Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts 2025 Session IN General Assembly

March 14, 2025 IASWCD Bill Tracker

First Session of the 124th Indiana General Assembly

The second half of the session continues to gain some speed after the short break and committee hearings quicken. The House Republican two-year budget (HB1001) was presented to the Senate Appropriations Committee this week by Ways and Means Chairman Thompson that kicks off the Senate's turn at crafting it. Conversely, the House will take a crack at Governor Braun's priority of property tax reform (SB1) and is proposing ideas from HB1402 into it. The Senate Natural Resources Committee heard testimony but did not vote on HB1557 Prescribed burning and 1616 DNR agency Monday, choosing to hold until a next meeting. SB211 CWI and SB28 Ground water emergencies, were heard in House Natural Resources on Wednesday with IASWCD testifying on 211. It passed out 12-0. SB28 passed but was recommitted to Ways and Means due to the possible cost to DNR to comply. And added to our tracker this week is HB1149 Agricultural online portal, authored by Rep. Culp that now has passed both the House and Senate, now ready for consideration by Governor Braun. He has voiced support for this new ISDA tool for one stop online services for farmers to gain assistance and information. Conservation links will have a big part for sure. Celebrate AG Day Tuesday, March 18!

You can watch all online and can find links below to follow schedules.

2025 Session Deadlines

- -4/10 Committee Report deadline on Senate Bills in House
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- -4/15 last day for 3rd readings of Senate Bills in House
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- -4/29 last day for adjournment of both houses

I 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: https://iga.in.gov/pdf-

documents/124/2025/house/publications/committees/standing/house-standing-schedule.pdf

documents/124/2025/senate/publications/committees/standing/senate-standing-schedule.pdf

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/2025/bills Once there, scroll through the list of Senate and House bills filed and click on the bill you want to view. Once you are

on the main page for a particular bill, you will need to click on the following options in the upper left side, which are self-explanatory:

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House

- HB 1001: State budget.
- HB 1037: Storm water management.
- HB 1126: Watershed development commissions.
- HB 1149: Agricultural online portal.
- HB 1460: Drainage systems.
- HB 1557: Prescribed burning.
- HB 1616: Department of natural resources.

Senate

- SB 1: Property tax relief.
- SB 4: Water matters.
- SB 28: Ground water emergencies.
- SB 211: Clean water Indiana program.
- SB 459: Environmental matters.

Other Issues Watch

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

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