

- HB1074 YOUTH SPORTS AND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREAS (HEINE D) Allows the legislative body of a city to adopt an ordinance establishing a youth sports and tourism development area (tax area). Requires that the tax area include a facility or complex of facilities used by youth sports teams and organizations for practice or competitive sporting events. Requires the legislative body to make findings when adopting an ordinance. Requires the legislative body to submit an ordinance establishing a tax area to the budget committee and budget agency for review and approval. Allows a tax area to receive incremental state and local income tax revenue and incremental sales tax revenue attributable to the tax area. Requires a city that establishes a tax area to establish a youth sports and tourism development area fund. Limits the amount of incremental tax revenue that may be allocated to: (1) \$1,000,000 per tax area per year; and (2) a total of \$10,000,000 per tax area. Provides that a tax area terminates not later than 20 years after incremental tax revenues are first allocated to the tax area.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2022 - Referred to House Ways and Means
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By Dave Heine
State Bill Page: [HB1074](#)
- HB1077 FIREARMS MATTERS (SMALTZ B) Repeals the law that requires a person to obtain a license to carry a handgun in Indiana. Specifies that certain persons who are not otherwise prohibited from carrying or possessing a handgun are not required to obtain or possess a license or permit from the state to carry a handgun in Indiana. Prohibits certain individuals from knowingly or intentionally carrying a handgun. Creates the crime of "unlawful carrying of a handgun" and specifies the penalties for committing this crime. Allows particular individuals who do not meet the requirements to receive a handgun license and are not otherwise prohibited to carry a handgun in limited places. Allows a resident of Indiana to obtain in certain circumstances a license to carry a handgun in Indiana. Makes theft of a firearm a Level 5 felony. Defines certain terms. Makes conforming amendments and repeals obsolete provisions.
- Current Status:* 1/10/2022 - House Bills on Second Reading
All Bill Status: 1/6/2022 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
1/5/2022 - House Committee recommends passage Yeas: 9; Nays: 3;
1/5/2022 - House Public Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing); Time & Location:
1:30 PM, Rm. 404
1/4/2022 - Referred to House Public Policy
1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Coauthored by Representative Lehman
1/4/2022 - Authored By Ben Smaltz
State Bill Page: [HB1077](#)
- HB1114 SELF-DEFENSE (LUCAS J) Specifies that "reasonable force" includes the pointing of a loaded or unloaded firearm for purposes of arrest or to prevent an escape, or for self-defense.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2022 - Referred to House Courts and Criminal Code
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Coauthored by Representative Teshka
1/4/2022 - Authored By Jim Lucas
State Bill Page: [HB1114](#)
- HB1127 CONSTITUTIONAL CARRY (JACOB J) Repeals the law that requires a person to obtain a license to carry a handgun in Indiana. Provides that a nonresident of Indiana may carry a handgun in Indiana without possessing a license or permit to carry a handgun from the person's state of residence. Allows a member of the: (1) general assembly; (2) general assembly's professional staff; or (3) lobby registration commission; to possess a handgun on the Indiana government center campus if the person is otherwise permitted to possess a handgun. Allows a person who wishes to carry a handgun in another state under a reciprocity agreement entered into by Indiana and the other state to obtain a license to carry a handgun. Beginning July 1, 2022, permits a person not otherwise prohibited from possessing a firearm under state or federal law to possess a firearm on any property that is: (1) affiliated with; (2) operated or managed by; (3) owned by; or (4) leased by; the department of natural resources. Defines certain terms. Makes conforming amendments.
- Current Status:* 1/4/2022 - Referred to House Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Coauthored by Representatives Nisly, Payne, Jeter
1/4/2022 - Authored By John Jacob
State Bill Page: [HB1127](#)

- HB1132 FIREARMS MATTERS (LUCAS J) Allows a person to possess or carry a handgun without a license unless the person: (1) has been convicted of certain crimes or delinquent offenses; (2) has been prohibited by a court from possessing a handgun or has been found by a court to be dangerous; or (3) has been found by a court to be mentally incompetent, has been involuntarily committed, or has been the subject of a 90 day or regular commitment. Repeals the current offense of carrying a handgun without a license and makes it a Class A misdemeanor for certain persons to possess or carry a handgun. Increases the penalty to a Level 5 felony in some instances. Makes conforming amendments and repeals obsolete provisions. Makes a technical correction.
Current Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to House Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By Jim Lucas
State Bill Page: [HB1132](#)
- HB1224 GOVERNMENT INVESTMENTS AND CONTRACTS (MANNING E) Provides that the state, a political subdivision, or a separate or independent body corporate and politic may not make certain investments in companies that boycott energy companies or companies that do business with energy companies. Provides that a state or local governmental body may not enter into a contract with certain companies for the purchase of supplies or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that the company does not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract.
Current Status: 1/6/2022 - Referred to House Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications
All Bill Status: 1/6/2022 - First Reading
1/6/2022 - Coauthored by Representative Soliday
1/6/2022 - Authored By Ethan Manning
State Bill Page: [HB1224](#)
- HB1233 POSSESSION OF FIREARMS (PAYNE Z) Repeals provisions concerning the: (1) confiscation and retention of firearms from a dangerous person; (2) compilation and publication of statistics related to the confiscation and retention of firearms from a dangerous person; and (3) making of a false report that a person is dangerous. Modifies a provision concerning a petition to find that an individual is no longer dangerous.
Current Status: 1/6/2022 - Referred to House Public Policy
All Bill Status: 1/6/2022 - First Reading
1/6/2022 - Coauthored by Representatives Nisly and Jacob
1/6/2022 - Authored By Zach Payne
State Bill Page: [HB1233](#)
- SB14 FIREARMS MATTERS (TOMES J) Makes the current offense of carrying a handgun without a license applicable only to persons who are at least 18 years of age but less than 21 years of age. Allows certain persons who are at least 21 years of age to possess or carry a handgun without a license unless the person fits into one of several categories, including a person who: (1) has been convicted of, or arrested for, specified crimes or delinquent offenses; (2) has been prohibited by a court from possessing a handgun or has been found by a court to be dangerous; or (3) has been found by a court to be mentally incompetent, has been involuntarily committed, or has been the subject of a 90 day or regular commitment. Allows certain persons who: (1) do not meet the requirements to receive a license to carry a handgun; and (2) are not otherwise barred from carrying or possessing a handgun by state law; to carry a handgun in specified instances. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor for particular persons to possess or carry a handgun. Increases the penalty to a Level 5 felony in some instances. Defines certain terms. Makes conforming amendments and repeals obsolete provisions. Makes a technical correction.
Current Status: 1/4/2022 - added as coauthor Senator Baldwin
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By James Tomes
State Bill Page: [SB14](#)
- SB15 GOVERNMENT ACQUISITION AND DISPOSITION OF FIREARMS (TOMES J) Specifies that a law enforcement agency having possession of a firearm may not destroy the firearm unless the serial number of the firearm was obliterated at the time the law enforcement agency took custody of it. Prohibits a local unit of government, including a law enforcement agency, from conducting a firearm buyback program.
Current Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By James Tomes
State Bill Page: [SB15](#)

- SB19 SENTENCE ENHANCEMENT FOR USE OF FIREARM (GASKILL M) Adds the inspector general or an investigator for the inspector general to the definition of "police officer" for purposes of the statute providing a sentence enhancement for individuals who point or discharge a firearm at a police officer while committing certain crimes.
Current Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By Mike Gaskill
State Bill Page: [SB19](#)
- SB28 PROHIBITION OF FIREARMS AT POLLING PLACES (RANDOLPH L) Prohibits a person from carrying a firearm in, on, or near: (1) a chute; (2) polls; (3) areas where voters congregate or are likely to congregate; or (4) any room where ballots are being counted. Provides that the offense is a Class C misdemeanor. Enhances the offense to a: (1) Class A misdemeanor if the person has a prior unrelated conviction for the offense; or (2) Level 6 felony if the person points the firearm at another person. Specifies: (1) a defense; and (2) certain notice requirements. Prohibits certain other defenses. Defines certain terms. Makes conforming amendments.
Current Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By Lonnie Randolph
State Bill Page: [SB28](#)
- SB33 POSSESSION OF FIREARMS BY RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS (SANDLIN J) Provides that a retired law enforcement officer may possess a firearm on school property under certain conditions.
Current Status: 1/4/2022 - added as second author Senator Baldwin
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to Senate Judiciary
1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By Jack Sandlin
State Bill Page: [SB33](#)
- SB84 SUICIDE AND DRUG OVERDOSE DEATH REPORTING (LEISING J) Provides that the state department of health (department) shall annually prepare a report concerning all suicide and overdose fatalities in Indiana that occurred during the preceding calendar year. Requires the report to include: (1) the number of fatalities that occurred in each county; (2) the number of fatalities that occurred during each month; (3) the age and sexual orientation of each fatality victim; and (4) the method of suicide or overdose, including the type of weapon used. Provides that the first report must also include information from the 2020 calendar year. Requires the department to submit the report and an executive summary of the report to the general assembly and the governor.
Current Status: 1/12/2022 - Senate Health and Provider Services, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing);
Time & Location: 9:00 AM, Rm. 431
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to Senate Health and Provider Services
1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By Jean Leising
State Bill Page: [SB84](#)
- SB143 SELF-DEFENSE (BALDWIN S) Specifies that "reasonable force" includes the pointing of a loaded or unloaded firearm for purposes of self-defense and arrest statutes.
Current Status: 1/4/2022 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
All Bill Status: 1/4/2022 - First Reading
1/4/2022 - Authored By Scott Baldwin
State Bill Page: [SB143](#)
- SB186 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (GLICK S) Eliminates and renames divisions and bureaus that have been merged by the department of natural resources (department) due to reorganization that occurred within the department. Establishes the Indiana state park inns authority as a body corporate and politic for the operation, management, and administration of inns and associated facilities by the department. Eliminates the separate hunting license by including a crossbow and bolt in the licensure for archery equipment permitted to be used. Makes conforming changes.
Current Status: 1/6/2022 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources
All Bill Status: 1/6/2022 - First Reading
1/6/2022 - Authored By Susan Glick
State Bill Page: [SB186](#)
- SB224 HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES (BALDWIN S) Raises the service fee that a license agent authorized to sell licenses

under the fish and wildlife laws shall retain from \$0.75 to \$1 for each license sold. Provides that a license agent is not prohibited from charging a credit card processing fee of 1.99% to cover credit card processing costs associated with the sale of a license.

Current Status: 1/6/2022 - Referred to Senate Natural Resources

All Bill Status: 1/6/2022 - First Reading

1/6/2022 - Authored By Scott Baldwin

State Bill Page: [SB224](#)

SB228

ACQUISITION AND STORAGE OF FIREARMS (QADDOURA F) Prohibits a person from keeping or storing an unsecured firearm on any premises controlled by the person under certain circumstances. Makes the failure to secure a firearm a Level 6 felony if the offense results in injury or death, enhances the offense to a Level 5 felony if the person has a prior unrelated conviction, and provides a defense. Requires a person wishing to transfer a firearm to another person to transact the transfer through a firearms dealer (dealer), subject to certain exceptions, and specifies the procedure to be used by the dealer to effect the transfer. Grants a dealer who completes a transfer civil immunity. Provides that a person who makes a false statement to a dealer for the purpose of completing a third party transfer commits firearm transfer fraud, a Level 6 felony, and enhances the penalty if the person has a prior unrelated conviction. Specifies that a dealer or other person who transfers a firearm in violation of certain requirements commits unlawful transfer of a firearm, a Level 6 felony, and enhances the offense to a Level 5 felony if the dealer or person has a prior unrelated conviction. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 1/6/2022 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law

All Bill Status: 1/6/2022 - First Reading

1/6/2022 - Authored By Fady Qaddoura

State Bill Page: [SB228](#)

Week In Review

[House to debate bill to lessen mandates](#)

A House committee made slight changes Thursday before passing a bill that paves the way to end the public health emergency and significantly weaken employer vaccine mandates.

Fort Wayne Journal Gazette

[Holcomb: Emergency powers law is a constitutional amendment, requires vote](#)

Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb is moving forward with his bid to have the Indiana Supreme Court overturn a law allowing the Legislature to call itself into special session, arguing in a new filing that the contested law is akin to a constitutional amendment that must be voted on by Hoosiers.

Indianapolis Business Journal

[Natural immunity added to Indiana vaccine exemption bill](#)

Republican Indiana lawmakers have advanced a proposal that would severely limit workplace COVID-19 vaccination requirements.

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[Indiana Lawmaker Files Medical Marijuana Bill](#)

An Indiana lawmaker has drafted a proposal to legalize medical cannabis.

Associated Press

[Bill seeks to limit some 'discriminatory concepts' from being taught in school](#)

Indiana lawmakers on Wednesday began debate on a Republican-backed bill that would require all school curricula to be posted online for parental review and ban schools' ability to implement concepts like critical race theory.

Indianapolis Business Journal

[House Republicans push to nix the state's handgun permit requirement](#)

Republicans in the House are trying once again to nix the permit requirement for those carrying a handgun in Indiana, despite resistance from police officers across the state.

Indianapolis Star

[Indiana House Republicans proposed \\$1 billion in tax cuts](#)

A proposed tax cut package introduced by Indiana House Republicans this week would cost the state more than \$1 billion a year in revenue within the next three years.

Associated Press

[Lawsuit Against Virtual Schools Goes to Court](#)

A lawsuit filed last year by Indiana Attorney General Todd Rokita against a group of virtual schools will be heard in court today.
Inside Indiana Business

[Indiana legislative leaders take aim at 'out-of-control' health care prices](#)

Indiana's top legislative leaders are turning up the pressure on hospitals and health insurers to lower the "out-of-control costs" of health care, saying prices in Indiana are well above the national average and need to come down.
Indianapolis Business Journal

[Gov. Eric Holcomb to push for tax cut as part of 2022 agenda](#)

Gov. Eric Holcomb will be pushing for a tax cut in the upcoming 2022 legislative session, the Republican announced during his 2022 agenda unveiled Monday.
Indianapolis Star