

House Watch

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FINAL PASSAGE

[HB 4377](#)

(Gonzales)

Workplace smoking ban: House Bill 4377 (H-3) would amend the Public Health Code, generally, to prohibit smoking in public places, in places of employment, and in food service establishments (such as restaurants, cafeterias, food courts in shopping malls, and bars). Exceptions would be made, however, for cigar bars and tobacco specialty retail stores, for gambling areas of casinos, and for home offices.

- Committee substitute H-3 adopted
- Geiss amendment not adopted
- Stamas amendment not adopted
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- Pearce amendment not adopted
- Rick Jones amendment not adopted
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- Genetski amendment not adopted
- Wayne Schmidt not adopted
- Stamas amendment not adopted
- Corriveau amendment not adopted
- Simpson amendment not adopted
- Johnson amendment not adopted
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- Paul Scott substitute H-8 not adopted
- Bauer substitute H-5 not adopted
- HB 4377 was passed [RC 261: 73 yes, 31 no]

HB 4129**(Byrnes)**

The bill would require hearing aid dealers, hearing aid salespersons, and trainees to demonstrate continuing professional competency as a condition for license renewal.

- HB 4129 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4129 was passed [RC 256: 99 yes, 8 no]
- IE was ordered

SB 222**(Gleason)**

The bill would allow school district officials to set up recreational authorities, in cooperation with other local government officials.

- DeShazor-1 withdrawn
- Bolger-2 withdrawn
- SB 222 advanced to 3rd Reading
- SB 222 was passed [RC 257: 65 yes, 42 no]
- IE was not ordered [RC 258: 66 yes, 41 no]

HB 4897**(Sheltrown)**

The bill (H-2) would amend the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (1) to add exceptions to "hunter orange" requirements for falconry and certain types of crossbow and predator hunting and (2) require a person hunting deer with a firearm from a manufactured ground blind on public land to display at least 144 square inches of "hunter orange" on the blind's exterior surface.

- Substitute H-2 adopted
- Sheltrown amendment adopted
- HB 4897 advanced to 3rd Reading
- HB 4897 was passed [RC 259: 107 yes, 0 no]
- IE was ordered

SB 96**(Birkholz)**

The bill would amend the Boiler Act to place the authority to promulgate rules for the designation of course content in educational programs for boiler operators and stationary engineers with the Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Development instead of with the Board of Boiler Rules.

- SB 96 advanced to 3rd Reading
- SB 96 was passed [RC 260: 87 yes, 20 no]
- IE was ordered