

WEEKLY BILL TRACKING

Thurs. Feb. 5 – Wed. Feb.11, 2021

HOUSE DEMOCRATIC RESEARCH STAFF

Agriculture

[HSB 95](#) **IDALS Department Bill.** The bill has several sections including mandating veterinary assistants recertify every three years, establishes a local farm produce program to help schools serve produce from local farms, allows the department to update rules regarding fertilizers and soil conditioners, and makes other corrective Code changes. (passed Committee 21-0) to House Calendar

[HSB 153](#) **E-15 Plus Gasoline Qualified Infrastructure Program.** The bill establishes the E-15 Plus Gasoline Qualified Infrastructure Program. The program allows terminals to receive a grant from the state for the purpose of updating equipment to be compatible with E-15. The fund receives a \$1 million appropriation from the Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Fund. (passed Committee 13-8) to House Calendar

[HSB 167](#) **Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Program.** The bill expands the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Program. It increases the number of years a landowner can participate from 10 to 15. It allows landowners who lease land with soil, a pasture, or a building to be used in farming to qualify for the program, which is an expanded definition from just agricultural land. Landowners can have multiple agreements at a time but each agreement is capped at \$50,000. (passed Committee 21-0) to Ways and Means Committee

Commerce

[HSB 33](#) **Promotional Pyramid Scheme.** This legislation codifies pyramid scheme definition and creates penalties for pyramid scheme operation . (passed Committee 20-1) to the House Calendar.

[HSB 149](#) **Vegetation Management.** Allows utilities to control and maintain vegetation under specified circumstances. (passed Committee 18-3) to the House Calendar.

[HSB 137](#) **Iowa Utility Board Omnibus.** Board's annual bill that makes various technical changes to their Code chapter. (passed 21-0) to the House Calendar.

[HSB 46](#) **Drug Price Transparency.** Requires drug manufacturers and health carriers to report drug pricing increases to Iowa Insurance Commissioner. (passed 21-0) to House Calendar.

[HSB 119](#) **Insurance Division Omnibus.** Division's annual bill that makes technical changes to their Code chapter and requests waiver from Affordable Care Act. (passed 13-8) to House Calendar.

[HSB 180](#) **Performance Rights Societies.** Prohibits performing rights societies from certain acts when claiming royalties. (passed 15-6) to House Calendar.

[HF 235](#) **Consumer Credit Transactions.** Allows \$30 or 10% fee on non-bearing interest loans. (passed Senate 48-0) to Governor.

[HF 284](#) **Professional Engineer Licensing.** Eliminates requirement that professional engineer license applicants show practical experience prior to taking the license exam. (passed House 92-2) to the Senate.

Education

[HSB 138](#) **All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship Exceptional Circumstances.** Under the All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship, the bill allows someone who has to suspend their enrollment due to medical emergency, military deployment or other exceptional circumstances, to continue to qualify for the program upon re-enrollment. (passed Committee 21-0) to House Calendar

[HSB 139](#) **College Student Aid Commission Non-Profit Organization.** Allows the College Student Aid Commission to organize a non-profit corporation. The chair would be the commission's Executive Director and the board of directors would be the nine members of the commission. They would be subject to open meetings, and could receive public and private funds to educational financial assistance. (passed Committee to 21-0) to House Calendar

[HSB 147](#) **Substitute Teacher Funding Cap.** The bill eliminates for the current school year, the cap on a school board member to be employed as a substitute teacher salary, food service worker, or a school bus driver at \$6,000. (passed Committee 21-0) to House Calendar

[HF 49](#) **Eliminates Tenure.** The benefit of tenure for professors would be eliminated at Regent institutions. (passed Committee 12-9) to House Calendar

[HF 308](#) **Concurrent Enrollment Assessment.** To take concurrent enrollment classes right now, a student needs to pass at proficiency level in Math, Science and in English on the Iowa Statewide Assessment of Student Progress (ISAP). This bill keeps ISAP's as an option and adds a list of options for homeschooled students, such as a written recommendation from a teacher, achievement scores from annual homeschool evaluation, writing skills assessment, ACT test, and a critical reading and math test. If the student is still not proficient, the school district and the community college can jointly agree on measures. Those could include a community college placement test such as Accuplacer or Aleks. (passed House 94-0) to Senate, passed on file

[HF 316](#) **Open Enrollment Funding Date.** The date for which a student is counted to be in a particular district for open enrollment purposes, would be the school count date of Oct. 1. (passed House 94-0) to Senate Education

[HF 317](#) **Children Living Facilities Funding Allocation.** Changes the funding allocation to Child Living Facilities from months to days that the child has lived in the school district (passed House 94-0) to Senate, passed on file

[HF 386](#) **School Board Report on Nonprofit School Organizations.** Eliminates the report required by school districts on their nonprofit school organization to the Department of Education (DE), and in turn, it eliminates the requirement that DE include such information in their annual report. (passed House 94 -0) to Senate, passed on file

[HF 388](#) **Child Development Council Duties.** Eliminates the duties that the Child Development Council that require them to make recommendations on appropriate curricula and staff qualifications and training for early elementary education, coordination of the curricula with child development programs, and the duty to encourage the establishment of regional councils for regional programs of at-risk kids. (passed House 94-0) to Senate passed on File

[HF 438](#) **PreK-12 School Funding, State Supplemental Aid (SSA).** Establishes the PreK-12 School Funding, State Supplemental Aid (SSA), at 2.5% growth and categorical percent of growth for FY 2022. Including the status quo additional \$15 million reduction, this would increase school funding by \$25.9 million. 135 Iowa school districts will receive less state funding than they did this year. The Property Tax Replacement Payment (PTRP) at a cost of \$87.2 million, an increase of \$12.1 million. At 2.5%, the preschool allocation is cut by \$7.3 million. (passed Committee 15-6) to House Calendar

[HF 439](#) **\$30 million Supplemental Education Bill.** Establishes a qualified instruction funding supplement for FY 2021, the current 2020-21 school year. Each school district would receive a portion of the \$30 million increase based on how much in-person instruction they provided between August 23rd to January 29th. Six or more hours will be counted as one school day. In-person instruction to all students within the school district for three or more hours, but less than six hours, will be counted as one-half of a school day. In-person instruction to one-half or more but less than all students for six or more hours shall be counted as one-half of a school day. (passed Committee 15-6) to House

Ethics

[SCR 3](#) **Joint Rules Governing Lobbyists.** These are the joint rules that govern lobbyists for the House and Senate. (passed Committee 4-0) to House Calendar

[HSB 163](#) **House Ethics Rules.** These are the House Ethics rules for the House for all Representatives and employees of the House. (passed Committee 4-0) to House Calendar

Human Resources

[HSB 141](#) **Personally Identifiable Information.** Prohibits the Auditor of State from accessing names and addresses included in the Reportable Disease Report. Also prohibits a state or local agency employee from accessing this information unless they have completed

data confidentiality training. (passed House Human Resources Committee 20-0) to House Calendar

[HSB 168](#)

University of Iowa College of Medicine and Dentistry. Requires that the Board of Regents enforce a policy mandating that no less than 75% of students accepted into both the College of Medicine and the College of Dentistry at the University of Iowa are residents in Iowa or enrolled in an undergraduate program in Iowa. Also requires UIHC to submit an annual report. (passed House Human Resources Committee 13-7) to House Calendar

[HF 107](#)

In-Person Supervision. States that marital or family therapists, social workers, or mental health counselors cannot be required to have in-person supervised clinical experience hours. Also states that marital or family therapists or mental health counselors shall not have more required supervised clinical experience hours than social workers. (passed House Human Resources Committee 20-0) to House Calendar

[HF 260](#)

Child Care Ratios. Adds two school-aged children to the number of children allowed at an unregistered child care home. This will increase from 5 to 7. Also allows a child development home to provide care to seven or more children at once, instead of six. (passed House 70-24) to Senate Human Resources Committee

[HF 262](#)

Emergency Dispensing of Unit-Dosed Medication. Allows for the emergency dispensing of unit dosed medication (insulin, EpiPen's, inhalers etc.) for up to 30 days. (passed House 91-0) to Senate Human Resources Committee

[HF 263](#)

Capping the Cost of Insulin. Caps the cost of a covered prescription insulin to \$100 for a 31-day supply. This does not apply to Medicaid or Medicare. (passed House 89-2) to Senate Human Resources Committee

[HF 270](#)

UIHC Medical Residency Interviews in a Clinical Study. Requires the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics to offer interviews and audition rotations for their medical residency positions to anyone who has an undergraduate degree from an Iowa university or earned a medical degree from Des Moines University (DMU). (passed House Human Resources Committee 13-7) to House Calendar

[HF 292](#)

Child Care Assistance Provider Rate Increase. Child care programs that take CCA and are reimbursed below the 50th percentile will now get reimbursed at the 50th percentile of the market rate survey completed prior to July 1, 2021. (passed House 90-4) to Senate Human Resources Committee

[HF 301](#)

Child Care Workforce Matching Grants. Establishes a child care workforce state matching grants program and fund. This will be administered by the Early Childhood Iowa State Board (Board) to provide matching state grants for the child care WAGES Iowa Program, the Teacher Education and Compensation Helps Scholarship Program, or other child care workforce strategies. No appropriation is included in the bill. (passed House 92-2) to Senate Human Resources Committee

[HF 302](#) **Child Care Assistance Phase-Out Program.** Creates a state-only funded graduated eligibility phase-out program for Child Care Assistance families. (passed House 94-0) to Senate Human Resources Committee

[HF 391](#) **Controlled Substances.** Conforms the state chemical designation list to the federal Controlled Substances Act. (passed House 92-2) to Senate Human Resources Committee

[SF 129](#) **Iowa Primary Care Loan Repayment Program Specialties.** Adds the specialties of obstetrics and gynecology to the Rural Iowa Primary Care Loan Repayment Program and adjusts the service commitment area to allow for more flexibility. (passed House Human Resources Committee 20-0) to House Calendar

Information Technology

[HF 304](#) **Personal Delivery Devices.** Allows certain businesses to use personal delivery devices in certain circumstances. (passed House 90-1) to Senate.

Judiciary

[HF 232](#) **Disorderly Conduct Intent.** Adds the requirement for unreasonable distress to be done intentionally or recklessly to be disorderly conduct. (passed Senate 48-0) to Governor

[HF 233](#) **Civil Penalties for Disclosure of Explicit Images.** Enacts the Uniform Civil Remedies for Unauthorized Disclosure of Intimate Images Act, creating a civil remedy for the unauthorized disclosure of private, sexually explicit images without consent. (passed House 91-0) to Senate Judiciary Committee

[HF 259](#) **Implantation of Microchips in Employees.** Prohibits an employer from requiring an employee have a microchip implanted in the employee's body. (passed House 91-0) to Senate Labor and Business Relations Committee

[HF 282](#) **Abuse of a Human Corpse Penalty Enhancement.** Increases the penalty for abuse of a corpse. (passed House 93-1) to Senate

[HF 310](#) **Prohibition on a "Gay Panic" Defense.** Prohibits a defense because of a crime committed because of a nonviolent sexual offenses as a result of the discovery, knowledge, or potential disclosure of a person's sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity. (passed House 94-0) to Senate

[HF 361](#) **Appointment of a Guardian Ad Litem for Child Prosecution Witnesses.** Expands the age that a prosecuting witness who is a child is entitled to a guardian ad litem in certain cases. (passed House (94-0) to Senate

[HF 453](#) **Nonprofit Restrictions.** Prohibits any requirements on a corporation that are more restrictive or expansive than allowed by state or federal law. (passed Committee 18-0) to House Calendar

- [HF 452](#) **Massage Therapy and Human Trafficking.** Provides additional civil and criminal enforcement on the practice of massage therapy and cosmetology and human trafficking provisions. (passed Committee 20-0) to House Calendar
- [HF 456](#) **Anti-SLAPP.** Enacts the “Uniform Public Expression Protection Act” related to Anti-SLAPP law-suits. (passed Committee 20-0) to House Calendar
- [HF 445](#) **Court Interpreter Payments.** Provides for court interpreter fee claims shall be received, re-viewed, and paid by the Judicial Branch. (passed Committee 20-0) to House Calendar
- [HF 455](#) **Jury Lists from Taxpayer Information.** Allows the Department of Revenue to share confidential taxpayer information for compiling jury lists. (passed Committee 19-1) to House Calendar
- [SF 172](#) **Expand the Definition of a Sex Act.** Expands the definition of a sex act to determine certain sex crimes. (passed House 94-0) to Governor
- [SF 240](#) **Custodial Trusts.** Establishes the Iowa Uniform Custodial Trust Act to allow for inter vivos trusts by general practitioner attorneys. (passed House 94-0) to Governor

Natural Resources

- [HF 234](#) **Lifetime Trout Stamp.** The bill establishes a lifetime trout stamp for Iowans over the age 65. (passed House 91-0) to Senate Natural Resources and Environment Committee

Public Safety

- [SJR 7](#) **Eliminate Background Checks.** Amends Iowa Constitution to include strict scrutiny review to keep and bear arms. (passed Senate 29-18) to Secretary of State.
- [HSB 88](#) **Sex Offender Registry Modification.** Amends sex offender modification requirements to place the state in compliance with the Adam Walsh Act. (passed Committee 16-3) to House Calendar.

State Government

- [HSB 122](#) **Speech Pathologists and Audiologists.** This legislation creates and allows Iowa to participate in an interstate compact for licensed Speech Pathologists and Audiologists. (passed Committee 21-0) to the House Calendar.
- [HSB 151](#) **Federal Campaign Signs.** This proposal comes from the Campaign and Ethics board and puts the same state regulations already in place for state candidates as federal candidates. (passed Committee 21-0) to the House Calendar.

[HSB 152](#) **Real Estate Sale or Lease.** This closes a loophole currently in code by prohibiting an employee of a government agency from leasing or selling real estate to someone who is under the jurisdiction of that agency. (passed Committee 21-0) to the House Calendar.

[HF 314](#) **State Government Leases.** Creates oversight and reporting requirements for the leases that agencies in state government are paying for (passed the House 94-0) to the Senate.

[HF 357](#) **Massage Therapists.** Requires massage therapists to be mandatory reporters for child and dependent adult abuse. (passed the House 94-0) to the Senate

Transportation

[HSB 80](#) **Electric Bikes.** The bill creates three categories for electric bikes, based on speed. Manufacturers must label electric bikes for use in Iowa. E-bikes can operate anywhere a regular bike can operate but local governments can regulate where e-bikes are allowed. (passed Committee 19-0) to House Calendar

[HSB 101](#) **City Road Report Date.** The bill changes the date for when cities must submit their report on how they have spent money on roads from September 30th to December 1st. It also changes the date when moneys revert to the street construction fund from December 31st to March 1st. (passed Committee 19-0) to House Calendar

[HF 29](#) **Scenic Byways Fund.** The bill establishes a Scenic Byways Enhancement Fund for the purpose of support, maintenance, and enhancement of the scenic byways across the state. Iowans can donate to the fund when they renew their vehicle registration. (passed Committee 19-0) to House Calendar

[HF 33](#) **Adult Changing Stations.** The bill requires the DOT to install adult changing stations at rest areas of their choosing. (passed Committee 19-0) to House Calendar

[HF 494](#) **Driving in the Left Lane.** The bill prohibits people from driving in the left lane if another car will be overtaking them from the rear. A person who fails to move to the right lane can receive a ticket of \$135. (passed Committee 17-2) to House Calendar

[HF 280](#) **CDL Online Renewal.** The bill allows most CDL's to be renewed online. (passed House 91-0) to the Senate

[HF 380](#) **Driver's Education.** The bill adds distracted driving instruction as part of driver's education. (passed House 94-0) to Senate

[HF 389](#) **Chauffeur's license.** The bill eliminates the class D-2 chauffeur's license and exempts from the definition of chauffeur, firefighters and ambulance attendants. (passed House 94-0) to Senate

Ways & Means Committee

- [HF 230](#) **Child Care Tax Credit Expansion.** Increases the cutoff for maximum income threshold for the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit and the Early Childhood Development Tax Credit from \$45,000 to \$90,000. (passed House 93-1) to House Ways & Means Calendar
- [HF 367](#) **Burial Trust Fund Tax Exemption.** Exempts from state individual income tax interest and earnings from a burial trust fund. (passed House 94-0) to Senate
- [HF 368](#) **Transfer of Rent Reimbursement Program.** Transfers the elderly and disabled rent reimbursement program from the Department of Revenue to the Department of Human Services. (passed House 94-0) to Senate
- [HF 369](#) **Adoption Tax Credit Increase.** Increases the tax credit for adoption expenses. (passed House 93-1) to Senate
- [HF 370](#) **Business Child Care Tax Credit.** Creates a tax credit for businesses providing child care benefits to employees. (passed House 88-6) to Senate