

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE JANUARY 22-26, 2007
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This ends the third week of the General Assembly. I continue to attend committee hearings where bills of LWVIN interest will be heard, introduce myself to legislators, advocates, lobbyists, and staff. There were approximately 1,420 (including vehicle bills) bills filed this session.

I attended the Human Services Coalition Weekly Meeting on Tuesday as the guest of a member. Representatives from the Governor's office presented information on the All Day Kindergarten bills and held a Q & A. Discussion topics included, facilities, transportation, additional staffing, funding and unintended consequences.

The House Education Committee passed HB 1800 out of committee on Wednesday. This bill contained ADK, as well as, other Early Childhood Education initiatives.

The General Assembly web site now lists bills alphabetically by subject, by legislator, and House or Senate. The committee schedules are posted. LAN members and Issue Advocates will begin receiving requests to review bills this week.

Upcoming Dates of Importance

Tuesday, January 30th:

HB 1551 Elections & Apportionment - Political Expenditures
SB 287 Tax & Fiscal Policy - Various Property Tax Issues

Wednesday, January 31st:

HB 1808 Elections & Apportionment - Voting Systems
SB 293 Elections & Redistricting - Voter Registration

Wednesday, February 7th-Senate ADK Bill

**Thursday, February 8th- Reproductive Rights Groups
Prevention Now Rally, Indianapolis**