## 2025 Session IN General Assembly

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It was a short week due to MLK day but hearings kept legislators busy never the less. HB 1616 DNR Agency Bill passed out the Natural Resources Committee on Wednesday. In Senate Floor action SB 211 Clean Water Indiana is now on the way to the House after passing out 49-0. It will be sponsored by Rep. Abbott. Bills added to our work list this week are: 1025 Treated Seed, 1184 State Chemist and 1638 Government and regulatory matters. Two very important bills also have been added; SB 1 which is mainly Governor Braun's tax reform package and 1001 State Budget, which was assigned to Ways and Means. Looking forward to Annual Conference next week! -- Cress

As mentioned, Committee work has started. You can watch online and can find links below to follow schedules.

2025 Session Deadlines

- -1/29 Governor Braun State of the State Address
- -2/17 Committee Report deadline for House
- -2/17 Committee Report deadline for Senate
- -2/20 last day for 3rd readings of House Bills
- -2/20 last day for 3rd readings of Senate Bills
- -2/24-28 Crossover Break
- -4/10 Committee Report deadline on Senate Bills in House
- -4/10 Committee Report deadline on House Bills in Senate
- -4/15 last day for 3rd readings of Senate Bills in House
- -4/15 last day for 3rd readings of House Bills in Senate
- -4/29 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 <u>chizer@inag.biz</u> with any concerns or needs. Thank you, Cress

## 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, <u>click here</u>. 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 can find bill details using the links on the upper left side of the page. If you need any assistance, please contact Cress Hizer at <u>chizer@inag.biz</u>.

House

- \* HB 1001: State budget.
- \* <u>HB 1025: Treated seeds</u> \*This bill has to do with neonicotinoid coated seeds
- \* HB 1037: Storm water management.

- \* HB 1126: Watershed development commissions.
- \* <u>HB 1184: State chemist</u>. \*This bill would move the office of the state chemist to the department of agriculture
  - \* HB 1190: Water quality
  - \* HB 1234: Conservation of agricultural land.
- \* <u>HB 1251: Cigarette taxes</u>. \*CWI funds are made up in part by cigarette tax

revenue. This bill increases the cigarette tax by \$1 to \$1.995 per pack.

- \* HB 1268: DNR study of ground water resources.
- \* HB 1286: PFAS chemicals.
- \* HB 1366: PFAS water safety standards.
- \* HB 1447: State forest areas restricted from logging.
- \* HB 1460: Drainage systems.
- \* HB 1557: Prescribed burning.
- \* HB 1616: Department of natural resources.
- \* HB 1638: Government and regulatory matters.
- \* HB 1661: Healthy forests and hardwoods expansion

Senate

- \* SB 1: Property tax relief.
- \* SB 4: Water matters. \*This bill involves large water transfers and much more
- \* SB 28: Ground water emergencies.
- \* SB 134: Water management authority.

\* <u>SB 202: The department of agriculture</u>. \*This bill would establish ISDA as an executive agency and provides that the lieutenant governor is not the secretary of agriculture and rural development.

\* <u>SB 211: Clean water Indiana program</u>. \*This bill would permit CWI funds to be used to manage invasive plant species.

- \* SB 256: Ground water.
- \* SB 459: Environmental matters.
- \* SB 538: PFAS chemicals.

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