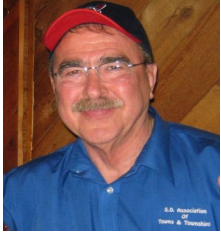




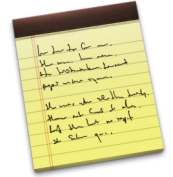
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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2017 LEGISLATIVE NOTES



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Week 7 of the 2017 Legislative Session ended on February 24th (LD 28), with only 9 Legislative Days remaining. It was the busiest week of the Session for the Legislators. All bills had to be approved in Committee by Wednesday and had to pass the House of Origin by Thursday (Crossover Day). The House had 25 bills to consider and adjourned at 9:09 p.m. The Senate with only 10 bills adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

SDATAT's bills both passed the 2nd House during the week and are headed to the Governor for his signature. HB 1098 passed the Senate unanimously on Thursday and HB 1087 passed on Friday with 1 negative vote.

The main issues being worked on in the Legislature this week deal with ethics and openness in State government and in balancing the budget to fund State Government activities for the rest of this fiscal year (ending June 30, 2017) and next fiscal year. With sales tax collections and other revenue sources coming in lower than expected, largely due to the big drop in the farm economy, a large shortfall of State revenues is being projected.

In the remaining days of the session, all bills have to pass the second House by March 7th, with March 8-10 reserved for concurrences and con-

ference committees to adjust the differences in language in House and Senate-passed bills.

The final day, March 27th, is reserved for considering gubernatorial vetoes.

SDATAT BILLS:

HB 1087: An Act to authorize the recovery of attorney's fees in civil actions relating to highway obstructions. (Assigned to House Transportation)

2/7/17 - Transportation Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 13, NAYS 0

2/14/17 - House of Representatives Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 62, NAYS 4

2/22/17 - Local Government Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 5, NAYS 1

2/24/17 - Senate Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 32, NAYS 1

2/27/17 - Signed by the Speaker

HB 1098: An Act to revise certain procedures regarding the notice requirements of County Commissioners in authorizing installation of utility lines along and across highways. (Assigned to House Local Government)

2/7/17 - Local Government Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 13, NAYS 0

2/14/17 - House of Representatives Do Pass Amended, Passed YEAS 66, NAYS 0

2/22/17 - Local Government Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 6, NAYS 0

2/22/17 - Placed on consent, Passed

2/23/17 - Senate Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 34, NAYS 0

2/24/17 - Signed by the Speaker

2/27/17 - Signed by the President

BILLS OF INTEREST

HB 1073: An Act to revise and repeal certain provisions regarding gifts from registered lobbyists to public officials.

1/23/17 - Referred to House State Affairs

2/6/17 - State Affairs Do Pass Amended, Passed YEAS 13, NAYS 0

2/14/17 - House of Representatives Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 66, NAYS 0

2/15/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate State Affairs.

HB 1075: An Act to repeal the authority of municipalities to exercise planning and zoning powers outside corporate limits of municipalities.

1/23/2017 - First read in House and referred to House Local Government

2/9/17 - Local Government Deffered to the 41st Legislative Day, Passed, YEAS 12, NAYS 0

HB 1094: An Act to provide for the transfer of certain landowner hunting licenses.

1/25/17 - Referred to House Agriculture and Natural Resources

1/31/17 - Ag and Natural Resources Do Pass, Passed Yeas 7, Nays 6

2/6/17 - House of Representatives Do Pass, Failed, YEAS 16, NAYS 52

HB 1161: An Act to repeal the requirement for certain township, municipal, and school district fiscal reports to be submitted to county auditors.

2/1/17 - Referred to House Local Government

2/7/17 - Local Government Do Pass, Passed YEAS 13, NAYS 0

2/8/17 - House of Representatives Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 67, NAYS 0

2/15/17 - Local Government Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 6, NAYS 0.

2/16/17 - Senate Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 34, NAYS 0

2/21/17 - Signed by the Speaker

2/22/17 - Signed by the President

2/24/17 - Delivered to the Governor

SB 7: An Act to revise the criteria for determining if property is classified as agricultural land for property tax purposes.

1/10/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate Taxation

1/23/17 - Taxation Do Pass, Passed, Yeas 6, Nays 1

1/24/17 - Senate Do Pass, Passed, Yeas 30, Nays 5

2/9/17 - Taxation Do Pass, Passed YEAS 13, NAYS 1

2/27/17 - House of Representatives Deferred to another day, Passed.

SB 9: An Act to revise the river basin natural resource district boundaries, to establish subdistricts for each district, and to establish a procedure to adjust district boundaries.

1/10/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources

1/19/17 - Agriculture and Natural Resources Do Pass, Failed, YEAS 2, NAYS 7.

1/19/17 - Agriculture and Natural Resources Deffered to the 41st legislative day, Passed, YEAS 7, NAYS 2.

SB 10: An Act to provide for an election in the Red River and Minnesota River Basin Natural Resource District in 2018, to remove certain areas

from the East Dakota Water Development District that are contained in that river basin natural resource district, and to provide for elections in the other river basin natural resource districts at a later date.

1/10/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources

1/19/17 - Agriculture and Natural Resources Deferred to the 41st legislative day, Passed, YEAS 7, NAYS 2

SB 23: An Act to revise the authority of the Transportation Commission to make loans from the state highway fund to local governments for highway and bridge construction and maintenance purposes.

1/10/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate Local Government

1/18/17 - Local Government Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 5, NAYS 1

1/19/17 - Senate Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 32, NAYS 1.

1/20/17 - Referred to House Transportation

SB 58: An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the responsibility to remove snow from certain state highways.

1/12/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate Local Government

2/13/17 - Local Government Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 4, NAYS 2

2/22/17 - Senate Tabled, Passed, YEAS 27, NAYS 7

SB 66 - An Act to specifically classify certain agricultural land as riparian buffer strips, to establish the criteria for the riparian buffer strip classification, and to provide for the taxation thereof.

1/20/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources

2/2/17 - Agriculture and Natural Resources Do Pass Amended, Passed, Yeas 9, Nays 0.

2/8/17 - Senate Do Pass Amended, Passed YEAS 34, NAYS 0

2/16/17 - House Taxation Do Pass, Passed, YEAS 14, NAYS 0.

2/27/17 - House of Representatives Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 62, NAYS 5

SB 119 - An Act to accommodate legislation to improve culverts in the state.

1/26/17 - First read in Senate and referred to Senate Transportation

2/15/17 - Transportation Tabled, Passed, YEAS 6, NAYS 0.

SB 142 - An Act to provide for the assessment and taxation of agricultural land based on its actual use.

1/31/17 - Referred to Senate Taxation

2/15/17 - Taxation Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 6, NAYS 1

2/21/17 - Senate Do Pass Amended, Passed, YEAS 32, NAYS 2

3/2/17 - Scheduled for hearing in House Taxation

SB 161 - An Act to direct certain vehicle registration fees to counties with unorganized territory.

2/1/17 - Referred to Senate Transportation

2/6/17 - Transportation Do Pass Amended, Failed, YEAS 3, NAYS 4

2/6/17 - Transportation Report out of committee without recommendation as amended.

2/7/17 - Placed on Calendar , Failed YEAS 14, NAYS 21

SB 170 - An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the maximum width restriction for farm implements operated on a public highway.

2/2/17 - Referred to Senate Transportation

2/8/17 - Transportation Do Pass Amended, Failed, YEAS 1, NAYS 5

2/8/17 - Transportation Deferred to the 41st Legislative day, Passed, YEAS 5, NAYS 1

TOWNSHIP CALENDAR

February 28 - Required Township Mtg

March 7 - Required Township Annual Meeting (SDCL 8-3-1)

April 3 - SDATAT Scholarship Applications Due

April 14 - SDATAT Bond Applications Due

July 14 - Opt Outs Due

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