

Legislative Agenda

Chamber Outlines Bill Positions

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We look forward to working with lawmakers, the Governor and other stakeholders to advance bills that move the state further ahead and increase its competitiveness, while also defending against legislation that hinders economic growth and free enterprise. Doing so will enable Indiana to rise even higher on the list of best states to do business and be a place where more people want to live, work and come visit.

The Indiana Chamber will be championing policies that fall under the six pillars of its recently released visioning plan for the state, *Indiana Prosperity 2035*: Workforce, K-12 Education, Economic Growth, Innovation and Entrepreneurship, Superior Infrastructure and Energy, Quality of Place Strategies and Healthy, Prosperous Citizens and Communities.

This first edition of the Indiana Chamber's *2024 Legislative Agenda* outlines our positions on key bills that affect Indiana businesses and future economic prosperity for communities, families and individuals throughout the state. Indiana Chamber policy committees and executive groups, composed of statewide volunteer leaders, meet throughout the year and help define the positions that ultimately get matched to actual legislation.

Our 2024 top priorities are ones that impact the state's talent pipeline, the ongoing greatest challenge for employers: House Bills 1001 and 1243 (enhancing work-based learning opportunities), Senate Bill 1 (improving reading proficiency among young Hoosiers), Senate Bill 2 (expanding efforts for more affordable and accessible childcare) and Senate Bill 8 (removing barriers to postsecondary attainment).

Please contact our government affairs team with any questions about the bills found in this *Legislative Agenda*.

Education/Workforce

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HB 1001 EDUCATION AND HIGHER EDUCATION MATTERS (Goodrich)

Chamber Position: Support

House Bill 1001 is both a refinement and expansion of last year's House Enrolled Act 1002, a wide-ranging bill supported by the Chamber that contained a variety of policy provisions and funding incentives aimed at "reinventing high school" by expanding work-based learning opportunities. House Bill 1001 adds measures that include allowing



students to use career scholarship account funds to obtain drivers' licenses (to remove job-related transportation barriers) and tap into state dollars (traditionally earmarked for college financial aid programs) to complete postsecondary coursework, credentials and job training aligned with workforce needs.

HB 1102 DEREGULATION OF CHILDCARE (Heine)

Chamber Position: Support

Childcare access/affordability is a statewide infrastructure challenge with significant implications for student learning, labor force participation and economic development. With Indiana employers consistently citing childcare among their top

workforce barriers, the Chamber supports efforts, including those in this bill to simplify and streamline the state's complex and often burdensome childcare regulations while maintaining safety standards.

HB 1236 APPRENTICESHIP TAX CREDIT (Goodrich)

Chamber Position: Support

The Chamber is a strong proponent for apprenticeships and related work-based learning experiences as an effective strategy for better developing and retaining Hoosier talent. Moreover, the Chamber supports targeted tax credits and related financial incentives, including those in this bill, that encourage more employers to invest in and increase access to these opportunities.

HB 1243 VARIOUS EDUCATION/WORKFORCE RELATED MATTERS (Behning)

Chamber Position: Support

This bill contains several Chamber-backed provisions that include giving employers greater input in determining the qualifications/skills for work-based learning experiences, strengthening Indiana's high school diploma requirements with embedded postsecondary competencies and computer science course requirement, and ensuring more comprehensive and transparent reporting regarding the utilization and effectiveness of state workforce programs.



HB 1373 / SB 106 RESIDENT TUITION RATE (Karickhoff; Niezgodski)

Chamber Position: Support

The Chamber and a broad-based coalition of business/community advocates support this statutory change that would allow students who attended (for at least three years) and graduated from an Indiana high school to qualify for resident college tuition rates. To make good on Indiana's economic and workforce imperatives, we must fully leverage opportunities to upskill and reskill every pool of Hoosier talent, including the state's immigrant population. Neighboring states (Kentucky, Illinois, Ohio and Michigan) all have less restrictive resident tuition policies, placing Indiana at a competitive disadvantage for developing and retaining talent.

HB 1398 CHILDCARE CENTERS (Lindauer)

Chamber Position: Support

Given the implications for student learning, workforce participation and economic development, improving childcare accessibility and affordability is a top Chamber policy priority. This bill includes Chamber-backed language aimed at removing childcare regulatory burdens, including streamlining criminal history background check processes for childcare centers and adjusting minimum age restrictions for qualified childcare workers.

SB 1 READING SKILLS (Rogers)

Chamber Position: Support

Reading and literacy are the foundation of a highly skilled workforce. With nearly one out of every five Hoosier adults lacking basic literacy proficiency and thousands of Indiana students struggling to read by the end of third grade, the Chamber supports the proactive state policies in Senate Bill 1 aimed at better identifying and addressing reading difficulties sooner with early interventions and targeted supports grounded in evidenced-based instructional practices.



SB 2 CHILDCARE (Charbonneau)

Chamber Position: Support

Childcare access/affordability is a statewide infrastructure challenge with significant implications for student learning, labor force participation and economic development. Senate Bill 2 features several Chamber-backed policy provisions that include accelerating state rulemaking to streamline existing childcare regulations, expanding support for childcare workers and hard-to-serve areas, and ensuring greater data transparency and reporting regarding the state investments in early learning.



SB 6 READING PROFICIENCY (Raatz)

Chamber Position: Support

Consistent with the Chamber's backing for Senate Bill 1 this session, we support this complementary legislation to better identify students with reading deficiencies in grades four through eight and provide clear guidance to local schools regarding proven interventions and supports to address these challenges.

SB 8 HIGHER EDUCATION MATTERS (Leising)

Chamber Position: Support

Increasing postsecondary education attainment is a top Chamber priority aligned with employer needs in a talent-driven workforce and economy. This bill contains Chamber-backed provisions aimed at removing barriers to postsecondary attainment, including requiring all high schools to offer the "Indiana college core" coursework, streamlining the "reverse transfer" process for granting associate degrees to individuals with sufficient college credits and increasing the availability of accelerated bachelor's degree programs that can be completed within three years at the state's higher education institutions.



SB 147 CHILDCARE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION AND EVALUATION

Chamber Position: Support

Increasing childcare accessibility and affordability is a top Chamber priority tied to state workforce needs. As such, the

Chamber supports financial incentives, including the property tax exemptions for childcare providers and employers in Senate Bill 147, aimed at expanding childcare access and capacity in local communities across Indiana.

SB 282 FAMILY SERVICES TO PREVENT TRUANCY (Donato)

Chamber Position: Support

Removing barriers to increased education attainment and workforce participation are top priorities for the Chamber and its members. To that end, habitually truant students are far more likely to drop out of school, have limited employment prospects and an increased risk of poverty and economic hardship. As such, the Chamber supports the proactive measures included in this measure to better identify, prevent and address the risk factors and root causes associated with habitual truancy.

Economic Growth/Tech

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HB 1165 REGULATORY SANDBOX PROGRAM AND RIGHT TO START ACT (Teshka)

Chamber Position: Support in Part/Neutral in Part

The Chamber largely supports this legislation and the state tracking and ultimately investing more resources in early-stage companies as increasing entrepreneurship is key to Indiana's continued economic growth. However, the Chamber is neutral on the regulatory sandbox portion of the bill with specific concerns regarding the program's flexibility to waive regulations and grant immunity from criminal offenses.

SB 34 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING (Rogers)

Chamber Position: Support

This legislation furthers the state's effort to reduce unnecessary barriers to enter the workforce for licensed professionals moving to Indiana from other states.

SB 133 SUPPLIER DIVERSITY FOR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (Brown)

Chamber Position: Support

The introduced version would have eliminated redundant red tape for disadvantaged small business owners. Given stakeholder feedback, the amended version focuses on facilitating more transparency into state and local certifying agencies to ensure they are working the way they are intended – to help women, minority and veteran-owned businesses get their starts and compete for public contracts.

SB 150 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND CYBERSECURITY (Brown)

Chamber Position: Support

This legislation helps Indiana policymakers understand issues concerning artificial intelligence and establishes a means for state and local agencies to guard against (potentially) debilitating cybersecurity attacks.

Free Enterprise

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HB 1046 WAGE HISTORY AND WAGE RANGE (Errington)

Chamber Position: Oppose

The Chamber opposes this legislation because it would limit information available to hiring managers to make decisions that best suit their employment search. This legislation would negatively impact Indiana's at-will employment doctrine, which the Chamber supports.

HB 1071 EXCEPTIONS TO REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS (Cash)

Chamber Position: Oppose

The Chamber opposes any legislation that would prohibit employers' rights to hire and discipline employees under Indiana's "at-will" employment status. This topic was covered extensively in a previous legislative session under House Bill 1001 (2022).

HB 1078 PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS (Torr)

Chamber Position: Support

This legislation levels the playing field so that all contractors may propose project bids competitively, without preference to union contractors.

HB 1155 / SB 53 RIGHT TO REPAIR (Greene; Ford)

Chamber Position: Oppose

These bills are unnecessary measures as manufacturers already provide repair information to customers. Computer codes required to be provided to customers and third parties under this legislation go far beyond repair information and risk the loss of intellectual property and proprietary information. The Chamber opposes this legislation, which creates government price controls for repair information and parts, would force manufacturers into direct sales to the detriment of established dealer networks, as well as creates a new cause of action against manufacturers for failure to provide software code and parts in a manner and price acceptable to customers or third parties, which will encourage litigation.

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HB 1180 PUBLIC EMPLOYERS (Criswell)

Chamber Position: Oppose

If an employer, public or private, chooses to hire employees with certain qualifications, they should be able to do so. This legislation encroaches upon an employer's ability to list job qualifications, which could ultimately disincentivize individuals from achieving higher levels of education, instead of prioritizing them.

HB 1232 FAIR AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS (Goodrich)

Chamber Position: Support

This bill levels the playing field so that all contractors may propose project bids competitively, without preference to union contractors.

HB 1245 WORKER CLASSIFICATION ON PUBLIC PROJECTS (Moseley)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This bill is unnecessary as the Indiana Department of Labor already investigates cases involving worker misclassification. Further, the state should not be locating a state employee in a county prosecutor's office. This would remove supervisory oversight and control.

HB 1247 REPEAL OF RIGHT-TO-WORK (Moseley)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This legislation repeals the right-to-work statute and removes an individual's right to choose whether or not they wish to join a union. Right-to-work has been one of the most pro-growth pieces of legislation passed in the last 20 years, and repealing it would significantly hinder the state's ability to attract new businesses and support future economic growth.

HB 1323 MINIMUM WAGE (Dvorak)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This bill would reduce the number of entry-level and part-time jobs, particularly for young people. An increase in the minimum wage to \$25 per hour is not necessary at this time as the labor shortage is driving up starting wages to \$15 per hour or more.

HB 1334 EMPLOYER IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS (Borders)

Chamber Position: Oppose

The Chamber opposes this legislation on multiple fronts. First, the Chamber opposes any effort that would prohibit employers' right to hire and discipline employees under Indiana's "at-will" employment status. Secondly, this legislation creates an unnecessary right of action and a civil penalty against employers that could be abused in the court system.

SB 9 NOTICE OF HEALTH CARE ENTITY MERGERS (Garten)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This bill would require certain Hoosier employers to notify the Indiana General Assembly leadership six months in advance of when they are going to complete a merger or acquisition. Indiana's Legislature should not play a role in the merger and acquisition process. Additionally, the Chamber is concerned this would have an adverse impact upon future growth in the life sciences industry in Indiana that is key to economic prosperity for our state and communities.

Hoosier Health

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HB 1059 ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES (Ledbetter)

Chamber Position: Support

The Indiana Chamber urges an examination of the scope-of-practice laws that govern mid-level providers and determine whether policy changes could facilitate a safe increase in primary care practitioners. Allowing advance practice registered nurses (APRNs) to practice within their scope without the additional cost of a physician contract may help alleviate access to care concerns in parts of rural Indiana.

HB 1215 DENTAL HYGIENISTS (Zent)

Chamber Position: Support

The Indiana Chamber believes that Indiana should examine the scope-of-practice laws that govern mid-level providers. This legislation could facilitate a safe increase in primary care practitioners.

HB 1246 CHOICE OF PHYSICIAN FOR WORKER INJURY OR DISEASE (Moseley)

Chamber Position: Oppose

Indiana has one of the best worker's compensation systems in the nation. Under Indiana law, the employer chooses the physician. This legislation would give that right to the employee. There could be significant cost consequences to the system if this bill is enacted.

HB 1326 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (Carbaugh)

Chamber Position: Oppose

Indiana workplaces are safer now than ever. With recent news that the lowest number of Hoosiers in recent history were injured or sick at work last year, now is not the time to increase OSHA penalties. The current penalty levels are an adequate deterrent.

HB 1351 DENTAL MATTERS (Zent)

Chamber Position: Oppose

The Chamber opposes this legislation, which would grant assignment of benefits to out-of-network dental providers. These providers have no contractual relationship with the insurer.

HB 1385 PAYMENT OF AMBULANCE SERVICES (Barrett)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This legislation would mandate that insurance carriers pay 500% of the published rate for out-of-network ambulance services, which is excessive. This payment amount could drive up health insurance premiums being shouldered by employers and employees.

SB 3 PRIOR AUTHORIZATION (T. Johnson)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This bill attempts to address cost control, however it interferes with a health plan's ability to determine prior authorization. This, in turn, hamstring a health plan's ability to control costs.

SB 132 PROFESSIONS AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (Brown)

Chamber Position: Oppose in Part

Mandatory dental assignment of benefits will erode insurance networks, making dentists less likely to join the network. Fewer dentists in network leads to higher costs and less access.

Tax Climate

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HB 1120 PROPERTY TAXES (Thompson)

Chamber Position: Support

The legislation extends the cap on the maximum operating referendum tax that a school corporation can levy. Once passed by voters, a school operating referendum establishes a maximum tax rate which is uncontrolled by the property tax caps. As the value of business and residential property increases, the tax liability grows as well. The Chamber supports reasonable controls on the growth of these taxes, and this bill strikes the appropriate balance between supporting the operations of a school corporation and protecting property taxpayers.

HB 1208 ASSESSMENT OF WIND POWER DEVICES (Negele)

Chamber Position: Oppose

The Chamber disapproves of this approach, as the bill mandates that facility owners maintain the initial post-acquisition valuation, adjusted based on a depreciation schedule set by the Department of Local Government Finance,

diverging from the current practice of starting with the federal depreciation value. It replaces recognized depreciation schedules with an administratively determined one.

HB 1328 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE (Snow)

Chamber Position: Support

This legislation has significant implications for the business community in terms of property tax management, levy rates and local government finance regulations. The bill focuses on administrative and procedural changes in tax assessment, appeals and compliance, with an emphasis on improving efficiency and oversight within local government finance structures.

HB 1387 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (Miller)

Chamber Position: Support

This legislation makes amendments to the Residential Housing Infrastructure Assistance Program including an expansion in eligibility for funding and changes to certain definitions to include age-restricted housing and residential housing development facilities that may be part of redevelopment commission programs. The Chamber supports expanding this program so that more housing developments can move forward.

HB 1407 ASSESSED VALUE (Payne)

Chamber Position: Oppose

The Chamber opposes assessment limits, including those in this legislation, that cap the rate of growth in assessed values and shift the cost of local government onto other classes of taxpayers and create inequities over time. While the intention of assessment limits may be to align property tax with the taxpayer's ability to pay, the policy creates a system where some homeowners are protected from paying their fair share of taxes while other property owners bear the burden. (See Senate Bill 31.)

SB 31 ELIMINATION OF ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS OF ASSESSED VALUES (Niemeyer)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This legislation eliminates the annual adjustments (or "trending") to assessed values of certain real property for assessment dates beginning after December 31, 2024. Trending is the only effective way to maintain equity between real property taxpayers and personal property taxpayers on an annual basis. Without trending, real property value increases would not be captured and would shift the burden to personal property taxpayers who must report valuation changes on an annual basis.

SB 57 AUTOMATED COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES (Tomes)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This legislation prohibits an automated commercial motor vehicle from being operated on a highway to transport passengers or goods unless a human operator is physically present in the vehicle to monitor the performance of the vehicle and to take control of all or part of the vehicle's operation, if necessary. The Chamber opposes efforts to overregulate a nascent, innovative industry like the autonomous vehicle industry.

SB 61 TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS (Holdman)

Chamber Position: Support

The legislation allows for the creation of a tourism improvement district whereby the businesses and real property owners within the district are assessed a special benefits tax to support quality of place initiatives in the district. The Chamber supports, with adequate taxpayer protections, efforts to support quality of life initiatives and boost the vibrancy of communities, such as those included in this bill.

SB 228 VARIOUS TAX MATTERS (Holdman)

Chamber Position: Support

The Department of Revenue agency bill amends the economic threshold for sales tax nexus to remove the 200-transaction trigger, which requires retail merchants to collect and remit sales tax. This measure also makes positive changes to the pass-through entity tax that was enacted in 2023 with the Chamber's support. We support thoughtful action taken to continuously improve Indiana's business tax climate.

Business Law Reform

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HB 1033 CAUSES OF ACTION (Torr)

Chamber Position: Support

This bill protects businesses from frivolous lawsuits based on claims and activities that are outside of their control.

HB 1090 TRANSPORTATION MATTERS (Pressel)

Chamber Position: Support

Included in the Indiana Department of Transportation agency bill are provisions that make important previously excluded information available to jurors at the damages stage of trials involving automobile accidents.

HB 1160 CIVIL PROCEEDING ADVANCE PAYMENT CONTRACTS (Lehman)

Chamber Position: Support

This legislation expands the lawsuit lending statute to include commercial litigants, which are often funded by large investment funds or foreign adversaries interested in obtaining intellectual property through the court's discovery process.

SB 134 NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES (Gaskill)

Chamber Position: Support

This bill prevents parties in a lawsuit from misleading juries about the value of an award by referencing calculations or data that have nothing to do with the facts of the case.

SB 226 ATTORNEY'S FEES (Gaskill)

Chamber Position: Support

This bill provides a much needed update to a law that will help both plaintiffs and defendants engage in meaningful settlement discussions.

Energy/Environment

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HB 1085 PFAS WATER SAFETY STANDARDS (Dvorak)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This legislation creates an additional layer of regulation by directing the Indiana Department of Health to establish standards for PFAS, notably PFOA (likely carcinogens) in water. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and Indiana Department of Environmental Management already regulate what levels of certain chemicals are allowable in water.

HB 1242 Excess Liability Trust Fund (Morrison)

Chamber Position: Support

This bill expands the use of the Excess Liability Trust Fund (ELTF) while protecting the solvency of the fund, which has long been an environmental policy priority of the Chamber. The fund has grown due to better regulatory oversight of claims submitted for reimbursement to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management. Expanding the use of the ELTF to clean up or replace with aboveground storage tanks is an equitable solution for all contributors to the fund.

HB 1276 NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OR MEETING (Soliday)

Chamber Position: Support

This legislation promotes efficiency and regulatory certainty.

HB 1305 / SB 249 MAJOR GROUND WATER WITHDRAWAL FACILITIES (Negele; Deery)

Chamber Position: Oppose

While the Chamber recognizes the importance of long-term planning and protection of water resources, we are opposed to water permitting requirements like ones included in this bill that only apply to the business community. Water is essential and impacts every facet of society. We also oppose any significant water legislation/regulation until the Indiana Chamber Foundation completes its water study later this year.

HB 1383 WETLANDS (Morrison)

Chamber Position: Support

There has long been confusion over who regulates and what is regulated when wetlands are involved. This bill clarifies the Indiana Department of Environmental Management procedures, definitions and practices regarding wetland interpretation and regulation. It does not reduce the protection of wetlands and streamlines and simplifies compensatory mitigation.

HB 1399 PFAS CHEMICALS (Lindauer)

Chamber Position: Support

The Chamber supported HB 1189 in 2020 (and HB 1341 in 2023), which established protections for firefighters using PFAS and defined PFAS/PFOA. The current definition in Indiana Code is based on the more hazardous soluble firefighter foam cells. However, non-soluble PFAS/PFOA is an important product that is safe and used in various industries and products including medical devices, pharmaceuticals, metals, automotive and food packaging. We are seeking to clarify the difference.

SB 131 CARBON SEQUESTRATION

(Niemeyer)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This bill adds another level of permitting/approval for any carbon sequestration project. An entity that undertakes a carbon sequestration project is already required to obtain several federal and state permits or approvals. Adding the local level requirements would increase the overall costs of these types of projects and delay them.

SB 206 IDEM AGENCY BILL (Niemeyer)

Chamber Position: Support in Part/Oppose in Part

The Chamber supports streamlining the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) processes as described in this bill. We also support existing easements to be identified in a corrective action plan before an environmentally restrictive covenant is approved. We further support IDEM making a determination within 90 days, concerning prior approval for constructing or expanding a biomass anaerobic digestion facility or biomass gasification facility. Our opposition is related to creating a private right of action, with punitive damages, and requiring a person undertaking a remediation to seek a court order if access to property is denied.

Various Matters

HB 1003 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

(Steuerwald)

Chamber Position: Support

We opposed the introduced bill based on concerns that an administrative law judge with enough expertise/experience to preside over complex environmental cases would not be required and procedural issues with the record being submitted. The author has amended the bill to address those concerns. The legislation now will address select gaps in Indiana law and streamline the process. We encourage further amendments to allow deference to the agency interpretations if the court determines they are warranted.

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HB 1372 / SB 138 DRIVING PRIVILEGE CARDS

(Karickhoff; Doriot)

Chamber Position: Support

A pragmatic solution to helping undocumented residents of Indiana obtain driving training and insurance by way of a driving privilege card – that does not allow them to vote or provide other social benefits. This legislation will reduce hit-and-run accidents and otherwise improve public safety statewide.

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SB 4 FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (Garten)

Chamber Position: Support

This bill streamlines administrative processes and helps eliminate dedicated funds that are not being used by state agencies and where funds are sitting by reverting those funds to the state's General Fund.

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SB 100 UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (PoI)

Chamber Position: Oppose

This bill increases unemployment benefit payments by an estimated 27% for an annual hit to the unemployment insurance trust fund of over \$55 million. At a time when job opening numbers are at near record numbers, it isn't prudent to discuss raising unemployment insurance benefits.

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SB 296 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

(Garten)

Chamber Position: Oppose in Part

This bill would not allow deference to be provided to any agency interpretation. More often than not, the agency experts get it right and interpret regulations correctly. This should be left to the discretion of the trial court as to whether or not they wish to give deferential treatment to the agency interpretation. By prohibiting any deferential treatment, this bill would change the long-standing process to the review/challenge of agency actions by requiring the case to start over once the appeal reached the judicial branch.

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Chamber Day Dinner Features Expert on Foreign Relations

A veteran diplomat and respected scholar of international relations, Dr. Richard Haass, headlines the Indiana Chamber's 2024 Chamber Day Dinner, the state's leading annual business and legislative gathering, on February 13.

Haass is president emeritus of the Council on Foreign Relations and previously served as its president for 20 years, in the State Department under Presidents George W. Bush and Ronald Reagan, at the White House under George H.W. Bush and at the Pentagon under Jimmy Carter. He also was U.S. envoy to the Cyprus negotiations and the Northern Ireland peace process, and after 9/11 was U.S. coordinator for the future of Afghanistan.

The event, presented by Thompson Thrift, takes place from 6:00-9:00 p.m. and annually draws hundreds of policy, business and community leaders.

Haass also is the author or editor of 14 books on American foreign policy, one book on management, and one on American democracy. His latest book, *The Bill of Obligations: The Ten Habits of Good Citizens*, was published by Penguin Press in January 2023 and became a *New York Times* best seller. He also authors a weekly newsletter, *Home & Away*, available on Substack.

Chamber Day Dinner tickets are \$250 per person or \$165 for Indiana Chamber members; tables are also available. Visit www.indianachamber.com/event/chamberday to purchase.



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2024 Quick Reference: Chamber Positions

House Bills

Bill	Bill Title	Position
HB 1001	EDUCATION AND HIGHER EDUCATION MATTERS	Support
HB 1003	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW	Support
HB 1033	CAUSES OF ACTION	Support
HB 1046	WAGE HISTORY AND WAGE RANGE	Oppose
HB 1059	ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES	Support
HB 1071	EXCEPTIONS TO REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS	Oppose
HB 1078	PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS	Support
HB 1085	PFAS WATER SAFETY STANDARDS	Oppose
HB 1090	TRANSPORTATION MATTERS	Support
HB 1102	DEREGULATION OF CHILDCARE	Support
HB 1120	PROPERTY TAXES	Support
HB 1155	RIGHT TO REPAIR	Oppose
HB 1160	CIVIL PROCEEDING ADVANCE PAYMENT CONTRACTS	Support
HB 1165	REGULATORY SANDBOX PROGRAM/RIGHT TO START ACT	Support in Part/Neutral in Part
HB 1180	PUBLIC EMPLOYERS	Oppose
HB 1208	ASSESSMENT OF WIND POWER DEVICES	Oppose
HB 1215	DENTAL HYGIENISTS	Support
HB 1232	FAIR AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS	Support
HB 1236	APPRENTICESHIP TAX CREDIT	Support
HB 1242	EXCESS LIABILITY TRUST FUND	Support
HB 1243	VARIOUS EDUCATION/WORKFORCE RELATED MATTERS	Support
HB 1245	WORKER CLASSIFICATION ON PUBLIC PROJECTS	Oppose
HB 1246	CHOICE OF PHYSICIAN FOR WORKER INJURY OR DISEASE	Oppose
HB 1247	REPEAL OF RIGHT TO WORK	Oppose
HB 1276	NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OR MEETING	Support
HB 1305	MAJOR GROUND WATER WITHDRAWAL FACILITIES	Oppose
HB 1323	MINIMUM WAGE	Oppose
HB 1326	OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY	Oppose

HB 1328	DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE	Support
HB 1334	EMPLOYER IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS	Oppose
HB 1351	DENTAL MATTERS	Oppose
HB 1372	DRIVING PRIVILEGE CARDS	Support
HB 1373	RESIDENT TUITION RATE	Support
HB 1383	WETLANDS	Support
HB 1385	PAYMENT OF AMBULANCE SERVICES	Oppose
HB 1387	HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	Support
HB 1398	CHILDCARE CENTERS	Support
HB 1399	PFAS CHEMICALS	Support
HB 1407	ASSESSED VALUE	Oppose

Senate Bills

Bill	Bill Title	Position
SB 2	CHILDCARE	Support
SB 3	PRIOR AUTHORIZATION	Oppose
SB 4	FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS	Support
SB 6	READING PROFICIENCY	Support
SB 8	HIGHER EDUCATION MATTERS	Support
SB 9	NOTICE OF HEALTH CARE ENTITY MERGERS	Oppose
SB 31	ELIMINATION OF ANNUAL ADJUSTMENTS OF ASSESSED VALUES	Oppose
SB 34	OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING	Support
SB 53	RIGHT TO REPAIR	Oppose
SB 57	AUTOMATED COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES	Oppose
SB 61	TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS	Support
SB 100	UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS	Oppose
SB 106	RESIDENT TUITION RATE	Support
SB 131	CARBON SEQUESTRATION	Oppose
SB 132	PROFESSIONS AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	Oppose in Part
SB 133	SUPPLIER DIVERSITY FOR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	Support
SB 134	NONECONOMIC DAMAGES	Support
SB 138	DRIVING PRIVILEGE CARDS	Support
SB 147	CHILDCARE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION AND EVALUATION	Support
SB 150	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND CYBERSECURITY	Support
SB 206	IDEM AGENCY BILL	Support in Part/Oppose in Part
SB 226	ATTORNEY'S FEES	Support
SB 228	VARIOUS TAX MATTERS	Support
SB 249	MAJOR GROUND WATER WITHDRAWAL FACILITIES	Oppose
SB 282	FAMILY SERVICES TO PREVENT TRUANCY	Support
SB 296	ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS	Oppose in Part