

IOWA ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE NEWS BULLETIN

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Executive Director's Note: We are entering the third week of the session. Things are happening quickly, so I recommend that you watch this publication for any updates on legislation being proposed.

The Iowa Environmental Council Legislative News Bulletin provides legislative information to requesting individuals during the session. If you have strong feelings concerning a position the Iowa Environmental Council is taking, and you are a Member Organization of the Council, it is your RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY to phone or send an e-mail to me as soon as possible. We may sometimes make the wrong call, or be misinformed, concerning the ramifications of certain legislation. The Iowa Environmental Council is your voice, and I want to ensure it responsive to your needs.

If you are interested in participating in our advocacy alert system, please sign up for I-CALL at <http://capwiz.com/iaenvironment/home/>. Through this system, you can contact both your state and federal elected officials.

Links to email addresses of Senate and House for your ease in contacting your legislators:

Senate: <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/asp/Legislators/SenateEmail.aspx>

House: <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/asp/Legislators/HouseEmail.aspx>

Abbreviations... HF=House File, SF=Senate File, HSB=House Study Bill, SSB=Senate Study Bill, SAgC=Senate Agriculture Committee, HAgC=House Agriculture Committee, HEPC=House Environmental Protection Committee, HNRC=House Natural Resources Committee, SNRC=Senate Natural Resources Committee, SEEIC=Senate Environmental and Energy Independence Committee

The Iowa Environmental Council is currently *Supporting* the following bills

HSB	573	Flood Plain Management Policy	Rebuild Iowa Comm
HSB	592	(also SSB 3096) A bill for establishing smart planning principles, establishing guidelines for the adoption of certain comprehensive plans and land development regulations, and providing for the establishment of a smart planning task force	Rebuild Iowa Comm.
HSB	602	(also SSB 3114) Creation of a new energy finance program to finance energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements to real property	Commerce Committee, Subcommittee: Reichert, Jacoby, D. Olson, Soderberg, Wagner
HSB	608	A bill to restrict development within a 500 year flood plain.	Rebuild Iowa Comm.

SF	2030	A bill requiring disclosure to public utility customers of the percentage of electricity furnished to the customer derived from alternative and renewable energy sources	Environment and Energy Independence Comm. Subcommittee: Hogg, Behn, Rielly
SSB	3096	(also HSB 592) A bill for establishing smart planning principles, establishing guidelines for the adoption of certain comprehensive plans and land development regulations, and providing for the establishment of a smart planning task force	Rebuild Iowa Committee, subcommittee: Heckroth, Dandekar, Feenstra
SSB	3098	Flood Plain Management Policy	Rebuild Iowa Committee, Subcommittee: Hogg, Jochum, Houser
SSB	3114	(also HSB 602) Creation of a new energy finance program to finance energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements to real property	Environment and Energy Independence Comm., Subcommittee: Bolkom, Hogg, Reynolds

The Iowa Environmental Council is *Tentatively Supporting* the following bills

The Iowa Environmental Council is currently *Monitoring* the following bills

HF	2048	REAP Formula Change for County Conservation Accounts	Natural Resources Comm.
HF	2048	bill A changing the allocation of Iowa resources enhancement and protection funds to certain county conservation accounts	Natural Resources Committee, Subcommittee: Lykam, May, Palmer
HF	2100	A bill for an act modifying provisions applicable to electric generating and transmission facilities	Commerce Comm.
HSB	587	(also SSB3115) The annual DNR policy clean-up bill	Environmental Protection Comm., Subcommittee: Lensing, Hanson, Schultz
SF	2054	Composting of Organic Waste	Environment and Energy Independence Comm. Subcommittee: Wilhelm, Hartsuch, Stewart
SSB	3061	A bill earmarking one grant to be awarded from the solid waste account of the groundwater protection fund for a beautification program	Environment and Energy Independence, Subcommittee: Hogg, Wilhelm, Ward

SSB 3115 (also HSB 587) The annual DNR policy clean-up bill

Environment and Energy
Independence Committee,
subcommittee: Black, Wilhelm,
Behn

The Iowa Environmental Council is *Tentatively Opposing* the following bills

The Iowa Environmental Council is *Opposing* the following bills

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