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Program Priority	Bill Number	Topic/Short Name	Description	Sponsor	Compani on Bills	Current Status	Committee	IEC Position
Energy								
	SF 2325	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	HF 2292	Passed Full House and Senate. To Governor for Signature.	Commerce	Support
	SF 468	Iowa Coal	Removes the preference for purchasing of Iowa coal by state and local government entities.	Senate State Government Committee bill		Passed full State Government Committee on 1/18/22.	Commerce	Support
	HF 2292	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. Senate Bill substituted - SF 2325.	Economic Growth	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.	House Education Committee bill		Previously HSB 521. Passed Education committee 1/24/22.	Education	Undecided
	SF 2321	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 full committee on 2/17/22.	Agriculture	Against
	SF 2282	Utility Board Removal	Allows a municipal utility board member to be removed only as provided in Code. Effective on enactment.	Local Government Committee Chairperson Shipley	HF 2475	Passed full committee 2/15/22. House companion passed full house 3/14/22.	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
	SF 2366	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 ; HF 2561		Commerce	Undecided
	HF 2556	Residential Solar Credits	Extends the deadline to apply for solar credits for 2021 installations to June 30, 2022. Strikes the \$5 million cap for specified residential solar applicants. Effective on enactment.	Bergan	SF 2326	Passed Full House Committee on 3/8/22.	Ways and Means	Support
	HF 2381	Electric Utility Regulation	Deems municipally-owned electric and gas utilities, electric utilities with fewer than 10,000 customers and electric co-ops and associations to not be regulated by the IUB, except for fees for certain safety and other matters.	Lundgren	SF 2355	Passed full House and Senate Committees.	Commerce	Against
	SF 2224	Rental Utility Costs	Requires landlords to disclose the utility costs (water, gas, electricity) for the past year for renters, or the cost of similar units in the case of new construction, or the costs of similar units owned by the landlord. Requires the landlord to obtain the information from the utilities. Requires the landlord to keep records and to give a copy to the tenant if asked. the notice to be in writing. Requires the Office of the Consumer Advocate to develop forms. Establishes liquidated damages of \$100 if a landlord fails to give a tenant a utility cost statement and allows the tenant to collect attorney fees if the tenant must go to court. Establishes a civil penalty of \$500 for failing to disclose and for disclosing false information. Exempts rural electric co-ops and municipal utilities that do not offer budget billing from the provisions of the bill. Effective January 2023.	Commerce Committee		Passed Senate Commerce Committee on 2/17/22.	Commerce	Support
	SF 2361	Energy Code Codification	Moves the 2012 Energy Code into Iowa law, ending the administrative process of code adoption and regular updates.	Governor's Bill	HF 2527	Passed full House and Senate Committees. Re-referred to Ways and Means Committees.	State Government	Against
Water								
	HSB 580 / HF 2166	Flood mitigation	Adds reconnection of floodplains, wetland, and oxbow lake restoration to list of flood mitigation essential purposes.	State Government Committee Chairperson Kaufmann		Passed subcommittee (2-0); Passed State Government Committee (22-0) - 1/27/22; Renumbered HF 2166; Passed House floor (92-2-6).	State Government	Support

HSB 545 / HF 2356	DNR solid waste disposal	Technical cleanup bill and repeal of Missouri River Authority.	Department of Natural Resources	SSB 3041 / SF 2176	Passed House subcommittee - 2/2/22; Passed House Environmental Protection Committee - 2/9/22; House passed SF 2176 (93-0) - 3/1/22. Passed out of Senate Natural Resources Committee - 2/1/22; Renumbered SF 2176; Passed Senate (49-0) - 2/22/22.	Natural Resources	Not registered
SSB 3052 / SF 2311 / Amendment LH-8116	DNR permits	An Act relating to the adoption and use of certain general permits by the DNR.	Department of Natural Resources	HSB 550 / HF 2347 / Amendment H-809Z	Passed Senate subcommittee - 1/26/22; Passed Senate Natural Resources Committee - 2/16/22 (Short form with 2 nos); Passed Senate (SF 2311) (35-13) - 2/22/22; Amendment H-8116 filed - 3/1/22. Passed House Subcommittee - 1/26/22; Passed House Environmental Protection Committee - 2/9/22.	Natural Resources and Environment	Undecided
Natural Resources & Conservation							
SSB 3074 / SF 2206	Sen. Dawson's proposed tax bill	Raises state sales tax to fund IWILL, eliminates local option sales tax and conservation tax credit.	Ways & Means Committee Chairperson Dawson	HF 2317	Passed Senate Ways and Means (11-6) (party lines); HF 2317 substituted; Amended and passed by Senate (32-16); Passed House (61-34); Signed by Governor - 3/1/22.	Ways and Means	Undecided
HSB 500 / HF 2164	Classification of federal conservation reserve program property	Prohibits land enrolled in the federal conservation reserve program from being classified or valued as residential property.	Agriculture Committee Chairperson Paustian		Passed subcommittee (3-0) - 1/27/22; Passed House Agriculture Committee - 1/31/22.	Agriculture	Undecided
SSB 3134 / SF 2312	Acquisition of land by county conservation boards and DNR	Caps price county conservation boards and DNR can pay for real estate.	Natural Resources & Environment Committee Chairperson Sweeney		Passed subcommittee (2-1) - 2/10/22; Passed Senate Natural Resources Committee (7-5, party line) - 2/16/22.	Natural Resources and Environment	Against
SSB 3157	Sen. Dawson's secondary tax bill	IWILL, elimination of Local Option Sales Tax, elimination of conservation tax credit, changes to natural resources, and outdoor recreation trust fund.	Ways & Means Committee Chairperson Dawson		Subcommittee assigned - 3-9-22.	Ways & Means	Undecided
Agriculture							
Justice							