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Session Update

Legislators continue to press forward in efforts to sine die by moving several budget bills and inch closer to a deal on tax reform. All budget bills are out except the Health and Human Services budget; which we expect to be the last piece of legislation passed this year. Additionally, a “standings” budget bill has been introduced however the bill is considered a “shell bill” and will likely have many more policy provisions included. The table below represents the status of each individual budget bill.

Bill No.	Budget	Senate	House	Governor
SF 2415	<i>Education</i>	Passed	No House bill yet	
-		Committee		
SF 2416	<i>Admin and Reg.</i>	Passed Committee	Not yet out.	
HF 2491	<i>Ag. & Nat. Res.</i>	Passed	Passed Full House	
SF 2409		Committee		
HF 2493	<i>Economic Dev.</i>	Passed	Passed Full House	
SF 2410		Committee		
SF 2413	<i>Judicial Branch</i>	Passed	Passed Full House	
HF 2494		committee		
SF 2412	<i>Justice Systems</i>	Passed	Passed Committee	
HF 2492		Committee		
SF 2413	<i>Transportation</i>	Passed	Passed Full House	
HF 2494		Committee		
SF 2414	<i>Infrastructure (RIIF)</i>	Passed	Not yet introduced.	
No bill No. yet		Committee		
No bill.	<i>HHS</i>			
HSB 690	<i>Standings</i>	No bill		

Some of the bills are agreed to by both chambers and those that aren't yet agreed to are being actively worked on between closed doors by the budget chairs in each chamber. From all appearances, the chambers seem to be gaining consensus on tax reform, although no bill has been introduced.

Bills on the Move

The House worked through the night Thursday evening debating SF 2311, the utilities omnibus bill adjourning at 5:40am Friday. The bill was amended in the House and now goes to the Senate for reconsideration. The bill has been a long fought battle by the energy lobby, making many changes to Iowa's energy laws arguing it will return millions of dollars back to the Iowa rate payers.

We fully expect the House and Senate to work towards adjournment by the end of next week but this timeline is not definitive.