authorizes killing feral hogs from an airplane.

SF 2183 ANTISEMITISM (Judiciary; Successor to [SSB 3010](#)) FM: *Schultz*

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. See [HF 2220](#)

SF 2184 COMMUNITY LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS (Quirnbach, 11 D's) (Judiciary)

Appropriates \$5 million to a Community Law Enforcement fund for grants for body cameras and related equipment and to fund community MH advocate positions in police departments. Limits the grants to \$50,000 and repeals the program as of January 2029.

SF 2185 PRO SE MOTIONS (Judiciary; Successor to [SSB 3015](#)) FM: *J Taylor*

Allows defendants, and applicants for post-conviction relief, to file certain pro se motions for the disqualification of counsel, for notice of appeals and to withdraw. See [HF 2222](#)

SENATE STUDY BILLS (SSB 3093 – SSB 3094)

SSB 3093 UNEMPLOYMENT REDUCTIONS (Commerce) **Schultz** (C), **Brown**, **Jochum**

UE: Requires a one-week waiting period for unemployment. Reduces the calculations for maximum benefits to sixteen weeks. Defines misconduct and gives examples. Lowers the amount for suitable wages. Allows for any ALJ decision to be appealed to the district court without going through the Employment Appeals boards. Makes decisions more broadly applicable rather than binding only the parties. **Torts:** Limits the liability of employers for torts/damages related to truck/commercial vehicle accidents. See [HSB 631](#)

SSB 3094 HOME IMPROVEMENT BONDS (Labor) **Schultz** (C), **Jochum**, **Rowley**

Requires contractors to have surety bonds for \$75,000 for doing home improvements. Makes definitions and includes enforcement and other provisions. Allows the AG to make a claim on the bond. Requires the bond issuer to notify the Labor Commissioner if the bond lapses. (AG)