

Tennessee REALTORS[®] Bill Report

Week of February 11, 2019

- SB30** **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Add specifications to role of Board of water quality, oil, and gas.**
- Sponsors:* Sen. Haile, Ferrell ,
- Summary:* Clarifies that the Boards permit reviews is specifically for national pollutant discharge elimination system (NPDES) permits. Increases notification of special meeting times from five days to 10.
- Senate Status:* 01/19/19 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.
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- SB37/HB1108** **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Repeals revocation of professional license for defaulting on student loans.**
- Sponsors:* Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Powell, Jason
- Summary:* Repeals revocations of professional licenses in cases where the revocation was the result of defaults on student loans. Requires reinstatement of licenses revoked or denied due to defaulting on repayment of student loans.
- Senate Status:* 01/19/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
- House Status:* 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House
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- SB38** **PROPERTY & HOUSING: Affordable Rental Property Act.**
- Sponsors:* Sen. Gilmore, Brenda ,
- Summary:* Enacts the "Affordable Rental Property Act," which requires THDA to annually research the availability of affordable rental housing in each county of the state and determine which counties have a shortage of affordable rental housing. Requires THDA, for counties having a shortage of affordable rental housing, to set annual county income limits for the following year that qualify different sizes of low-income households for affordable rental housing and to set monthly rental rates that may be charged. Specifies that the monthly rental rates shall be based on the size of the rental unit and the income limit for the size of a low-income household. Requires THDA to provide the assessor of property in counties with a shortage of affordable rental housing and the state board of equalization with the applicable income limits and monthly rental rates. Requires the state board of equalization, in consultation with THDA, to create an application form for owners to use in applying to the assessor of property in a county in which there is a shortage of affordable rental housing for classification of rental housing as affordable rental property. Specifies other requirements for application process. Also specifies requirements for assessment of property that has been classified as affordable rental property.
- Senate Status:* 01/19/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
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- SB73/HB101** **TAXES PROPERTY: Appraisal ratio studies - references to public service commission to be removed.**
- Sponsors:* Sen. White, Dawn , Rep. White, Mark
- Summary:* Deletes reference to the public service commission and replaces it with a reference to the office of state assessed properties in section regarding ratio of appraisals.
- Senate Status:* 02/07/19 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee Consent Calendar 02/12/19.
- House Status:* 02/07/19 - Set for House Local Committee 02/13/19.
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- SB83/HB125** **CRIMINAL LAW: Burglary - entering a construction site with the intent to commit a felony.**
- Sponsors:* Sen. Kurita, Rosalind , Rep. Hodges, Jason
- Summary:* Adds committing or intending to commit a felony, theft, or assault in a construction that is not open to the public into the definition of burglary.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 02/12/19.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB173/HB164 **CRIMINAL LAW: Driving laws related to mobile phone use.**
Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Holsclaw, Jr., John
Summary: Expands the current offense of driving while using a handheld mobile phone as Class C misdemeanor to include any road, highway, or street, opposed to only in marked school zones as it currently stands. Establishes all drivers under 18 years of age using a hands-free device while the car is in motion will fall under this offense.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Safety & Funding Subcommittee.

SB176/HB201 **TAXES PROPERTY: Affordable Rental Property Act.**
Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Jernigan, Darren
Summary: Requires THDA to create an annual report researching the availability of affordable housing in each county. Requires THDA to work with the state board of equalization to create an application for those searching in counties with scarce affordable housing, establishing what is affordable property, along with creating a means of addressing the economic impact upon the owner.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB178/HB165 **ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Persons unable to connect to the public sewer system due to moratorium.**
Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy
Summary: Requires the commissioner of environment and conservation to issue a permit for the installation of a subsurface sewage disposal system to any person unable to connect to the public sewer system from a moratorium. Requires the permit holder to discontinue service to the subsurface sewage disposal system and connect to the public sewer system within 90 days of the moratorium being lifted.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 02/13/19.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 02/12/19.

SB196/HB261 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Expands the Right to Earn a Living Act.**
Sponsors: Sen. Kelsey, Brian , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Requires entry regulations, public service restrictions, and statutes to be clearly apparent and shaped to fulfill a legitimate public health or safety objective. Allows individuals to bring civil action on relevant licensing authorities that failed to meet standards.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Business Subcommittee.

SB224/HB232 **PROPERTY & HOUSING: Creates registry of tenants evicted through writs of possession.**
Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Crawford , John
Summary: Directs the housing development agency to create a registry of tenants who have been evicted through the execution of a writ of possession, which will be accessible to landlords in this state.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB231/HB913 **PROPERTY & HOUSING: Requires register of deeds send written notice to property owner before recording a lien.**
Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Keisling, Kelly
Summary: Requires the register of deeds to send written notice to the property owner prior to recording a lien.
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB232/HB57**COMMERCIAL LAW: Registration exemptions for charitable organizations.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Hulsey, Bud

Summary:

Increases from over \$30,000 to over \$50,000 the amount of gross contributions that must be raised or received from the public by a charitable organization in order to trigger registration and reporting requirements with the secretary of state.

Senate Status:

01/31/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status:

02/07/19 - Set for House Department & Agencies Subcommittee 02/13/19.

SB238/HB99**PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Authorizes comptroller to investigate Class A and B felonies related to private funds under certain conditions.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Tillis , Rick

Summary:

Authorizes the comptroller to investigate Class A and B felonies involving private funds if requested by the attorney general and reporter or the district attorney general if held in conjunction with an investigation by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

Senate Status:

02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status:

02/07/19 - Set for House Department & Agencies Subcommittee 02/13/19.

SB241/HB403**TAXES PROPERTY: Removes certain state provisions regarding property tax.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Hall, Mark

Summary:

Eliminates certify valuation to local officials, authority to place liens, and issue distress warrants for state property tax.

Senate Status:

02/07/19 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee Consent Calendar 02/12/19.

House Status:

02/06/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB243/HB1071**ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Requires mail or email notification regarding legality of removal of vegetation for outdoor advertisements.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Sanderson, Bill

Summary:

Specifies that the notice the commissioner of transportation must give to the affected outdoor advertiser regarding the determination of illegality of the removal, cutting, or trimming of vegetation, is to be made by United States postal service or electronic mail.

Senate Status:

02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status:

02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB249/HB229**TAXES PROPERTY: Commission retained by county registers for collecting and reporting recordation tax.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Crawford , John

Summary:

Removes incrementally over a three year period the requirement that 52 percent of the five percent commission retained by county registers for collecting and reporting recordation tax must be remitted to state treasurer and credited to state general fund.

Senate Status:

02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status:

02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB253/HB246**TAXES BUSINESS: Phases out professional privilege tax.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Clemmons, John

Summary:

Phases out the professional privilege tax over a four-year period for tax years that begin on and after June 1, 2019.

Senate Status:

02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status:

02/01/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB263/HB230**PROPERTY & HOUSING: Clarification of time-share transfer contracts.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Crawford , John

Summary: Clarifies that time-share transferring contracts are voidable by the purchaser for 10 days from the date of the signing of the contract, if the purchaser made an on-site inspection of a component site of the time-share project.

Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB278/HB100 TAXES PROPERTY: Filing of year's property maps with register of deeds.

Sponsors: Sen. Kurita, Rosalind , Rep. Leatherwood, Tom

Summary: Changes date when assessors must file that year's property maps with the register of deeds from October 1 to April 15.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee Regular Calendar 02/12/19.

House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB283/HB263 TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Removes driving restrictions on antique motor vehicles.

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Carr, Dale

Summary: Removes weekend and federal holiday driving restrictions for antique motor vehicles and allows them to be used for general transportation any day of the week if they are not driven more than 5,000 miles annually.

Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Safety & Funding Subcommittee.

SB288 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Removes requirement that the county registers' commission on recordation tax be remitted to state treasurer.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed ,

Summary: Removes requirement that 52 percent of the 5 percent commission retained by county registers for collecting and reporting recordation tax must be remitted to state treasurer and credited to state general fund.

Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

SB315/HB338 TAXES BUSINESS: Phases out professional privilege tax.

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Reedy, Jay

Summary: Declares the privilege tax is payable on June 1 of each tax year, with each tax year beginning on June 1 and ending on May 31. Decreases professional privilege tax from \$400 to \$300 annually for tax years ending on or after May, 31, 2022. Repeals tax for tax years ending on or after May 31, 2025.

Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB321/HB543 TAXES PROPERTY: Requirement of notice from the delinquent tax attorney relative to property tax.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. White, Mark

Summary: Requires the delinquent tax attorney to pose a copy of the proceeding and send a copy by first-class mail addressed to "occupant" at the last known municipal address of the parcel. Declares that all notices to all owners and interested parties must be detailed by the delinquent tax attorney.

Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB324/HB271 CONSTRUCTION: Payment rights of contractors and subcontractors.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Gant, Ron

Summary: Prohibits a written contract to have a condition precedent for payment clause where the prime contractor is not required to pay the remote contractor due to contract or until they are paid by the construction owner. Declares that if payment is not received, work by contractor can be suspended until received. Makes other revisions relative to the payment rights of contractors and subcontractors.

Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Business Subcommittee.

SB344/HB1225 CAMPAIGNS & LOBBYING: Increases campaign contribution limits.

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Casada, Glen
Summary: Increases contribution limits to \$4,200 offices elected in statewide elections and to \$2,500 any other state or local public office. Increases limits from multicandidate political campaign committee to \$20,000 for offices elected in statewide elections and to \$10,000 for any other state or local public office. Limits candidates for statewide offices to not more than fifty percent of total contributions and candidates for any other state or to \$200,000 from multicandidate political campaign committees.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB351/HB143 TAXES PROPERTY: Property tax assessments.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Smith, Robin
Summary: Allows county clerks to keep oaths prescribed for assessors and deputies in electronic or digital format. Allows assessors to provide informal reviews of assessments under certain circumstances, raises cost of taxpayer appeal fees to under \$10, except for certain appellants, and allows the appeals commission to delegate decision-making authority to a single member when an evidentiary record must remain open for under 30 days after the hearing.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB353/HB321 CRIMINAL LAW: Establishes an education training curriculum for law enforcement officers on diversity.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf
Summary: Establishes a education training curriculum and certificate of compliance for law enforcement officers on diversity. Requires law enforcement to complete specified training by July 1, 2021 or within six months of the officer's date of employment.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee.

SB355/HB327 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Revises requirements on brownfield redevelopment projects.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Howell, Dan
Summary: Requires brownfield redevelopment projects be located in mid-size and small counties, clarifies square footage qualifications, and prohibits allocations to the corporation engaged in the projects longer than 30 years.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB359/HB362 LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Recording of annexation resolutions and deannexation ordinances.

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Cochran, Mark
Summary: Requires municipalities to record annexation resolutions and deannexation ordinances with the register of deeds in affected county or counties.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB366/HB425 COMMERCIAL LAW: Extends deadline for lessees of certain corporations to file reports listing leased properties.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf
Summary: Extends the deadline to December 1 each year for a lessee or sublessee of a health, educational, and housing facility corporation to file a report listing leased properties and details of the lease and payment in lieu of tax (PILOT) agreements.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB376/HB1361 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Authority to impose a monitoring inspection fee on each manufactured home.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Calfee, Kent
Summary: Removes the authority to impose a monitoring inspection fee on each manufactured home produced in Tennessee from the commissioner of commerce and insurance.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB379/HB108 LABOR LAW: Harassment of government employee.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbrow, Jeff , Rep. Jernigan, Darren
Summary: Permits an attorney for a county, municipal, or metropolitan government to seek an injunction against a person who commits harassment against an employee of the county, municipal, or metropolitan government. Specifies that the injunction may be sought in any court of competent jurisdiction having the power to grant injunctions.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 02/12/19.

SB384/HB304 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Exempts armed forces members and their spouses from licensure requirements.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Johnson, Curtis
Summary: Exempts armed forces members stationed within this state and their spouses from licensure requirements to practice professions and occupations regulated by the department of commerce and insurance and the department of health, subject to meeting certain requirements to practice.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Business Subcommittee.

SB388/HB256 TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Prohibits use of cell phones while operating motor vehicles.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Freeman, Bob
Summary: Prohibits the use of wireless telecommunications devices while operating a motor vehicle, allows use of earpiece, headphone device, or wrist device, authorizes law enforcement and emergency personnel to use wireless telecommunications devices in their official duties.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Safety & Funding Subcommittee.

SB390/HB155 LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Requires a legislative body to request establishing zones or districts by mail.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. White, Mark
Summary: Adds that a chief legislative body in order to establish zones or districts outside municipality must file the notice with the county mayor by certified mail, return receipt requested.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB392/HB282 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Legislation concerning licensure, certification, or registration requirements.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Requires any legislation that creates or modifies licensure, certification, or registration requirements for occupational and professional groups to be referred for review to the government operations committee or an appropriate standing committee by the speaker of each house.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Set for House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee 02/13/19.

SB393/HB51 TAXES PROPERTY: Collection of property taxes by banks - evidence of payments provided to trustee.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Whitson, Sam
Summary: Changes the frequency that banks that collect property taxes must provide evidence of such payments to the trustee from daily to at least every three business days. Deletes outdated references to penalties that are no longer applied and deletes and obsolete code section.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Set for House Local Committee 02/13/19.

SB399/HB236 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Increasing of homestead exemption.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Zachary, Jason
Summary: Creates a homestead exemption for agricultural land, increases aggregate value of real property homestead exemptions while establishing that, in 3-year intervals, the fiscal review committee will recommend to the general assembly increases in the homestead exemption.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SB401/HB33 JUDICIARY: Service of process.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Boyd, Clark
Summary: Adds a private process server to the list of individuals authorized to personally serve a copy of a warrant or summons on behalf of a landlord in an action for forcible entry and detainer to regain possession of such landlord's real property.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 01/22/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SB404/HB631 ESTATES & TRUSTS: Uniform Fiduciary Income and Principal Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Bricken, Rush
Summary: Specifies that this chapter applies when this state is the principal place of administration of a trust or estate or the situs of property that is not held in a trust or estate and is subject to a life estate or other term interest. Defines "fiduciary" for purposes of this chapter and specifies duties of fiduciary. Prohibits the court from ordering a fiduciary to change a fiduciary decision unless the court determines that the fiduciary decision was an abuse of the fiduciary's discretion. If the court determines that a fiduciary decision was an abuse of the fiduciary's discretion, the court may order a remedy authorized by law. Allows fiduciary, in a record, without court approval, to adjust between income and principal if the fiduciary determines the exercise of the power to adjust will assist the fiduciary to administer the trust or estate impartially. Permits a fiduciary to release or delegate to a co-fiduciary the power to adjust. Defines "unitrust" and establishes application, duties, and remedies for unitrust. Makes other revisions regarding trusts and estates. (59 pp.)
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB407/HB404 TAXES PROPERTY: Assessing authority for telecommunications tower properties.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Hurt, Chris
Summary: Specifies that the comptroller of the treasury is the assessing authority for telecommunications tower properties that are owned by a public utility company.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/04/19 - Introduced in the House

SB410/HB570 TAXES BUSINESS: Delinquent tax notice - posting on door of courthouse.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Holsclaw, Jr., John
Summary: Specifies that a notice of delinquent occupancy tax from a city, town, or county that is required to be posted on the courthouse door due to the lack of an available published newspaper in the city, town, or county must be posted on the courthouse door that is most frequently used as the primary entrance by members of the general public. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB417/HB361

ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Prohibits landfill construction within five miles of a residence.

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Cooper, Barbara
Summary: Prohibits the commissioner from granting a permit, variance, or waiver to construct a landfill within five miles of a residence. Requires the department of environment and conservation to organize a meeting between the permittee and interested persons if there has been a violation. The meeting must be held within 30 days of the date the petition is filed.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.
House Status: 01/31/19 - Introduced in the House

SB425/HB407 CRIMINAL LAW: Residential, work, and treatment restrictions on sexual offenders whose victims are minors.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Doggett, Clay
Summary: Increases the prohibited distance from a school, child care facility, public park, recreation center, or former victim's residence that a violent sexual offender can knowingly establish a residence from 1,000 feet to 2,000 feet. Adds restriction that if the offender has been convicted of a sexual offense or violent sexual offense where the victim was a child under 12 years of age, then the offender may not conduct an overnight visit at a residence in which a minor resides or is present.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB427/HB1287 INSURANCE AUTOMOBILES: Requirements for loss coverage when applying uninsured motorist coverage.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Farmer, Andrew
Summary: Removes limitation in number of accidents that uninsured motorist coverage can be applied to. Allows limits of insurance for covered vehicles to be stacked and allows limits of multiple policies or endorsements for uninsured motorist coverage to be stacked and applied to one accident to provide full coverage for the insured's loss. Prohibits the amount of coverage to be reduced by a setoff from other coverage. Increases time for any party to offer evidence in a trial resulting from injury of accident before trial from 45 to 50 days.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB429/HB687 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Filling vacancies on pest control board.

Sponsors: Sen. Bell, Mike , Rep. Rudd, Tim
Summary: Decreases time period for reporting and filling vacancies on the pest control board, from 90 days to 60 days. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB437/HB85 TAXES PROPERTY: Time-share and vacation club property.

Sponsors: Sen. Bell, Mike , Rep. Hicks, Gary
Summary: Classifies time-share and vacation club property that includes an interest in real property as residential property.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB466/HB539 LABOR LAW: Defining an employee and an employee-employer relationship.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Howell, Dan
Summary: Requires the consideration of the 20-factor test IRS Revenue Ruling 87-41 to determine whether a worker is an independent contractor and whether an employer-employee relationship exists in the arrangement.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB491/HB39**TAXES BUSINESS: Phases out professional privilege tax.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. VanHuss, James

Summary:

Reduces the professional privilege tax each year beginning with the tax year that begins on and after June 1, 2019. Eliminates the professional privilege tax completely for the tax year ending on or after May 31, 2024.

Senate Status:

02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status:

01/22/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB492/HB40**TAXES BUSINESS: Eliminates professional privilege tax.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. VanHuss, James

Summary:

Eliminates the professional privilege tax for the tax year ending on May 31, 2020, and for any subsequent tax years.

Senate Status:

02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status:

01/22/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB520/HB1371**AGRICULTURE: Limits foreign ownership of agricultural property in this state.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Sexton, Jerry

Summary:

Prohibits a nonresident alien, foreign business, or foreign government, or an agent, trustee, or fiduciary thereof, from purchasing or otherwise acquiring agricultural land in this state. Specifies that a nonresident alien, foreign business, or foreign government who holds agricultural land in this state on July 1, 2019, may continue to own or hold the agricultural land, but shall not purchase or otherwise acquire additional agricultural land in this state.

Senate Status:

02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status:

02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB521/HB418**PROPERTY & HOUSING: Revises zoning notification regarding private property.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Marsh, Pat

Summary:

Requires a zoning amendment affecting one or more parcels of private property to only take effect if there is written consent from each owner. Orders the governing body of a county to provide written notice 30 days before any public hearing to each individual property owner whose property is the subject of a proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance that changes the designation of the zoning district unless the owner already has knowledge of it.

Senate Status:

02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status:

02/06/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB530/HB717**GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Update of date comprehensive growth plans are to be filed.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Lafferty, Justin

Summary:

Updates comprehensive growth plans be filed with the local government planning advisory committee by July 1, 2021, instead of July 1, 2000, and July 1, 2001.

Senate Status:

02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status:

02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB543/HB1073**PROPERTY & HOUSING: Lien enforcement under the Tennessee Self-Service Storage Facility Act.***Sponsors:*

Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Sanderson, Bill

Summary:

Revises provisions governing notice for lien enforcement under the Tennessee Self-Service Storage Facility Act. Requires owner to advertise sale of personal property in a commercially reasonable manner after expiration of the time stated in the notice and if the personal property has not otherwise been disposed of. Specifies that the manner of advertisement is deemed commercially reasonable if not less than three potential bidders participate in the sale at the time and place advertised. Specifies that the advertisement of sale may include, but not be limited to, the publishing one time before the date of the sale of the personal property in a newspaper of general circulation that serves the area where the self storage facility is located.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB554/HB546 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Rights of survivorship.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Moon, Jerome
Summary: Allows creation of a joint tenancy with right of survivorship and requires any share of a descended tenant to go to the surviving one. Orders that a joint tenancy with right of survivorship cannot be destroyed unilaterally under the common law doctrine of severance by the action of any of the joint tenants conveying their interest to a third party.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB555/HB188 TAXES BUSINESS: Removes requirement of general fund remittance of county register's commission.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Removes requirement that 52 percent of five percent commission retained by county registers for recordation tax be remitted to state treasurer and credited to state general fund.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB556/HB264 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Requires report of number of business licenses issued by certain date.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Requires the governing body of each municipality, county, and metropolitan form of government to report to the state and local government committee of the senate and the local government committee of the house of representatives, no later than February 1, 2020, on the number of business licenses issued to hotels, motels, and other places of accommodation for transients for the immediately preceding calendar year. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

SB557/HB1089 LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Property owners of proposed annexed territories can vote in the annexation referendum.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Whitson, Sam
Summary: Specifies that all property owners, rather than just residents, of a territory proposed for annexation may vote in the annexation referendum.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB568/HB629 TAXES PROPERTY: Commission retained by county registers for collecting and reporting recordation tax.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Bricken, Rush
Summary: Removes requirement that 52 percent of the five percent commission retained by county registers for collecting and reporting recordation tax must be remitted to state treasurer and credited to state general fund.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB571/HB353 EDUCATION: School credits relative to occupational training.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Establishes a person who receives certified comprehensive career and technical training in high school and post high school are eligible to receive equivalent credit towards the occupational license related to training.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Business Subcommittee.

- SB574/HB693 TAXES PROPERTY: Time frame for eligible taxpayers to apply for refund.**
Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Extends time eligible taxpayers may apply for a refund or present a credit voucher for credit on their taxes from within 35 days from the date taxes in the jurisdiction become delinquent for that year to within 40 days from that date. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB682/HB875 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Limits enforcement of a lien.**
Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Curcio , Michael
Summary: Limits recovery of assets in successful lien challenges if the action was brought to challenge the securing unpaid dues, fees, assessments, or other charges pursuant to a properly recorded master deed.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB699/HB676 ESTATES & TRUSTS: Tennessee Disclaimer of Property Interests Act.**
Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Garrett, Johnny
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB702 ESTATES & TRUSTS: Tennessee Disclaimer of Property Interests Act.**
Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John ,
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
- SB706/HB579 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Report on status of broadband accessibility grant program.**
Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Todd, Chris
Summary: Requires the department of economic and community development to deliver its report on the status of grants under the broadband accessibility grant program to the chairs of the commerce committee of the house and the commerce and labor committee of the senate. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB712/HB1112 TAXES PROPERTY: Delinquent property taxes due on parcel.**
Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Powell, Jason
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB714/HB851 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Notice of an execution and sale of land.**
Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Halford, Curtis
Summary: Increases the time in which a person in actual possession and occupation of land must be provided notice of execution and sale, from 20 days to 25 days.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB717/HB863 GOVERNMENT REGULATION: Good Neighbor Compact.**
Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Rudd, Tim
Summary: Enacts reciprocal bans on states that have issued bans on states state-sponsored travel to member states of this Compact, excepting travel for the purpose of economic development and job recruitment. Becomes effective and binding on the earlier date of legislative enactment of this Compact into law by at least 26 states or December 31, 2019.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

- SB736/HB89 GOVERNMENT REGULATION: UAPA - rules or regulations affecting small businesses.**
Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Requires state agencies to submit an estimate of total compliance and implementation costs over a three year period on the effects administrative rules and regulations have on small businesses within this state to the members of the joint government operations committees prior to filing the rule. Prohibits and agency from promulgating a rule or regulation if the estimated total compliance and implementation costs over a three-year period that begins on the effective date of the rule or regulation are equal to or greater than \$3,000,000, unless there is legislation or modification to the proposed rule or regulation to reduce costs below the threshold.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Withdrawn in House.
- SB759/HB252 GOVERNMENT REGULATION: Requires accommodations for dyslexic applicants for certain licenses.**
Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Freeman, Bob
Summary: Requires reasonable accommodations to be made for a person applying for a license to engage in an occupation, trade, or profession who is diagnosed with dyslexia.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.
- SB766/HB582 TAXES PROPERTY: Taxation of residential property based on tree density.**
Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Potts, Jason
Summary: Requires that tree density to be considered as a factor in determining residential property value and the respective taxation in Davidson and Shelby Counties.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB811/HB845 ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Regulatory oversight regarding effluents when federal government lacks funds.**
Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Todd, Chris
Summary: Requires state assume regulatory oversight over effluents during periods when the federal government lacks adequate funds to exercise such responsibilities.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House
- SB824/HB413 MEDIA & PUBLISHING: Open records - video taken by a law enforcement body camera.**
Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Lamar, London
Summary: Specifies that video taken by a law enforcement body camera is a public record open to public inspection. Deletes language regarding termination date on exceptions. Establishes a process for an attorney to obtain a copy of law enforcement body camera recording held confidential for use in civil litigation by attorney.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee.
- SB838/HB139 INSURANCE HEALTH: Health insurance coverage of acupuncture services.**
Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Cooper, Barbara
Summary: Orders every individual or group health insurance policy to provide coverage for acupuncture services after January 1, 2020. Allows for more stringent deductible, co-payment requirements and benefit limits than those established for the treatment of other regular health benefits.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB866/HB990 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Permit applications pertaining to water and sewage.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Russell, Lowell

Summary: Requires the department to either approve permit applications pertaining to water and sewage within 30 days of receipt or provide a clear, written explanation for not issuing the permit with citations to supporting authority. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB886/HB809 TAXES PROPERTY: Expands definition of agricultural land for purposes of greenbelt property tax program.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Kumar, Sabi

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB916/HB259 ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Requirements and clarification for discharging water.

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Marsh, Pat

Summary: Establishes that the commissioner may issue permits authorizing discharges if there is no condition of pollution and meets the regulations of the board. Declares that an evaluation of alternative locations is not required when examining alternative locations for the purpose of avoiding and minimizing the impact of the project.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

SB973/HB44 TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Use of hand-held cell phones prohibited while operating a motor vehicle.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Summary: Prohibits talking on a hand-held mobile phone on any road or highway in the state while the vehicle is in motion. Current law only applies to talking on such devices while driving within a marked school zone.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 01/22/19 - Referred to House Safety & Funding Subcommittee.

SB986/HB81 LABOR LAW: Prohibits sexual harassment against contract employees.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Establishes that harassment of an employee, applicant, or person providing a service pursuant to a contract based on sex to be a discriminatory practice. Defines employer as a person regularly employing one or more individuals or receiving services of pursuant to a contract, an agent of an employer, an employee in a supervising or managing position, and includes state, county, metropolitan governments, municipal governments, or agencies.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Employee Affairs Subcommittee.

SB992/HB722 TAXES BUSINESS: Exemptions from professional privilege tax - judges and chancellors.

Sponsors: Sen. Kelsey, Brian , Rep. Coley, Jim

Summary: Exempts judges and chancellors from the professional privilege tax assessed to persons licensed as attorneys.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1006/HB56 LABOR LAW: Compensation history of applicants for employment.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Potts, Jason
Summary: Prohibits employers from screening applicants based on their compensation history by requiring the applicant's compensation history to satisfy minimum or maximum criteria or seeking the compensation history of the applicant orally, in writing, or through an employee or agent. Allows employer to consider the compensation of a current employee during a move of job with the same employer. Specifies that a violation is a Class B misdemeanor punishable by a fine only of a minimum of \$100 up to a maximum of \$500.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 01/22/19 - Referred to House Employee Affairs Subcommittee.

SB1037/HB580 PUBLIC FINANCE: Limit or expenses incurred by the department of economic and community development to administer the broadband accessibility grant program.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Todd, Chris
Summary: Reduces the limit at which the expenses incurred by the department of economic and community development to administer the broadband accessibility grant program must not exceed from the total amount appropriated to the program in any fiscal year from five to four percent.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1071/HB275 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Requires housing development agency submit reports on blight elimination programs.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Freeman, Bob
Summary: Requires the housing development agency submit a report on implementation of any amended policies to improve the agency's blight elimination program to the state and local government committee of both legislative houses by March 1 each year.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB1076/HB344 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Increases time to reclaim garments from dry cleaner.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Moon, Jerome
Summary: Increases the amount of time a customer has to reclaim a garment or article from a dry cleaner before the dry cleaner is able to dispose of the garment from 180 days to 240 days. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/04/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1087/HB1285 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Requirements for executive director of real estate commission.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Farmer, Andrew
Summary: Deletes requirement that the executive director of the real estate commission have passed the real estate broker's examination. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1090/HB648 TAXES PROPERTY: Property tax freeze program for persons 65 years of age or older.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Jernigan, Darren
Summary: Creates real property tax freeze program for persons 65 years of age or older who have lived in their principal residence for 30 years or more when the assessed value of the property increases by 50 percent or more from an established baseline assessed value of the property. Defines "baseline assessed value of the property" to mean the assessed value of a residential property based on the periodic reappraisal of the property that occurred immediately preceding the first periodic reappraisal of the property used to establish that the residential property owner was qualified for the tax freeze program.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1100/HB247 MISCELLANEOUS: Orders daylight savings time as the standard time of the state.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Tillis , Rick
Summary: Requires daylight savings time as the standard time of the state. Specifies the new time will go into effect on the first Sunday of November after the United States Congress repeals or amends current law to authorize states to observe daylight saving time year-round. Orders the commissioner of transportation to monitor and certify in writing to the executive secretary of the Tennessee code commission the date of the changed legislation.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/07/19 - Set for House Department & Agencies Subcommittee 02/13/19.

SB1101/HB74 PUBLIC FINANCE: Ability for appeal of transit-oriented redevelopment plans.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Jernigan, Darren
Summary: Creates the ability for a property owner within the area covered by a transit-oriented redevelopment plan to appeal a decision of an authority regarding the project to a legislative appeal board. This appeal board must meet at least once each quarter. Voting on an amendment to the project must be done in 60 days. Reduces amount of expenses that can be set aside from incremental tax revenues from five to three percent.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB1167/HB614 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Requires landlords provide email addresses.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Griffey, Bruce
Summary: Requires a landlord to provide certain local governmental agencies responsible for enforcing building codes the landlord's email address, in addition to name, telephone number, and physical address.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1172/HB757 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Limits recovery of a real property owner who prevails in action challenging validity of lien.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Marsh, Pat
Summary: Limits recovery of a real property owner who prevails in an action challenging the validity of a lien to only liens filed against certain residential units.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1184/HB817 TAXES PROPERTY: Time in which a county board of equalization must complete its assessment reviews.

Sponsors: Sen. White, Dawn , Rep. Helton, Esther
Summary: Deletes reference to a repealed provision to clarify the time in which a county board of equalization must complete its assessment reviews. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1190/HB295 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Certification for electrical inspectors contracted by local or state government.

Sponsors: Sen. White, Dawn , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Requires electrical inspectors employed by a local or state government to be certified by the state fire marshal and for this certification to be completed every three years. Declares that certain electrical inspectors contracted under the commissioner of commerce and insurance to be certified on and after January 1, 2020.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Business Subcommittee.

SB1263/HB350 TAXES PROPERTY: Property purchased by a county at a tax sale.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Shaw, Johnny
Summary: Provides immunity to a county in suit based in contract or restrictive covenant when the county purchases property in a tax sale. Removes county's liability for the payment of any fees or assessments pursuant to any contractual right held by a non-governmental entity to such fees or assessments secured by property purchased by a county at a tax sale.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SB1299/HB272 INSURANCE GENERAL: Broadens ways for insurers to pay referral fees to unlicensed persons.

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. Gant, Ron
Summary: Broadens the manner and ability of insurers or insurance producers to pay referral fees to unlicensed persons.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Property & Casualty Subcommittee.

SB1394/HB691 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Notice landlord regarding change of tenant's email address.

Sponsors: Sen. Bell, Mike , Rep. Hall, Mark
Summary: Requires a tenant to notify the landlord within ten days of a change of email address.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1432/HB522 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Addresses tenant and landlord email notification.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Hill, Timothy
Summary: Allows a tenant to rescind the use of an email address provided in the rental agreement by written notice to the landlord. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/06/19 - Introduced in the House

SB1437/HB371 PROPERTY & HOUSING: Increases time allotted for a home seller to refund a buyer.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Boyd, Clark
Summary: Increases from 10 day to 15 days the time frame which a buyer is required to refund payments to the buyer when a home solicitation sale has been cancelled or an offer to purchase was revoked.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/06/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

HB52 TAXES BUSINESS: Phases out professional privilege tax.

Sponsors: Rep. Potts, Jason
Summary: Reduces the professional privilege tax incrementally each year starting with tax years beginning on and after June 1, 2019 and eliminates the tax completely by tax year ending on or after May 31, 2023.
House Status: 01/23/19 - Withdrawn in House.

HB198 CONSTRUCTION: Requires home improvement contractors complete 8 hours education.

Sponsors: Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Requires home improvement contractors initially licensed after January 1, 2009 to complete eight hours of continuing education beginning January 1, 2020, with membership in a professional trade association qualifying as four hours biennially.
House Status: 01/31/19 - Withdrawn in House.

HB346*Sponsors:**Summary:**House Status:***JUDICIARY: Homestead exemptions.**

Rep. Zachary, Jason

Increases the homestead exemption relative to garnishments and creates homestead exemption for agricultural land. Requires the fiscal review committee to recommend to the chairs of the senate and house judiciary committees every three years suggested increases in the homestead exemption.

02/06/19 - Withdrawn in House.

HJR84*Sponsors:**Summary:**House Status:***LOTTERY: Constitutional amendment - annual charitable gaming events.**

Rep. Faison, Jeremy

Amends Article XI, Section 5 of the state constitution to increase, from one to two, the number of charitable gaming events that a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(19) organization may conduct for the benefit of the organization per year with the approval of two-thirds of each house of the general assembly.

01/30/19 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

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