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State Legislative Update

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90th General Assembly

January

- First Day of Session – January 9
- Condition of the State – January 10

February

- Final Day to Request Bills – February 10

March

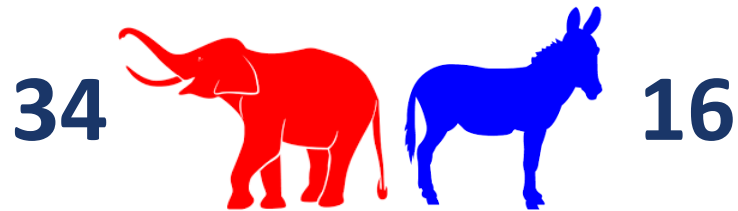
- First Funnel Deadline – March 3
- Second Funnel Deadline – March 31

April

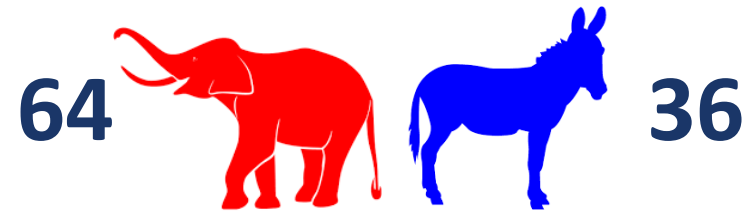
- 110th Day of Session – April 28

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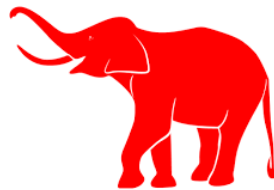
Senate



House



Governor's Office



Why is advocacy important?

1. You are the expert.
2. You are a constituent and a critical asset to Iowa communities.
3. Health care one of the most government regulated industries in the nation.
4. A significant amount revenue comes from the government.
5. 1/3 of the legislators are NEW!



You are the expert.

Most legislators do not work in health care, they depend on your expertise and stories from the frontlines to fully comprehend an issue.

You are a constituent and a critical asset to Iowa communities.

Legislators particularly care to hear from the people who vote them into office.

According to a Gallup 2022 poll, health care professionals are rated **amongst the most trusted professions for 20 years in a row.**

Health care one of the most government regulated industries in the nation.

Due to the complexity of services, equipment, and upkeep hospitals must meet the standards set by federal, state, local laws and agencies.

A significant amount of revenue comes from the government.

60% of hospital revenue comes from the government. Therefore, hospitals rely on the government to fund Medicare and Medicaid to offset costs of providing these services to every individual who steps through the door, regardless of the ability to pay.

Senate Health Committees

Health and Human Services (policy)



Chair: Jeff Edler
R: State Center



Vice-Chair: Mark Costello
R: Imogene



Ranking Member: Sarah Trone-Garriott
D: West Des Moines

Health and Human Services Appropriations



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Ranking Member: Molly Donahue
D: Cedar Rapids

House Health Committees

Health and Human Services (policy)



Chair: Anne Meyer
R: Fort Dodge



Vice-Chair: Devon Wood
R: New Market



Ranking Member: Beth Wessel-Kroeschell
D: Ames

Health and Human Services Appropriations



Chair: Joel Fry
R: Osceola



Vice-Chair: Hans Wilz
R: Ottumwa



Ranking Member: John Forbes
D: Urbandale

A bills journey begins with an idea.

examples:

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A problem that needs to be solved.

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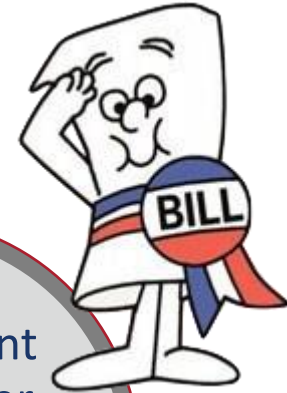
Best practices to implement.

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Required funding.



The Legislative Process: Idea to Draft



Senate File 512 - Reprinted

SENATE FILE 512
BY COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
(SUCCESSOR TO SF 482)
(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1034)

(As Amended and Passed by the Senate April 20, 2017)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to water quality by amending the wastewater
2 treatment financial assistance program, creating a water
3 quality infrastructure fund, establishing a water quality
4 financing program, providing for cost-share programs for
5 infrastructure on agricultural and urban land under the
6 water quality initiative, creating a water service excise
7 tax and a related sales tax exemption, making transfers and
8 appropriations and other changes properly related to water
9 quality, and including effective date provisions.
10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

The Legislative Process: Committee



Assigned to a subcommittee.

After hearing information on the bill, subcommittee can move to committee.

Committee can take up the bill and recommend it be sent to the floor for debate.

The bill is listed as eligible and potentially scheduled for debate.

The Legislative Process: The Chamber



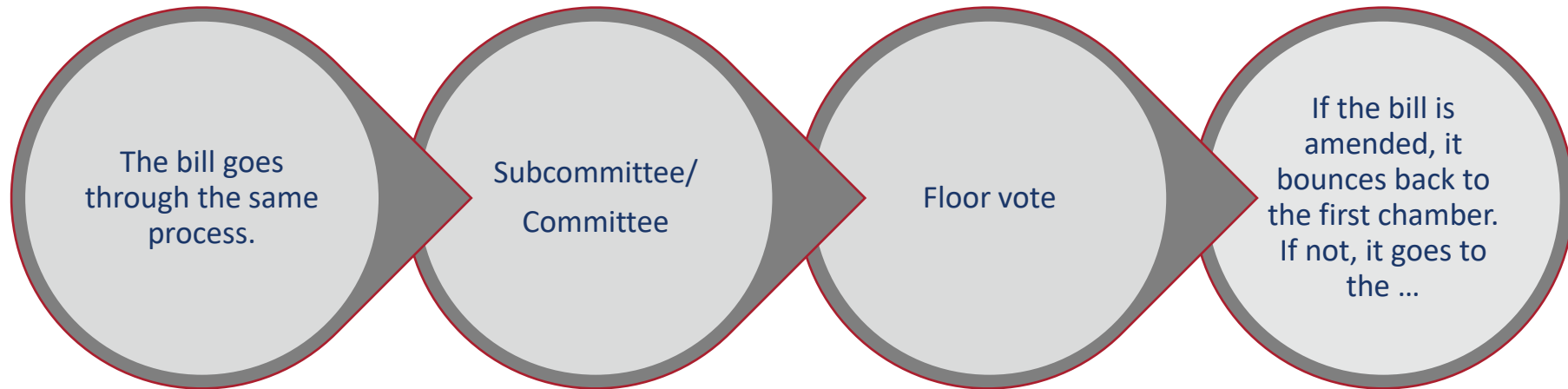
Bill is scheduled
for debate.

Amendments
are filed and
must be
approved by a
majority.

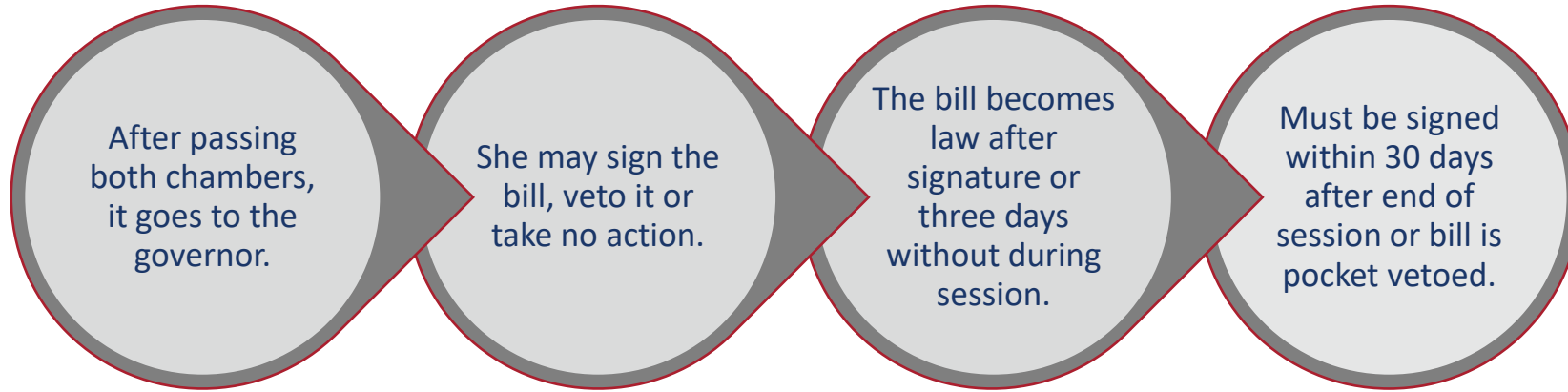
A majority of the
chamber must
approve the bill.

The bill and any
amendments are
sent to the other
chamber for
consideration.

The Legislative Process: The 2nd Chamber



The Legislative Process: The Governor



2023 Hot Topics

Iowa Legislature passes \$2M cap on medical malpractice damages. Here's the likely impact:

6 minute read



Stephen Gruber-Miller
Des Moines Register

Iowa enacts transgender bathroom bill and ban on gender-affirming care for minors

Iowa's Senate also passed a bill Wednesday that mirrors Florida's "Don't Say Gay" law.

Jubilant Kim Reynolds signs Iowa seismic 'school choice' bill into law
What it means:

7 minute read

Stephen Gruber-Miller and
Published 11:27 a.m. CT Jan. 24, 2023

State Government News

Bill to limit eminent domain for carbon pipelines dies in Iowa Senate

Iowa House passes bill that would ban minors from receiving 'gender transition procedures'



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Governor's agency reorganization bill passes Iowa Senate with minimal changes

BY: ROBIN OPSAHL - MARCH 7, 2023 8:49 PM



IHA 2023 Legislative Priorities

- Hospital Finances
- Health Care Workforce
- Rural Emergency Hospital Licensure

Medical Malpractice Hard Caps

Health Care Workforce

Hospital Finances

Rural Emergency Hospital Licensure

Direct-Entry Midwife Licensure

Supervision of Physician Assistants

Mental Health Provider Noncompete Ban

Newborn Safe Haven Act Changes

Legislative Proposals That Did Not Advance

Certificate of Need

Additional Noteworthy Hospital Issues

- Visitation Policies
- Minor Child Health Information Privacy
- COVID Vaccine Mandates & Religious Exemptions

HOW to form your message

**Introduce
yourself.**

- . Name
- . Where you live
- . I'm a constituent!

**What is my
issue?**

I'm here to talk to you about
_____.

Why I care.

This is important to me because
_____.

**Why the
legislator
should care.**

This is an important issues in our state because
_____.

Make the ask.

Will you support _____?

Can we count on you support _____?

Helpful Tips:

- Speak clearly and concisely.
- Be direct about issues.
- Assume that you will not have much time.
- No jargon; use layman's terms.
- Always be honest, thankful and respectful.
- You know more about your issue than the legislator.
- IHA Advocacy team is in the rotunda to help.
- It's OK to say, "I don't know, but I will find out."
- Feel free to "phone a friend."

Questions?

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