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To Know Your
Legislators

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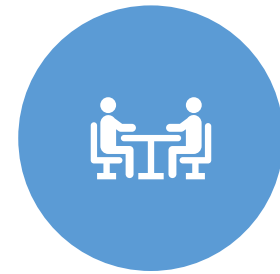
WHAT DOES THE IAFSM
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COMMITTEE DO?



HOW DO I FIND MY
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HOW DO I SEARCH FOR
AND TRACK BILLS?



HOW DO I
COMMUNICATE WITH
MY LEGISLATORS?

The Legislative Committee's Role

- Review legislation of concern
- Track legislation through the General Assembly
 - Amendments
 - Adding Co-sponsors
 - Assignment to Committees
 - Committee Hearings and Votes
- Draft or review letters of support/opposition for IAFSM Board Action
- Develop and maintain relationships with legislators



Find Your Legislators



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- Visit Illinois State Board of Elections' website (<https://www.elections.il.gov/>)
- Select "Find My Elected Officials"
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Find and Track Bills (<http://www.ilga.gov/>)

The screenshot shows the Illinois General Assembly website. A red box highlights the search section on the left, which includes the text "Search the 101st General Assembly", a "By Number" search option with an example "HB0001" and a text input field, a "Go" button, a "Search Tips" link, a "By Keyword" search option with a text input field, another "Go" button, and another "Search Tips" link. Below this is a link for "Advanced Search" and an "ILLINOIS AMBER ALERT" logo. To the right of the search box is a vertical menu with links: "Schedules", "Committees", "Journals", "Transcripts", "Rules", "Audio/Video", "FOIA Information", "Media Guidelines", "Reports & Inquiry", "Legislative Reports", "Special Reports", "My Legislation" (highlighted with a red box), "FTP Site", and "GA Dashboard" (highlighted with a red box). At the top right is a "Translate Website" button. On the right side of the page is a list of links: "Illinois Compiled Statutes", "Illinois Constitution", "House", "Members", "Schedules", "Committees", "Journals", "Transcripts", "Rules", "Audio/Video", "FOIA Information", "House Employment Opportunities", "Additional Resources", "Legislative Support Services", "Legislative Ethics Training", "Discrimination & Harassment Information", "Legislative Inspector General Inquiries", "Joint Commission on Ethics and Lobbying Reform", "Rules & Regulations", "Illinois Register", and "Administrative Rules". At the bottom left is a logo for "EXPLOITED CHILDREN". At the bottom center is a link for "Capitol Complex Phone Numbers".

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Energy & Environment Committee

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HB 3486	Aaron M. Ortiz	ELECTRONIC PROOF OF PURCHASE	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	2/18/2020
HB 4370	Thomas M. Bennett	CARBON DIOXIDE STORAGE	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	2/18/2020
HB 4605	John Connor	EPA-GROUNDWATER MONITORING	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	2/18/2020
HB 4750	Nathan D. Reitz	SUNSET-RADIATION PROTECTION	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	3/3/2020
HB 5169	Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz	EPA-POLYSTYRENE FOAM BAN	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	2/25/2020
HB 5552	Ann M. Williams	RECYCLING-BEVERAGE CONTAINER	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	3/3/2020
HB 5623	Anthony DeLuca	EPA-UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	3/3/2020
HR 668	Michael T. Marron	AWARENESS OF LIGHT POLLUTION	Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee	2/25/2020

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Bill Details



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Bill Status of HB0305 101st General Assembly

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Short Description: MUNICIPAL CONVENTION EXPENSES

House Sponsors

Rep. [David McSweeney](#) - [Jonathan Carroll](#)

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/29/2019	House	Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

Statutes Amended In Order of Appearance

65 ILCS 5/8-1-2.7 new

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that public funds shall not be expended by a municipality for expenses connected with a convention or gathering of municipal personnel. Provides that a State agency may not expend public funds for expenses connected with the renting or procurement of booths, hospitality suites, or other physical spaces at a convention or gathering of municipal personnel. Provides that a "convention or gathering of municipal personnel" means a gathering of employees or contractors from 2 or more separately domiciled or geographically separated municipalities in a gathering that is sponsored or co-sponsored by a league or association that includes 2 or more municipalities. Provides that the restrictions do not apply to public funds expended at a convention or gathering of public safety personnel, at a convention or gathering relating to economic development and tourism promotion, pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date of the amendatory Act, or funds appropriated and expended by a municipality if specified procedures are followed. Effective immediately.




Actions

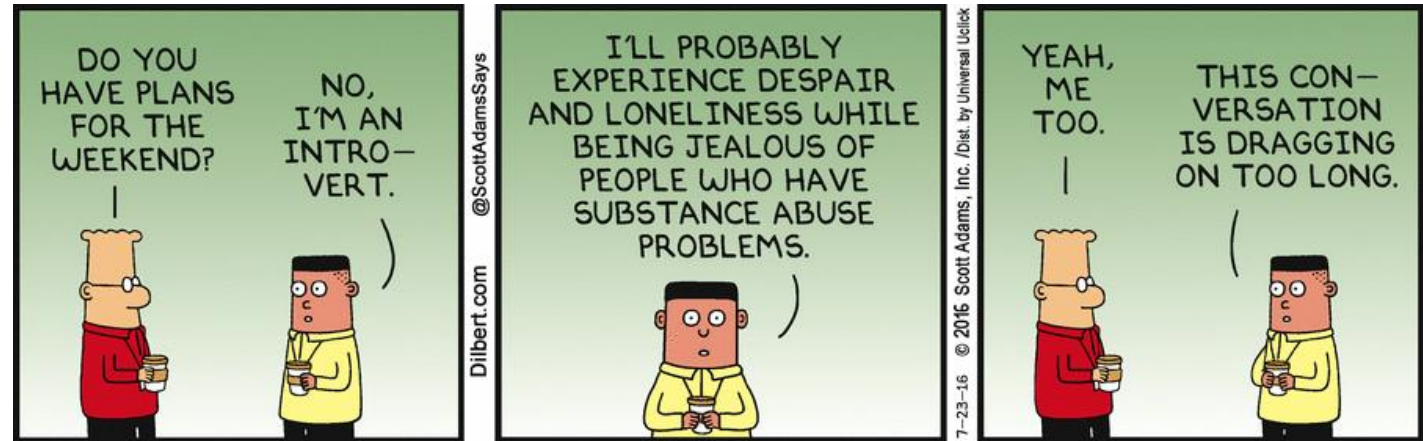
Date	Chamber	Action
1/10/2019	House	Filed with the Clerk by Rep. David McSweeney
1/10/2019	House	First Reading
1/10/2019	House	Referred to Rules Committee
1/23/2019	House	Added Chief Co-Sponsor Rep. Jonathan Carroll

It's Not Just for Extroverts!

WHAT I DO AT PARTIES



-  Talk
-  Eat
-  Think about whether it's okay to leave yet



Conversations With Our Legislators



- Steve – State Representative Andrew Chesney
- Henry – State Senator Steve McClure
- Kay – U.S. Congressman Sean Casten

Reaching Out

- Look for local events and meetings. This is a good way to make the initial contact.
- Use his state e-mail address or contact form on his website.
- Prefers phone calls. He is frequently on the road to and from Springfield and does a lot of constituent contact on the phone during the 3.5 hour (one way) trip.
- Recommends avoiding long e-mails and long e-mail chains.
- Constituents always get a call back

The screenshot shows a web contact form for Representative Chesney. At the top left is a red link '< Back to Home'. The title 'CONTACT REP. CHESNEY' is in bold. The form is divided into several sections: 'Your Message' with a large text area; 'Your Name' with 'First Name' and 'Last Name' fields; 'Your Contact Information' with 'Email Address' and 'Phone Number' fields, and checkboxes for 'Send me email updates' and 'Send me text updates'; and a 'Mailing Address' field at the bottom. A large red 'SEND EMAIL' button is at the bottom center. On the right side, there are social media links: 'Sign in with Facebook', 'Sign in with Twitter', and 'Sign in with Email'. Below these is an 'Email address' field with a blue 'Join' button. At the bottom right, it says 'ILHouseGOP' and 'Follow @ilhousegop on Twitter'.

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Your Message

Your Name

First Name Last Name

Your Contact Information

Email Address Phone Number

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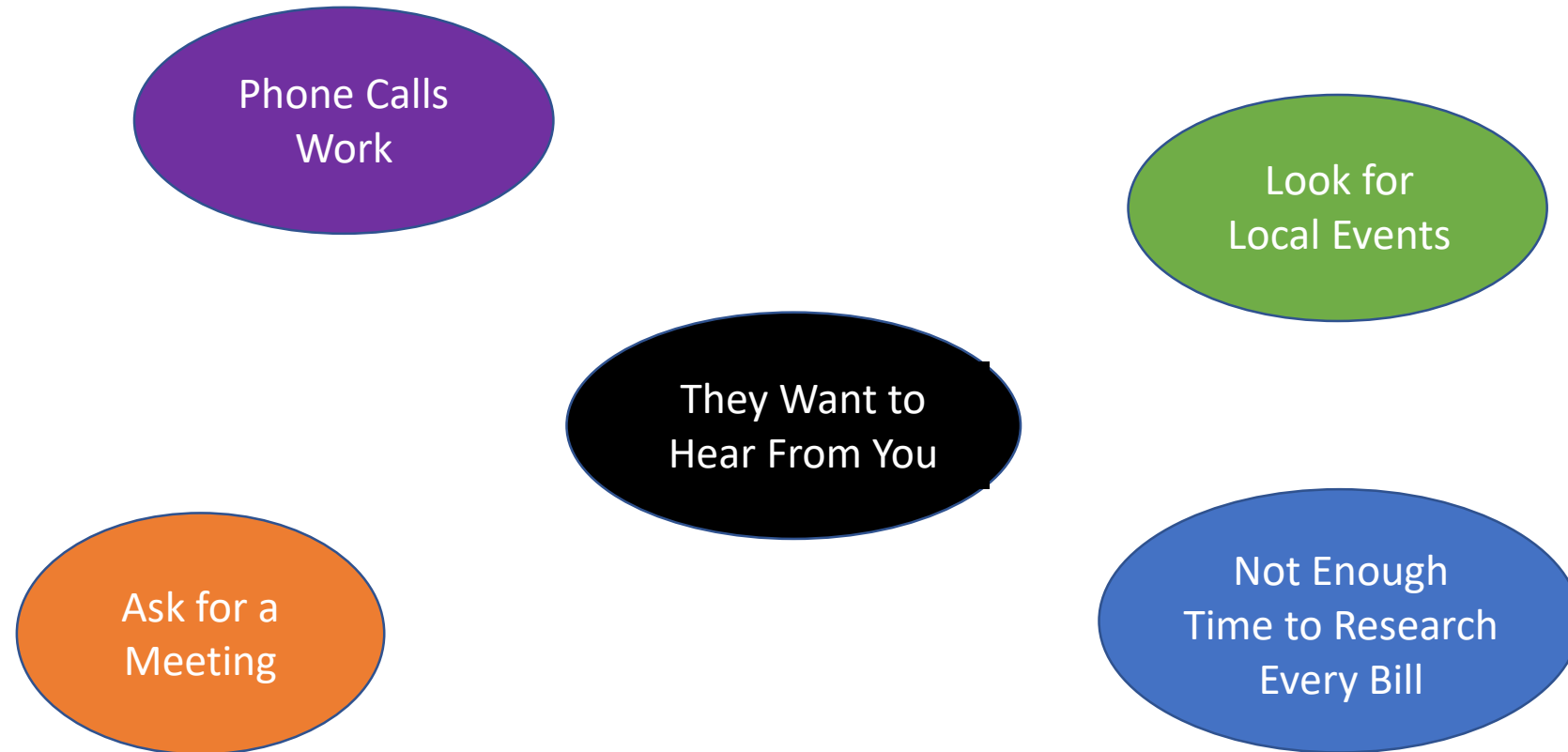
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Interesting Comments

- There is a very short window, often 30 - 40 seconds, on making a decision on how to vote on a bill. There is also a short window in knowing what bills will be voted on. This is the system set up by the party in power. It's not the way it has to be though.
- There is a research staff of 20-25 people, assigned by the party leadership, that are heavily relied on for analysis of proposed legislation.
- As part of the short-window for bill consideration, having a synopsis of which groups support a bill and which groups oppose it also is an important factor in deciding how to vote.



Common Themes



What We Need From You



KNOW WHO YOUR
LEGISLATORS ARE



INTRODUCE
YOURSELF TO A
LEGISLATOR



INFORM THE
COMMITTEE OF
RELEVANT BILLS



CONTACT YOUR
LEGISLATOR TO
SUPPORT/OPPOSE BILLS