

Legislative Newsletter

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With the second funnel deadline over, the only committees likely to meet are appropriations, ways and means, and budget subs. Budget bills have already been introduced and kicked through the committee process – a sign the 2021 session's end is upon the horizon.

The Senate tax bill, **Senate File 587**, also passed the Senate on party lines (30-17). This bill would claim to offer \$100 million in property tax relief, though it also requires raising other levies. There were two amendments – one rejected and one adopted. The rejected amendment was a strike-and-replace that would have allowed persons to qualify for the elderly property credit with an income of 250 percent of the federal poverty line and fully funds the credit. And the adopted amendment made technical corrections and timing changes. This bill's fate in the House is unlikely to be long. It would seem the House has little interest in the entirety of the bill.

In House floor work, the chamber debated and passed:

House File 527: This bill allows county supervisors to amend the County Land Record Information System on behalf of county recorders as needed for the on-going implementation of the system. This bill passed the House unanimously and now goes to the Senate.

House File 846: This bill requires recorders waive the title transfer fee for an ATV or snowmobile if the transfer is to a surviving spouse. The bill passed the House unanimously and now goes to the Senate.

Successor Bills and Introduced Bills:

Senate File 560 is now **Senate File 593** – producing documents and fees.

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