

## ITS OFFICIAL: A SPECIAL SESSION IS NEEDED

From the outset, the long session of the 116<sup>th</sup> General Assembly took on a personality all its own. Rumors of a “special session” emerged early, due to the unemployment insurance funding crisis, the failing economy and the attendant state revenue shortfalls. It was evident that the House Republicans, House Democrats, the Republican controlled Indiana Senate and the Governor were not going to see eye to eye on the budget, which statutorily is the only item that must pass during the legislative session.

House Democrats were focused on creating jobs. The Senate was focused on getting a solution to the unemployment insurance issue and crafting a reasonable budget, while the Governor was focused was protecting the “Rainy Day” Fund. In the end, the inability of the key parties to the budget process to reach accord among themselves or within their own caucuses led to the failure to adopt a budget, necessitating the special session predicted.

The Governor’s record this session will be spotty at best. In the lead, for control of the House after the 2010 elections when the legislative districts will be drawn (and in effect for the next ten years), the Speaker appears to have been the clear winner this session. When the session began, we anticipated significant proposals to be considered, including several components of the Kernan-Shepard Commission report which dealt with the consolidation of local government, permanent property tax caps by amending the Indiana Constitution, and immigration. None of these issues passed. Though it would appear that Governor Mitch Daniels had the upper hand after winning the election during a Democrat dominated political season, the Speaker was successful in squelching all of his agenda items. In the end, many say even if the budget passed the Governor would have vetoed it because he didn’t accomplish any of his legislative priorities this session.

Possibly record setting, only 1,319 bills were introduced this session, and of those, only 184 were passed on to the Governor. Ultimately, the Governor signed 180 bills and vetoed 3. He also allowed one bill to become law without his signature. Hopefully we will be adding one more bill to this count (HEA 1001) sometime soon.

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Of note is the seemingly high number of issues which have been recommended for summer study. The Legislative Council has the power to deny issues recommended, and many hope they will make use of those powers this interim. Stay tuned for the special session, set to begin on June 15, 2009.

## BUDGET

As feared, the budget was being negotiated until the final hours on April 29, 2009, but when the budget conference committee report finally was called down for a vote in the House of Representatives it failed miserably 71-27. Concurrently, the Republican controlled Senate was passing the same report 37-13. Both house votes were somewhat bipartisan in nature, although in the end, the Black Caucus -- with the exception of budget author and House Ways & Means chair Bill Crawford (D, Indianapolis) -- voted as a block against the report in an attempt to leverage construction of a new hospital in Gary in turn for giving up one of Gary's two casino gaming licenses to Ft. Wayne or Indianapolis and being granted the ability to move the remaining license to a land based casino.

A subcommittee of the State Budget Committee will take on the task of working a compromise on the **HB 1001** State budget authored by Rep. William Crawford (D, Indianapolis) once the Governor submits a budget draft to it. It is expected to complete its work and bring a proposed budget to the entire legislature on or about June 15, 2009. Whether this timeline will be met remains unknown at this time.

## UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

The House and the Senate passed **HEA 1379**, authored by Rep. David Niezgodski (D, South Bend), placing a major tax increase on businesses to fund, in the short term, the terminally ill unemployment compensation insurance program. The major business trade associations launched grassroots campaigns calling for the Governor to veto the legislation. The surprise in all of this is that the House Republicans voted party line in staunch opposition while the Senate Republicans appeared to have essentially conceded the issue to the House Democrats. The Senate passed the bill by a vote of 46-3 with only 2 Republicans -- Sen. Mike Delph (Carmel) and Sen. Jean Leising (Oldenburg) voting No. A third Republican, Sen. John Waterman (Shelburn) chose not to vote. One Democratic Senator, Jim Lewis (Charlestown) also voted No. The Governor signed the legislation on May 13, 2009 despite professed concerns with portions of the bill. He felt that it does begin to make some reforms that will prove helpful.

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## AGRICULTURE

For our client *Indiana Pork*, it was a very successful legislative session. All of the livestock groups came together to agree to landmark legislation requiring disclosure of past deeds on applications for environmental permits (so-called "good character") for concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs). This language ultimately passed in **SEA 221**, authored by Sen. Bev Gard (R-Greenfield), and is viewed as a sensible approach to eradicating bad actors in the pork industry.

Once again we were successful in defeating all legislation that would have had a negative impact on the pork industry, including:

- **HB1074** (CAFO limits) and **HB1075** (CAFO setbacks around state owned properties), both authored by Rep. David Cheatham (D, North Vernon);
- **SB 50** (CAFO construction), authored by Sen. Allen Paul (R-Richmond), which would have created a three year moratorium on CAFOs; and
- an amendment to eliminate the preemption language given to the state chemist over fertilizer.

Other agriculture legislation of interest:

- **HEA 1191** (fertilizer law matters), authored by Rep Joe Pearson (D, Marion), provides that the state chemist may allow the use of technologies or methods that are not specified in rules to handle or use ammonia and ammonia solutions. It also requires the state chemist to adopt rules to establish certification and educational programs for persons who apply fertilizer material, transport fertilizer material, or both, to the extent that the activity is for hire or the fertilizer material is from a CAFO or from an operation outside Indiana that would be a CAFO if it were located in Indiana.
- **HEA 1033** (renewable energy and energy savings contracts), authored by Rep. Dale Grubb (D, Covington), requires the state utility forecasting group, in formulating suggestions concerning renewable energy resources for inclusion in its annual report, to evaluate potential renewable energy generation opportunities from biomass and algae production systems. It requires the department of agriculture, in its administration of economic development efforts for agriculture, to facilitate the use of biomass and algae production systems to generate renewable energy. It also provides that the

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maximum term of a guaranteed energy cost savings contract or utility efficiency program is 20 years. (Current law provides for maximum terms of 10 and 15 years, respectively.)

- **HEA 1468** (animal cruelty and commercial dog breeders), authored by Rep. Linda Lawson (D, Hammond), was followed to ensure that it did not unintentionally affect CAFOs. This bill received much attention, as the author's goal was to crack down on puppy mills in Indiana. Throughout the process, the livestock industry and the Indiana department of agriculture questioned the motives and involvement of the Humane Society of the United States, which is noted for its fairly radical views of livestock production in the United States. The Indiana Senate shared those concerns and requested a number of conference committee amendments to this bill in the final hours of the session which were included in the bill ultimately passed.

On behalf of *Farm Credit Services of Mid America*, BPAG was successful in adding them by name to a section of law defining "good funds" for real estate transaction purposes. HEA 1374 was authored by Rep. Mike Murphy (R, Indianapolis) to deal with real estate escrow transactions, but the Representative was amenable to our amendment.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

On behalf of the *Cities of Fort Wayne and Terre Haute*, we crafted legislation to offer an incentive to logistics firms to locate and expand in the state of Indiana. Under **HEA 1598** (interim plates for motor vehicle dealers), authored by Rep. Scott Reske (D-Pendleton), counties may now suspend their wheel and commercial vehicle excise taxes to provide a financial incentive for logistics growth in transportation hubs.

The *Indiana Economic Development Association (IEDA)* welcomed the passage of **SEA 448**, exempting certain IT equipment from local personal property taxes, thereby creating a new economic development. Authored by Sen. Ed Charbonneau (R, Valparaiso), the exemption of generators and other equipment used to ensure uninterrupted power such as servers, storage devices, and networking equipment, i.e., "enterprise class" IT equipment will encourage the location of such equipment in Indiana and the high paying jobs that will accompany it.

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## EDUCATION

On behalf of *McGraw-Hill Education*, we were able to maintain the current funding level for educational assessment during the budget process, although the final budget remains to be negotiated. We have been proactive in making sure that the funding for assessment remains intact for the next biennium. With the infusion of stimulus money it is anticipated that this will not change in the final version of the budget to be determined during special session.

On behalf of *Kaplan Education*, we were successful in maintaining the nursing scholarships allocated for licensed practical nurses (LPNs). In **HEA 1671** (nursing scholarships), authored by Rep. Nancy Michael (D-Greencastle), as introduced, LPNs were removed from eligibility. However, with the assistance of our client, we were able to convince legislators that continuing these scholarships was in the public interest.

During the second half of the legislative session, our client *L-1* became increasingly concerned with **HEA 1462** (various education matters), authored by Rep. Clyde Kersey (D-Terre Haute). This legislation requires an expanded criminal history background check for employment with school districts. We were successful at educating interested parties in the importance of fingerprint criminal history searches versus name-only criminal history searches because of the decreased margin for error. We will continue working over the interim and next legislative session to insure that fingerprint searches are the preferred method to maintain safety for Indiana students.

Finally, on behalf of the *Lawrence School District* we were successful at making much needed changes to the wage payment statute. **SEA 263**, (public school compensation schedules), authored by Sen. Greg Walker (R-Columbus), will allow school districts to pay employees on a 13-month compensation schedule. This alleviates the liability the districts are currently exposed to as a result of paying employees throughout the summer which technically exceeds current requirements to pay employees 10 days from the last day of work.

## ELECTRONIC WASTE

**HEA 1589** requires manufacturers of video display devices (VDDs) to recycle covered electronic devices from households, public schools, and small businesses in the amount of at least 60% of the total weight of VDDs sold by the manufacturer to households during the most recent twelve month period for which national sales data is available. We were successful in working with the author, Rep. Mary Ann Sullivan (D, Indianapolis) and the Recycling

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Coalition to keep the e-waste restrictions on those putting the municipal solid waste (MSW) on the curb limited and dealt with as it currently is through landfill or incineration.

## ENERGY

While a renewable portfolio standard ultimately did not pass, several energy clients were well-positioned in the event that a last-minute compromise was reached, including Abengoa, the Agribusiness Council, the American Forest and Paper Association, Covanta Energy, Indiana Michigan Power, Indiana Municipal Power Association, and Indiana Pork.

On behalf of Covanta Energy, existing renewable energy statutes were successfully changed to allow energy-from-waste projects to be considered renewable for the production of electricity. Formerly, energy from waste plants were defined as producing steam *not* for the production of electricity.

## ENVIRONMENTAL

Four months of negotiations resulted in the passage of **HEA 1162**, (environmental matters), authored by Rep. Dennis Tyler (D-Muncie), to address several significant policy questions regarding the ongoing surface water anti-degradation rule. A point of debate during the summer of 2008 on the current rule was a concern that regulated industries and facilities would be subject to duplicative review and permitting already accomplished during their NPDES wastewater permitting process. Specific to companies such as BPAG client **United States Steel**, the act provides that activities covered by an NPDES general permit authorized by that rule are not required to undergo additional anti-degradation review.

**SEA 440**, (air quality), authored by Senator Bev Gard (R, Greenfield), requires the state department of health (SDOH) to adopt rules concerning indoor air quality in schools and state agencies. It provides that after the SDOH inspects a school or state agency for indoor air quality as the result of a complaint, the SDOH must report certain information and that such a complaint must be in writing or made by electronic mail. It allows the SDOH to release the name of a complainant only if the complainant has authorized the release in writing. Finally it requires that if the SDOH amends the rules concerning health and safety requirements for school buildings and school sites, it must consider the effects of outdoor air quality when establishing criteria for school sitings.

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## FUNERAL PLANNING

On behalf of long time client the *Indiana Funeral Directors Association*, we were instrumental in crafting **HEA 1287**, a watershed piece of legislation that creates the Funeral Planning Directive (FPD). So long as funeral services have been paid, the FPD provides for a named person to control disposition of remains and funeral planning after death. An executed FPD form preempts a health care power of attorney and family members while dealing with decisions relative to funeral merchandise, the funeral service and final disposition. The FPD can be contested in the same manner as a will. A very important clause, on behalf of our client, is that the funeral arrangements must be paid for before the FPD becomes binding.

## GOVERNMENT

Legislation to apply the same education standards to elected and licensed surveyors passed the General Assembly this year. Currently in Indiana nearly two-thirds of elected county surveyors are not licensed surveyors by the state of Indiana. **HEA 1243** (county surveyor training), authored by Rep. Scott Reske (D, Pendleton), requires elected surveyors to get the same number of hours of education as their licensed counterparts. The bill was introduced on behalf of the *Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors* and the *Indiana County Surveyors Association*.

On behalf of the *City of Fort Wayne*, the passage of **HEA 1514** (local government), authored by Rep. Phil GiaQuinta (D-Fort Wayne), was a huge win for the city and BPAG. This act allows for the transfer of food and beverage taxes from the War Memorial Coliseum to the Allen County Capital Improvement Board, redirects the Vandenburg County innkeepers and food and beverage taxes to finance a new stadium in Evansville, eliminates the expiration of the Martinsville food and beverage tax, allows Monroe County to adopt a 1% food and beverage tax, and allows more flexibility under Indiana procurement laws.

Firm client the *Indiana Sherriff's Association* was successful in seeking priority legislation with the passage of **HEA 1182** (county jail health care), authored by Rep. Sandy Blanton (D, Orleans). The act specifies the hospital reimbursement rates for health care services provided to certain county prisoners, which will save taxpayer dollars on inmate health care expenditures.

We worked with interested parties to make **HB 1604** (local taxes), authored by Rep. Phil GiaQuinta (D, Fort Wayne), as amenable as possible to our

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affected clients, including the *Indianapolis Colts* and *Enterprise Rent-a-Car*. The last version of this bill dealt with the City of Indianapolis Capital Improvement Board (CIB), and included in part, increases in the professional sports admissions taxes and an additional 2% supplemental rental car tax increase to fund a major CIB funding shortfall. Senator Kenley added an amendment on second reading to propose a number of local option tax increases for Marion County which included those mentioned above. Ultimately, this legislation did not pass, but the fear remains that this issue will be included on the short list of other items considered along with the budget during the special session. BPAG will continue to work with legislators, the Mayor and the City-County Council to favorably resolve this issue without tax increases or other detrimental fees.

On behalf of our client, the *Indiana Library Federation*, we successfully assisted them in dealing with the challenges presented by the governor's commission on local government reform, the Kernan-Shepard Commission. While a number of bills were introduced as a result of Commission recommendations, in the end, no legislation seeking to arbitrarily consolidate Indiana's 238 library districts into 92 countywide districts survived.

## HEALTH

Our client, the *Indiana Association of Health Plans (IAHP)*, supported the passage of **SEA 219** (immunizations and student vision tests), authored by Sen. Pat Miller (R, Indianapolis), which directs the state department of health to form a task force for the purpose of including health plans in the list of entities that may gain access to the state immunization registry. Members of the IAHP sought to be added to the list of those who can receive registry data to improve immunization compliance. The IAHP and its members will be a part of this process set to begin soon.

For client *Coordinated Care*, we monitored the development of **HEA 1572** (Medicaid managed care), authored by Rep. Peggy Welch (D, Bloomington), which creates the Medicaid managed care quality strategy committee to study issues of mutual interest to providers and Medicaid managed care organizations. The MMCQSC is comprised of Medicaid providers, public hospitals, Medicaid managed care organizations, the mental health profession and the Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning.

**HEA 1592** (long term care employee flu vaccinations), authored by Rep. Charles Moseley (D, Portage), requires health facilities that are licensed as comprehensive care facilities to provide or make available immunizations against the influenza virus to employees who have direct contact with patients. It provides that immunizations are not required if there is an

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inadequate supply of the vaccine and delineates specific reasons which would preclude a health facility from requiring an employee to receive an immunization.

## INSURANCE

The bill of most concern to our client, the *American Insurance Association*, **HB 1167** (asbestos statute of limitations), authored by Rep. Dennis Tyler (D, Muncie), died in conference committee. The bill as introduced would have extended the statute of limitations retroactively for asbestos claimants against previously immune parties. In the end, Rep. Tyler opted for **House Resolution 98**, urging the Legislative Council to study the topic of liability for asbestos related illnesses. [The Council generally assigns study topics in June but with the special session looming, it may defer action.]

**SEA 469** (limited liability for certain asbestos claims), authored by Rep. Phil Boots (R, Crawfordsville), contrary to HB 1167, was a positive piece of legislation addressing an unfavorable appellate court decision by providing limited liability for “innocent successor corporations”. Rep. Tyler amended his language from HB 1167 into the bill in the House but that change was not accepted by the Senate.

While our client, the *Association of Indiana Life Insurance Companies*, was not seeking particular legislation this year, as always, many bills of general insurance interest were tracked to satisfactory conclusion. The sole exception was the Indiana department of insurance sought model audit legislation which House insurance chair Craig Fry (D, Mishawaka) attempted to use as a vehicle for numerous other unpopular issues to no avail. Unable to gain conference committee support, he allowed the bill to die.

On behalf of our clients *Aetna*, *Cigna*, the *Indiana State Association of Health Underwriters*, *Humana* and the *IAHP*, we were involved in the crafting of **SEA 437** (coverage for cancer chemotherapy), authored by Sen. Vaneta Becker (R, Evansville), designed to place coverage for orally administered cancer chemotherapy under an individual or a group contract on the same footing respecting dollar limits, copayments, deductibles, or coinsurance provisions as those applicable to coverage for cancer chemotherapy that is administered intravenously or by injection. This parity is only required when pharmacy benefits are provided in a contract. However, this issue may need to be revisited in the future, as we just now are hearing from certain national trade associations that this may be a larger issue than anticipated.

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In other matters of interest to our clients, the General Assembly passed **HEA 1300** (health plan requirements and study), authored by Rep. Peggy Welch (D, Bloomington), which requires interim studies on:

- the impact on insurers and purchasers of health insurance of mandatory recognition of assignment of benefits to out-of-network providers. This study will be directed by the commissioner of the Department of Insurance. Specifically, the bill requires the commissioner to study the costs or savings incurred by an insurer or HMO in implementing direct reimbursement. It also requires study of the operational impact on healthcare providers, as well as the number of additional health care providers that would be reimbursed directly after full AOB was implemented. The commissioner is required to submit the results of this study to the Health Finance Commission (HFC) before October 15, 2009.
- the impact of so-called “all products clauses” on quality and continuity of care and patient access to care.

The act also requires enhanced notification by insurers when a check is sent directly to a patient for out-of-network care.

In its final form the health insurance industry was neutral on **HEA 1311** (hearing aid assistance), authored by Rep. Terry Goodin (D, Austin), which establishes a hearing aid assistance program for children in need along with a hearing aid refurbishing program to help get low cost hearing aids to people who need them. Under our watchful eye, this bill evolved considerably from its introduced form in January which included an insurance mandate.

Legislation passed into law to clarify that insurers must cover routine care costs regardless of whether or not a patient is participating in a clinical trial. There was concern expressed by the author of **HEA 1382**, Rep. Peggy Welch (D-Bloomington), that treatment of conditions unrelated to a clinical trial were being denied by insurers on the basis that they do not cover the costs of clinical trials.

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### INTERSTATE COOPERATION

A bill introduced on behalf of the *Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors* passed the session without opposition. **SEA 530** (Indiana-Michigan Boundary Line Commission), authored by Sen. Marlin Stutzman (R-Howe), establishes a commission to direct a survey of the Indiana-Michigan border, which has deteriorated over time since the original survey in 1827.

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The Michigan legislature is currently debating similar legislation in that state. Once passed, the states will jointly survey the border.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Questions as to the expansion of the state's 911 fee for landlines and cellular phones were resolved early this session. Last year there was a proposal to double the tax on cell phone users. However, it was successfully argued by our client, *Sprint*, and other cell phone providers that before customers were asked to pay more, an audit should be completed so there is an adequate understanding of the costs that those fees need to cover. As a result, Indiana Treasurer Richard Mourdock asked the General Assembly to wait until two full years of information could be collected to help the legislature and stakeholders understand at what level fees can be appropriately set.

## TRANSPORTATION

In recent years this issue has become increasingly important to several of our clients, including the *American Insurance Association* and the *Indiana Railroad Transportation Group*. **SEA 21** (theft of metal) authored by Sen. Karen Tallian (D, Portage), expands the definition of "valuable metal," and removes the provision exempting valuable metal transactions under \$100 from reporting requirements. It requires a valuable metal dealer to photograph the person from whom the dealer purchases valuable metal and the valuable metal being purchased, and to record the source of the valuable metal.

Again, on behalf of the, *Indiana Railroad Transportation Group*, we were successful in stopping legislation which would require short line railroads to erect whistle posts at certain mile markers rather than at sites where necessary due to the speed of the trains. **HB 1055**, authored by Rep. Clyde Kersey (D, Terre Haute), passed the House in an acceptably amended form, but the Senate ultimately refused to consider passage of any part of this generally egregious bill.

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## OTHER BILLS OF INTEREST:

**[HB1012](#) 1977 pension fund disability benefit. ([Avery](#), [Becker](#), [Kruse](#), [Deig](#))**

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**[HB1014](#) Age discrimination. ([V. Smith](#), [Kruse](#), [M. Young](#), [Tallian](#))**

Last Action: 05/13/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1021](#) School and church bus matters. ([Crouch](#), [Becker](#), [Deig](#))**

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**[HB1028](#) Self-directed in-home care study. ([Day](#), [Miller](#), [Errington](#))**

Last Action: 05/11/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1032](#) Wabash River heritage corridor commission. ([Grubb](#), [Hershman](#), [Skinner](#))**

Last Action: 05/11/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1049](#) Change the name of the MRDD Commission. ([Klinker](#), [Lawson](#), [Sipes](#))**

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**[HB1063](#) Youth shelters. ([Avery](#), [Becker](#), [Lawson](#), [Tallian](#))**

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**[HB1071](#) Homeowners associations and model home taxation. ([Cheatham](#), [Lewis](#), [Delph](#), [Boots](#))**

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**[HB1077](#) Special tool and common law liens. ([Cheatham](#), [Lewis](#), [Walker](#))**

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**[HB1089](#) Heimlich maneuver and CPR continuing education. ([Duncan](#), [Sipes](#), [Dillon](#), [Leising](#))**

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**[HB1090](#) Primary motor vehicle coverage. ([Fry](#), [Paul](#), [Broden](#))**

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**[HB1094](#) Property tax assessments and notices. ([Grubb](#), [Hershman](#), [Broden](#))**

Last Action: 05/12/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1096](#) Mortgage deduction application. ([Barnes](#), [Merritt](#), [Wyss](#), [Taylor](#))**

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**[HB1097](#) Various environmental matters. ([Barnes](#), [Gard](#), [Landske](#), [Breux](#))**

Last Action: 05/13/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1107](#) Compact for education for military children. ([Tincher](#), [Wyss](#), [Deig](#), [Arnold](#))**

Last Action: 04/20/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1116](#) Report of missing persons to national data base. ([Cheatham](#), [Lewis](#), [M. Young](#), [Sipes](#))**

Last Action: 04/20/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1121](#) Identity deception. ([L. Lawson](#), [Hume](#), [Steele](#))**

Last Action: 05/12/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1123](#) Traffic matters. ([Cherry](#), [Gard](#), [Deig](#), [Arnold](#))**

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**[HB1130](#) Drivers licenses. ([Barnes](#), [Merritt](#), [Wyss](#), [Breux](#))**

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**[HB1132](#) Department of correction and police powers. ([L. Lawson](#), [Wyss](#), [Arnold](#))**

Last Action: 05/06/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1133](#) State employee job evaluation system. ([L. Lawson](#), [Tallian](#), [Errington](#), [Breux](#))**

Last Action: 05/12/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1135](#) Veterans' benefits. ([Reske](#), [Wyss](#))**

Last Action: 04/30/2009 Governor Signed

**[HB1165](#) Public safety survivors tuition and fee exemption. ([Tyler](#), [M. Young](#), [Errington](#), [Arnold](#))**

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**[HB1175](#) Victims' rights. ([Riecken](#), [Becker](#), [Sipes](#), [Deig](#))**

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**[HB1176](#) Residential mortgage lending practices. ([Riecken](#), [Kruse](#), [Broden](#), [Tallian](#))**

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**[HB1180](#) Computer merchandise hoarding. ([Blanton](#), [Lanane](#), [Steele](#))**

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- [HB1193](#) E85 fueling station grant program. ([Pearson](#), [Hume](#), [Alting](#))**  
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- [HB1194](#) Disproportionate share payments program study. ([Crawford](#), [Sipes](#), [Dillon](#))**  
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