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AROUND THE CAPITOL

Neither the House nor the Senate debated bills on the floor today. Most of the work today was in subcommittee, but two Senate committee met and moved bills forward. Both the House and Senate have committee work scheduled for Tuesday. The House and Senate also introduced more than 60 new bills and study bills today.

The Senate Ways & Means Committee approved two bills, including [SSB 1124](#) **PROPERTY TAXES** on an 11-5 vote. [SSB 1124](#) is the Senate proposal to reform property taxes, and includes modifications of levy rates and essential purposes. Senator Dawson is handling the bill.

The Senate Local Government Committee approved four bills today on 10-0 votes: [SF 41](#) **LOCAL MANAGEMENT LEVY**, [SF 137](#) **LOCAL DISASTER LOANS**, [SSB 1089](#) **TAX PROTEST DEADLINES** and [SSB 1093](#) **LAND DIVISION APPROVAL**. Three of the four have similar or companion bills that have moved out of committee or subcommittee in the house ([HF 270](#) **TAX PROTEST DEADLINES** and [HF 280](#) **LOCAL DISASTER LOANS** approved in committee and [HF 126](#) **LOCAL MANAGEMENT LEVY** approved in subcommittee.)

The House is introduced its bill on CO2 (carbon capture) pipelines today, [HF 368](#) **PIPELINE RULES**. Representative Holt is the lead sponsor and chairing the subcommittee on the bill. The subcommittee is expected to meet at 11 AM tomorrow. Representatives Kaufmann and Wilburn are the other subcommittee members, and Representative Kaufmann is the one of the sponsors. After subcommittee approval, the bill will come up in the Judiciary Committee, chaired by Representative Holt. The bill adds restrictions for companies seeking to build carbon capture pipelines using eminent domain and applies to applications to applications filed as of July 2021. It prohibits the IUB from issuing a permit for a liquid CO2 (carbon capture) pipeline until federal safety rules on liquid CO2 pipelines have been adopted and requires that a liquid CO2 pipeline receive voluntary easements to build on 90% of an affected route before eminent domain authority can be issued.

Governor Reynolds signed [SF 181](#) **RESIDENTIAL VALUATIONS/TAX MATTERS** into law today. The bill had unanimous support in the Senate and wide support in the House. Supporters of the bill said it protects Iowa property taxpayers from property tax increases by fixing an unintended result after changes to the multi-residential property made in previous years. The Democrats who voted against the bill said that the since the error was by the state, the Legislature should have acted to hold local governments harmless for relying on the erroneous valuations. The bill also includes corrective provisions related to the withholding of retirement income and the employer child care tax credit.

TODAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

Bills Signed by the Governor: (1)

House Files: 33 (HF 338 - HF 370)

House Study Bills: 5 (HSB 174 - HSB 178)

Senate Files: 20 (SF 324 - SF 343)

Senate Study Bills: 5 (SSB 1163 - SSB 1167)

Resolutions INTRODUCED in the Senate: (1)

[SJR 10](#) AMERICAN CREAM DRAFT HORSE (Sweeney) (State Government)

Designates the American Cream Draft Horse, a draft horse native to Iowa, as the state horse.

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

Bills Signed by the Governor: (1)

[SF 181](#) RESIDENTIAL VALUATIONS/TAX MATTERS

Excludes various properties (mobile/manufactured home parks and communities, assisted living facilities and portions of commercial properties including room for three or more dwelling units) from assessment limitations related to residential and agricultural property. Includes implementing provisions for the DOR certifying various information to auditors and for auditors to make revisions. Extends the budget certification deadline to April 30. **Childcare Credit:** Specifies that the employer childcare credit can be used against the individual or corporate income tax, franchise/money and credits tax and insurance premiums tax. **Withholding:** Specifies that withholding is not required for retirement income that is not taxed.

The **Senate PASSED** the bill 49-0 (2/1)

The **House PASSED** the bill 86-13 (2/15)

SENATE COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Local Government Committee: Voted Out (4)

SF 41 LOCAL MANAGEMENT LEVY

Allows a local emergency management agency to levy for the agency and strikes the county authority. Deems the agency a municipality for certain purposes. **PASSED** 10-0; *FM: Klimesh*

SF 137 LOCAL DISASTER LOANS

Allows the Executive Council to forgive up to \$1 million in disaster loans to local governments for good cause. **PASSED** 10-0; *FM: Westrich*

SSB 1089 TAX PROTEST DEADLINES

Extends the informal review period for property tax protests to May 25 if the county was declared a disaster area the previous month. Extends filing deadlines and extends the period for a board of review to meet until July 15. **PASSED** 10-0; *FM: Lofgren*

SSB 1093 LAND DIVISION APPROVAL

Prohibits city councils and county supervisors from approving the division or consolidation of land without a certificate from the treasurer that the land is free from taxes/assessments. Requires the recorder to refuse to register any documents related to a division/consolidation without the same proof. **AMENDED & PASSED** 10-0; *FM: Shipley*

Senate Ways & Means Committee: Voted Out (2)

SSB 1124 PROPERTY TAXES

Lease: Lowers the threshold to trigger voter approval requirements for lease-purchases to a level comparable to essential county purpose bonds. **Reporting:** Requires that annual county financial reports include reports on bonds and other obligations. **County levy limitations:** Modifies the county levy rate, based in part whether the assessed value in the county exceeds the assessed value used for the previous year and exceeds certain amounts. Strikes supplemental levies for the maintenance of the court but rolls such existing levies in the general services levy. Strikes emergency reasons for levying additional property taxes, except for natural disasters. **Essential Purposes:** Reduces the threshold for essential county purpose bonds and limits the essential purposes. **Cities:** Modifies the city levy rate based on the growth of assessed value compared to previous years. Limits the use of emergency levies to natural disasters. Reduces thresholds for general corporate bonds and limits the definition of such purposes. **Levies:** Strikes the public recreation property tax levy as of 2026. Strikes the brucellosis and tuberculosis levies. **PASSED** 11-5; *FM: Dawson*

SSB 1128 DEVICE PERMITS

Requires device retailers to be licensed as tobacco retailers and to sell tobacco, as well as holding a device retailer permit. Sets the fee at \$1,500 for a permit and establishes other requirements. Defines devices as pipes used to smoke tobacco or hemp or other combustible material. Prohibits sales to persons under 21. Includes restrictions on displays and requirements verifying the age for sales and maintaining records for five years. Establishes penalties for violations. **PASSED** 16-0; *FM: Dawson*

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023		
7-9 AM	<i>Iowa Veterinary Medicine Association Legislative Breakfast</i>	<i>Legislative Dining Room 15</i>
8 AM-3 PM	<i>ISU Day at the Capitol</i>	<i>Rotunda</i>
8:30 AM	HOUSE CONVENES	<i>House Chamber</i>
9 AM	SENATE CONVENES	<i>Senate Chamber</i>
	House Judiciary Committee HF 58 VACATING PARENTAL RIGHTS: Lohse (C) HF 61 ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS (w/amend): Lohse (C) HF 237 WITNESS TAMPERING II: C Thomson (C) HSB 3 ELECTRONIC PRESENCE (w/amend): Gustoff (C)	<i>Room 103</i>
	House Labor & Workforce Committee	<i>Room 102</i>
	House Natural Resources Committee Presentation: DNR's Lake Restoration Program - George Antoniou, Michelle Balmer.	<i>Room 19</i>
9:30 AM	Senate Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee Presentations: ISU Vice President of Research Dr. Peter Dorhout. History & Goals of the World Food Prize - World Food Prize Foundation President Ambassador Branstad.	<i>Room 22</i>
	Senate Justice Systems Appropriations Subcommittee Presentations: Department of Correctios Director Beth Skinner. State Public Defender Jeff Wright.	<i>Room 315</i>
10:30 AM	Senate Judiciary Committee SF 14 DEATH PENALTY: Garrett (C) SF 17 COLLEGE SUPPORT ORDERS: Webster (C) SF 40 COLD CASE UNIT: J Taylor (C) SF 200 SEX ABUSE SOL: Shipley (C) SF 223 ASSAULTS ON PREGNANT WOMEN (w/amend): Shipley (C) SSB 1137 BRADY-GIGLIO LISTS (w/amend): Zaun (C) SSB 1151 DOMESTIC ABUSE/RISK ASSESSMENTS: J Taylor (C) SSB 1153 CODE EDITOR II: De Witt (C)	<i>Room 116</i>
1 PM	House Agriculture Committee	<i>Room 102</i>
	House Health & Human Services Committee HF 235 NURSING HOME SEX OFFENDERS: Fry (C) HSB 91 GOVERNOR HEALTH PROGRAMS: Wood (C) HSB 115 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PRACTICE: Boden (C) HSB 133 TELEVISED COMMITMENT TESTIMONY: Lohse (C) HSB 136 NEWBORN CUSTODY: Kniff McCulla (C) HSB 137 PHARMACY DISPENSING FEES: Best (C)	<i>Room 103</i>
	House Local Government Committee HF 42 ENTERTAINMENT AREAS: Gehlbach (C) HF 196 COMMENTS AT SCHOOL BOARDS: Gehlbach (C) HF 245 BOARDS OF REVIEW: Determann (C)	<i>Room 19</i>

HOUSE & SENATE AGENDA (CONTINUED)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023		
2 PM	Senate Natural Resources Committee SF 173 TAKING NUISANCE ANIMALS: Shipley (C) SF 277 NON-RESIDENT DEER LICENSES: Driscoll (C)	Room 116
2:30 PM	House Commerce Committee HF 56 WATER SYSTEM PURCHASES: Vondran (C) HSB 29 TO GO DRINKS: Nordman (C) HSB 128 MONEY TRANSMISSIONS: Lundgren (C) HSB 158 OWNER ASSOCIATION RECORDS: Nordman (C) HSB 167 INSURANCE TERMS: Lundgren (C)	Room 103
	House Education Committee HF 10 SCHOOL ABUSE: Boden (C) HF 17 SCHOOL TRANSFERS: Boden (C) HF 186 IOWA TUITION GRANT ELIGIBILITY: Stone (C)	Room 102
3 PM	Senate Transportation Committee SF 24 DRIVING FOR EXTRACURRICULARS: Shipley (C) SF 80 COUNTY CAR TITLING SERVICES & FEES: Klimesh (C) SF 96 RR CROSSING FINES: Shipley (C) SF 162 VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS: Zumbach (C) SF 184 TRAIN LENGTH: Shipley (C)	Room 116
3-5 PM	<i>National Association of Insurance & Financial Advisors-Iowa Day on the Hill</i>	Rotunda
3:30-4:30 PM	<i>National Association of Insurance & Financial Advisors-Iowa Ice Cream Social</i>	Ground floor, Near cafeteria
4-7 PM	<i>Iowa Wholesale Beer Distributors Legislative Reception</i>	Embassy Suites 101 E Locust St

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023

8 AM	House Commerce Subcommittee HSB 167 INSURANCE TERMS: Lundgren (C), Kniff McCulla , Srinivas	House Lounge
	House Judiciary Subcommittee HF 299 SURVEYOR TRESPASS: Holt (C), Kaufmann , Wilburn	Room 19
	Senate Commerce Subcommittee SSB 1156 UNFAIR REAL ESTATE AGREEMENTS: Webster (C), Rowley , Trone Garriott	Room 217
8:30 AM	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SSB 1120 JUDICIAL BRANCH BILL: Rowley (C), Evans , Weiner	Room 217
9:30 AM	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee HF 177 PUBLIC EXPRESSION PROTECTIONS: Reichman (C), Rowley , Weiner	Room 217
10:30 AM	House Commerce Subcommittee HF 228 MEDICARE SUPPLEMENTAL ENROLLMENT: G Mohr (C), Kniff McCulla , Srinivas	House Lounge
	House Education Subcommittee HF 233 ESA ENROLLMENT INTENTION: Gehlbach (C), Hora , Matson	House Lounge 2
11 AM	House Education Subcommittee HF 73 SCHOOL GUN SAFETY PROGRAMS: Stone (C), Holt , Madison	House Lounge 2
	House Education Subcommittee HF 220 IOWA COLLEGE GRANTS PROGRAM: Wheeler (C), Collins , Staed	Room 304.1
	House Education Subcommittee HF 283 HOME SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS: Gustoff (C), Boden , Cahill	House Lounge
	Senate Workforce Subcommittee SSB 1159 UE BENEFITS: Dickey (C) Driscoll , T Taylor	Room 217
11:30 AM	Senate Technology Subcommittee SSB 1160 CYBERSECURITY CENTER: Cournoyer (C), Knox , J Taylor	Room 217
NOON	House Commerce Subcommittee HSB 99 DOG BREED POLICIES: Lohse (C), Jacoby , P Thompson	House Lounge 2
	House Education Subcommittee HF 221 OUT-OF-STATE LICENSING: T Moore (C), Stone , Cahill	Room 304
	House Judiciary Subcommittee HSB 159 CODE EDITOR I: Nordman (C), Gustafson , Srinivas	House Lounge
	House State Government Subcommittee HSB 126 STATE GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION: Bloomingtondale (C), Baeth , Johnson , Lundgren , Nielsen , Young , Zabner	Room 103
	Senate Education Subcommittee SSB 1111 SCHOOL MATTERS: Cournoyer (C), Donahue , Westrich	Room 217

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS (CONTINUED)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023		
12:30 PM	House Economic Growth & Technology Subcommittee HSB 154 SMART CONTRACTS/CYBERSECURITY: Kniff McCulla (C), T Moore , Turek	House Lounge
	House Health & Human Services Subcommittee HSB 176 MH SERVICES: A Meyer (C), Best , Brown-Powers	Room 102
1 PM	Senate Commerce Subcommittee SSB 1150 VALUE ADDED INSURANCE SERVICES: Koelker (C), Knox , Rowley	Room 217
	Senate Technology Subcommittee SF 264 ROBOTICS II: Cournoyer (C), Bennett , Webster	Room G15
	Senate Workforce Subcommittee SSB 1154 INSTRUCTION PERMIT WORK DRIVING: Dickey (C), Donahue , Schultz	Room 217
1:30 PM	Senate State Government Subcommittee SF 300 HEALTH RULE PUNISHMENTS: Westrich (C), Dawson , Jochum	Room 217
2 PM	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SF 221 POSSESSING IMAGES OF MINORS: J Taylor (C), Bisignano , Webster	Room 217
	Senate Judiciary Subcommittee SF 274 JOINT PHYSICAL CARE: Garrett (C), Bisignano , Reichman	Room 315
3:30 PM	Senate Ways & Means Subcommittee SSB 1125 SALES TAXES: Dawson (C), Driscoll , Jochum , Koelker , Winckler	Room G15

HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

<u>SF 283</u>	<u>AGRICULTURE</u> DECLAWING CATS	Zumbach (C), Alons, T Taylor
<u>SF 300</u>	<u>STATE GOVERNMENT</u> HEALTH RULE PUNISHMENTS	Westrich (C), Dawson, Jochum

SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

<u>HF 329</u>	<u>AGRICULTURE</u> EGG-LAYING HENS	Meggers (C), Wulf, Levin
<u>SF 297</u>	<u>JUDICIARY</u> RELIGIOUS PROTECTIONS FOR DOCTORS	J Taylor (C), Schultz, Weiner
<u>HF 232</u>	PROBATE PROCEEDINGS	J Taylor (C), Webster, Weiner
<u>SF 278</u>	<u>LOCAL GOVERNMENT</u> BOARDS OF REVIEW	Webster (C), Driscoll, Quirmbach (reassigned)
<u>HF 312</u>	<u>NATURAL RESOURCES</u> BOAT/PADDLE CRAFT FEES	Mommsen (C), Hayes, Zabner
<u>HF 322</u>	FARM DEER LICENSES	Hora (C), Gehlbach, Scholten
<u>SF 294</u>	<u>STATE GOVERNMENT</u> PROTECTED OCCUPATIONS	Schultz (C), Bisignano, Boussetot
<u>SF 301</u>	BREWERY ALCOHOL LICENSES	Brown (C), Giddens, Koelker
<u>SF 313</u>	VOLUNTEER FF TRAINING	Salmon (C), Boulton, Brown
<u>SSB 1034</u>	TECHNICAL ELECTION LAWS	Salmon (C), Boulton, Schultz (reassigned)
<u>SSB 1035</u>	RECOUNTS	Salmon (C), Schultz, Weiner (reassigned)
<u>HF 259</u>	<u>VETERANS AFFAIRS</u> VETERAN PROGRAMS	Salmon (C), Alons, Dotzler
<u>SSB 1125</u>	<u>WAYS & MEANS</u> SALES TAXES	Dawson (C), Dotzler, Driscoll, Jochum, Koelker (reassigned)

HOUSE FILES (HF 338 – HF 346)

[HF 338](#) RAW MILK (**Holt**) (Agriculture)

Allows the sale of raw milk and raw milk products by raw milk dairies. Limits raw milk dairies to ten animals or less and prohibits pasteurizing or grading the milk. Requires sales be made at the dairy or delivered to a location specified by the buyer. Prohibits resale. Includes requirements for veterinarian testing. Requires retention of health records and requires buyers be allowed to inspect records. Prohibits home food establishments from selling raw milk and raw milk products. Makes definitions. Includes enforcement provisions. See [SF 315](#)

[HF 339](#) SCHOOL BUILDING DEMOLITION FUND (**Economic Growth & Tech**; Successor to [HF 153](#)) (Appropriations)

Establishes a fund for the demolition of vacant school buildings in the EDA and appropriates \$2 million from RIF from FY 2024-2025. Sets timelines for acquisition of buildings. Requires that applications from small towns be prioritized. Requires proceeds from the sale of the property after demolition, except for certain costs, be returned to the fund but does not require that the property be sold. Allows the EDA to use 5% of the fund for administration and to report annually.

[HF 340](#) VOLUNTEER LENGTH OF SERVICE (**Appropriations**; Successor to [HF 193](#)) *FM: Latham*

Authorizes various municipal entities that offer volunteer fire or EM services or with reserve peace officers to establish a length of service program for those providers. Requires the municipality and the head of the department to set eligibility requirements and to handle other matters. Establishes a fund under the DOR for matching grants. Appropriates \$1 million in Lottery funds. Requires the council to submit rules to the State Fire Marshal. Requires the DOR to adopt rules. See [SF 272](#)

[HF 341](#) BANNING MARGARINE IN SCHOOLS (**Shipley**) (Education)

Bans serving margarine and hydrogenated vegetable oil in school meals.

[HF 342](#) PIPELINE EMINENT DOMAIN (**Golding**) (Judiciary)

Repeals the power of the IUB to award eminent domain authority to a pipeline carrying hazardous liquids. Effective on enactment and applies to pipelines without a permit. See [SF 101](#), [HF 308](#)

[HF 343](#) CHILDCARE REIMBURSEMENTS (**HHS**; Successor to [HSB 50](#)) *FM: A Meyer*

Requires HHS to establish a pilot project for enhanced childcare assistance to for parents who are employed full-time as a childcare provider at an eligible childcare business, to run between July 2023 and July 2025. Requires reports by the HHS on the project.

[HF 344](#) COUNTY CAR TITLING SERVICES & FEES (**Transportation**; Successor to [HF 55](#)) (Ways & Means)

Expands the titling services that a county treasurer can perform. Increases the fees for most titling services by \$10. Increases the amount retained by county treasurers. See [SF 80](#), [SSB 1053](#)

[HF 345](#) SCENIC BYWAY FUND (**Appropriations**; Successor to [HF 192](#)) *FM: Bossman*

Establishes a Scenic Byway enhancement fund for various improvements on scenic byways. Requires treasurers to request donations to the fund when renewing licenses. See [SF 151](#)

[HF 346](#) PERSONAL DATA (**Economic Growth & Technology**; Successor to [HSB 12](#)) *FM: Sorenson*

Establishes personal data rights for Iowa consumers. Requires companies meeting certain size requirements to respond to data requests within specified timelines and restricts the use of some personal data. Includes other rights and responsibilities on personal data. Includes enforcement powers of the AG, with 90-day notice requirements. Makes definitions. Effective 2025. See [SF 262](#)

HOUSE FILES (HF 347 – HF 355)

HF 347 OPTOMETRIST SHOTS (**State Government**; Successor to [HF 179](#)) *FM: Bossman*

Allows an optometrist to give local anesthetic shots prior to minor surgical procedures, as authorized by law. See [SF 194](#)

HF 348 GENDER INSTRUCTION PROHIBITIONS (**Education**; Successor to [HF 8](#)) *FM: Wheeler*

Prohibits schools and charter schools from including any instruction on gender identity or sexual orientation in K-6 education. Requires sex ed classes (human growth and development) to be age-appropriate and research-based.

HF 349 PROBATION DISCHARGE CREDITS (**Public Safety**; Successor to [HSB 55](#)) *FM: Holt*

Gives a probationer a discharge credit for each month the person successfully completes the terms of probation, an education credit for earning various degrees/certificates and workforce credit for each six-month period the probationer works 30 hours a week. Requires the probation officer to give an accounting to the probationer every quarter. Does not allow for a reduction of more than 60% of the probation term. Allows for administrative review of credits and limits the use. Takes effect t 7/24.

HF 350 PUBLIC RECORD REQUESTS (**State Government**; Successor to [HSB 144](#)) *FM: Golding*

Requires the custodian of a public record, in response to a request, to promptly give contact information, an approximate date for approximate the release and an estimate of reasonable costs. Requires information be given on delays in record production.

HF 351 ADOPTION TAX CREDIT (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [HF 67](#)) *FM: Jones*

Phases in an increase in the adoption tax credit to \$10,000 over two years.

HF 352 TAXPAYER ELECTION (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [HSB 69](#)) *FM: Kniff McCulla*

Allows taxpayers who are partners or shareholders, other than publicly traded partnerships or subchapter S corporations, to elect to be taxed as a partnership or subchapter S for the tax years 2023-2026. Includes limits on credits and carrying net losses. Includes provisions on paying estimated taxes and other matters. Effective on enactment.

HF 353 DRAINAGE DISTRICT EXEMPTION (**Ways & Means**; Successor to [HSB 66](#)) *FM: Osmundson*

Creates an exemption for some of the value of a property in a drainage district that borders the Mississippi and Iowa rivers and is 35,000 acres if the property's drainage district taxes exceed the county's five-year average drainage district tax. Limits the exemption to no more than 50% of the actual land value and creates a formula for the exemption.

HF 354 REPLACEMENT CAR TITLES (**P Thompson**) (Transportation)

Strikes the five-day waiting period before a replacement copy for an original certificate of title for a vehicle can be issued.

HF 355 TEACHER CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS (**Education**; Successor to [HF 224](#)) (Ways & Means)

Requires the BEE to perform criminal background checks every five years for practitioners who are not subject to other license renewal requirements. Applies various provisions requiring schools to do background criminal checks on teachers and to charge teachers for those checks to private schools and charter schools.

HOUSE FILES (HF 356 – HF 364)

HF 356 ELECTION LAW CHANGES (Kaufmann) (State Government)

Makes changes to election laws, including allowing electronic notice of precinct caucuses, deadlines for withdrawing a nomination, bonds for challenging the registration of voters, use of electronic registers, canvassing requirements and deadlines, recount procedures and timelines, absentee ballots, and contest courts. Updates references.

HF 357 DIRECT HEALTH CARE SERVICES (Health & Human Services; Successor to HSB 24) FM: Wood

Defines direct services for health care agencies/entities and includes services by nurses, nurse's aides, medication aide and medication managers. Excludes janitorial, housekeeping and meal preparation and various other licensed health care professionals, including PAs, physical therapists, speech pathologist and audiologists. Excludes certain contract work by health care workers that meets certain conditions. Retroactive to 2019. See [SF 327](#)

HF 358 SECOND ELUDING OFFENSE (Public Safety; Successor to HSB 83) FM: Henderson

Expands circumstances when an eluding offense be considered a second or subsequent offense and increases the penalties to a Class C felony. Allows a person convicted of an eluding offense to get a temporary restricted license on showing hardship or circumstances where alternative transportation does not exist.

HF 359 CHINA BRIDGE ORDERS (Judiciary; Successor to HSB 108) FM: Nordman

Allows a juvenile court to transfer a CHINA case to a district court through the modification of a current bridge order. Includes timelines and other requirements for modifying the order, or other necessary changes to the order, the waiving of filing fees and other matters. Requires the district court to take judicial notice of the juvenile file. Does not require the appointment of counsel in the district court. See [SF 328](#)

HF 360 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST (Education; Successor to HF 123) FM: Sorenson

Makes information technology specialist a shared position using supplemental operational weighting.

HF 361 OBSCENE MATERIALS IN SCHOOLS (Hayes, 10 R's) (Education)

Prohibits a teacher or administrator from knowingly giving a student obscene material on school property or assigning such material. Requires schools to have at least one administrator to ensure that obscene material is kept out of the library or other areas. Requires the BEE to revoke licenses or deny applicants for violations. Authorizes civil actions and allows prevailing parents to collect actual damages and civil penalties of \$20,000. Includes other enforcement provisions. See [SF 305](#)

HF 362 EMOTIONAL LEARNING (Hayes) (Education)

Prohibits the DOE from displaying on its website survey information about emotional learning. Requires school boards and charter schools to receive written consent before allowing a student to participate in a survey that reveals political affiliations, family information or a variety of other topics related to emotional/social learning. Prohibits employees from answering related questions about such employees. See [SF 85](#)

HF 363 FREE SCHOOL LUNCH II (Isenhart) (Education)

Establishes a standing appropriation to supplement federal funds to all for free breakfast and lunch to all students in private, public and charter schools. Requires food to be grown and processed in Iowa or surrounding states. Similar to [SF 303](#)

HF 364 VAPE PROHIBITIONS (A Meyer) (Health & Human Services) **H Wilz** (C), **Madison, A Meyer**

Makes the Smoke-Free Iowa Act applicable to Vape products.

HOUSE FILES (HF 365 – HF 370)

HF 365 WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE (Isenhart, 5 D's) (State Government)

Establishes a legislative Water Resources Committee, with five senators and five representatives, to oversee water quality issues and to make recommendations.

HF 366 HOME SCHOOL REFUNDS (Gustoff) (Ways & Means)

Establishes a refund for school supplies purchased by a parent for a home-schooled child. Requires the DOR to develop a form for the patents to use. Excludes such refunds from the income tax.

HF 367 PREFERRED PRONOUN (Stone) (Education)

Prohibits schools and charter schools from taking disciplinary action against employees, students or contractors for the failure to use the preferred pronoun of a student or for the failure to list a preferred pronoun in the signature block.

HF 368 PIPELINE RULES (Holt & 21 R's) (Judiciary)

CO2: Prohibits the IUB from issuing a permit for a liquid CO2 (carbon capture) pipeline until federal safety rules have been adopted. Requires a pipeline to acquire all other applicable permits before being granted a permit from the IUB. **ED:** Requires that a CO2 pipeline receive permission to build on 90% of an affected route before eminent domain authority can be issued. Requires regular reports on easements. **Restoration:** Allows a landowner to file complaints with the IUB on violations of land restoration standards. **Loss:** Includes soil compaction, damage to water and soil conservation structures and irrigation systems as compensable damages. Includes tenants as landowners. Allows any identifiable loss to be part of an action for compensable loss. Allows actions in small claims. **Other:** Effective on enactment and retroactive to pipeline applications since 7/2021.

HF 369 COVID VACCINATION ACTIONS (Andrews) (Labor & Workforce)

Allows an employee to bring a claim against an employer for an adverse reaction to a required COVID-19 vaccination. Gives the employer the burden of showing that the adverse reaction is not the liable for any injuries.

HF 370 SCHOOL MATTERS (Education; Successor to [HSB 118](#)) *FM: Gehlbach*

Notice: Allows notice of bond sales to be published electronically instead of in newspapers and sets requirements. **Schools:** Allows for the notice of the intent to fill a school board vacancy by appointment to be published electronically instead of in a newspaper. Authorizes the use of electronic signatures in specific cases. Strikes deeming persons working towards compliance with teacher librarian requirements as being in compliance. Allows schools to charge employees for the cost of registry checks. **Health:** Strikes requirements for Regent schools, community colleges and schools to evaluate and implement environmentally friendly cleaning procedures. Strikes the goal that schools have a nurse for every 700 students and authorizes schools to have school nurses. Strikes requirements for Pre-K/K students be given a vision card. Requires the DOE to convene a health group. **Infrastructure:** Strikes requirements for revenue purpose statements. Requires a re-organizing school without a revenue purpose statement to first use funds to pay off outstanding bonds. Expands the definition of infrastructure to include additional buildings. Exempts refinancing bonds from certain notice/hearing requirements. **Bonds:** Allows schools to issue bonds without election and to use SAVE funds to secure repayment. **28E:** Allows schools to enter into 28E agreements. **Conference Boards:** Strikes the requirement that representatives for school boards be appointed to county conference boards. **Child facilities:** Requires residential treatment facilities to give to the district of residence for the child documentation to obtain Medicaid reimbursements. **AEA:** Allows notice of a hearing for the AEA budget to be published electronically in lieu of publishing in a newspaper. **Elections:** Gives an election commissioner with discretionary authority the power to hold a special election on the same day as another election.

HOUSE STUDY BILLS (HSB 174 – HSB 178)

[HSB 174 MORTGAGE LOANS](#) (Commerce) **Nordman** (C), **Bagniewski**, **Lundgren**

Deems a loan made by a mortgage banker where points and fees are charged cumulatively and are not excessive to not be covered by rules on loan and interest reduction fees.

[HSB 175 UNFAIR REAL ESTATE AGREEMENTS](#) (Commerce) **Nordman** (C), **Judge**, **P Thompson**

Deems an agreement to be an unfair residential real estate agreement if the services are not required to be performed within one year of the start of the agreement. Defines service agreements and residential real estate. Excludes home warranties, insurance, certain maintenance agreements and mortgage loans and utility service providers. Makes unfair agreements unenforceable and makes entering into one an unlawful practice, allowing injunctive relief, disgorgement of profits and civil penalties. Prohibits a person from recording an unfair agreement and allows a recorder to refuse to record it. See [SSB 1156](#)

[HSB 176 MH SERVICES](#) (Health & Human Services) **A Meyer** (C), **Best**, **Brown-Powers**

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[HSB 177 MEDICAID RECOVERIES & MCO PREMIUMS](#) (Health & Human Services) **Fry** (C), **Brown-Powers**, **H Wilz**

Makes changes to Medicaid governance, including on recoveries from 3rd-parties and the taxation of premiums related to MCOs. Includes implementing provisions. (HHS) See [SSB 1167](#)

[HSB 178 IMMUNIZATION CONSENT](#) (Health & Human Services) **T Moore** (C), **Boden**, **Forbes**

Requires a health care professional who gives vaccinations to enroll in the statewide Immunization Registry. Requires the various boards to adopt rules requiring this. Requires the health care professional to obtain written consent and to submit copies to the registry. Allows a patient, or a parent of a minor, to withdraw such consent at any time.

SENATE FILES (SF 324 – SF 331)

SF 324 SENATE HEALTH PROGRAMS (**Health & Human Services**; Successor to [SSB 1139](#)) (Appropriations)

MOMS: Includes men in pregnancy support services, including a list of covered services. Appropriates \$2 million for services. Deems the money to not revert. **Grants:** Appropriates \$1 million to HHS for FY 2024 to award four grants to encourage collaboration among regional health care centers. **Fellowships:** Requires the HHS to create four obstetrics fellowships for underserved areas in the state. Includes implementing provisions. **Baby Leave:** Gives a parent who is a state employee and who gives birth to or adopts a child four weeks of paid leave, and one week if the parent. **Adoption:** Caps non-recurring adoption expenses at \$1,000. **Iowa Scholarships:** Changes eligibility to make all foster children under age 26 eligible for scholarships.

SF 325 PSYCHIATRIC FELLOWSHIPS (**Health & Human Services**; Successor to [SSB 1104](#)) *FM: Costello*

Renames the State Psychiatric residency program as the State Funded Psychiatry Residency and Fellowship program. Requires the UI Hospitals and Clinics to administer the program for nine residents and two fellowships. Continues various aspects of the program and awards \$150,000 for the fellowships. See [HF 274](#)

SF 326 EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS (**Health & Human Services**; Successor to [SSB 1103](#)) *FM: Edler*

Allows a pharmacist to dispense an epinephrine auto-injector without a prescription to a person who is 18 and the pharmacist has previously given the person an auto-injector. Requires the pharmacist to instruct the person to contact emergency medical services and to give notice to the person's primary health care provider. Gives immunity to pharmacists for good-faith actions. Requires the BOP and the BOM to adopt rules. Makes definitions.

SF 327 DIRECT HEALTH CARE SERVICES (**Health & Human Services**; Successor to [SSB 1044](#)) *FM: Costello*

Defines direct services for health care agencies/entities and includes services by nurses, nurse's aides, medication aide and medication managers. Excludes janitorial, housekeeping and meal preparation and various other licensed health care professionals, including PAs, physical therapists, speech pathologist and audiologists. Excludes certain contract work by health care workers that meets certain conditions. Retroactive to 2019. See [HF 357](#)

SF 328 CHINA BRIDGE ORDERS (**Judiciary**; Successor to [SSB 1066](#)) *FM: Shipley*

Allows a juvenile court to transfer a CHINA case to a district court through the modification of a current bridge order. Includes timelines and other requirements for modifying the order, or other necessary changes to the order, the waiving of filing fees and other matters. Requires the district court to take judicial notice of the juvenile file. Does not require the appointment of counsel in the district court. See [HF 359](#)

SF 329 STATE EMPLOYEE ABSENCES (**Dawson**) (Veterans Affairs)

Allows a civil employee to take one day of required leave due to absences required for military or emergency service if the employee is absent for less than 30 days and the workday for the employee encompasses 24 hours, regardless of if over one or two days.

SF 330 CITY & COUNTY VACANCIES (**Webster**) (State Government)

Requires special elections to be called to fill a vacancy in a county supervisor office, if the office will be vacant more than six months, and in a city office, if the office is vacant for more than one year.

SF 331 BOAT/PADDLE CRAFT FEES (**Klimesh**) (Natural Resources)

Increases the registration fee for boats of any length without a motor to \$20 but exempts all canoes and kayaks. Requires paddle craft using the waters of the state under NRC jurisdiction to buy a water use permit. Sets the price at \$7 plus administrative and writing fees and allows the permits to be sold at retail locations or DNR locations. See [HF 312](#)

SENATE FILES (SF 332 – SF 340)

SF 332 SOLAR DISTRIBUTION COOPS (Klimesh) (Commerce)

Allows for the creation of shared solar net metering co-operatives in which members share a distributed solar generation network. Includes provisions for implementing such co-ops, and limits on the number of members to ten. Requires the IUB to adopt rules.

SF 333 PBM RESTRICTIONS (Klimesh) (Commerce)

Prohibits a PBM from barring a customer from filling a prescription at any pharmacy in the state that accepts the terms and conditions of the PBM. Prohibits requiring the use of mail-order pharmacies or different cost-sharing arrangements. Requires a co-pay by a patient be used to cover the deductible. Requires a PBM to give pharmacies access to the maximum allowed cost list on a secure internet site. Requires PBMs to establish an appeals process for maximum allowed costs.

SF 334 STRIKING ENERGY CONSERVATION (Webster) (State Government)

Strikes requirements for energy conservation in new construction.

SF 335 SCHOOL RESTROOMS (Westrich) (Education)

Requires K-12 to designate multi-occupant restrooms as being for one sex. Prohibits a person from using a toilet that does not correspond to the person's biological sex.

SF 336 VETERAN TUITION WAIVER (Shipley) (Education)

Requires the Regent universities and community colleges to waive a portion of tuition and fees for the children of veterans with a disability rating. Makes the waiver equal to the disability rating, or in the case of the death of a service member, 100%. Requires the veteran to have enlisted in Iowa or been an Iowa resident. Requires the child to enroll by age 33 and to make adequate academic progress, and to be available for up to eight years. Requires the DVA to determine eligibility.

SF 337 TRAIN DEFECT DETECTORS (Shipley) (Transportation)

Requires RRs to install a train defect detector every 50 miles on RR lines in the state. Allows RRs which share a line to share costs but makes the RR jointly and severally liable. Establishes penalties and makes definitions.

SF 338 LITIGATION FINANCING CONTRACTS (Dickey) (Judiciary)

Prohibits litigation financing contracts. Makes exceptions for contingency fees and for legal cost advancement cases in consumer and workers comp cases. Defines such contracts.

SF 339 COMMERCIAL VEHICLE LIABILITY (Dickey) (Transportation)

Makes the party who is responsible for a crash involving a commercial vehicle liable for replacing the commercial vehicle while repairs are made to the damaged vehicle. Makes a party who fails to provide a replacement vehicle responsible for rental charges and liable for charges for days that the owner is unable to operate the commercial vehicle or replacement. Allows the owner of the commercial vehicle to waive such charges.

SF 340 HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE (Zaun) (Judiciary)

Requires the DPS to establish a human trafficking task force to investigate human trafficking. Specifies the membership of the task force. Charges the task force with dealing with a number of issues related to human trafficking, including creating a safe harbor law to protect victims of human trafficking. Includes annual reporting requirements.

SENATE FILES (SF 341 – SF 343)

[SF 341](#) ELECTION LOGS & DATABASES (**Salmon**) (State Government)

State: Requires the State Commissioner of Elections (Secretary of State) to create a record of the state registration database at the time of an election and maintain the record for 22 months. Allows persons to request an electronic copy at no charge. **Counties:** Requires the county commissioners of elections (auditors) to create a log of each ballot cast in a general or primary election. Requires the log to be maintained for 22 months. Includes requirements for the log. Allows a person to request an electronic copy of the log.

[SF 342](#) PROVISIONAL VOTES (**Salmon**) (State Government)

Requires a person registering to vote on election day or casting an in-person absentee ballot to cast a provisional ballot. Requires the special voter/absentee board to determine that the ballot is valid before counting the vote. **Other :** Strikes requirements for the use of optical scanning systems and for the use of automated tabulating equipment in some elections. Similar to [HF 65](#).

[SF 343](#) AUTISM ABSENCES (**Koelker**) (Education)

Requires public schools to have policies excusing the absences of a student for treatments related to autism and autism spectrum disorders. See [HF 285](#)

SENATE STUDY BILLS (SSB 1163 – SSB 1167)

SSB 1163 SENIOR MAGISTRATES (Judiciary) **J Taylor** (C), **Evans**, **Knox**

Requires a senior magistrate to live in the judicial district of appointment and to serve in only one district. Pays the magistrate on a per diem basis and limits service to 60 days in a year. Allows the Supreme Court to appoint senior magistrates who meet qualifying requirements and who agree to be available for judicial duties. Requires the clerk of the Supreme Court to maintain a roster of senior magistrates. Allows a senior magistrate to continue to practice law. Includes provisions on terms, retirement and other matters.

SSB 1164 FREE EXERCISE OF RELIGION (State Government) **Schultz** (C), **Celsi**, **Salmon**

Prohibits governments from substantially burdening the free exercise of religion and prohibits courts from treating religious beliefs more restrictively than secular beliefs. Requires courts to use the compelling interest test when reviewing if a law unduly burdens the practice of religion by a person. Allows a person who prevails in court to seek actual damages, attorney fees, court cases and other relief. Prohibits local governments from enacting laws in violation of the bill. Effective on enactment. Similar to [HF 229](#)

SSB 1165 PHARMACY PRACTICE (State Government) **Brown** (C), **Koelker**, **Weiner**

Makes changes related to the practice of pharmacy, including reorganizing Code sections, adding to the power of pharmacist and the BOP, on administrative penalties, on criminal history checks, on approving pilot projects and on other matters.

SSB 1166 MH SERVICES (Health & Human Services) **Edler** (C), **Costello**, **Trone Garriott**

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SSB 1167 MEDICAID RECOVERIES & MCO PREMIUMS (HHS) **Costello** (C), **Edler**, **Trone Garriott**

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