

Please note that the list of bills below includes the bills that have seen some movement during the 2018 Session such as being referred to a Committee or assigned a new subcommittee. It is not an exhaustive list of all bills still eligible for consideration that are of interest to IEC. Any Ways and Means and Appropriations bills that were still “alive” at the end of the 2017 Legislative Session are still eligible for consideration now. Yellow highlights are changes from the previous week. (Note: A bill that is “dead” can be brought back later in the Session by leadership or through the Appropriations or Ways and Means Committees. No bill is really dead until the final gavel falls.)

Bill Number	Sponsor	Description and Status	IEC Registration
Energy Bills			
SSB 3078	Ways and Means Committee	Eliminates all requirements for utilities to offer energy efficiency programs to customers. <i>Referred to Ways and Means Subcommittee of Feenstra, Smith, and Hogg. Passed subcommittee with discussion that there will be an amendment similar to what the Senate passed on energy efficiency in SF 2311, including a cap on energy efficiency spending and creating a separate line item on a bill for energy efficiency.</i>	Against
SF 2311 (was SSB 3093)	Commerce Committee	Makes many changes to Iowa code regulating utilities, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Removes much IUB oversight of Municipal Utilities and Rural Electric Cooperatives (RECs) including authority over energy efficiency requirements. 2. Makes multiple changes that would be devastating to energy efficiency programs in Iowa. Allows all customers the option to “opt out” of energy efficiency programs, including customers of Alliant, MidAmerican, Black Hills Energy, and all of the municipal utilities and RECs. Amended in House Commerce Committee to eliminate opt out provisions, but put an even more limiting cap on how much companies can spend on energy efficiency programs. <i>Senate bill passed full Senate. Amended and passed House Commerce Committee. Placed on unfinished business calendar, so eligible for debate until the end of Session.</i>	Against
SF 2383 (was SSB 3197)	Ways and Means Committee	Makes many changes to Iowa tax code, including eliminating the Solar Investment Tax credit. Also cuts the Historic Preservation Tax Credit by \$10M. <i>Passed full Senate. Assigned to Ways and Means Committee in the House.</i>	Against
Water Bills			
SF 2007/ HF 2093	SF: D. Johnson	Excludes CAFOs from eligibility for the Pollution Control Facilities tax credit. <i>Senate bill referred to Ways and Means Subcommittee of Feenstra, Smith, and Hogg.</i>	For

	HF: Steckman, Hunter, and 8 others.	<i>House bill referred to Ways and Means subcommittee of Vander Linden, Kirth, and Windschitl.</i>	
HF 2464 (was HF 2192 and HSB 539)/ SF 2202 (was SSB 3068)	DNR Bill	Increases maximum allowable fee in the land recycling program from \$7,000 to \$25,000 to allow the DNR to assist with more, larger projects. <i>House bill passed full House. Senate bill passed Ways and Means subcommittee.</i>	Undecided
HF 2064	Wheeler	Establishes a fee on money transfers and an income tax credit that offsets fees. Allocates funds collected through the fees to the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund. <i>Referred to Ways and Means subcommittee of Holt, Bloomingtondale, and Wolfe.</i>	Undecided
HF 2365 (was HSB 566)	Natural Resources Committees	Allows DNR to enter into contracts, eliminates the Mississippi River Partnership Council which has not met since 2011 and the Brushy Creek Recreation Trails Advisory Board which has been converted into a "friends" group. <i>House bill passed full House and full Senate.</i>	Undecided
SF 2161	SF: Hogg	<p>Raises the state sales tax by 3/8 cent to fund the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund. Provides general fund appropriation to the Leopold Center and increases GF appropriation to the Iowa Flood Center. Appropriates \$4M/year to the Iowa Dept. of Homeland Security and Emergency Management for a flood mitigation fund. Sets goals and benchmarks for reducing nitrogen and phosphorus.</p> <p>Creates a 7-member "Iowa Water Commission" to be appointed by the Governor to 5-year terms. The Commission shall maintain a database of water quality monitoring by different entities and create a comprehensive State Water Plan. The plan shall be updated each year with a comprehensive update every 4 years.</p> <p>Provides \$40,000/year to each watershed management authority in the state for administrative costs. Creates a competitive grant program for WMA projects. Appropriates funding to the Water Commission.</p> <p>Directs the Water Commission to work with the Iowa Flood Center on water monitoring and appropriates about \$1M.</p>	For

		Amends Master Matrix statute to allow for points to be deducted from a CAFO application and states the grounds for which points may be deducted. <i>Senate bill referred to Ways and Means Subcommittee of Feenstra, Brown, and Hogg. House bill referred to Ag Committee – died in the funnel.</i>	
HF 2241	Isenhart, Wessell-Kroeschell, and 30 others	Provides \$1M to IDALS for the local farm and food program, to be allocated to the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture as long as there is a dollar-for-dollar match. <i>Referred to Appropriations Committee.</i>	For
HF 2407 (was HF 2260)	Wills	Prohibition on the discharge of pesticides into lakes that are used as source water. Imposes a civil penalty of \$1,000 for a violation. <i>Passed full House. Amended by Senate to specify law applies to “intentional” discharges, and to strike applicability to “other chemicals.” Passed Full Senate. Goes back to the House to resolve differences after amendment. Passed full House with same amendment. To Governor for signature.</i>	For
HF 2440 (was HSB 645)	House Ag	Amends Senate File 512 (2018 water quality bill) to: provide priority for drinking water funds to cities with water sources on the impaired waters list, adds industries as eligible for funding through the Water Quality Financial Assistance Fund, requires IDALS and ISU to do outreach on in-field ag practices to improve water quality, strikes language from SF 512 that required drainage and levee districts to use edge-of-field practices. States that Rural Improvement Zones can be part of Watershed Management Authorities. <i>Passed full House. Passed Senate Natural Resources and Environment Committee. Moved to Senate Unfinished Business Calendar, so eligible for debate until the end of Session.</i>	Undecided
Other Bills			
HF 575/SSB 1186	House Environmental Protection Committee/Senate Ways and Means Committee.	Repeals bottle deposit law. <i>Passed House Environmental Protection Committee in 2017 Session. Assigned to Ways and Means subcommittee of Vander Linden, Isenhart, and Winschitl. House bill did not pass House Ways and Means subcommittee. Senate bill assigned to Ways and Means subcommittee of Feenstra, Dawson and Jochum. Subcommittee discussed drafting an amendment focused on getting can redemption removed from grocery stores, but not doing away with the bottle bill. No amendment has been published yet.</i>	Against
HF 631	Ways and Means Committee	Allows the DNR to increase fees on fishing and hunting licenses. This funding would go to the Fish and Wildlife Trust Fund to be used to fund wildlife programs and DNR	For

		law enforcement. <i>Passed full House during 2017 Session. Passed Senate Ways and Means Committee.</i>	
HF 619	Ways and Means Committee	Allows the DNR to implement dynamic pricing at state parks. <i>Passed House Ways and Means Committee and placed on debate calendar. Amendment filed that would make the bill the same as SF 2389, which passed the full Senate on March 27th.</i>	For
HF 2047	Jacoby	Creates a legislative review committee for all state tax credits that reviews all credits every-other year. <i>Referred to Ways and Means Committee.</i>	Undecided
SF 2389 (was SSB 3076)	Ways and Means Committee	Allows the DNR to implement dynamic pricing at state parks. Requires DNR to submit an annual report about pricing and occupancy rates and establishes a legislative advisory board to review the report each year. <i>Passed full Senate.</i>	For
SF 2069	Sinclair, Rozenboom, Brown, Shipley, Schultz, Edler, Chelgren, Zumbach, Segebarts, and Costello.	Property tax exemption for forest and fruit tree reservations. <i>Referred to Ways and Means Subcommittee of Brown, Edler, and McCoy.</i>	Undecided
SF 2100	Dawson	Establishes an out-of-state user fee pilot program at Manawa State Park. <i>Passed Ways and Means subcommittee.</i>	Undecided
HSB 671	Governor's Bill	Broad changes to state tax policy.	Undecided
SSB 3207	Senate Ways and Means Committee	<i>New bill: Creates a tree and forest advisory council at the DNR. IEC is working to get language included related to consideration of ecological and recreation benefits. Passed Senate subcommittee of Brown, Behn, and Hogg.</i>	Undecided
Bills signed by the Governor			
HF 2303 (was HSB 571)/ SF 2302 (was SSB 3091)	DNR bill	Makes several change to DNR statutes including moving State Geologist from DNR to the University of Iowa and increasing education requirements for the position. <i>Passed full House and Senate and signed by Governor.</i>	Undecided
SF 2117	Appropriations Committee	Cut FY 2018 budget for remainder of fiscal year by \$33.3M. Main cuts were: \$11M cut to Board of Regents, \$5M from the DHS budget, and \$4M from the Justice System. DNR was cut by \$123,000 (0.9%), IDALS by \$189,000 (0.9%), and the Dept. of Public Health by \$663,000 (1.3%). <i>Passed by full House and Senate and Signed by Governor.</i>	Undecided