

Legislative Newsletter

April 22, 2022



This is the general time of the session where things start to lull to a crawl. The House merely gaveled in and out this week and the Senate had some light debate, as well as retirement speeches, although that chamber did not gavel in on Wednesday.

Sent to the Governor:

Senate File 2376: The all-systems weight permits bill received bipartisan concurrence in the Senate (48-1) after the House significantly amended it. The House amendment requiring concurrence now requires all counties to allow vehicles under these permits to operate on secondary roads, but the boards of supervisors may submit a list of secondary roads to the Dept. of Transportation that are not included under the permits.

House File 2515: This legislation will allow the DHS/ED to use the interest from flood recovery funds to reimburse the expenses of voting board members and for other costs. Both chambers passed this bill unanimously; it will take effect once the Governor signs it.

House File 2562: The mobile/manufactured homes owners' rights bill passed the Senate Tuesday.

Retaliation: Prohibits retaliation against a tenant for a complaint and presumes that an act by a landlord is retaliation for a tenant complaint to one year.

Rent: Requires notice in writing 90 days in advance before a rent increase. Makes rent provisions effective on enactment.

Gary Grant, CEO
Cell 319.721.5977
gary@grantconsultingllc.com

Larry Murphy, CFO
Cell 319.361.2834
larry@llmurphy.com

Meghan Malloy, General Counsel
Cell 515.321.5825
meghan@malloyjdlaw.com

L&L Murphy Consulting / Grant Consulting

Regulation: Prohibits cities and counties from imposing new requirements on replacement homes related to non-conforming uses. Excludes situations when the replacement home would be a substantial safety risk.

Park Sales: Requires that any successor in interest to the landlord to have the same obligations as the landlord.

Eviction: Makes changes to forcible entry and detainer proceedings, jurisdiction and timelines.

Abandoned Homes: Sets timelines for procedures in order to allow service of lienholders. Allows the heirs of a tenant who dies during the term of the lease to cancel the lease with 60 days' notice. Includes other notice requirements and procedural requirements related to abandoned homes.

Two amendments that would have struck rental provisions and requires the lease to be for one-year unless the tenant requests a shorter lease, and requiring a landlord to give notice five days after receiving notice of a utility increase both failed. The House passed this bill 60-37; the Senate passed it 32-16.

House File 2295: The disaster protections bill gives state agencies and their employees, officers, and agents protection from liability for good-faith actions taken in response to a state or federal disaster proclamation. Individuals and corporations having debris removed from private land are required to agree to hold state and local governments harmless for any damage related to the removal. The House passed this bill 90-3 and the Senate passed it unanimously.

Gary Grant, CEO
Cell 319.721.5977
gary@grantconsultingllc.com

Larry Murphy, CFO
Cell 319.361.2834
larry@llmurphy.com

Meghan Malloy, General Counsel
Cell 515.321.5825
meghan@malloyjdlaw.com