

**IASP Bill Track**

1. HB1001 Lobbyists; campaign contributions. (Bauer, Miller, Broden)

Position: Support

01/11/2010 S: 1st Reading Assigned Rules and Legislative Procedure

Notes: Reduces from \$100 to \$50 the minimum reportable amount for: (1) the total daily gifts to a legislator or legislative employee given by a registered lobbyist; or (2) a single gift received by a legislator or legislative candidate. Provides that an individual who holds a state elected office and ceases to hold the state office after June 30, 2010, may not be registered as a lobbyist for 365 days after expiration of the term of office. Provides that an individual who holds a position in the executi ...

2. HB1005 Indefinite teacher contracts. (V. Smith)

Position: Neutral

01/05/2010 H: 1st Reading Assigned Education

Notes: Removes the age limit for teachers who hold an indefinite contract.

3. HB1117 Funding of adult education. (Moseley)

Position: Support passed 6-4

01/14/2010 H: Co Author Added Sheila Klinker

Notes: Provides an adult education grant to school corporations as part of the state tuition support distribution. Adds the adult education appropriation for state fiscal year 2010-2011 to the state tuition support distribution appropriation for state fiscal year 2010-2011. Repeals a provision that permits a surplus in a tuition support distribution appropriation to be used to fund adult education.

4. HB1134 Teacher performance evaluations (Porter)

Position: support no issue passed 11-0

01/07/2010 H: 1st Reading Assigned Education

Notes: Prohibits the use of test scores as a sole factor to determine teacher employment decisions, and assigns liability for the misuse of test scores.

5. HB1135 Advanced placement exams (Porter)

Position: Support

01/14/2010 H: Committee Report do pass, adopted

Notes: State educational institutions to grant post secondary level academic credit to students who receive a satisfactory score on an advanced placement examination.

6. HB1168 High school athletics (Grubb)

Position: Support passed 11-0

01/13/2010 H: Committee Action Pass (10-0) Education

Notes: Provides that the case review panel that hears cases relating to disputes over the application or interpretation of rules governing interscholastic high school athletics may take action by the affirmative vote of a majority of the panel members present at a meeting if a quorum of the panel is present. (Under current law, an action of the panel

requires the vote of five of the nine members of the panel.) Provides that a parent may take legal action regarding a dispute over the application or inte ...

7. HB 1205 PERF & TRF COLAs; 13<sup>th</sup> check (Niegodski)

Position: Testified in Support

01/28/2010 H: Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

Provides for a cost of living adjustment (COLA) and thirteenth check for public employees' retirement fund (PERF) and teachers' retirement fund (TRF) members, survivors, and beneficiaries. Provides for a one-time "thirteenth check" for employee beneficiaries of the state police 1987 benefit system who retired or were disabled after June 30, 1987, and before July 2, 2008, and were entitled to receive a monthly benefit as of June 1, 2010. Provides that the amount of the thirteenth check equals 1% of the maximum basic annual pension amount payable to a retired state police employee in the grade of trooper who has completed 25 years of service as of July 1, 2009.

8. HB1294 School improvement plan (Porter)

Position: Talk to Porter, support upon review

01/12/2010 H: 1st Reading Assigned Education

Notes: Requires an employees' association for a school administered by the department of correction, the School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, or the School for the Deaf to demonstrate support for the professional development program that is part of the school improvement plan before the school improvement plan may be approved by the state board of education.

9. HB1295 School counselors (Porter)

Position: suggestion, not a mandate - support, does not appear to have a fiscal impact. See Julie Baumgart or Camille Blunt 331-4951 with ISCA. See John Ellis notes.

01/12/2010 H: 1st Reading Assigned Education

Notes: Establishes specific target counselor/student ratios to be used for the hiring of school counselors, school social workers, and school psychologists.

10. HB1297 Financing public university projects (Klinker)

Position: None

01/13/2010 H: 1st Reading Assigned Education

Notes: Makes changes in the law governing the financing of capital projects by state educational institutions.

11. HB1365 Dual enrollment costs and fees (Porter)

Position: Find out what this means?

01/13/2010 H: 1st Reading Assigned Education

Notes: Provides that a student may not be charged tuition or fees for a college course or test that the student completes in order to obtain a core 40 diploma.

12. HB1367 Vehicle Bill (Porter)

Position: See notes.

01/14/2010 H: Author Added Gregory W. Porter

01/25/2010 H: Committee Action Pass Amend(6-5) Education

Notes: Delays the implementation of the school scholarship tax credit and virtual charter school pilot program. Requires an educational management organization used by a charter school to be a nonprofit organization. Prohibits a member of the governing body of a school corporation from serving on the board of directors of a charter school and prohibits a member of a board of directors of a charter school from serving on the board of directors of more than one charter school. Requires charter schools to ... [Show Full Digest] report certain information about the retention of special education students to the state department of education. Prohibits the use of a private educational management organization to manage, operate, or provide instructional services or staff for a school corporation. Permits up to 5% of the balance of the capital projects fund to be used to pay the costs of utility services and property or casualty insurance. Requires actions by school corporations to establish and carry out a plan to preserve and protect instructional programs. Establishes the instructional services restoration grant program to provide additional funds to school corporations to preserve and protect instructional programs. Makes an appropriation. Repeals a noncode provision indicating that the school scholarship tax credit program applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2009. Testifying to provide more information IAPSS, IASBO, ISBA, Growing Schools Coalition. Testifying for ISTA. Against Indiana Non-Public Ed. Ass., Educational Choice Charitable Trust; School Choice Indiana Network; Foundation for Educational Choice; Indiana Families for Public Virtual Schools; Indiana Catholic Conference.

1. SB0084 General Assembly access to research resources (Delph)

Position: Support

01/13/2010 S: Committee Sched. 1:30 PM Room 233 Education and Career Development

Notes: Requires state educational institutions to make research tools used by state educational institutions available to legislators and staff of the legislative services agency.

2. SB0150 School year; calendar flexibility (Kruse, Delph, Schneider)

Position: Oppose along with the other Associations -decision should remain with local school boards.

01/28/2010 S: Committee Report amend do pass, adopted

Notes: Prohibits public schools and accredited nonpublic schools from beginning student instructional days for the school year before the Tuesday after the first Monday in September (Labor Day) and from ending after June 10 of the following year, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year. Provides that a governing body may establish an end date for a school year that is later than June 10 following a public hearing and a majority vote of the governing body. Makes an exception for year-round schools. Making the change effective for collective bargaining agreements and contracts negotiated after June 30, 2012. The IASP and other Associations opposed the bill when testimony was taken last week. It passed as amended 8-1.

3. SB0226 Suicide prevention training for school personnel (Kruse, Miller)

Position: Support

Date Action

01/13/2010 S: Committee Sched. 1:30 PM Room 233 Education and Career  
Development

Notes: Allows a governing body to adjourn its schools to allow teachers to participate in a basic or in-service course of education and training on suicide prevention and the recognition of students who are considering suicide. Provides that after June 30, 2012, an individual may not receive an initial teaching license unless the individual has completed training on suicide prevention and the recognition of students who are considering suicide. Requires the department of education to consult with organi . Assigns the topic of teen suicide prevention to the health finance commission for study during the 2010 legislative interim.

4. SB0251 Textbook rental fees (Kenley)

Position: support if helpful and legal, similar to HB1362.

01/20/2010 S: Committee Sched. 2:30 PM Room Senate Chamber Education and  
Career Development

Notes: Current law requires schools to determine the textbook rental fee by the cost of the textbooks used by the class the student is taking. The fee for elementary school is close to the same for all students, but the rental cost for junior high or high school students could vary depend on the courses the student takes. Schools would still receive the same revenue in textbook rentals as under the current method. Some parents may pay more for textbook rentals and some may pay less if the school adopts the average fee method.

5. SB0252 Waiver of transfer tuition. (Kenley, Kruse)

Position: support if it remains a local decision passed 11-0, supported by IDOE, IAPSS, ISBA, Special Education Administrators, in opposition ISTA.

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Notes: Provides that a transferee school may elect to not charge transfer tuition to the parents of a student or a student who transfers into the transferee school.

6. SB0256 School corporation administrative hearings (Kruse)

Position: Expands student due process. IAPSS, ISBA, IFT, & ISTA in opposition

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Notes: Provides that a student or the parent of a student who believes the student has been improperly denied participation in an educational function or subjected to an illegal rule or standard is entitled to a hearing with the school corporation's superintendent, upon request of the student or parent. Provides for an appeal to the governing body. Assigned to summer education study committee.

7. SB0257 Commission for higher education. (Kruse)  
Position: Questionable  
01/20/2010 S: Committee Sched. 2:30 PM Room Senate Chamber Education and Career Development  
Notes: Provides that a full-time employee of a state public or private college or university (except for one faculty member) may not be a member of the commission for higher education. Allows a member of the commission to attend a meeting of the commission by means of a communication device if a quorum of members is physically in attendance at the meeting. Repeals a provision exempting state educational institution capital projects that are approved by the general assembly from review by the commission ...

8. SB0258 Reading deficiencies and student retention (Kruse)  
Position: in favor of helping student, but oppose retention, appears unfunded?  
01/20/2010 S: Committee Sched. 2:30 PM Room Senate Chamber Education and Career Development  
Notes: Requires additional information concerning ISTEP performance and student retention be included on a school corporation's annual performance report. Requires annual reading assessments for students in kindergarten through grade 3, with intensive reading interventions for students who are not reading at grade level. Provides that a student who is not reading at grade level by the end of grade 3 may not be promoted to grade 4, and must be provided with intensive reading interventions.

9. SB0309 School corporation expenditures (Alting)  
Position: Support with exception to amendment  
01/21/2010 S: Co Author Added John E. Broden  
Notes: This bill allows the transfer of money between funds depended upon the application of the amendment. Very contentious!

10. SB0316 Dating violence policy and education (Rogers)  
Position: Where will it be taught, at what level and on what basis?  
01/11/2010 S: 1st Reading Assigned Education and Career Development  
Notes: Requires school corporations to have policies and provide education regarding dating violence. The IDOE is to develop guidelines. Support from all associations with concerns for professional development.

11. SB0345 Commission for career and technical education. (Yoder)  
Position: questionable, need more information.  
01/11/2010 S: 1st Reading Assigned Education and Career Development  
Notes: Abolishes the commission for career and technical education (commission) and transfers the duties of the commission to the state workforce innovation council. Makes conforming amendments. Repeals provisions that establish and provide for the operation of the commission.

12. SB0389 Information on individual development accounts. (Breux)

Position: support.

01/12/2010 S: 1st Reading Assigned Education and Career Development

Notes: Requires a caseworker of a foster child to provide information to the child concerning individual development accounts.

13. HJR0001 - Circuit breakers and other property tax matters.

Position: Oppose

01/19/2010 S: 3rd Reading Pass (35-15)

Notes: Requires, for property taxes first due and payable in 2012 and thereafter, the general assembly to limit a taxpayer's property tax liability as follows: (1) A taxpayer's property tax liability on homestead property may not exceed 1% of the gross assessed value of the homestead property. (2) A taxpayer's property tax liability on other residential property may not exceed 2% of the gross assessed value of the other residential property. (3) A taxpayer's property tax liability on agricultural land may not exceed 2% of the gross assessed value of the property that is the basis for the determination of the agricultural land. (4) A taxpayer's property tax liability on other real property may not exceed 3% of the gross assessed value of the other real property. (5) A taxpayer's property tax liability on personal property may not exceed 3% of the gross assessed value of the taxpayer's personal property that is the basis for the determination of property taxes within a particular taxing district. Specifies that property taxes imposed after being approved by the voters in a referendum shall not be considered for purposes of calculating the limits to property tax liability under these provisions. Provides that in the case of a county for which the general assembly determines in 2008 that limits to property tax liability are expected to reduce in 2010 the aggregate property tax revenue that would otherwise be collected by all units and school corporations in the county by at least 20%, the general assembly may provide that property taxes imposed in the county to pay debt service or make lease payments for bonds or leases issued or entered into before July 1, 2008, shall not be considered for purposes of calculating the limits to property tax.