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House District 83

Under the Golden Dome #11

Dear Friends,

Every section of the legislative session has its unique characteristic. After the first funnel (Mar 3) we have been working hard to pass our bills through the full House so they may be assigned to a Senate committee for consideration.

Next week is the second funnel date. By March 31, all Senate bills have to pass a House committee and House bills must pass a Senate committee.

For a point of reference, the House has debated and passed over 155 bills to be considered by the Senate. We have received less than half that number from the Senate.

One of the more challenging debates happened Wednesday when we heard the bill dealing with the CO2 pipelines and eminent domain - a hot issue in Iowa that doesn't follow party lines. The crux of this bill is that eminent domain should NOT be used for private gain.

HF 565 – Eminent Domain

- The House passed a bill to protect landowner rights as the CO2 pipeline projects are pursued.
- It requires Carbon Capture pipeline companies to reach 90% voluntary easements on their route before they may even request to use eminent domain.
- It also creates an interim study committee to make recommendations for improvements to Iowa's eminent domain policy.
- The following issues have been discussed at length throughout this process and will be addressed:
 - Standards for entering land for surveying purposes
 - Review of land restoration standards
 - Review of eminent domain public benefit and private use tests
 - Engineering study analysis
 - Land compensation practices and procedures
 - Iowa Utility Board perspectives
- This bill now must pass the Senate and be signed by the Governor before it becomes law.

I think the whole dubious process of carbon capture and sequestration needs serious reconsideration, not to mention the tremendous dangers Iowans will be exposed to because of the lines, if they are built. As the Gazette all but admitted in an article today, the whole scheme is being driven buy taxpayer dollars going into investors' pockets. And even environmental groups are opposed because the cost is so large and the benefits of sequestration so negligible. It's about being green meaning taxpayer dollars to out-of-state investors.

I would have preferred a tougher bill, but this is the most I could get done.



Farmers and friends from across the state defending land-owner rights.

Some bills pass the House or Senate and then are killed or modified in the other Chamber. One such bill is the “Pharmacy Bill.” [HF555](#). It passed the House but 10 fellow Republicans voted NO. *I just couldn't vote for a bill that may create the opportunity for a mistake that could kill Iowans. It could have been improved, but those pushing it weren't eager to make improvements necessary to ensure safety, so I voted no. I read every bill before we vote. As with many of the bills, good ideas get combined with a few words that make a critical difference. The devil is in the details. The “fine print” makes it obvious that the big-money pharmacy companies are the true benefactors. Now the Senate has the opportunity to make the appropriate amendments before passing.*

If you are interested in any legislation, you can follow it at www.legis.iowa.gov
If you know the bill number, it's easy. Bills are numbered as a Study Bill, Bill or Resolution. Here are some examples: **HF555, HSB80, HCR9.**

If you don't know the number, you can search by keyword. Once you find the bill, you can see the history of the legislation and even watch the floor debate when it is brought to either Chamber for a vote.



Ag Students from Kirkwood Community College.



Ag Leader's Dinner with Iowa Attorney General Bird, and Representatives Hayes, and Kniff-McCulla.



My clerk, Rebekah, assists in my day to day schedule.

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