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TOP NEWS

1. State: 2023 Indiana Legislative Session begins



On Monday, January 9th the 2023 Indiana Legislative Session commenced with the release of some bill lists. Legislation appears in waves, as bill lists get “handed down” from their respective chambers over the next few weeks. The Bills for the 2023 Session can be found [here](#). As of publication, roughly half of the total bills have been released publicly. Here are some other highlights of the week:

- On Tuesday, Governor Holcomb’s State of the State Address. While he did not specifically address housing priorities, he did request from the legislature another \$500M in regional economic development grants, which could be used to help fund housing projects. Indiana Democrats’ State of the State response can be found [here](#).
- On Wednesday, Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Loretta Rush delivered the State of the Judiciary where she reported that Indiana Courts have never been stronger. Rush’s theme was “Indiana Courts as Engines of Economic Development, Fairness, and Public Safety.” During her speech, she did focus on the success of problem-solving courts, which she pointed out have doubled in their existence. Her entire speech can be read [here](#).
- Legislative Priorities were released by [House Republicans](#) and [Senate Republicans](#). Democrats are anticipated to release their priorities next week.

2. Federal - ICYMI: U.S. House elects a Speaker after 15 tries



In the wee hours of Saturday, 216 republican members voted to make Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R – Bakersfield, CA) the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives for the 218th Congress. Oftentimes these decisions are made privately within the conference, and the floor vote is a mere formality. However, McCarthy’s slim republican majority combined with dissatisfaction among conservative republicans turned the routine vote into a spectacle.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & EDUCATION

Events

- **Bowling for Rebuilding Lives**, Wednesday, February 8 @ 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM

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- **FREE: What HUD Paid Shoppers/Testers Look For That Can Get Your Property Sued**, Tuesday, January 24 @ 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
- **FREE: Avoiding Lawsuits from Drive-by Testers**, Wednesday, February 1 @ 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- **CPO - Certified Pool Operator Course**, Tuesday, February 28 - Wednesday, March 1 @ 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

In-Person Education

- **Maintenance Leadership Toolkit**, Roundtable: Thursday, January 31 @ 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
- **EPA/CFC Certification Test Prep Course**, Wednesday, February 15 @ 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- **CALP - Certified Apartment Leasing Professional Program**, Tuesday, February 21 - Thursday, February 23 @ 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (each day)

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3. Federal: Congresswoman Houchin earns spot on House Financial Services Committee



This week Congresswoman Erin Houchin (R – IN-09) was named to the influential House Financial Services Committee, which has jurisdiction over housing. Houchin was recently elected to replace Trey Hollingsworth who did not seek re-election. Hollingsworth also served on the House Financial Services Committee. IAA worked very closely with Houchin when she served in the Indiana Senate, and looks forward to working with Rep. Houchin on housing issues in the 118th Congress.

ICYMI: Rep. Jason Smith (who visited IAA with Rep. Houchin this summer) was **named Chair of House Ways and Means.**

4. Local: Indianapolis approves measures to increase housing



The Indianapolis City-County Council held its first meeting of 2023 and approved several proposals to address the housing shortage. The council approved \$12M in tax incremental financing for the planned City Market redevelopment projects and \$7.4M for a 200-unit community called "Bakery Living." Other projects in Broad Ripple and Fountain Square were also approved. **IBJ has the full story.**

HEADLINES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

- **Only mayor Fishers has known is seeking re-election (Indianapolis Star)**
- **DOL plans May release for new overtime threshold (HR Dive)**
- **U.S. Chamber of Commerce threatens to sue the FTC over proposed ban on noncompete clauses (CNBC)**
- **US to Max Out on Debt Soon, Setting up Political Fight (US News)**

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