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HB1004 **THIRTEENTH CHECK (CHERRY R)** Provides for a thirteenth check in 2024 for certain members, participants, or beneficiaries of the: (1) Indiana state teachers' retirement fund; (2) Indiana public employees' retirement fund; (3) state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan; (4) state police pre-1987 benefit system; and (5) state police 1987 benefit system.

Current Status: 2/19/2024 - added as cosponsor Senator Dernulc

Recent Status: 2/12/2024 - removed as second sponsor Senator Bray
2/5/2024 - added as cosponsor Senator Bohacek

State Bill Page: [HB1004](#)

HB1021 **GREEN ALERT FOR MISSING AT RISK VETERANS (GORE M)** Defines "veteran at risk". Creates the green alert program to provide for public notification regarding missing veterans at risk. Changes the name of the Indiana clearinghouse for information on missing children and missing endangered adults to the Indiana clearinghouse for information on missing children, missing veterans at risk, and missing endangered adults (clearinghouse). Makes conforming changes to the duties of the clearinghouse. Creates certain duties and reporting requirements for law enforcement agencies concerning missing veterans at risk. Provides immunity for a broadcaster who broadcasts, or an electronic billboard operator who displays, a green alert notification and a person who establishes or maintains a green alert website under an agreement with the state police department. Makes technical corrections.

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

Recent Status: 2/20/2024 - added as cosponsor Senator Crane
2/20/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

State Bill Page: [HB1021](#)

HB1027 FIRE DEPARTMENT WORK SCHEDULE (HOSTETTLER M) Provides that a fire department may deviate from the required maximum work hours for members of the fire department only if authorized by a collective bargaining agreement, memorandum of understanding, or other similar written mutual agreement with an exclusive recognized representative of employees of the fire department.

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 2/12/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government
2/12/2024 - First Reading

State Bill Page: [HB1027](#)

HB1053 TEST STRIPS (GARCIA WILBURN V) Removes provisions related to testing the strength, effectiveness, or purity of a controlled substance in the criminal laws concerning possession of controlled substance paraphernalia.

Current Status: 2/15/2024 - added as cosponsor Senator Yoder

Recent Status: 2/5/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
2/5/2024 - First Reading

State Bill Page: [HB1053](#)

HB1104 SCHOOL SAFETY (DAVIS M) Provides that a school safety plan developed by a school corporation or charter school must establish an armed intruder drill protocol. Requires safe school committees to develop a policy that considers the effect of armed intruder drills on the safety and mental health of students, faculty, and staff. Prohibits an armed intruder drill that includes sensory components or activities from: (1) requiring student participation; or (2) taking place during regular school hours if a majority of the student body is present on school property. Allows a school corporation or charter school that: (1) employs a school resource officer; or (2) enters into a contract or a memorandum of understanding with a local law enforcement agency, private entity, or nonprofit corporation to employ a school resource officer; to participate in the 1977 fund. Provides that a school resource officer hired or rehired after June 30, 2024, who is a member of the 1977 fund shall remain in the 1977 fund. Provides that a school resource officer may become a member of the 1977 fund by meeting certain age and training requirements. Makes corresponding changes.

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - Senate Appropriations, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 2/15/2024 - Committee Report do pass adopted; reassigned to Committee on Appropriations
2/14/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 11; Nays: 0

State Bill Page: [HB1104](#)

HB1121 LOCAL INCOME TAXES (THOMPSON J) Extends the expiration of provisions concerning a county with a single voting bloc and the allocation of votes for a local

income tax council. Specifies the amount of revenue from a local income tax rate imposed for correctional facilities and rehabilitation facilities in a county that may be used for operating expenses of those facilities. Allows a county fiscal body to adopt a local income tax rate for an acute care hospital located in the county. Allows the adopting body in Marion County to adopt a local income tax rate to be used for improvement and services projects (projects) located within the boundaries of the Mile Square area. Provides that if the local income tax rate is adopted, the Mile Square improvement and services projects board is established to use the revenue generated for the projects. Provides that, for the purpose of distributing the local income tax (LIT), if two or more school corporations or civil taxing units merge or consolidate to form a single school corporation or civil taxing unit, the school corporation or civil taxing unit is entitled to the combined pro rata distribution of the LIT revenue allocated to each applicable school corporation or civil taxing unit in existence on January 1 of the immediately preceding calendar year prior to the merger or consolidation. Provides that the department of local government finance shall make certain adjustments pertaining to the distribution of LIT for Floyd County in 2025, which provide that the Highlander Fire Protection District (district) shall receive an amount equal to the combined distribution that would have been distributed to the Greenville Fire Protection District (FPD) and the Lafayette Fire Protection District (FPD) in 2024, but for their elimination resulting from the merger to establish the district. Requires corresponding adjustments in 2025 to reduce the distribution for each applicable civil taxing unit and school corporation in Floyd County, excluding the district, by an amount that equals the proportionate share of the amount of LIT received in 2024 of the combined distribution that would have been distributed to the Greenville FPD and the Lafayette FPD in 2024, but for their elimination. Provides, for purposes of calculating distributions of the financial institutions tax to local taxing units, how to calculate distributions for a taxing unit that did not receive distributions in 2012 because the unit was subsequently established from the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units that received distributions from the financial institutions tax fund in 2012. Provides, for purposes of calculating qualified distributions of the commercial motor vehicle excise tax to local taxing units, how to calculate base revenue distributions for a taxing unit that did not receive a base revenue distribution in 2001 because the taxing unit was subsequently established from the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units that received base revenue distributions in 2001. Provides that, for purposes of determining the apportionment or distribution of the motor vehicle excise tax, that the county auditor may make adjustments to reflect the merger or consolidation of two or more taxing units. Authorizes the city of Hammond to impose a food and beverage tax. Authorizes the town of Cicero to impose a food and beverage tax.

Current Status: 2/15/2024 - added as cosponsor Senator Randolph

Recent Status: 2/13/2024 - Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

2/7/2024 - Referred to Senate Tax and Fiscal Policy

State Bill Page: [HB1121](#)

HB1132 INVESTIGATORS EMPLOYED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

(MCNAMARA W) Provides that the attorney general shall designate not more than four investigators employed within the state Medicaid fraud control unit to be law enforcement officers of the state. Provides that the attorney general shall designate not more than two investigators employed within the identity fraud unit to be law enforcement officers of the state. Provides that the investigators shall have all the powers and duties of law enforcement officers in conducting investigations or in serving any process, notice, or order connected with the duties of the respective units, regardless of whatever officer, authority, or court issued the process, notice, or order. Provides that the investigators are subject to certain confidentiality and disclosure requirements relating to criminal intelligence information and criminal history information. Makes conforming amendments.

Current Status: 2/13/2024 - Senate Corrections and Criminal Law, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 2/5/2024 - Referred to Senate Corrections and Criminal Law
2/5/2024 - First Reading

State Bill Page: [HB1132](#)

HB1142 HOOSIER FIRST RESPONDER MEDAL OF HONOR (LUCAS J)

Establishes the Hoosier first responder medal of honor (medal). Provides that the department of homeland security (department) may determine an Indiana first responder is eligible for the Hoosier first responder medal of honor if the Indiana first responder distinguishes themselves conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of the Indiana first responder's life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in an act of public service. Provides that, upon approval of a nomination by the department, the department shall notify the entity employing the Indiana first responder or for which the Indiana first responder volunteers of the nomination. Provides that the entity shall notify a member of the general assembly who represents the district in which the entity is located of the Indiana first responder's nomination. Provides that the member of the general assembly shall recommend the Indiana first responder for the medal to the governor. Provides that, if the department determines that an Indiana first responder nominated to the department does not meet the eligibility requirements to receive the medal, the department may make recommendations to the entity that employs the Indiana first responder or for which the Indiana first responder volunteers of other forms of recognition for the Indiana first responder. Provides that the governor may award the medal to the Indiana first responder or the Indiana first responder's next of kin at a public ceremony.

Current Status: 2/12/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation

Recent Status: 2/12/2024 - First Reading
2/6/2024 - Referred to Senate

State Bill Page: [HB1142](#)

HB1143 **DISPOSAL OF FIREARMS VIA TRADE FOR NEW EQUIPMENT (LUCAS J)** Permits a law enforcement agency to dispose of certain confiscated firearms by trade with a licensed firearms dealer, a licensed firearm manufacturer, or another law enforcement agency in exchange for new firearms and other law enforcement equipment. Sets forth the recording and reporting requirements for the trade of firearms by a law enforcement agency.

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - House Bills on Second Reading

Recent Status: 2/20/2024 - added as cosponsor Senator Bohacek
2/20/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

State Bill Page: [HB1143](#)

HB1158 **COUNTY CONTRACTS (LEHMAN M)** Provides that contracts made by the county, excluding Marion County, must meet certain requirements. Provides that the county executive is the body charged with executing contracts for goods and services on behalf of the county with certain exceptions. Provides a review process for certain contracts.

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

Recent Status: 2/15/2024 - Senate Local Government, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)

1/25/2024 - Referred to Senate Local Government

State Bill Page: [HB1158](#)

HCR2 **URGING THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO RENAME THE MILE STRETCH OF I-74 SOUTHEAST OF THE ACTON ROAD EXIT THE "DEPUTY JOHN DURM MEMORIAL MILE"** (SPEEDY M) A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana Department of Transportation to rename the mile stretch of I-74 southeast of the Acton Road exit the "Deputy John Durm Memorial Mile".

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - House Resolutions Eligible for Adoption

Recent Status: 2/20/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
2/20/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas: 8; Nays: 0

State Bill Page: [HCR2](#)

HCR4 **URGING THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO RENAME THAT PORTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 52 BETWEEN DAVIS ROAD AND GERMAN CHURCH ROAD THE "OFFICER BREANN LEATH MEMORIAL MILE"** (GORE M) A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the Indiana Department of Transportation to rename that portion of U.S. Highway 52 between Davis Road and German Church Road the "Officer Breann Leath Memorial Mile".

Current Status: 2/22/2024 - House Resolutions Eligible for Adoption

Recent Status: 2/20/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted
2/20/2024 - Senate Committee recommends passage Yeas:
8; Nays: 0

State Bill Page: [HCR4](#)

HCR5 **URGING INDOT TO RENAME THAT PORTION OF I-69 BETWEEN THE COUNTY ROAD 11A EXIT AND STATE ROAD 8, NEAR MILE MARKER 326, THE "MASTER TROOPER JAMES R. BAILEY MEMORIAL HIGHWAY (SMALTZ B) A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION** urging the Indiana Department of Transportation to rename that portion of I-69 between the County Road 11A Exit and State Road 8, near mile marker 326, the "Master Trooper James R. Bailey Memorial Highway".

Current Status: 2/1/2024 - added as coauthor Representative Lehman

Recent Status: 1/18/2024 - Referred to Senate Homeland Security and Transportation
1/18/2024 - First Reading

State Bill Page: [HCR5](#)

SB14 **RIGHT OF CERTAIN PERSONS TO CARRY A HANDGUN IN THE STATEHOUSE AND STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX (TOMES J)** Allows: (1) certain statewide elected officials; (2) members of the general assembly; (3) members of the Indiana lobby registration commission; (4) professional staff of the general assembly; and (5) employees of certain statewide elected offices; to carry a handgun in the statehouse or on the property of the state capitol complex under certain circumstances.

Current Status: 2/15/2024 - added as cosponsor Representative Torr

Recent Status: 2/6/2024 - Referred to House Public Policy
2/6/2024 - First Reading

State Bill Page: [SB14](#)

SB33 **DISTRIBUTIONS OF PUBLIC SAFETY INCOME TAX REVENUE (NIEMEYER R)** Provides that a qualified township and various fire entities may apply to the county adopting body for a distribution of local income tax revenue that is allocated to public safety purposes. Requires the county adopting body to review a submitted application at a public hearing at which the qualified township or entity must present and explain its application. Provides that after the public hearing on the application, and before September 1, the county adopting body may adopt a resolution approving the application and requiring that tax revenue be distributed to the qualified township or entity. Provides the calculation for the amount of the allocation to a qualified township. Repeals certain provisions enacted in the 2023 session in HB 1454 regarding distribution of tax revenue allocated to public safety to township fire departments, volunteer fire departments, fire protection territories, or fire protection districts. Makes certain changes to provisions regarding the local income tax rate for local costs of the state judicial system in the county.

Current Status: 2/21/2024 - House Committee recommends passage, as amended Yeas: 21; Nays: 0
Recent Status: 2/21/2024 - House Ways and Means, (Bill Scheduled for Hearing)
2/12/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
State Bill Page: [SB33](#)

SB129

POLICE OFFICER EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING COST

REIMBURSEMENT (BYRNE G) Allows a county, city, or town (unit) to be reimbursed for some or all of a police officer's employment and training costs from a unit that subsequently employs the police officer less than three years after police officer completes the law enforcement basic training course. Provides that "police officer" does not include a town marshal or town marshal deputy. Provides that if any unit does not claim reimbursement from a subsequent employing unit, any reimbursement right is terminated. Requires a subsequent employer to notify the police officer in writing if the previous employer did or did not submit a claim for reimbursement. Requires a written notification be provided to a police officer before hiring that informs the officer of the employer's right to obtain reimbursement from a subsequent employer.

Current Status: 2/6/2024 - Referred to House Local Government
Recent Status: 2/6/2024 - First Reading
1/25/2024 - added as coauthor Senator Vinzant
State Bill Page: [SB129](#)

SB275

PENSION MATTERS (BUCHANAN B) Provides that a state employee may affirmatively elect to enroll in the deferred compensation plan prior to the auto enroll date on day 31 of the state employee's employment. Removes a provision that sets a maximum employer surcharge for the legislators' defined benefit plan, state excise police, gaming agent, gaming control officer, and conservation enforcement officers' retirement plan, public employees' retirement fund, and Indiana state teachers' retirement fund (fund). Requires the board of trustees of the Indiana public retirement system (board) to develop the technological and administrative capabilities sufficient to categorize fund members into separate groups in which: (1) certain members receive a service based thirteenth check; and (2) certain members receive a cost of living adjustment. Requires the board to set the surcharge rates at a level to actuarially prefund: (1) annual indexed thirteenth checks for all current retired members and beneficiaries retired before July 1, 2025; and (2) 1% annual cost of living adjustments to future in-payment members and beneficiaries retired on or after July 1, 2025. Provides that the board shall not reduce the surcharge rates from the prior year. Allows the board to increase the surcharge rates by not more than 0.1% of payroll from the prior year. Requires certain political subdivisions to present to the interim study committee on pension management oversight regarding a delinquent employee retirement plan offered by the political subdivision. Requires, effective July 1, 2025, the trustee of the state police pension trust to maintain a supplemental allowance reserve account for the

purpose of paying postretirement benefit adjustments. Increases the maximum date that a member or participant of certain retirement funds can participate in the deferred retirement option plan from 36 to 60 months. Requires the member or participant to notify their employer if the member or participant elects to enter or extend the deferred retirement option plan.

Current Status: 2/19/2024 - added as cosponsor Representative Cash

Recent Status: 2/15/2024 - Referred to House Ways and Means
2/15/2024 - Committee Report do pass, adopted

State Bill Page: [SB275](#)