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Program Priority	Bill Number	Topic/Short Name	Description	Sponsor	Companion Bills	Current Status	Committee	IEC Position
Energy	SF 2018	Building Codes	Prohibits local governments from adopting building codes, or other ordinances or rules, that regulate the use of building materials that are approved in national codes, that are more stringent than national codes or that diminish the rights of private property owners. Effective on enactment.	Sinclair			Local Government	Undecided
	HF 2028	Energy Center	Moves the repeal of the Iowa Energy Center to 2030. Increases the amount of specified remittances from utilities that go to the Iowa Energy Center to 100%.	Isenhart			Commerce	Undecided
	SSB 3032	Economic Programs	Moves the repeal of the Iowa Energy Center to 2027. Allows the EDA to designate a county as economically distressed for the High Quality Jobs program due to recent significant layoffs. Allows the EDA to extend the deadline for a housing project under the workforce housing program. (EDA)	Economic Development Authority bill	HSB 540	Subcommittee recommends amendment and passage on 2/8/2022.	Commerce	Support
	SF 468	Iowa Coal	Removes the preference for purchasing of Iowa coal by state and local government entities.	Committee bill		Passed full State Government Committee on 1/18/2022.	Commerce	Support
	HF 2030	Building Codes	Allows local governments to adopt building codes with energy conservation requirements that are stricter than the state building code.	Isenhart			Commerce	Support
	SF 2054	Greenhouse Gas Reduction	Requires DNR to work with DALs, the DOT, the EDA and the IUB on a plan to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.	Hogg			Natural Resources and Environment	Support
	HSB 540	Economic Programs	Moves the repeal of the Iowa Energy Center to 2027, etc.	Economic Development Authority bill	SSB 3032	Passed House Economic Development Subcommittee and Full Committee.	Economic Growth	Support
	HF 2073	Solar Credit Wait List	Allows the \$5 million annual cap for solar credits to be exceeded by up to \$7 million annually, until the waitlist for solar credits is eliminated.	Staed			Commerce	Support
	HF 2082	TIF Divisions	Prohibits a TIF division of school property taxes in an urban renewal area if the area contains a wind energy conversion project subject to special valuation that has been approved by local government. Effective for FY 2024	Education Committee bill		Previously HSB 521. Passed Education committee 1/24/22. Passed education subcommittee 1/18/2022.	Education	Undecided
	HF 2100	School Alternative Energy Programs	Requires the DOE to develop an alternative energy innovation program, in consultation with the Regents, the IUB and the Utilities Division, in order to give students in schools or higher education training and instruction related to solar and wind energy equipment. Establishes a fund for grants to school for the installation of solar and wind energy facilities. Caps the grants at \$500,000 per school year and limits the amount to a percentage of the costs. Allows the school to sell energy back to utilities, with any money used for in-classroom expenses.	Gobble			Education	Undecided
	SF 2127	Solar Panel Fields	Prohibits installing commercial solar panel fields on farmland, unless it has a corn sustainability rating below 65 and is 1/2 mile from the next nearest solar panel field and 1.250 ft from the nearest landowner.	Zumbach		Passed Senate Agriculture subcommittee on 2/2/22.	Agriculture	Against
	HF 2193	Nonprofit Energy Grants	Appropriates \$1 million to the Iowa Energy Center for a grant program to non-profits for energy efficiency improvements. Requires the Energy center to establish criteria for the grants.	Staed & 8 others			State Government	Support
	SF 2160	Utilities and Pipelines	Utilities: Strikes the exclusion for utilities from eminent domain provisions on condemnation for public uses. Pipelines: Increases pipeline inspection fees. Includes the economical delivery of hazardous liquid that benefits the public in the definition of public convenience for pipelines.	J. Taylor			Commerce	Undecided
	SSB 3087	Utility Board Removal	Allows a utility board member to be removed only as provided in Code. Effective on enactment.	Local Government Committee Chairperson Shipley		Passed subcommittee 2/9/22.	Local Government	Undecided
	HSB 667	Wind Energy Facilities	Deems that refurbishing, maintaining or repowering a wind energy project will not cause the property to receive a new special valuation schedule. Makes definitions. Effective upon enactment.	Ways & Means Committee Chairperson Hein			Local Government.	Undecided
	SSB 3130	Wind Energy Property	Deems that the special valuation taxation of wind energy property is in lieu of other taxation and continues until the 19th assessment year if the ordinance should be repealed. Defines repowering.	Ways & Means Committee Chairperson Dawson	HSB 704		Commerce	Undecided
	HSB 697	Solar Metering Co-ops	Establishes shared solar metering net co-ops. Allows utility customers to become subscribers of such a co-op. Establishes various requirements, including that the co-op have out-of-state members and that all the subscribers connect to one electric utility. Requires the IUB to adopt rules.	Agriculture Committee Chairperson Paustian		Subcommittee scheduled 2/14/22 at 11:30 am.	Agriculture	Support

