## 2020 ISAC Legislative Priorities

ISAC Legislative Team

#### Legislative Policy Committee (LPC)

- Chaired by ISAC Vice President
  - o Carla Becker, Delaware County Auditor
- 32 members (two from each affiliate)
- Develop legislative objectives for ISAC's legislative team to pursue for the upcoming session
- Meet in August and September to develop legislative platform

#### Legislative Policy Committee (LPC)

- Assessors: Pam Jensen and Tom Van Buer
- Auditors: Pat Gill and Shelley Wolf
- Community Services: Shane Walter and Russell Wood
- Conservation: Dan Cohen and Matt Cosgrove
- County Attorneys: Darin Raymond and Matt Wilbur
- Emergency Management: Thomas Craighton and Lorie Glover
- Engineers: Lyle Brehm and Dan Eckert
- Environmental Health: Eric Bradley and Brian Hanft
- Information Technology: Micah Cutler and Michelle Fields
- Public Health: Kathy Babcock and Lynelle Drier
- Recorders: Stacie Herridge and John Murphy
- Sheriffs and Deputies: Brian Gardner and Randy Rowland
- Supervisors: Ken Abrams and Dawn Smith
- Treasurers: Tracey Marshall and Kris Rowley
- Veterans Affairs: Patty Hamann and Chris Oliver
- Zoning: Joe Buffington and Josh Busard

#### ISAC Legislative Process

- LPC develops policy statements and legislative objectives
- Policy statements express long-term or continuing statements of principle importance for local control, local government authority, and efficient county operation. These statements are designed to guide the Association in responding to public policy issues affecting county government.
- Legislative objectives provide specific problems and solutions for legislators to address. The ISAC policy team actively pursues bills for each legislative objective.
- Top priorities are presented during meetings with legislative leadership prior to the session.

### ISAC Legislative Process

- September LPC recommends priorities to ISAC membership
- October Voting tool link emailed to membership
- November ISAC Board ratifies legislative objectives and policy statements and sets top priorities
- December Legislative webinar and rollout of top priorities
- Legislators contacted
- Meetings with leadership/governor

#### ISAC 2020 Top Priorities

- Mental Health and Disability Services
- Commercial and Industrial Property Tax Backfill
- Water Quality and Quantity, Natural Resources, and Outdoor Recreation
- Weight Limits on Secondary Roads

### Mental Health and Disability Services

 Provide the needed funding to counties/regions to ensure stability in the mental health delivery system due to the increased demand for additional services.

• If no essential revenue is provided from the state, counties should be allowed to exceed their current maximum per capita levy up to \$47.28 to fund new services.

 If the above remedies are not advanced, an increase in the sales tax should be considered to fund MH/DS that must be constitutionally protected based on a distribution formula that is equitable for all counties in Iowa.

# Water Quality, Natural Resources, and Outdoor Recreation

- The passage of a state-wide sales tax increase of at least 3/8s of one cent in support of the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund, or I-WiLL, to which it is commonly referred.
- The maintenance of the distribution formula found in Iowa Code Chapter 461, outlined by the Iowa Legislature in support of the 2010 vote by Iowans on the Constitutional Amendment.
- The passage of legislation that would support and encourage public sector entities, such as counties, to be directly involved in water mitigation projects that would involve county conservation boards, engineers, and supervisors.

# Commercial and Industrial Property Tax Backfill

 The legislature should fully fund the commercial and industrial property tax backfill and should resist a rapid elimination of the backfill and legislation that affects local budgets that have been set or are in the process of being set.

### Weight Limits on Secondary Roads

 Repeal or scale back to only apply to hard-surface roads changes made to lowa Code §321.463(9) that allow vehicles transporting materials or equipment to or from a construction project or commercial plant site to operate on secondary roads under the limits of the maximum gross weight table for primary highways.

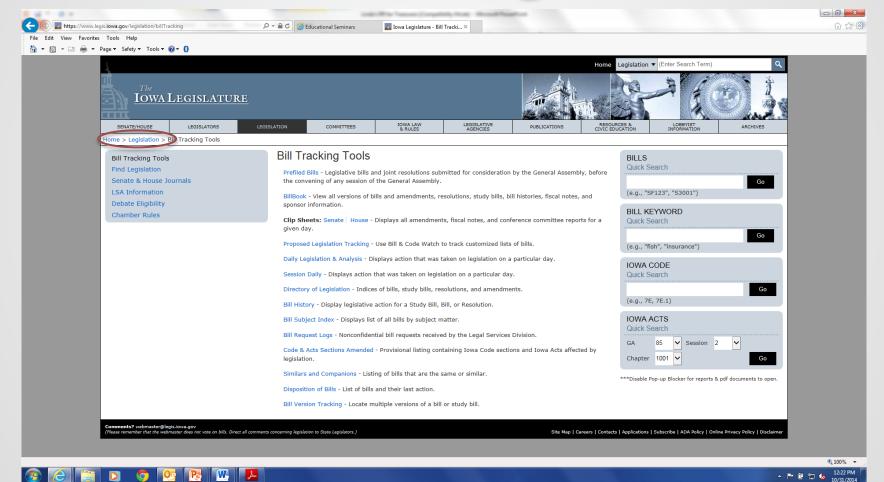
#### Legislative Objectives

- Certificate of the Treasurer Lucas Beenken (ISAC Lead)
- Certificates of Title
   Lucas Beenken (ISAC Lead)
- County Seal
   Jamie Cashman (ISAC Lead)
- Distracted Driving
   Jamie Cashman (ISAC Lead)
- Jail Medical Costs
   Jamie Cashman (ISAC Lead)

#### Legislative Objectives

- Public Measures on General Election Ballot Jamie Cashman (ISAC Lead)
- Prisoner Room and Board
   Jamie Cashman (ISAC Lead)
- Resource Enhancement and Protection (REAP) Program
   Jamie Cashman (ISAC Lead)
- Super Speeders
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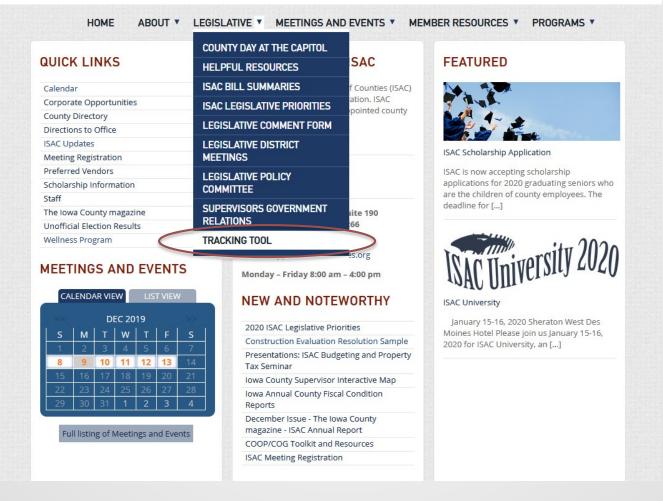
## Bill Tracking Tools



#### ISAC Legislative Tracking Tool



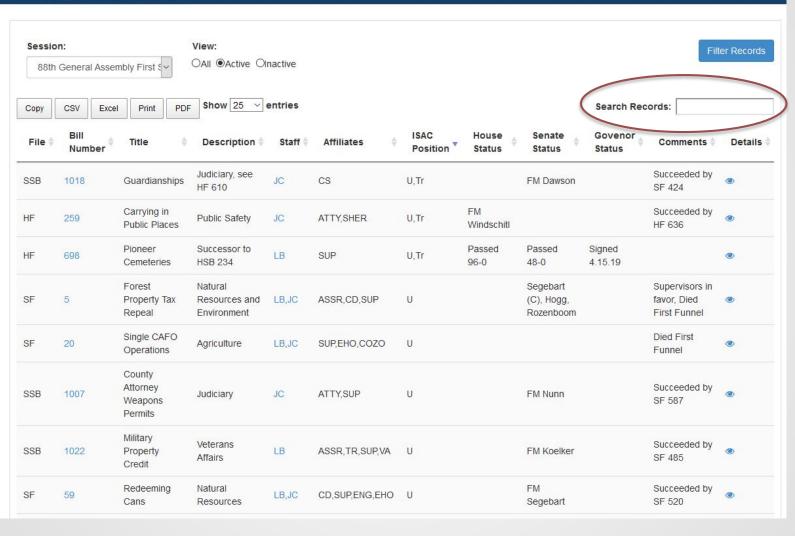


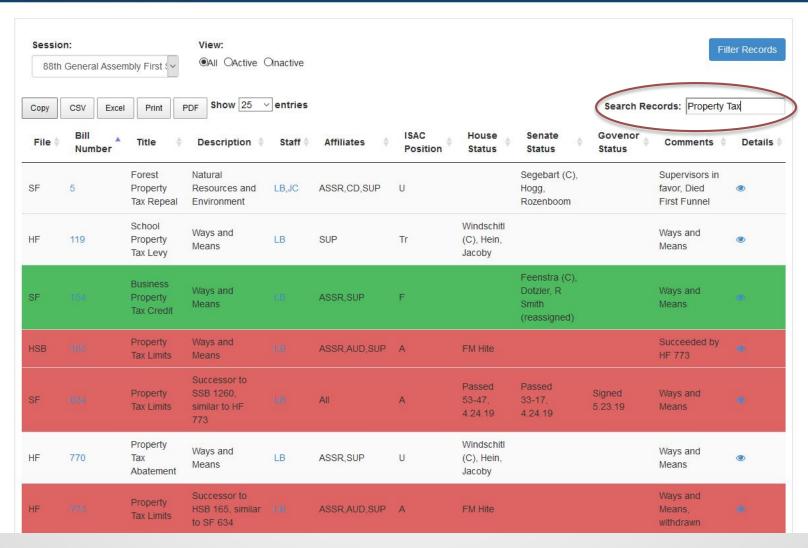


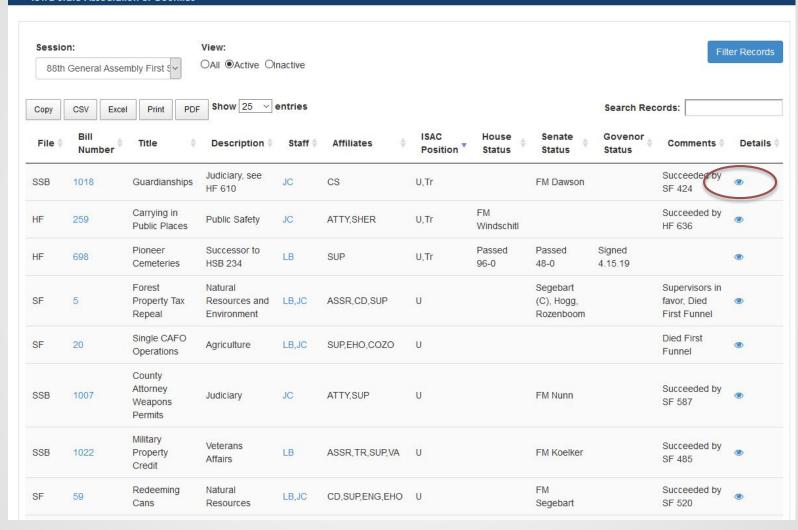
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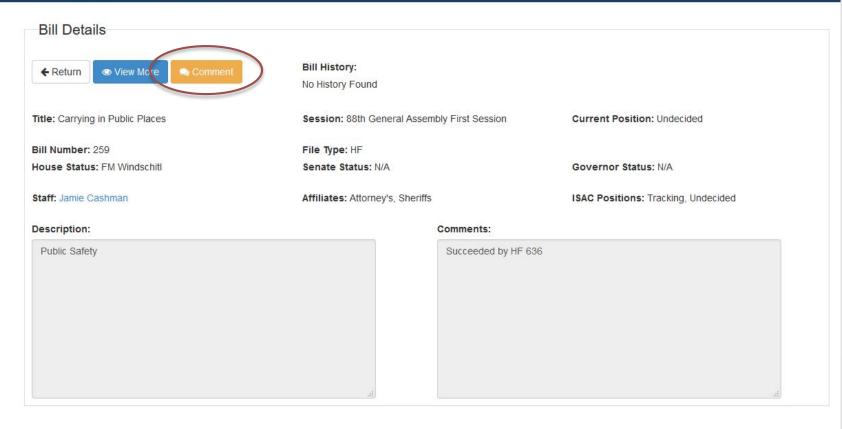












**ISAC Comments** 



#### Get Involved!

#### Contacting your legislator

- o Phone calls
- Email (<u>clearly</u> state your subject in the subject line)
- o Letters
- Events at the Capitol
- o Forums

#### Feedback

- ISAC Update emailed on Friday's during session
- Use the Legislative Comment Form and Tracking Tool to provide feedback

#### Upcoming!

- January 8 Spring Conference Registration Opens
- January 14 Spring Conference Hotel Registration Opens (8:30 am)
- January 15-16 ISAC University
- January 30 Statewide Supervisors Meeting
- February 29 March 4 NACo Legislative Conference
- March 12-13 ISAC Spring Conference

#### Questions?

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