

Less than a week remains before Thursday's Committee Report Deadline. Numerous committee meetings were held this past week, yet many of the "big" issue bills are still outstanding and have not passed their assigned committee. Most notably, HB 1001 and SB 333, which are the House and Senate's competing transportation plans have both been discussed once in Committee but no vote or action has taken place. We fully expect a sense of urgency from members of the General Assembly to usher everything through before Thursday's Deadline.

On Thursday, it was announced that Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann will be resigning March 2nd. As was mentioned last week, former Republican Party State Chairman and previous US Senate Candidate, Eric Holcomb, will be replacing the Lt. Governor Ellspermann. He is expected to be confirmed by the General Assembly on March 3rd.

Please note that the legislature may meet to conduct business on Friday, February 26th, and Friday, March 5th. If that does happen, your weekly legislative email will be sent late Friday evening or on Saturday.

Below are the upcoming deadlines for the 2016 Session.

- Thursday, February 25th – Committee Report Deadline for House Bills in the Senate
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- Monday, March 1st – Last day for 3rd Reading of House bills in the Senate
- Wednesday, March 3rd – Last day for 3rd Reading of Senate bills in the House
- Thursday, March 10th – Last day for adjournment (Sine Die)

Below is a summary of actions taken this week on key bills included in your Bill Track list:

- **HB 1012 (Developmental Disability Identification Card)** – Heard Monday in the Senate Family and Children Services Committee, and was passed with an amendment.
- **HB 1032 (Various Pension Matters)** – Passed the Senate on the bills 3rd reading by a vote of 48-0.
- **HB 1085 (Firearms and Certification)** – Heard Wednesday in the Senate Judiciary Committee, and was passed without an amendment.
- **HB 1130 (Ignition Interlock Devices)** – Heard Wednesday in the Senate Judiciary Committee, and was passed with an amendment.
- **HB 1359 (Employment of Veterans as Public Safety Officers)** – Heard Wednesday in the Senate Pensions and Labor Committee, and was passed with an amendment.
- **SB 17 (Child Abuse Prevention Fee and Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Fee)** – Passed the House on the bills 3rd reading by a vote of 95-0.
- **SB 148 (Public Employees' Defined Contribution Plan)** – Heard Wednesday in the House Employment, Labor and Pensions Committee, and was passed without an amendment.
- **SB 186 (Release of Medical Tests of Pregnant Women)** – Heard Monday in the House Public Health Committee, and was passed without an amendment.
- **SB 271 (Drug Enforcement, Treatment, and Prevention)** – Heard Tuesday in the House Government and Regulatory Reform Committee, and was passed without an amendment.
- **SB 290 (Criminal Law Matters)** – Heard Wednesday in the House Courts and Criminal Code Committee, and was passed without an amendment.

The following bills on your Bill Track list are scheduled for a committee hearing next week:

- **HB 1019 (Law Enforcement Recordings)** – Scheduled to be heard Wednesday in the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- **HB 1022 (Private University Police Departments)** – Scheduled to be heard Monday in the Senate Civil Law Committee.
- **HB 1023 (Human and Sexual Trafficking)** – Scheduled to be heard Tuesday in the Senate Corrections and Criminal Law Committee.
- **HB 1048 (Motor Vehicle Accidents)** - Scheduled to be heard on Tuesday in the Senate Corrections and Criminal Law Committee.
- **HB 1087 (Bureau of Motor Vehicles Omnibus Bill)** – Scheduled to be heard Tuesday in the Senate Homeland Security and Transportation Committee.
- **HB 1157 (Methamphetamine Matters)** – Scheduled to be heard Tuesday in the Senate Corrections and Criminal Law Committee.
- **HB 1164 (Law Enforcement Officers and Investigations)** – Scheduled to be heard Monday in the Senate Civil Law Committee.
- **HB 1211 (Methamphetamine and Criminal Mischief)** - Scheduled to be heard Tuesday in the Senate Corrections and Criminal Law Committee.
- **HB 1235 (Drug Offenses)** - Scheduled to be heard on Tuesday in the Senate Corrections and Criminal Law Committee.
- **SB 80 (Pharmacists and Ephedrine)** – Scheduled to be heard Monday in the House Public Health Committee.
- **SB 161 (Methamphetamine Matters)** - Scheduled to be heard Monday in the House Public Health Committee.

If you would like to see a full copy of any bill, please visit

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or let us know if you would like for us to furnish you with a hard copy of a particular bill. As you review the bills, please let us know of any questions or comments you have with the legislation that we may not be aware of.

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