

LEGISLATIVE ACTION NETWORK WEEK #6  
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This is the last week for bills to see action in both the House and Senate. Committee hearings are over. The political posturing has begun. The Republican caucus walked out of the House chambers on Thursday evening (Feb 21<sup>st</sup>). It is uncertain what will happen on Monday (Feb 25<sup>th</sup>) when the session resumes.

Attempts to amend active bills with language from failed bills now begins.

From Erin Kelley, HAPA:

**Fetal development language** (Drozda) was added to **HB1107**, a cultural competency bill authored by Rep. Greg Porter. **HB1107** passed on third reading in the Senate on 2/19 and is on its way to conference committee. Confident Rep. Porter will remove the fetal development language in committee and if unsuccessful, will kill the bill.

**SB 3 (pharmacist refusal) and SB187 (fetal pain/life at conception/hospital privileges)** - Never received committee assignments in the House and since committee reports must be filed today(2/21), these bills will not be heard by the House. However, since they passed the Senate they could be amended onto a bill in conference committee.

Good News!! The Great Lakes Compact was signed by Governor Daniels this week. It may be the first signed bill of the session. I will be traveling to Washington D.C. on Wednesday to join others from Indiana for Great Lakes Day. This is an opportunity to let Indiana's United States Senators and Representatives know how important the compact is to the State.

Property tax reform seems destined for conference committee.