

Week 2 Jan 15-18th IFA Roger Carr-President and IFA board

This week was packed with subcommittees and snowstorms. Many legislators left early on Thursday to try and get home before more snowfall. Friday was also the last day for individual legislators to file bills. All new bills will need to be a committee bill.

Bills of interest to IFA-Action items for this week are noted in red.

HF 529 Debris and Lights (Dunwell-Bagniewski-Gerhold) TRANSPORTATION

SUB: Passed subcommittee however legislators seemed willing to strike the section allowing tow trucks to have blue lights.

Now to the full Transportation committee

We have registered UNDECIDED on this bill as we are ok with the clean-up part of the bill but do not want to see tow trucks with flashing blue lights.

NO ACTION THIS WEEK

SF 2012 First Responder ID cards (Lofgren-Cournoyer-Giddens) TRANSPORTATION This bill allows first responders to apply for an ID card when they renew their driver license. This will cost the road use tax fund \$10 per card.

All were unclear about what the purpose of these cards are.

Sub: Passed, however legislators wanted to find out more about why this bill is necessary

HF 2012 companion bill

Sub in House: Passed, but many ideas were presented about how to more cost effectively provide an ID cards for first responders. It was also noted that the language needed more clarification on who would be eligible.



SSB 3016 Eliminate ATE and no hands free (Zaun-Bisignano-Garrett) JUDICIARY

The bill defines the terms "electronic device", "use", and "voice-activated or hands-free mode". The bill allows the use of an electronic device if the vehicle is at a complete stop off the traveled portion of the roadway, or as far away from the center of the roadway as is practicable if the vehicle cannot be entirely removed.

Also, the bill states that after July 1, 2025, it prohibits the state or a local authority from placing or causing to be placed on or adjacent to a highway, or maintaining or employing the use of, any automated or remote system for traffic law enforcement (ATE system).

Sen Klemish will be running a bill to put regulations on ATE's so they can't be used as a money grab, only used in areas that show a high accident rate. Klemish's bill would also make 10% of the fine money to go to the Length of Service Award Program for VOLUNTEER Firefighters.

NO ACTION THIS WEEK

HSB 523 PROTECTED WORKER ASSAULTS (Public Safety) Shipley (C), Levin, Vondran

Increases the penalties for various assaults on protected workers (DOC employees, law enforcement, firefighters, EMS and other workers) by one step. (AG)

Sub scheduled for 1/22 @12:30 room 304-Click on camera icon to join meeting. You will not be able to speak in a HOUSE sub. SEND US COMMENTS

Date/Time 01/22/2024 12:30 PM

> Bill HSB 523

Location

RM 304.1

Bill Title: A bill for an act relating to assaults, including assaults on persons engaged in certain occupations and inmate assaults on department of corrections employees, and providing penalties.

Agenda:

i. public comment

ii. discussion



SF 2033 FIRE FIGHTER EQUIPMENT NOTICE (Webster, Brown, Bisignano) (State Government)

Requires the sellers of fire fighter safety equipment containing perfluoroalkyl or polyfluorinated substances

to give written notice to the purchaser. Requires the purchaser and the seller to maintain the notice for at least three years. Allows the AG, city attorney or county attorney to request such notice and to take action to enforce the bill. Establishes civil penalties.

We have registered UNDECIDED on this bill/NOTE: Career firefighters have registered FOR this bill.

NO ACTION THIS WEEK

SF 2029 BURN BANS (Salmon) (Local Government)

Requires a fire chief to get permission from the city council or the supervisors before submitting a burn ban request to the State Fire Marshall

We have registered AGAINST this bill. Sub scheduled 1/22 at 12:00 Room 217

You can join this meeting via ZOOM and can speak:

Join Zoom Meeting

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SF 555 VOLUNTEER EMS TAX ABATEMENT Dickey (C), Dawson, Petersen

The bill provides a property tax abatement for volunteer firefighters We have registered FOR this bill NO ACTION THIS WEEK



SF 2020 Scholarships for First Responders (Zaun) Rozenboom, Celsi, Kraayenbrink EDUCATION

This is a bill to offer scholarships to career firefighters/ Volunteers are not included but Sen Zaun said he would add us if the bill goes anywhere

I am talking to the Sponsor if this bill, Sen Zaun asking WHY volunteers were excluded from this bill

We have not registered for this bill yet.

NO ACTION THIS WEEK

HF 2034 This bill requires that administrative rules adopted by the director of the department of inspections, appeals, and licensing that establish the state fire code provide a process for a building in which no more than 50 students subject to an exemption granted under Code section 299.24 are educated to be exempted from the state fire code. Code section 299.24 provides for an exemption from certain school standards for members of a church or religious denomination in specified circumstances.

REALLY??? I think we should register AGAINST this bill NO ACTION THIS WEEK

SF 2017 Developing policies regarding school fire drills -Westrich, Cournoyer, Giddens EDUCATION

SUB 1/22 at 4:00 ROOM 315

Join Zoom Meeting

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SF 454 Requirements to civil service commission when hiring public safety positions Webster, Weiner, Westrich

SUB 1/25 at 10:30 am Room 217

Join Zoom Meeting

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REMEMBER, The chili cookoff is Jan 24th from 11:00-1:00. If your department wants to bring a roaster of chili, please let us or a board member know. Everything else will be provided. Come to the Capitol and meet legislators and help advocate for the work you do! They need to hear from you, what better way than face to face!

Even if you can't bring chili PLEASE COME!

ONE LAST THING.....Do you know who your Senator and Representative are? If not, you can find them here: https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislators/find
Do you have them on speed dial? We are going to need you to contact them throughout this legislative process. They need to hear from you.

Here is how to look up a bill: https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/findLegislation/billNumber?ga=90
Under BILLS enter the bill number ex: SF 555 and the bill will pop up