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Week four has wrapped up, marking the end of the first month of session. Bill activity is moving much faster this year compared to previous ones. In the past, many bills backed by individual sponsors were assigned to committees but often stalled—either never being assigned to a subcommittee or not scheduled for a hearing by the floor manager, which effectively ended their progress. This approach is less common in this session, resulting in more subcommittee meetings. Although workloads have increased, the first funnel deadline remains set for February 20th, just two weeks away. This internal legislative deadline requires Senate bills and joint resolutions to clear Senate committees—and House bills and joint resolutions to pass through House committees—to stay in consideration for further debate. As a result, the number of active bills will soon decrease.

According to the week four bill watch report, we are currently monitoring more than 30 bills across both the House and Senate. Although we have not formally registered positions on many of these bills, we are closely observing their progress, as they may serve as vehicles for amendments that could impact ISPA. Should any significant developments arise, either favorable or unfavorable, we will promptly register and advocate accordingly.

While specific bill movements are detailed in the weekly report, notable activity this week includes updates on window tint legislation, aerial drone applications within law enforcement, and the surviving spouse tax abatement bill, among others.

If you have any questions regarding bill status, procedural processes or simply curious as to the general tone from week to week, please reach out to us anytime.

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