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Another busy week at the Iowa State Capitol. Many of our priority bills had movement and we were successful in slowing down or stopping some unwanted bills. Funnel week is only two weeks away so we expect much more activity in the coming weeks.

The biggest news for this this week is in regard to the 411 bill. A second sub committee was held in the Senate and this time the bill was approved, with a to be determined amendment. We have spent the past few weeks working to find a compromise on the language that would move this bill to the Senate floor and as discussed earlier, much progress has been made. We have presented our latest proposed language and we are hopeful that the Cities will agree with this language allowing the Senate to consider this bill in full committee. Once we have an agreement, a companion bill will also be filed in the House.

As you can see from our bill tracker, we have quite a few bills that we are working on. Even though the 411 bill is the top priority, all of these bills are important and we are confident that the bills we support will continue to move through the process.

There are many bills moving through both chambers that are priorities of the Governor's office as well as individual Legislators. It is sometimes a challenge to keep our bills at the forefront of discussion but we have been successful so far. We will continue to remind our Legislators of the importance of the work our members do day in and day out and how these pieces of legislation will improve the daily work as well as recruitment and retention of our officers.

Feel free to reach out to any of us for further clarification or if you have any questions. All of us at Fitzgerald, Smith, and Associates look forward to representing ISPA at the state Capitol this year.

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