**IOWA PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION**

***LEGISLATIVE UPDATE***

**March 2 - 6, 2015**

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**Legislature Approves, Governor Signs Fuel Tax Increase**

Last week, the legislature approved and the Governor signed a bill that would raised Iowa's motor fuel tax rate by 10 cents. The increase went into effect on March 1, 2015. It is anticipated that the increase will generate roughly $200 million in additional revenue each year for the Road Use Tax Fund. 95% of the money in the RUTF is constitutionally protected and must be used for road and bridge infrastructure.

**Funnel Deadline Nears**

Friday, March 6th marks the end of the first legislative funnel. Funnels are legislative imposed deadlines most bills are required to meet to remain eligible for consideration. The first funnel requires a bill to be approved by its committee of origin in order for it to advance to the floor for full debate. If a bill does not meet this requirement, it is no longer eligible. However, bills that did not survive the funnel can always be resurrected through the amendment process. Certain bills are exempt from funnel deadlines. They include tax and spending bills, legalizing acts, and legislation sponsored by specific legislative leaders.

**Firearms Legislation Advances**

This week, both the Iowa House and Senate approved firearms legislation. The bills, which are largely the same, include the following provisions:

* authorizes the use and possession of firearms suppressors;
* allows children under the age of 14 to use a firearm under the direct supervision of a parent;
* creates a statewide searchable database for law enforcement to verify permits;
* requires permits to be uniform;
* makes permits confidential, eliminating public access.

**LEGISLATION**

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| [HF 376](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF376) | A bill for an act relating to untested sexual abuse evidence collection kits stored at law enforcement agencies. |
| [HSB 167](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HSB167) | A study bill relating to applications for wireless communications facilities and infrastructure. |
| [SF 300](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF300) | A bill for an act relating to an assault that occurs between persons in an intimate relationship and the crime of domestic abuse assault and making penalties applicable. (Formerly SF 138.) |
| [SF 296](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF296) | A bill for an act relating to the unauthorized placement of a global positioning device, and providing penalties. |
| [SF 291](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF291) | A bill for an act relating to size, weight, and load limit applicability to authorized emergency vehicles. (Formerly SF 49.) |
| [HF 383](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF383) | A bill for an act relating to establishing a statewide database for stolen firearms. |
| [SSB 1213](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SSB1213) | A study bill for an act relating to the reexamination and recalculation of disability retirement benefits for beneficiaries under the public safety peace officers' retirement, accident, and disability system. |
| [SF 312](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF312) | A bill for an act relating to human trafficking and including a penalty provision. |
| [SF 309](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF309) | A bill for an act relating to the compilation of a presentence investigation report in a criminal proceeding. |
| [SF 304](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF304) | A bill for an act relating to serving an arrest warrant by a bailiff or security personnel at a courthouse. |
| [HF 393](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF393) | A bill for an act requiring risk assessments and electronic monitoring of criminal defendants under certain conditions, and providing penalties. |
| [HSB 175](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HSB175) | A study bill relating to the distribution of fines imposed by the automated enforcement of traffic laws. |
| [HSB 171](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HSB171) | A study bill for prohibiting the use of electronic communication devices while driving, providing exceptions, and making penalties applicable. |
| [SF 320](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF320) | A bill for an act relating to civil liability of a manufacturer or distributor of a synthetic cannabinoid. |
| [SF 319](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF319) | A bill for an act relating to the possession of a pistol, revolver, or ammunition by a person under fourteen years of age. |
| [HF 424](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF424) | A bill for an act making text-messaging while driving a primary offense. |
| [HF 417](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF417) | A bill for an act relating to asset forfeiture due to public offense convictions. |
| [HF 405](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF405) | A bill for an act relating to providing weapons or ammunition to minors, and providing a penalty. |
| [SF 363](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF363) | A bill for an act relating to the possession of a firearm suppressor. |
| [SF 361](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF361) | A bill for an act concerning the legal age for purchasing, possessing, and consuming wine and beer and making penalties applicable. |
| [SF 355](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF355) | A bill for an act relating to employee residency qualifications in cities with a civil service commission. |
| [SF 345](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF345) | A bill for an act relating to state and school antiharassment and antibullying policies, providing for training for school personnel, establishing a bullying and violence prevention student mentoring pilot program, and providing for a school climate and bullying work group. (Formerly SSB 1044.) |
| [HF 453](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF453) | A bill for an act relating to the possession, manufacture, or delivery of marijuana and the possession of drug paraphernalia, and providing penalties. |
| [HF 452](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF452) | A bill for an act requiring certain peace officers, including tribal law enforcement officers, to wear a body camera and providing remedies. |
| [HF 447](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF447) | A bill for an act requiring wireless communications service providers to provide call locations in circumstances of emergency, making penalties applicable, and including effective date provisions. (Formerly HF 54) |
| [HF 441](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF441) | A bill for an act providing immunity from alcohol-related offenses for certain persons under the legal age and modifying penalties. |
| [HF 434](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF434) | A bill for an act relating to the possession, receipt, transportation, or dominion or control of firearms, offensive weapons, and ammunition by certain persons. |
| [SSB 1243](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SSB1243) | A study bill for an act creating the medical cannabis Act and providing for civil and criminal penalties and fees. |
| [HSB 201](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HSB201) | A study bill relating to the manufacture, acquisition, sale, and use of firearms and suppressors, providing penalties, and including effective date and applicability provisions.  |
| [SF 366](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF366) | A bill for an act relating to the reexamination and recalculation of disability retirement benefits for beneficiaries under the public safety peace officers' retirement, accident, and disability system. (Formerly SSB 1213.) |
| [SSB 1251](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SSB1251) | A study bill for an act relating to the possession, manufacture, acquisition, and sale of firearms and suppressors, providing penalties, and including effective date and applicability provisions.  |
| [SF 394](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF394) | A bill for an act relating to responsibilities for expenses for the safekeeping and maintenance of prisoners by counties and cities. (Formerly SF 238.) |
| [SF 391](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF391) | A bill for an act relating to the use of electronic communication devices while driving as a primary offense. (Formerly SSB 1041.) |
| [SF 385](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF385) | A bill for an act relating to the expungement of not-guilty verdicts and dismissed criminal-charge records, and including effective date provisions. (Formerly SSB 1110.) |
| [SF 383](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF383) | A bill for an act establishing an address confidentiality program in the office of the secretary of state for victims of domestic abuse, domestic abuse assault, sexual abuse, and stalking. (Formerly SSB 1134.) |
| [SF 378](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF378) | A bill for an act relating to reimbursement of defense costs of peace officers and corrections officers. (Formerly SF 250.) |
| [HF 502](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF502) | A bill for an act relating to personal information in the possession of local officials and including effective date provisions. (Formerly HSB 162) |
| [HF 501](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF501) | A bill for an act relating to the operation of a rescue vehicle when responding to an emergency. (Formerly HF 137) |
| [HF 495](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF495) | A bill for an act relating to law enforcement activities, including the establishment of citizens' review boards to review racial profiling by security agents and requiring peace officers to wear body cameras. |
| [HF 470](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF470) | A bill for an act relating to the production, marketing, and distribution of industrial hemp and related plant materials, and providing for penalties. |
| [SSB 1260](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SSB1260) | A study bill for an act relating to the production, marketing, and distribution of industrial hemp and related plant materials, and providing for penalties.  |
| [SSB 1257](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SSB1257) | A study bill for an act relating to emergency services by conducting a study concerning modernization, reform, and regionalization of financing, education and training of providers, reporting requirements, tax credits for personnel, governance reform, and governing boards and commissions.  |
| [HF 406](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=HF406) | A bill for an act related to agreements between municipalities of this state for the provision of fire and emergency services. |
| [SF 384](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SF384) | A bill for an act relating to governmental bodies and advisory bodies and public notice requirements under the open meetings law. (Formerly SSB 1073.) |
| [SSB 1255](http://coolice.legis.iowa.gov/cool-ice/default.asp?Category=BillInfo&Service=BillBook&GA=86&hbill=SSB1255) | A study bill for an act requiring publication on the internet of contact information for elective public officers.  |