

2019
Statehouse Report
Week One



Welcome to the first weekly report designed to inform CAC board and staff, as well as CAC members and the general public regarding our activities and work during the 2019 Indiana General Assembly.

The 2019 legislative session is the "long" session during which a wide array of topics, most importantly Indiana's biennial budget, will be considered by the legislature. By statute the legislators must be complete their business by April 29th compared to March 14th for the "short" session.

The first week of session began with tempered fanfare January 3rd. The week was dominated by news of announced legislative priorities by Governor, Eric Holcomb. There were individual press conferences held by respective caucus leaders detailing their thoughts regarding Indiana's budgetary and revenue needs to fund the State.

By the end of Week One, CAC was tracking a handful of bills—especially [Senate Bill 91](#), which would put in place a citizen redistricting commission. The bill, authored by Sen. John Ruckelshaus (R-Indianapolis) the result of our work with the All IN for Democracy redistricting effort.

More info on redistricting here, from a January 2nd article featuring Julia Vaughn, Common Cause Indiana and our Lindsay Haake:
<https://www.eaglecountryonline.com/news/local-sports/groups-push-redistricting-reform-as-legislative-session-begins/>

Items upcoming this week

- Committees have begun to appear on the calendar for next week—so far none involving legislation we're following. Committee announcements will continue to appear throughout the week.

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Respectfully submitted,
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