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**Week in Review**

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This week continued to be busy with subcommittee and committee work while there seems to be no pause in bills being filed. We expect the next two weeks to be filled with subcommittee and committee work for legislators and advocates efforts to meet the first funnel deadline. The Senate debated a handful of bills on Thursday, which includes a supplemental aid appropriation bill that included funding for Glenwood Resource Center and appropriated \$20M in flood funding for areas impacted by the 2019 floods. Over the next two weeks, floor debate will be limited but after the first funnel floor debate will increase substantially.

**Bills on the Move**

Several bills moved out of subcommittee and a handful were voted out of full House or Senate committees this week. Bills of interest that moved were:

- *Fuel Differential Bill.* The House Ways and Means committee unanimously passed [HSB 562](#), which provides for a continuation of the per gallon excise tax on certain motor fuels, based on their distribution percentage of the fuels. The bill is now eligible for floor debate in the House.
- *State School Aid.* Both the Senate and House Education committees approved their K-12 funding bills by voting to approve [SF 2142](#) and [HF 2245](#). Although the bills are different in their levels of funding, this movement is necessary to meet the legislatively imposed deadline to pass K-12 funding within the first 30 days of each legislative session.
- *Future Ready Iowa.* Bills in both the House and Senate moved today that deal with the Future Ready Iowa program in Iowa. The bills are initiatives of the Governor that makes some changes to the existing Act. The bill has changes to apprenticeships, childcare, workforce, computer science and last dollar scholarships.

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**In the News**

Below are articles of interest from the week. Please reach out to us with any questions or concerns.

1. [Amazon Announces Bondurant Fulfillment Center](#)
2. [GOP Governor has “Great Confidence” In IA Democrats on Caucus Data](#)
3. [Democratic Party Chair Calls for Immediate Recanvass of Iowa Caucus Results](#)
4. [Nevada Company Buys two Iowa Casinos](#)
5. [Trump Acquitted](#)
6. [Law Enforcement Agencies Hope Bill in Iowa Senate Could Cut Back on Distracted Driving](#)
7. [State to Pay \\$3.5M to Father after Death of Woman and Infant at UofIA Hospitals](#)



### Iowa Caucus Update

Despite difficulties in data reporting due to a failed software application used for the Democratic reporting purposes, final numbers have emerged with some surprising results that are positive for some candidates and shocking for others. As of the writing of this newsletter, 100% of precincts have been reported and accounted for (1765 of 1765 precincts). The results show Buttigieg in a near dead tie with Bernie Sanders (Buttigieg has only two more delegates than Sanders) The third place candidate is Elizabeth Warren who was followed by Biden. The results were a “gut punch” to Biden, but created renewed momentum for “Mayor Pete”. The chart to the right reflects the delegate count with 97% reporting.

Candidate	SDE	National Delegates
Bennet	0	-
Biden	341.172	-
Bloomberg	0.21	-
Buttigieg	564.012	-
Delaney	0	-
Gabbard	0.114	-
Klobuchar	264.204	-
Patrick	0	-
Sanders	562.497	-
Steyer	6.739	-
Warren	387.069	-
Yang	22.223	-
Other	0.693	-
Uncommitted	3.957	-

Despite national pressure, Iowa DNC Chairman Troy Price decided to ensure accuracy over expediency. Late Thursday afternoon, National DNC Chair tried to insert itself by urging a recanvas.

### State Revenue

The following story was published in the Iowa House Republican newsletter today. It gives a good look at where the state budget currently sits. A link to their website can be found [here](#).

Calendar year 2020 got off to a strong start for state revenue, as payments to the state rose once again in January. According to the non-partisan Legislative Services Agency, the state took in \$69.9 million more than what was collected in January, 2019. This is a 9.3 percent increase over the previous year’s figure. Through the first seven months of the fiscal year, state revenue has increased 6.9 percent over FY 2019. Revenue collected remains ahead of the Revenue Estimating Conferences projection from its December meeting of 2.1 percent growth for Fiscal Year 2020.

Personal Income Tax receipts increased in January, rising 2.1 percent when compared to January 2019’s figures. Estimate payments and payments with returns were significantly higher than their 2018 levels for the same month, while withholding payments were lower. This is the subcategory which was impacted by the lowering of withholding tables when the tax reform law went into effect last January. For the year, the Revenue Estimating Conference has projected personal income tax collections to increase by 0.1 percent. Through seven months of the fiscal year, personal income tax is up 1.3 percent.



Sales and Use Tax collections continued to grow above their FY 2019 levels. For the month, collections saw an increase of 16.3 percent over last year. For the year, growth in sales and use tax is 8.5 percent which is ahead of the REC projection of 5.9 percent growth.

Corporate Income Tax collections were higher in January, with the state taking in \$40.1 million. This was \$9.6 million higher than what was collected in January 2019. For the year, corporate income tax is 12.9 percent higher than FY 2019. This is still well ahead of the REC projection, which calls for a 3.2 percent increase in collections.

Tax refund payments were down \$3.8 million compared to January 2019. School infrastructure distributions to local districts for the month reversed December's trend and rose in January, with the amount paid back to school districts rising \$3.8 million

## Next Week Capitol Schedule

IOWA SENATE - Schedule for Week 5, February 10-14, 2020

***Subject to Change***				
Monday, February 10	Tuesday, February 11	Wednesday, February 12	Thursday, February 13	Friday, February 14
9:00 SESSION	9:00 SESSION	9:00 SESSION	9:00 SESSION	
10:00 Budget Subs	10:00 Budget Subs	10:00 Budget Subs	10:00 Commerce RM 22 11:00 State Government RM 22 Local Government RM 24	
Noon	Noon	Noon	Noon	Noon
1:00 SESSION On Rules and Call Administration (PM) Senate Well Upon Adjournment Judiciary RM 22	1:00 State Government RM 22 Local Government RM 24 2:00 Commerce RM 22 3:00 Appropriations RM 22	1:00 Agriculture RM 22 2:00 Human Resources RM 22 Transportation RM 24 3:00 Judiciary RM 22 4:00 Education RM 22 Labor and Business Relations RM 24	1:00 Natural Resources and Environment RM 22 Veterans Affairs RM 24 2:00 SESSION	Room Assignments: Admin/Reg - Room 19 Ag & NR - Rm 305 Econ. Dev. - Rm 103, (Supreme Ct. Chamber) Education - Rm 22 Hum. Services - Rm 116 Justice - Rm 24 Trans/Inf/Caps - Rm 102, (Supreme Ct. Consult Rm.) ON CALL - Rules-Appropriations-Ways & Means

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House of Representatives Schedule for Week 5, February 10 - 14, 2020

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Monday, February 10	Tuesday, February 11	Wednesday, February 12	Thursday, February 13	Friday, February 14
8:30 SESSION	8:30 SESSION	8:30 SESSION	8:30 SESSION	
10:00 Budget Subs	10:00 Budget Subs	10:00 Budget Subs	10:00 Public Safety RM 19 Economic Growth RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult State Government RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber 11:00 Veterans Affairs RM 19 Environmental Protection RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Transportation RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber	
Noon	Noon	Noon	Noon	Noon
1:00 SESSION Education RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Commerce RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber 2:00 Natural Resources RM 19 Judiciary RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Labor RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber 3:00 Local Government RM 19 Agriculture RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Human Resources RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber	1:00 Veterans Affairs RM 19 Environmental Protection RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Transportation RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber 2:00 Public Safety RM 19 Economic Growth RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult State Government RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber 3:00 Ways and Means RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Appropriations RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber	1:00 Education RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Commerce RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber 2:00 Natural Resources RM 19 Judiciary RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Labor RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber 3:00 Ways and Means RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Appropriations RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber	1:00 Local Government RM 19 Agriculture RM 102, Sup. Ct. Consult Human Resources RM 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber	Budget Sub-Committee Meeting Locations: Admin/Reg - Rm. 19 Ag & Nat Res - Rm. 305 Econ Dev - Rm. 103, Sup. Ct. Chamber Education - Rm. 22 Human Services - Rm. 116 Justice Systems - Rm. 24 Trans/Inf/Caps - Rm. 102, Sup. Ct. Consult

The Legislative Information Office provides a complete list of committee meetings on the web at <http://www.legis.iowa.gov>  
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### Key Dates for 2020 Session

The new Iowa Legislative Session Timetable has been published. Here is the [link](#) and included below is important dates as we approach the 2020 Iowa legislative session.

<b>January 13</b>	First Day of Legislative Session
<b>January 14</b>	Governor's Budget Released Governor gives her Condition of the State Address to Joint Session
<b>January 24</b>	Final day for individual Senator/Representative Bill Requests
<b>February 21</b>	First Funnel. All Senate and House bills must be out of one full committee
<b>March 20</b>	Second Legislative Funnel. Corresponding chamber must vote bills out of a full committee to remain "alive"
<b>April 6</b>	Amendments need not be filed on the day preceding floor debate
<b>April 21</b>	100 <sup>th</sup> Day of the session. Per diem expenses for legislators end.



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