

- HB1309 SEXUAL HARASSMENT PREVENTION POLICIES (ENGLEMAN K) Requires sexual harassment prevention instruction to be provided annually to members of the general assembly. Requires the personnel subcommittee of the legislative council (subcommittee) to prepare and submit recommended sexual harassment prevention policies governing legislators to the legislative council. Requires the legislative council to approve sexual harassment policies not later than November 20, 2018. Provides that four additional members of the general assembly shall be appointed to serve on the subcommittee for the sole purpose of participating in the preparation of recommended sexual harassment prevention policies. Provides that the terms of the additional members expire on November 21, 2018.
Current Status: 3/7/2018 - House concurred in Senate amendments; Roll Call 350: yeas 94, nays 0
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- SB197 VARIOUS PROPERTY ISSUES (DORIOT B) Amends the statute concerning the Indiana coordinate system for describing real property to provide that coordinates based on specified coordinate systems and used to define the position of a point on a land boundary may not be presented to be recorded unless the recording document also contains: (1) the method used to relate the coordinates to the National Spatial Reference System; and (2) the name and zone of the coordinate system. Eliminates other reporting and certification requirements with respect to such recordings. Provides that if any coordinates (not specifically coordinates based on the Indiana coordinate system, as provided in current law) are used to describe a tract of land that is also described by a reference to the United States public land surveys: (1) the description by coordinates shall be construed as supplemental; and (2) in the event of a conflict, the description by reference to the United States public land surveys prevails over the description by coordinates. Provides that the statute does not require a purchaser or mortgagee of real estate to rely on a description, any part of which depends exclusively upon the Indiana coordinate system, unless the same description was previously used in a document conveying title to the real estate. Amends the statute concerning the statute of limitations for actions for the recovery of the possession of real estate to provide that such an action that: (1) involves a line located and established by a professional surveyor; and (2) accrues before the lines are located and established by the surveyor; must be commenced before the expiration of the appeal period set forth in the statute governing county surveyors. Amends the Indiana Code provision concerning the establishment of property lines by means of a legal survey to: (1) eliminate the exception to the required notice when all adjoining landowners consent in writing; and (2) specify that the lines established are binding on all affected landowners. Defines "original survey". Defines "retracement survey". Provides that, other than for descriptions of lots in new subdivisions, any new or modified real property description prepared by a professional surveyor as a product of an original survey or a retracement survey must include a caption that identifies: (1) the name and registration number of the professional surveyor preparing the description; and (2) the plat of survey produced as part of the original survey or retracement survey, including certain specified information. Repeals the section in the statute concerning the Indiana coordinate system that provides that the statute does not require a purchaser or mortgagee of real estate to rely on a description, any part of which depends exclusively upon the Indiana coordinate system. Makes conforming changes.
Current Status: 3/8/2018 - Motion to concur filed
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- SB372 NOTARIAL ACTS (HOLDMAN T) Makes technical changes to standardize language concerning registration of trademarks and regulation related to notarial acts. Specifies requirements related to notarial acts, including use of electronic documentation and technology for electronic notarial acts. Requires the secretary of state to adopt rules related to electronic notarial acts and remote notarial acts. Specifies requirements for remote notarial acts, including: (1) registration of a remote notary public; (2) certification of and record keeping related to remote notarial acts; (3) use of audio visual communication and recording; (4) verification of credentials; and (5) maintenance of records. Makes conforming amendments.
Current Status: 2/28/2018 - Returned to the Senate without amendments
State Bill Page: [SB372](#)
- SB392 LOCAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS (NIEMEYER R) Establishes a process to: (1) divide and transfer land that is owned by a county, city, or town; and (2) assess the value of land that a county, city, or town owns that the county, city, or town has divided and transferred to an adjacent property owner. Provides that, in a tax sale, a county executive may include any costs directly attributable to the county in the price for the sale of a certificate of sale. Amends the law exempting a county executive or a town legislative body from giving notice of a meeting if the meeting concerns routine administrative functions. Provides that if a public record is in an electronic format, a state or local government agency (excluding the office of the county recorder) shall provide an electronic copy or a paper copy of the public record, at the option of the person making the request for the public record. Prohibits, with certain exceptions, a state or local government agency from charging a fee for providing a public record by electronic mail. Provides that in the case of a county that sells a county hospital before July 1, 2018, the county council and the county executive may, by adopting substantially similar ordinances, establish a charitable nonprofit foundation (foundation) to hold some or all

of the proceeds of the sale of the county hospital in trust for the benefit of the county. Provides the details for the operation of the foundation and use of the trust funds. Provides that another unit in the same county may enter into an interlocal agreement with the county council, the county executive, and the board to invest funds obtained by the unit from the sale of a capital asset into the foundation. Establishes requirements for the contents of the interlocal agreement. Provides that the department of local government finance (DLGF) may not reduce the actual or maximum permissible property tax levy of a unit that enters into an interlocal agreement on account of money transferred into or expended from the foundation. Permits the county to: (1) use money from the principal amount of the donation as a pledge of money to bonds, leases, or other obligations; and (2) pay bonds issued by the county. Specifies that the DLGF may not reduce a county's maximum or actual permissible property tax levy on account of money deposited into or expended from a foundation. Makes conforming changes.

Current Status: 3/7/2018 - Senate Conferees appointed Niemeyer and Breaux

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