

The 2025 Iowa Legislative Report
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Week three was another busy one at the Iowa State Capitol. A flurry of subcommittees, full committees, and even floor debate in the House kept us all running around making sure everything was covered. It had the feeling of a funnel week as more and more bills were introduced, and subcommittees were scheduled. We have heard rumors that there are over 1200 bills in the queue so far this session, so we don't expect next week to slow down much.

Education bills were a large part of this week's activity as policy bills dealing with K-12 and higher education moved through subcommittees. The Senate also moved K-12 State Supplemental Aid bill this week. The gaming moratorium bill seemed to use up time and energy with the House moving this bill off the floor, sending it to the Senate for consideration.

We also saw a few bills introduced this week that have an impact on Iowa's law enforcement community. We are currently registered on 11 bills so far this session with a handful of others that we have not declared a position but continue to monitor.

Here are the bills we are tracking so far this session:

SF-22/HF-64 (these bills are similar but not companions)- Hands Free

- Prohibits hand-held electronic device use while driving.
- Allows voice-activated or hands-free use.
- Increases fines for violations from \$45 to \$100.
- Preempts local laws on electronic device use while driving.
- Establishes penalties for repeat offenders, including license suspension.
- **Both bills passed out of their respective subcommittees.**

We are registered in favor of this bill

SF-33 SLIP

- Defines eligible law enforcement officers and retirement systems.
- Provides cash payment for accrued sick leave upon retirement or death.
- Allows use of sick leave value for health insurance premiums.
- Excludes officers under collective bargaining agreements.
- Forfeiture of sick leave benefits upon reemployment with previous employer.
- **Passed subcommittee**

We are registered in favor of this bill.

HF-46 Motorcycle Profiling Training

- Mandates training on motorcyclist profiling for law enforcement officers.
- Defines motorcyclist profiling and prohibits its use in law enforcement actions.
- Requires local agencies to adopt policies against motorcyclist profiling.
- Establishes annual reporting on training requirements and substance.
- Includes in-service training requirements for all law enforcement officers.
- **Passed subcommittee**

We are registered opposed to this bill.

SSB-1058/HF-177 (formerly HSB-24) Assaults on correction officers

- Increases penalties for assaults against designated public service workers from aggravated misdemeanors to class 'C' and 'D' felonies.
- Introduces a minimum term of seven days for certain assault convictions, with no eligibility for suspension of the minimum sentence.
- Includes saliva in the definition of bodily fluids for inmate assaults, expanding the scope of what constitutes an assault in correctional facilities.
- Classifies assaults causing bodily injury or mental illness as class 'D' felonies.
- Clarifies that any other assault against public service workers is an aggravated misdemeanor.

- **Passed subcommittee**

We are registered in favor of this bill.

Below is a list of bills we are registered as undecided but continue to monitor:

HF-42 Undecided

- Officer involved shooting
- **Passed Subcommittee**

SSB-1019 Undecided

- Window Tint
- **Passed subcommittee**

HF-71 Undecided

- Traffic stop quotas
- **Subcommittee tabled**

SSB-1010/HSB-82 Undecided

- Civil Service Employees
- **Senate passed subcommittee**

If you have any questions regarding bill status, procedural processes or simply curious as to the general tone from week to week, please reach out to us anytime.

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