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This was a short week at the State House because of MLK Day. House and Senate Committees are in high gear and a few of the bills we are tracking are beginning to move. If an introduced bill doesn't receive a hearing it dies. If it don't pass out of Committee and pass second reading on the floor in the House or the Senate by February 19, it dies. We continue to work behind the scenes to move our bills forward. Please see Legislative Report #2, 2025 that follows for the latest information and status on the bills that we are watching and working. Please do not make any decisions regarding your future based upon how how a bill looks today . Every piece of legislation is subject to change throughout the process.

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**HB1001 STATE BUDGET** (THOMPSON J) Appropriates money for capital expenditures, the operation of the state, K-12 and higher education, the delivery of Medicaid and other services, and various other distributions and purposes. Repeals a provision allowing the department of administration to enter into a lease with the Indiana historical society (society) for use of a building. Requires the director of the budget agency to make a written determination that funds are not appropriated or otherwise available to support continuation of the performance of any contract or lease with the society. Establishes the primary care access revolving fund for the purpose of making loans to primary care medical practices in Indiana. Requires that the salary matrix for state police, capitol police officers, and department of natural resources law enforcement officers be adjusted each time an adjustment is made to a pay plan for state employees in the executive branch. Provides a sales and use tax exemption period for three days in January and in August of each year for the following items: (1) School supplies. (2) Clothing, including shoes. (3) Computers and computer accessories. (4) Learning aids. (5) Sports and recreational equipment to be used by an individual who is not more than 18 years of age. Provides a sales and use tax exemption period for seven days in May of each year for the following items: (1) Bicycles

and accessories. (2) Fishing supplies. (3) Hiking supplies. (4) Hunting supplies. Requires the department of state revenue to calculate an annual adjusted gross income tax exemption index factor to be used in determining certain exemption amounts for purposes of calculating an individual's adjusted gross income each taxable year. Provides an adjusted gross income tax deduction for retirement benefits, phased in over four years. Exempts tips received by an individual employed in a service-providing industry occupation from the adjusted gross income tax. Increases the: (1) employee threshold; and (2) maximum amount of tax credits that may be granted in a year; for purposes of the health reimbursement arrangement income tax credit. Establishes a state tax credit for certain capital investments made in rural funds (rural fund credit). Prescribes requirements for the rural fund credit. Provides an adjusted gross income tax credit for retired farmers who sell or lease farmland or sell livestock to a qualified beginning farmer. Requires the treasurer of state to establish a long term care savings account program that allows an individual to save for long term care expenses. Provides an adjusted gross income tax deduction for contributions made to an individual's long term care savings account during a taxable year. Provides an adjusted gross income tax deduction for long term care insurance premiums paid during the taxable year. Requires the treasurer of state to establish a farm savings account program that allows an individual to save for farming related expenses. Provides an adjusted gross income tax deduction for contributions made to an individual's farm savings account during a taxable year. Establishes the local child care assistance program for the purpose of providing a county with assistance in expanding the availability of child care in the county, including by providing matching grants. Extends the sunset of the collection of hospital assessment fees and health facility quality assessment fees from June 30, 2025, to June 30, 2027. Removes the annual income maximum for choice scholarship eligibility and eligibility for the education scholarship account. Provides that an individual may continue to participate in the career scholarship program after graduating, receiving an Indiana high school equivalency diploma, or obtaining a certificate of completion if the individual: (1) participated in the career scholarship program or the education savings account program while enrolled in grade 10, 11, or 12 in Indiana; (2) was a student with a disability at the time the account was established who required special education and for whom an individualized education program, a service plan, or a choice special education plan was developed; and (3) is less than 22 years of age. Establishes the Hoosier workforce upskill program to provide grants to eligible employers for reimbursement of training expenses. Establishes the public prosecution fund to provide county reimbursement of compensation paid to deputy prosecuting attorneys and other administrative expenses. Provides that unexpended and unencumbered amounts appropriated from the federal economic stimulus fund in P.L.165-2021 do not revert to the state general fund. Requires the state comptroller to transfer: (1) \$15,000,000 from the addiction services fund; and (2) \$25,000,000 from the department of insurance fund; to the tobacco master settlement agreement fund on July 1, 2025.

**State Bill Page:** [HB1001](#)

**HB1020**     **1977 PENSION AND DISABILITY FUND** (HAGGARD C) Increases the following in regard to the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund: (1) the maximum annual cost of living adjustment from 3% to 5%; and (2) the death benefit payable to the heirs or estate of a fund member from \$12,000 to \$15,000.

**Comments:** FOP BILL

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**HB1047**     **LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING** (BARTLETT)

J) Provides that, on or before July 1, 2025, each law enforcement agency shall adopt and implement protocols to administer drug and alcohol testing to a law enforcement officer immediately after the law enforcement officer uses deadly force in the pursuit or apprehension of an individual.

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**HB1063**     **DISCRIMINATORY PROFILING AND PRETEXTUAL STOPS** (PRYOR C) Honors the memory of Byron Ratcliffe Sr. by doing the following: (1) Prohibits discriminatory profiling and pretextual stops (discriminatory profiling and stops) by law enforcement based on perceived age, gender, race, or ethnicity. (2) Requires law enforcement agencies to: (A) adopt policies regarding discriminatory profiling and stops; (B) submit discriminatory profiling and stops data to the attorney general for inclusion in an annual report to the legislative council; and (C) establish standards for the use of vehicle and body cameras. (3) Establishes law enforcement officer training regarding discriminatory profiling and stops. (4) Establishes the discriminatory profiling review commission to review complaints. (5) Provides for a civil action based on discriminatory profiling and stops.

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**HB1072**     **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INVESTIGATIONS** (BAUER M) Requires law enforcement agencies to use a domestic violence risk assessment when responding to a domestic violence incident.

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**HB1079**     **PROPERTY MATTERS** (ZIMMERMAN A) Provides that if a tenant does not claim the tenant's property within 30 days after receiving a certain notice, a warehouseman or storage facility may sell the tenant's property (current law requires a warehouseman or storage facility to wait 90 days). Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the real property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the property owner; or (3) another legal interest in the real property; authorizing the individual to occupy the real property. Provides that, under certain circumstances, a property owner may obtain an expedited removal of a squatter from the property owner's residential real property or commercial real estate.

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**HB1083**     **PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS** (PRESSEL J) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the residential real property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the residential real property; authorizing the individual to occupy the residential real property. Provides that under certain circumstances, a property owner may obtain an expedited removal of a squatter from the property owner's residential real property.

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**HB1091**     **SEXUAL BATTERY AGAINST A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** (GARCIA WILBURN V) Provides an enhancement for sexual battery that is committed against a law enforcement officer.

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**HB1092**     **FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING** (GARCIA WILBURN V) Appropriates

\$2,000,000 from the state general fund to the department of homeland security (department) to be used by the department for the purpose of providing mental health and wellness training for: (1) law enforcement officers; (2) emergency medical services providers; and (3) full-time firefighters.

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**HB1095**     **INDIANA CRIME GUNS TASK FORCE** (HARRIS E) Provides that the Indiana crime guns task force area may include Lake County. Increases the number of executive board members required for a quorum from five to seven. Specifies that the position for which the chairperson voted prevails in the case of a tie vote as long as that position has received the affirmative votes of at least four members of the executive board. (Current law requires the affirmative votes of at least three members for a tie to be settled in favor of the chairperson's position.)

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**HB1096**     **SEX CRIMES COMMITTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** (BARTLETT J) Provides that the state may seek an enhancement to the sentence of a sex offense committed by a law enforcement officer. Provides that for purposes of the sentence enhancement, the definition of "law enforcement officer" includes a school resource officer or school corporation police officer.

*State Bill Page:* [HB1096](#)

**HB1118**     **CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT DEBRIEFINGS** (MCNAMARA W) Provides that a first responder recipient of critical incident stress management (CISM) services may not be compelled to testify or otherwise disclose a communication made to a CISM services provider or peer support team member relating to the first responder recipient's CISM services in a civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding. Provides that a first responder recipient or the first responder recipient's employer may not be held liable for damages for any act, error, or omission committed by the first responder recipient based on a communication provided between a first responder recipient and CISM team, CISM services provider, or peer support team as part of the CISM services unless the act, error, or omission constitutes wanton, willful, or intentional misconduct.

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**HB1122**     **UNLAWFUL ENCROACHMENT** (MCNAMARA W) Authorizes a law enforcement officer to order a person to stop approaching the law enforcement officer if the officer reasonably believes that the person's presence within 25 feet of the officer will interfere with the performance of the officer's duties. Provides that a person who knowingly or intentionally approaches within 25 feet of a law enforcement officer after being ordered to stop approaching commits unlawful encroachment on a law enforcement officer, a Class C misdemeanor.

*Comments:* FOP BILL

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**HB1137**     **EXPUNGEMENT OF RED FLAG LAW RECORDS** (SMALTZ B) Requires a court to expunge certain records related to the red flag law if the court finds that an individual is not dangerous or is no longer dangerous.

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- HB1158**     **PARTICIPATION IN THE 287(G) PROGRAM** (LAUER R) Requires each sheriff with regard to a county jail to: (1) enter into a written agreement with the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement to participate in the immigration program established under Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act not later than January 1, 2026; and (2) beginning October 1, 2025, notify the department of correction quarterly of the status of a written agreement and any reason for noncompliance.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1158](#)
- HB1170**     **ELIMINATION OF GUN-FREE ZONES** (LUCAS J) Provides, with some exceptions, that beginning July 1, 2025, the state of Indiana may not regulate: (1) firearms, ammunition, and firearm accessories; and (2) the ownership, possession, carrying, transportation, registration, transfer, and storage of firearms, ammunition, and firearm accessories. Specifies that a certain provision of an ordinance, measure, enactment, rule, policy, or exercise of proprietary authority is void. Provides that a person not otherwise prohibited from carrying or possessing a firearm under federal or state law may carry or possess a firearm, without restriction, on certain property affiliated with the following state agencies beginning July 1, 2025: (1) The department of natural resources. (2) The state fair commission. (3) The department of administration. (4) The department of workforce development. Prohibits, with some exceptions, a state educational institution (institution) from regulating the possession or transportation of firearms, ammunition, or firearm accessories in particular places. Allows a person to bring an action against an institution if the person is adversely affected by certain rules concerning firearms.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1170](#)
- HB1171**     **SELF-DEFENSE** (LUCAS J) Specifies that "reasonable force" includes the pointing of a loaded or unloaded firearm for purposes of arrest or to prevent an escape, or for self-defense.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1171](#)
- HB1179**     **BLUE ENVELOPE PROGRAM** (MOSELEY C) Establishes the blue envelope program for the purpose of enhancing effective communication between law enforcement and drivers with autism spectrum disorder.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1179](#)
- HB1186**     **LAW ENFORCEMENT MATTERS** (BARTELS S) Provides that a correctional professional is considered a public safety officer for purposes of determining eligibility for line of duty death benefits. (Current law provides that a correctional officer is considered a public safety officer for determining eligibility line of death benefits.) Provides that a law enforcement officer who: (1) has successfully completed Tier II or Tier III basic requirements; or (2) has completed a pre-basic program and will timely complete Tier II or Tier III basic training requirements; may only exercise police powers when the law enforcement officer is carrying out the duties of the law enforcement agency that appointed the law enforcement officer within the geographic jurisdiction of the appointing law enforcement agency. Provides that a Tier II or Tier III program graduate may exercise certain police powers outside the jurisdiction of the appointing law enforcement agency if the appointing law enforcement agency enters into an agreement with another law enforcement agency that is authorized to employ a Tier II or Tier III program graduate, or an entity that sets forth the extent of police powers the law enforcement officer may exercise. Makes changes to

penalties for highway worksite violations. Increases the penalty for criminal recklessness from a Class B to a Class A misdemeanor. Provides that criminal recklessness is a: (1) Level 6 felony if the crime is committed while armed with a deadly weapon or is committed while operating a vehicle; (2) Level 5 felony if the person committed pointing a firearm while committing aggressive driving; (3) Level 4 felony if the crime is committed by shooting a firearm into a dwelling or other building or place where people are likely to gather or the person commits aggressive driving that results in serious bodily injury to another person; or (4) Level 3 felony if the crime is committed by shooting a firearm into an occupied motor vehicle or the person committed aggressive driving that results in the death or catastrophic injury of another person. Provides that a Level 3, Level 4, or Level 5 felony of criminal recklessness is considered a serious violent felony for purposes of unlawful possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon. Adds a hospital police department to the definition of police departments required to provide police officers with certain rights.

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**HB1188 RESISTING LAW ENFORCEMENT (SHONKWILER A)** Increases certain penalties for resisting law enforcement.

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**HB1189 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS (ABBOTT D)** Provides that under certain circumstances, a residential property owner may obtain the removal of an unauthorized person from the residential property owner's residential real property. Establishes a cause of action for wrongful removal from residential property. Provides that if a person without either the consent of the owner of a dwelling or a contractual interest in the dwelling knowingly or intentionally enters the dwelling and knowingly or intentionally causes more than \$10,000 in damages to the dwelling, the person commits a Level 6 felony.

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**HB1199 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS (BARTLETT J)** Requires a political subdivision to contract with mental health providers for the purpose of supplementing existing crisis intervention teams with mental health professionals. Specifies certain eligibility requirements for mental health professionals' rapid response assistance. Requires a mental health professional who is appointed to accompany responding law enforcement or police officers to a call or be separately dispatched to an emergency involving a mental health or substance use disorder crisis. Provides that a law enforcement officer or police officer (officer) may not be held liable for damages, including punitive damages, for any act or omission related to a mental health professional's contribution to a crisis intervention team or a crisis intervention team response. Specifies that no other person or entity may be held liable for certain damages by reason of an agency relationship with an officer. Defines certain terms.

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**HB1221 PENSION MATTERS (KARICKHOFF M)** Requires certain supplemental allowance reserve accounts to pay an annual cost of living adjustment or thirteenth check beginning in 2027. Provides for a thirteenth check in certain years for certain members, participants, or beneficiaries of the: (1) Indiana state teachers' retirement fund; (2) Indiana public employees' retirement fund; (3) state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan; (4) state police pre-1987 benefit system; and (5) state police 1987 benefit system.

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**HB1294**     **CITIZEN'S ARRESTS** (HARRIS E) Prohibits citizen's arrests. Makes conforming amendments.

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**HB1297**     **MOTOR VEHICLE MEDICAL INFORMATION PROGRAM** (ERRINGTON S) Establishes the yellow dot motor vehicle medical information program.

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**HB1304**     **ROBBERY** (ANDRADE M) Provides that knowingly or intentionally taking a motor vehicle from another person is robbery, a Level 4 felony. Provides enhancements. Makes a confirming change.

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**HB1314**     **DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN** (SMITH V) Allows a member of the 1925 police pension fund, 1937 firefighters' pension fund, 1953 police pension fund (Indianapolis), or 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund to withdraw from the deferred retirement option plan (DROP) and make an election to enter the DROP for a second time not earlier than three years after the date the member withdraws from the DROP. Provides that a member may make an election to enter the DROP only twice in the member's lifetime.

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**HB1350**     **JUDICIAL IMMUNITY CONCERNING ELECTRONIC MONITORING** (JACKSON C) Adds judges to the list of persons immune from civil liability for certain acts or omissions that occur in connection with the statute establishing electronic monitoring standards. (Current law provides that immunity does not apply to gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.)

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**HB1352**     **MENTAL HEALTH CARE FOR FIRST RESPONDERS** (JACKSON C) Establishes the Indiana first responders mental health wellness fund and program (fund and program). Provides that the division of mental health and addiction of the office of the secretary of family and social services (division) shall administer the fund and program. Provides that a first responder who meets certain requirements may apply to the division for: (1) costs associated with the first responder's active participation in a mental health treatment plan as determined by a psychologist or physician treating the first responder; and (2) compensation if the first responder is unable to work. Establishes requirements for obtaining compensation. Makes a continuous appropriation.

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**HB1374**     **REPEAL OF RIGHT TO WORK LAW** (BOY P) Repeals the chapter prohibiting a person from requiring: (1) labor organization membership; (2) payment of dues or fees to a labor organization; or (3) payment to a charity or third party of an amount equivalent to dues or fees required by a labor organization; as a condition of employment. Makes corresponding changes.

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- HB1393**     **IMMIGRATION NOTICE** (BASCOM G) Requires a law enforcement officer to provide the name, address, and other identifying information to ICE after arresting or issuing a summons to an individual suspected of not being lawfully present in the United States.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1393](#)
- HB1471**     **LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS** (STEUERWALD G) Establishes the procedure for placing a law enforcement officer's name on a Giglio list. Provides notice and reconsideration procedures. Provides requirements for prosecuting attorneys and law enforcement officers. Provides civil immunity to prosecuting attorneys for acts related to a Giglio list.  
*Comments:* FOP BILL  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1471](#)
- HB1487**     **EXPUNGEMENT** (STEUERWALD G) Specifies that certain records relating to juvenile delinquency proceedings are accessible to a law enforcement officer acting within the scope of the officer's duties, and requires persons having custody of these records to take steps to ensure that these records are available to the law enforcement officer in a timely manner. Repeals a provision requiring a court to expunge certain records on the court's own motion. Prohibits the expungement of a crime of violence. Allows the expungement of official misconduct if: (1) the person seeking the expungement is not an elected official; and (2) the prosecuting attorney consents.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1487](#)
- HB1497**     **AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SAFETY DEVICES** (JOHNSON B) Authorizes a county or municipality to adopt and enforce an ordinance that regulates the use of an automated traffic enforcement safety device (device) to detect certain violations. Provides a civil penalty for a violation. Specifies that a civil penalty must first be applied to defray the cost of the installation, operation, and maintenance of the device. Specifies the manner in which the remaining money from the civil penalty must be distributed. Prohibits: (1) reporting a violation on a driving record; (2) using a violation to determine rates for motor vehicle insurance; (3) assessing points under the point system by the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) for a violation; and (4) reselling data collected by an agent operating a device. Requires notification to the bureau, and the suspension of the registration of a motor vehicle if a violation is not paid. Makes conforming changes.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1497](#)
- HB1533**     **MARION COUNTY JUDGES** (IRELAND A) Establishes a procedure to remove a judge appointed to the Marion superior court by public question.  
*State Bill Page:* [HB1533](#)
- HB1549**     **STATE PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL POLICE TRAINING** (LUCAS J) Requires the law enforcement training board to pay the cost of an individual's basic training (Tier 1) course, if the individual has been hired by a city or town police department. Requires an individual to reimburse the law enforcement training board for the cost of the basic training course if the individual voluntarily resigns from the police department less than five years after being certified as a law enforcement officer.  
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**HB1566**     **BAIL** (HATCHER R) Prohibits a court from requiring an arrestee to pay bail as a condition of pretrial release, unless: (1) the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the arrestee is a flight risk or danger to the community; (2) the arrestee is charged with murder or treason; (3) the arrestee is on pretrial release not related to the incident that is the basis for the present arrest; or (4) the arrestee is on probation, parole, or other community supervision. Requires that the amount of bail be the lowest amount required, based on the defendant's financial circumstances, to assure the arrestee's appearance at trial and to protect the community.

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**HB1573**     **IMPAIRMENT FOR MENTAL ILLNESS** (GOSS-REAVES L) Specifies the circumstances under which an employer under the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund is required to pay for certain mental health care and treatment.

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**HB1589**     **PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER BENEFIT ADVISORY BOARD** (CARBAUGH M) Establishes the public safety officer benefit advisory board (board). Requires the state police department to provide staff support for the board. Requires the board to provide a report to the legislative council and interim study committee on pension management oversight before October 1 of each year.

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**HB1637**     **SCHOOL AND PUBLIC SAFETY MATTERS** (BARTELS S) Provides for the appointment of a fire chief, or the fire chief's designee, to a county school safety commission. Establishes the office of school safety within the department of homeland security (department) for the purpose of coordinating and administering school security and safety resources. Changes the composition of the secured school safety board. Requires a school safety plan to include measures to annually inspect each protective door assembly on school buildings to ensure compliance with standards established by the fire prevention and building safety commission. Authorizes the department to issue enforcement orders in accordance with rules adopted by the board of firefighting personnel standards and education. Removes emergency medical services enforcement authority from the state fire marshal's management authority. Provides that the department, a fire department, or a volunteer fire department may open burn for fire training purposes if certain conditions are met. Makes various changes to provisions relating to the department's enforcement authority pertaining to the administrative adjudication of building fire and safety laws. Requires that a city, town, or county that requires a building permit for the construction of a Class 2 structure to allow the inspection to be conducted by third party inspectors. Amends the definition of "law enforcement officer" to include the state fire marshal and the executive director or fire investigator of the department. Repeals the provision establishing the department of education's division of school building physical security and safety. Makes conforming amendments.

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**HB1641**     **COUNTY GOVERNMENT MATTERS** (MELTZER J) Excludes meetings of the governing body of a police or fire merit system from the definition of a "meeting" under the open door law. Allows an executive session to be held to: (1) review, receive, and discuss the terms and conditions of a proposed contract; and (2) communicate with an attorney, subject to

the attorney client privilege. Excludes conveyances to a unit from the definition of a "conveyance document". Amends requirements for local ordinances concerning the operation of a golf cart or an off-road vehicle. Provides that if a body is to be transported by common carrier, the person in charge of interment shall secure a burial transit permit in duplicate from certain individuals. Provides that the governing body of a school corporation may enter into a public-private agreement for the construction or renovation of school buildings under the statutes governing public-private agreements. Prohibits a county employee from taking action on a county contract, unless permitted by a county ordinance. Adds language excluding certain property from the definition of "residential property" for an allocation area established after June 30, 2025.

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**HB1649**     **STATE POLICE AND CONSERVATION OFFICER SALARIES** (JUDY C) Provides 2% raises for state police and conservation officers in odd-numbered years.

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**HB1653**     **REPEAL OF INVOLUNTARY FIREARM REMOVAL PROCESS** (PAYNE Z) Repeals provisions concerning the: (1) confiscation and retention of firearms from a dangerous person; (2) compilation and publication of statistics related to the confiscation and retention of firearms from a dangerous person; and (3) making of a false report that a person is dangerous. Modifies a provision concerning a petition to find that an individual is no longer dangerous.

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**HB1662**     **STATE AND LOCAL POLICIES ON HOMELESSNESS** (DAVIS M) Provides that any state funds available to the Indiana housing and community development authority (authority) for programs for individuals experiencing homelessness are appropriated (subject to specified conditions and requirements) for the following purposes: (1) Parking areas. (2) Camping facilities. (3) Individual shelters. (4) Congregate shelters. Specifies that state funds otherwise used for permanent housing must be used to assist individuals with substance use, mental health treatment, and other services, including short term housing. Prohibits the use of state funds for the Indiana housing first program unless the expenditure is for a purpose allowed under the bill. Provides that the authority must award certain funds as performance payments for political subdivisions or nonprofit organizations that reduce the number of individuals with days unhoused, days in jail or prison, or days hospitalized. Specifies that a person who owns or operates a private camping facility funded under the bill's provisions is immune from civil liability. Prohibits an individual from camping, sleeping, or using for long term shelter land owned by the state or a political subdivision, unless the land has been authorized for that use under the provisions added by the bill or another law. Provides, if certain elements are met, that a person who knowingly or intentionally uses land owned by the state or a political subdivision for unauthorized camping, sleeping, or long term shelter commits a Class C misdemeanor. Establishes an affirmative defense to such a prosecution. Prohibits a political subdivision from adopting or enforcing any policy that prohibits or discourages the enforcement of any order or ordinance prohibiting public camping, sleeping, or other obstruction of a sidewalk. Authorizes a resident of the political subdivision, an owner of a business located in the political subdivision, or the attorney general to bring a civil action to enjoin a political subdivision that adopts or enforces such a policy. Makes conforming changes. Makes an appropriation.

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**HCR2**      **URGING THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO RENAME THAT PORTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 31 FROM SMITH VALLEY ROAD TO COUNTY LINE ROAD THE "STATE TROOPER AARON SMITH MEMORIAL HIGHWAY"** (DAVIS M) A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana Department of Transportation to rename that portion of U.S. Highway 31 from Smith Valley Road to County Line Road the "State Trooper Aaron Smith Memorial Highway".

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**HCR5**      **URGING THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO RENAME THAT PORTION OF STATE ROAD 75 BETWEEN CR 700 S AND CR 800 S IN CARROLL COUNTY THE "DEPUTY SHERIFF NOAH C. RAINEY MEMORIAL ROAD"** (VANNATTER H) A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana Department of Transportation to rename that portion of State Road 75 between CR 700 S and CR 800 S in Carroll County the "Deputy Sheriff Noah C. Rainey Memorial Road".

*State Bill Page:* [HCR5](#)

**HJR5**      **SUSPENSION OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY** (IRELAND A) Authorizes the governor to suspend a prosecuting attorney from office for malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, incompetence, permanent inability to perform official duties, or commission of a felony, and allows the governor to fill the office by appointment for the period of suspension.

*State Bill Page:* [HJR5](#)

**SB12**      **REMOVAL OF SQUATTERS** (TOMES J) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the property of another and who does not and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the property. Permits a property owner to execute an affidavit stating that a squatter is occupying the person's property, and requires a law enforcement agency to dispatch one or more law enforcement officers to remove the squatter within 48 hours (or a later period if necessary for reasons of public safety). Requires a dispatched law enforcement officer to remove the squatter from the property unless the law enforcement officer discovers credible written evidence that the person is not a squatter.

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**SB13**      **PUBLIC SAFETY** (TOMES J) Provides that a person who knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly operates a vehicle in a repeated or continuous manner with the intent of causing a rotational skid commits reckless driving, a Class B misdemeanor, and increases the penalty if certain circumstances apply. Specifies that a person may request specialized driving privileges even after the initial hearing. Provides that a vehicle used to commit reckless driving involving a rotational skid or obstruction of traffic involving a rotational skid is subject to seizure for purposes of civil forfeiture if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for the offense. Increases the penalty for resisting law enforcement to a Level 5 felony if a person operates a vehicle in a manner that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury to another person. Makes conforming amendments.

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**SB19**      **DRIVER INSTRUCTIONS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES** (RANDOLPH

L) Requires the driver education advisory board to consult with the commissioner of the bureau of motor vehicles (commissioner) and the state police department, and advise the commissioner in the administration of the policies of the commission and the bureau of motor vehicles (bureau) regarding driver education in: (1) the procedures of a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop; and (2) the actions a person should take during a traffic stop, including appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer. Requires the bureau to include in any driver education manual published by the bureau the following: (1) A description of the procedures of a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop. (2) An explanation of the actions a person should take during a traffic stop, including appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer. Provides that driver education curriculum must include instruction about actions to take during a traffic stop and the appropriate interaction with a law enforcement officer during a traffic stop.

*State Bill Page:* [SB19](#)

**SB22 EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES** (GLICK S) Establishes a procedure to be used by a law enforcement agency in conducting a lineup. Makes conforming amendments.

*State Bill Page:* [SB22](#)

**SB27 FIREARM BUYBACK PROGRAMS** (TOMES J) Extends, to political subdivisions, the application of current restrictions on firearm buyback programs. Prohibits a firearm buyback program that does not meet certain requirements related to staffing, serial number searches, firearm disposal, and disclosure of identifying information.

*State Bill Page:* [SB27](#)

**SB70 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS** (DERNULC D) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the residential real property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the residential real property; authorizing the individual to occupy the residential real property. Provides that under certain circumstances, a property owner may obtain an expedited removal of a squatter from the property owner's residential real property.

*State Bill Page:* [SB70](#)

**SB95 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COST REIMBURSEMENT** (BYRNE G) Allows the state, a state agency, or a political subdivision (public employer) to be reimbursed for the costs of employing and training a law enforcement officer by a public employer that subsequently employs the officer. Provides that the reimbursement amount decreases over time and is eliminated three years after the officer is certified by the law enforcement training board to act as an officer. Allows a public employer to require, as a condition of hiring, that the individual enter into a contract or agreement to reimburse the public employer for employment and training costs, if the individual is subsequently hired by a private or governmental employer that is not defined by statute as a public employer.

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**SB106 RIGHTS OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS** (BYRNE G) Permits a public safety officer to bring a claim against a police department or fire department for a violation of the rights of public safety officers.

*Comments:* FOP BILL

*State Bill Page:* [SB106](#)

- SB120**     **DNA SAMPLES AT TIME OF ARREST** (CRIDER M) Requires a sheriff to take a DNA sample of a person taken into custody for a felony. Provides that it is a Class C misdemeanor if a person refuses to provide a DNA sample to a sheriff.  
*State Bill Page:* [SB120](#)
- SB124**     **FIREFIGHTING APPARATUS LIGHTS** (YOUNG M) Allows a firefighting apparatus owned or operated by a political subdivision or volunteer fire department to be equipped with signal lamps that are capable of displaying flashing, rotating, or oscillating beams of red and blue lights. (Current law allows a firefighting apparatus to display red or red and white lights.)  
*State Bill Page:* [SB124](#)
- SB139**     **EXPUNGEMENT AND FIREARMS** (CRIDER M) Specifies, for purposes of the expungement statute, that a person whose conviction for a serious violent felony involving the possession or use of a firearm is expunged is entitled to restoration of the person's right to possess a firearm only if the court finds, following a hearing, that restoration of the person's right to possess a firearm is unlikely to present a danger to the public.  
*State Bill Page:* [SB139](#)
- SB141**     **EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES** (BROWN L) Establishes a procedure to be used by a law enforcement agency in conducting a lineup.  
*State Bill Page:* [SB141](#)
- SB149**     **ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM IMMUNITY** (RANDOLPH L) Adds judicial officers to the list of persons immune from civil liability for certain acts or omissions that occur in connection with the statute establishing electronic monitoring standards. (Current law provides that immunity does not apply to gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.)  
*State Bill Page:* [SB149](#)
- SB157**     **PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS** (GASKILL M) Defines "squatter" as an individual who occupies the property of another and who does not have and has never had: (1) a rental agreement; (2) permission of the owner; or (3) another legal interest in the property. Permits a property owner to execute an affidavit stating that a squatter is occupying the person's property, and requires a law enforcement agency to dispatch one or more law enforcement officers to remove the squatter within 48 hours (or a later period if necessary for reasons of public safety). Requires a dispatched law enforcement officer to remove the squatter from the property unless the law enforcement officer discovers credible written evidence that the person is not a squatter. Provides certain immunities to a law enforcement agency and a law enforcement officer.  
*State Bill Page:* [SB157](#)
- SB158**     **PUBLIC SAFETY** (FREEMAN A) Provides that a person who knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly operates a vehicle in a repeated or continuous manner with the intent of causing a rotational skid commits reckless driving, a Class B misdemeanor, and increases the penalty if certain circumstances apply. Specifies that a person may request specialized

driving privileges even after the initial hearing. Specifies that a vehicle used to commit reckless driving involving a rotational skid or obstruction of traffic involving a rotational skid is subject to seizure for purposes of civil forfeiture. Increases the penalty for resisting law enforcement to a Level 5 felony if a person operates a vehicle in a manner that creates a substantial risk of bodily injury to another person. Makes conforming amendments.

*State Bill Page:* [SB158](#)

**SB159**      **PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING A WARRANT** (FREEMAN A) Specifies that a judge or, at the direction of the judge, a prosecuting attorney, shall record a request for a warrant made orally by telephone, radio, or similar electronic means. (Under current law, the judge is required to record the request.) Permits certain warrant requests to be: (1) made electronically (where current law only allows this by radio or telephone); and (2) recorded electronically (where current law only permits the use of audio tape). Requires the prosecuting attorney and a law enforcement agency to maintain all requests for warrants, and to provide them to a defendant in discovery.

*State Bill Page:* [SB159](#)

**SB161**      **ENFORCEMENT OF PROHIBITIONS ON PUBLIC CAMPING** (FREEMAN A) Prohibits a political subdivision from adopting or enforcing any policy that prohibits or discourages the enforcement of any order or ordinance prohibiting public camping, sleeping, or other obstruction of a sidewalk. Authorizes the attorney general to bring a civil action to enjoin a political subdivision that adopts or enforces such a policy.

*State Bill Page:* [SB161](#)

**SB172**      **FAILURE TO ASSIST IN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT** (YOUNG M) Makes it a Class B misdemeanor for: (1) a law enforcement officer to refuse to cooperate with state or federal agencies or officials in the enforcement of immigration laws; and (2) an individual to adopt a policy barring a law enforcement officer from cooperating with state or federal agencies or officials in the enforcement of immigration laws. Establishes certain defenses for the law enforcement officer.

*State Bill Page:* [SB172](#)

**SB183**      **RURAL INTERSECTION SAFETY** (CRIDER M) Provides that a person that owns or is the lessee of a parcel of agricultural land at an intersection of two county, municipal, or township roads that is not controlled by a traffic signal shall maintain a line of sight triangle at the intersection. Provides that the land contained within the line of sight triangle must not contain any: (1) crops that typically exceed a height of three feet; or (2) other: (A) vegetation; or (B) structures, signs, fences, walls, or obstructions that are owned or controlled by the property owner or a lessee of the property owner; that exceed a height of three feet. Provides that trees may be planted and maintained within the line of sight triangle area if all branches are trimmed to maintain a clear vision for a vertical height of six feet above the roadway surface. Provides that a person involved in an automobile accident resulting from the landowner's or lessee's failure to maintain the line of sight triangle has a cause of action against the landowner or lessee for damages resulting from the accident.

*State Bill Page:* [SB183](#)

**SB198**      **CRIME OF SWATTING** (FREEMAN A) Specifies that, for purposes of the crime of false informing, hindering a "law enforcement process" includes causing a law enforcement

officer to be dispatched. Enhances the penalty for making a false report that a person is dangerous to a Level 6 felony if the offense causes a person to feel terrorized, frightened, intimidated, or threatened.

*State Bill Page:* [SB198](#)

**SB258**      **ENFORCEMENT OF TRESPASSING LAWS** (ALTING R) Provides that a person who: (1) has previously been removed by a law enforcement officer from a property for trespassing; or (2) has a prior conviction for trespassing on the same property; commits criminal trespass if the person enters the property or refuses to leave the property after having been prohibited from entering or asked to leave the property by a law enforcement officer.

*State Bill Page:* [SB258](#)

**SB281**      **EXPUNGEMENT** (BALDWIN S) Specifies that certain records relating to juvenile delinquency proceedings are accessible to a law enforcement officer acting within the scope of the officer's duties, and requires persons having custody of these records to take steps to ensure that these records are available to the law enforcement officer in a timely manner. Repeals a provision requiring a court to expunge certain records on the court's own motion. Prohibits the expungement of a crime of violence. Allows the expungement of official misconduct if: (1) the person seeking the expungement is not an elected official; and (2) the prosecuting attorney consents.

*State Bill Page:* [SB281](#)

**SB313**      **LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA** (BALDWIN S) Requires, on or before July 1, 2026, the state police department (department), in consultation with the office of technology and the department of homeland security, to develop and implement the Indiana law enforcement data sharing program (program). Requires the department to establish rules for: (1) protocols regarding access to information and information accessible by a law enforcement agency; (2) safeguards to protect the integrity of the program; (3) confidentiality and data privacy requirements; (4) timely data submission and reporting requirements; and (5) compliance standards. Requires Indiana law enforcement agencies to provide data in a timely manner in accordance with rules established by the department. Makes annual appropriations to the department to develop and implement the program.

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**SB324**      **CRIMINAL PENALTIES** (FREEMAN A) Increases the penalty levels of crimes related to fentanyl and methamphetamine. Increases the penalty levels of battery against a public safety official, battery resulting in moderate bodily injury, battery resulting in serious bodily injury, battery against a public safety official that results in bodily injury, battery against an endangered adult resulting in serious bodily injury, battery against a child that results in serious bodily injury, battery that results in death, and aggravated battery. Provides that a court may not admit a person charged with a crime of violence to bail until the court has conducted a bail hearing in open court. Makes conforming changes.

*State Bill Page:* [SB324](#)

**SB354**      **SEARCH AND SEIZURE** (GASKILL M) Prohibits a governmental agent from entering real property that is owned or occupied by a landowner without a warrant. Provides certain exceptions. Requires a governmental agent, upon entering real property, to: (1) take reasonable action to notify the landowner that the governmental agent has entered; (2) show the landowner a copy of the warrant, if applicable; and (3) activate any law

enforcement recording device that is issued to the governmental agent. Provides that evidence obtained by entry on real property without a warrant or without a valid exception is inadmissible. Provides that a person may not be arrested if the probable cause for the arrest results solely from entry on real property without a warrant or valid exception. Establishes a civil cause of action if a governmental agent enters real property without a warrant or valid exception.

*State Bill Page:* [SB354](#)

**SB388**     **1977 FUND BENEFITS** (ROGERS L) Increases the basic monthly pension benefit payable to a member of the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund who retires after June 30, 2025, with 20 years of service. Increases the contribution rate of fund members.

*Comments:* FOP BILL

*State Bill Page:* [SB388](#)

**SB398**     **FALSE REPORTING** (TAYLOR G) Specifies that a law enforcement officer who, knowing that information is false or misleading, includes the false or misleading information in a police report commits false informing, a Class A misdemeanor.

*State Bill Page:* [SB398](#)

**SB406**     **LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSIONS** (POL R) Increases the 1977 police officers' and firefighters' pension and disability fund's maximum annual cost of living adjustment from 3% to 5%.

*Comments:* FOP BILL

*State Bill Page:* [SB406](#)

**SB410**     **PREVENTIVE DETENTION AND PRESUMPTIVE RELEASE** (POL R) Provides that a trial court may not release on bail a defendant if the state proves by clear and convincing evidence that a defendant poses a substantial risk and the proof is evident or the presumption strong. Establishes a procedure for the state to petition the trial court for a determination that a defendant poses a substantial risk. Provides that for an arrestee whose most serious pending charge is a misdemeanor or a Level 6 felony, the arrestee is presumptively entitled to release without money bail or surety. Provides that an arrestee is not presumptively entitled to release without money bail or surety if certain conditions apply.

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**SB418**     **SPECIAL DEATH BENEFIT FOR OIG INVESTIGATORS** (CARRASCO C) Adds an investigator for the inspector general to the list of public safety officers whose relative receives a special death benefit if the officer dies in the line of duty.

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**SB420**     **TRANSFER OF HIGH RISK PERSONS FROM COUNTY JAIL** (CARRASCO C) Establishes a procedure for the transfer of an inmate from a county jail to another county jail or the department of correction if the inmate: (1) poses a serious risk of escape; (2) demonstrates violent or aggressive behavior; or (3) needs to be protected from other inmates.

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**SB428**      **IMMIGRATION MATTERS** (KOCH E) Clarifies that the enforcement of federal immigration laws may be carried out by federal, state, or local law enforcement. Removes the mens rea standard in the statute concerning governmental entities or postsecondary institutions violating the citizenship and immigration status information and enforcement of federal laws. Provides that a governmental body that has the custody of an individual who is the subject of an immigration detainer request shall: (1) provide the judge authorized to grant or deny the individual's release on bail notice that the individual is subject to an immigration detainer request; (2) record in the individual's case file that the individual is subject to an immigration detainer request; (3) comply with the immigration detainer request; and (4) inform the individual that the individual is being held pursuant to an immigration detainer request. Provides immunity to a governmental body or an employee of a governmental body for any action taken concerning an immigration detainer request. Provides that if the attorney general determines that probable cause exists that a governmental entity has not complied with an immigration detention request, the attorney general may: (1) issue a cease and desist order; (2) bring a court action to enjoin an action or practice constituting a violation of an immigration detention request or compel compliance with the immigration detention request; and (3) impose a civil penalty for noncompliance with an immigration detention request. Provides that if the attorney general determines a governmental body did not comply with an immigration detention order, upon the advice of the attorney general, the governor may order that state funding and grants be withheld from the governmental body. Requires a judge, who receives notice that an individual is subject to an immigration detainer request, to ensure that the notice of the immigration detainer request is recorded in the court's record. Requires a judge to report to the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency an individual who has been convicted in the judge's court of a felony or misdemeanor.

*State Bill Page:* [SB428](#)

**SB429**      **PUBLIC SAFETY AND NONCITIZEN CRIMES** (KOCH E) Increases the penalty for operating a motor vehicle without having ever received a driver's license to: (1) a Level 6 felony if the crime results in serious bodily injury to another person; and (2) a Level 5 felony if the crime results in catastrophic injury or death to another person. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor to permit an individual who has never received a driver's license to operate a motor vehicle if the person who owns the vehicle knows that the individual has never received a license. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor to apply for a driver's license or permit with the intent to transfer the license or permit to an individual not entitled to the license or permit, and increases the penalty to: (1) a Level 6 felony if the offense involves at least two but less than 10 individuals, or if the person uses a business or nonprofit organization to commit the offense; and (2) a Level 5 felony if the offense involves at least 10 individuals. Requires the prosecuting attorney of each judicial circuit to collect certain information relating to crimes committed by noncitizens and to transmit this information to the attorney general. Requires a court, when sentencing a noncitizen convicted of a crime, to order custody of the noncitizen to be transferred to United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) upon completion of the sentence, unless another jurisdiction has a hold on the individual due to criminal charges or a conviction.

*State Bill Page:* [SB429](#)

**SB430**      **GRANTS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE 287(G) PROGRAM** (KOCH E) Establishes the 287(g) agreement grant program. Provides that a "287(g) agreement" refers to an agreement entered into under Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. Allows the department of homeland security to provide grants to assist certain local law

enforcement authorities in entering into and carrying out law enforcement under a 287(g) agreement.

*State Bill Page:* [SB430](#)

**SB492**      **RESTRICTED ADDRESS PROGRAM** (CRIDER M) Adds: (1) public safety telecommunicators; and (2) 911 emergency call dispatch center administrators; to the persons who may restrict access to their home address on a local government's public property data base website.

*State Bill Page:* [SB492](#)

**SB525**      **SHERIFF'S APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTIES** (CARRASCO C) Specifies the statutes under which a county sheriff may appoint deputies.

*State Bill Page:* [SB525](#)

**SJR22**      **SUSPENSION OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY** (FREEMAN A) Authorizes the governor to suspend a prosecuting attorney from office for malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, incompetence, permanent inability to perform official duties, or commission of a felony, and allows the governor to fill the office by appointment for the period of suspension. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

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#### Week In Review

#### [In a difficult housing market, a Senate bill would help once-failed renters](#)

On Thursday, a rowdy Indiana Senate brought forward nine bills in their second readings, including Senate Bill 142, which would automatically expunge eviction cases from renters' records.

The Statehouse File

#### [Hospitals support Medicaid expansion funding changes; Braun raises concerns](#)

A House committee approved a bill that would make several funding changes to Indiana's Medicaid expansion program. House Bill 1586 was supported by key health care stakeholders, such as the Insurance Institute of Indiana and the Indiana Hospital Association.

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#### [Tech companies could share cost of small nuclear plant pilot program under bill passed by committee](#)

Several bills that would make Hoosiers pay some of the cost of building small modular nuclear reactors are working their way through the Indiana Statehouse. But a Senate bill that passed committee on Thursday, SB 423, would allow the tech companies driving the need for these plants to share that cost.

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#### [Senate lawmakers advance a bill to ban noncompete agreements for physicians](#)

Most of the state's counties are experiencing a shortage of primary care physicians. Some lawmakers and advocates said noncompete agreements contribute to those shortages. Senate lawmakers advanced Senate Bill 475 Wednesday to ban these agreements for doctors.

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### **[Libraries fire back on Indiana bill to remove taxing authority](#)**

Hoosiers visit their local libraries millions of times each year, one of the public services funded by tax dollars. But boards overseeing the entities have a unique position in Indiana because the appointed members can impose a tax levy for certain needs – a funding option not available to other public services.

Fort Wayne Journal Gazette

### **[Gov. Mike Braun signs executive orders addressing health care costs, transparency](#)**

Gov. Mike Braun signed nine executive orders Wednesday afternoon that he said will provide clarity on health care pricing and will work toward his campaign promise of reducing Hoosiers' medical bills.

Indianapolis Business Journal

### **[Anti-DEI bills take heat but pass committee](#)**

For four hours on Wednesday, and with tempers flaring throughout, Indiana lawmakers and plenty of constituents debated whether diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) efforts combat or constitute discrimination.

Indiana Capital Chronicle

### **[How Indiana is spending \\$980M in opioid settlements](#)**

Since late 2022, the state of Indiana and its local communities have received more than \$980 million as a result of numerous settlements tied to the nationwide opioid crisis.

Indianapolis Business Journal

### **[New Indiana Secretary of Commerce outlines plans for economic development](#)**

INDIANAPOLIS - Indiana's new secretary of commerce is sharing his vision for regional economic development and how the Indiana Economic Development Corp. will drive business growth.

Inside Indiana Business

### **[Senate considers bill to raise teacher pay, expand benefits](#)**

A measure proposed by state lawmakers and endorsed by the Indiana secretary of education would raise teacher pay to a minimum of \$45,000 and provide teachers with up to 20 days of paid parental leave.

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