**Iowa Legislative Report**

**Iowa State Police Association**

**88th General Assembly, 2020 Session**

**Week 3: January 31, 2020**

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Week three turned out to be another busy week for bill movement. Both chambers held multiple sub committees on our monitored bills and some of those bills passed out of full committee. Both the House and the Senate seem to be motivated to move policy bills through early in session to allow more focus on resolving budget bills. We have had early success on our priority bills thus far, although we will need to remain vigilant as we approach the first funnel deadline scheduled for February 21st.

The House and Senate held subcommittees this week on the 411 pension reform bills (HSB 551 and SSB 3060). The meetings provided input from the public and were well attended. President Harkin spoke on behalf of ISPA and did an excellent job of presenting the reasons why changes are needed. The House passed the bill out of committee, but the Senate needed to schedule another subcommittee for next week. Their committee members had technical questions that they needed answered before they were willing to move the bill to full committee. We will continue to encourage passage without any substantive changes. ISPA’s Legislative day next Wednesday will be an opportune time to discuss the importance of passing this bill.

Next week will be shortened again by one day due to the Caucuses on Monday night. They will resume on Tuesday with a full schedule of committee meetings. With funnel week only three weeks away, it will be incumbent upon both chambers to move their priority bills through committees quickly so they can remain eligible in the other chamber.

As always, feel free to contact us if you would like specific details on a bill or the legislative process in general.

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**A list of bills monitored by the ISPA**

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| **Type** | **Name** | **Sponsor** | **Title** | **Bill Status** | **ISPA Position** |
| **BLUE ALERTS** | [**SF 526**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=SF%20526) | **Zaun (R)** | A bill for an act creating a blue alert program within the department of public safety for the apprehension of a person suspected of killing or seriously injuring a peace officer in the line of duty or due to safety concerns for a peace officer missing while on duty. (Formerly SSB 1167.) | PASSED SENATE FLOOR | **SUPPORT** |
| **EMS CARRY PERMIT** | [**SF 2096 HF 2036**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf2096) | **Dawson (R), Holt (R)** | Allows an EMS provider to get a professional carry permit of the provider works with police tactical units. Requires the provider to train with the tactical squad and to complete an appropriate training course. Allows an employer to require an EMS provider who works with tactical squads to have a professional permit.  | S-PASSED COMMITTEE H-PASSED SUB | **Nuetral** |
| **APPROACHING EMERGENCY VEHICLES** | [**SF 2016**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf2016) | **Whiting (R)**  | Requires a driver to reduce speed by at least 20 miles per hour under the speed limit when approaching an emergency vehicle on the side of the road, regardless of whether the driver changes lanes.  | PASSED SUB | **NUETRAL** |
| **CHILD SEAT BELTS**  | [**SF 2012 and HF 2003**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf2012) | **Whiting (R) Jones (R), Thorup (R)** | Strikes an exception which allows some children to be in the back seat of a car without wearing a seat belt/child restraint system.  | S-PASSED SUB H-PASSED SUB | **SUPPORT** |
| **GUNS & SCHOOL TRANSPORTS** | [**SF 116**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf116) | **Schultz (R)** | An Act relating to going armed with, carrying, or transporting a firearm when transporting a person to or from a school or delivering an item to the school |   | **NUETRAL** |
| **CARRYING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS** | [**SF 115**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf115) | **Zaun (R)** | An Act relating to peace officers, reserve peace officers, and federal officers going armed with, carrying, or transporting a firearm on school grounds. | PASSED SUB | **SUPPORT** |
| **CARRYING GUNS TO WORK** | [**SF 459**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf459) | **Zaun (R)** | An Act relating to the carrying, transportation, or possession of firearms on real property comprising a person’s place of employment | PASSED SUB | **NUETRAL** |
| **OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTINGS** | [**SF 568**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf568) | **Zaun (R)** | An Act relating to officer-involved shootings and officer-involved critical incidents |   | **NUETRAL** |
| **ELUDING OFFENSES** | [**SSB 3035 and HSB 524**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ba=SSB3035&ga=88) | **Zaun (R), Holt (R)** | Enhances the penalties for eluding offenses to make a second or subsequent offense an aggravated misdemeanor and increases the penalty for aggravated eluding offenses to a Class D felony. Makes a subsequent violation of the current Class D aggravated offenses a Class C felony.  | S-PASSED SUB H-PASSED SUB | **SUPPORT** |
| **PEACE OFFICER INVESTIGATORY RECORDS**  | [**SSB 3043**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ba=SSB3043&ga=88) | **Zaun (R)** | Deems the active and inactive investigatory records of peace officers as confidential to the extent that the release of the records could reasonably be expected to interfere with law enforcement proceedings; deprive a person of a fair trial; be an unwarranted invasion of privacy; disclose confidential sources or investigative techniques, endanger the life or safety of a person or disclose the reporting party. Deems various information to not be confidential (time and type of crime, name of person arrested and other related information). Includes other confidentiality provisions and makes definitions. (Public Information Board)  |   | **NUETRAL** |
| **Public Employee Restitution** | [**SSB 3042**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ba=SSB3042&ga=88) | **State Auditor**  | A bill for an act relating to the penalty for public employees and public officials ordered to pay restitution to a public employer. |   | **NUETRAL** |
| **Arrest Warrant Confidentialty** | [**SSB 3041 HSB 613**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ba=SSB3041&ga=88) | **Public Defender** | A bill for an act relating to the confidentiality of information filed with the court to secure an arrest warrant. | S-PASSED SUB H-  | **NUETRAL** |
| **Medical Examiner Reporting** | [**SSB 3040 HS 610**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ba=SSB3040&ga=88) | **Department of Public Safety** | A bill for an act relating to a death affecting the public interest and reporting requirements of county medical examiners. | S-PASSED SUB, AMMENDED H- | **Support** |
| **Human Trafficking** | [**SF 2089 HSB 541**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=sf2089) | **DOT** | A bill for an act disqualifying a person convicted of human trafficking involving the use of a commercial motor vehicle from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life. | S-PASSED COMMITTEE H-PASSED COMMITTEE | **SUPPORT** |
| **FIRE & POLICE CONTRIBUTION**  | [**HF 2046**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ba=HF2046&ga=88) | **Kacena(D)** | Sets the state contribution for the Statewide Fire & Police Retirement System (411) at 3.79%. Appropriates $10.8 million in FY 2020 |   | **SUPPORT** |
| **MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING (411)** | [**SSB 3060 and HSB 551**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=SSB3060) | **SCHULTZ (R) Kaufmann (R)** | An Act concerning benefits under the municipal fire and police 1 retirement system. | S-IN SUB H-PASSED SUB | **SUPPORT** |
| **HANDS FREE** | [**SSB 3045 HF 2078**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=ssb3045) | **KAPUCIAN(R)** | An Act relating to the use of an electronic communication device while driving. | S-PASSED SUB, AMMENDED H- | **SUPPORT** |
| **EXSESSIVE SPEEDS** | [**HF 567 SF 114**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=HF567) | **KLIEN (R)** | An Act relating to unintentionally causing the death of a person by operating a motor vehicle at an excessive speed. | S-PASSED SUB H- | **SUPPORT (last year)** |
| **TINTED WINDOWS** | [**HF 2038**](https://www.legis.iowa.gov/legislation/BillBook?ga=88&ba=HF2038) | **SALMON (R)** | An Act providing for an exception to motor vehicle window tint 1 limitations for persons with certain medical conditions. |   | **OPPOSED** |