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### **Week 3 of session sees increase in subcommittee meetings and floor debate**

Despite historic snowfall in Iowa this week, legislators were busy working on several high-profile issues such as education, the Second Amendment and a change to the Iowa Constitution about abortion. Legislators also discussed several hospital issues, such as telehealth and

workforce.

Bills that moved this week included:

- Health care workforce.
- Public improvement contracts.
- Telehealth

Visit the Iowa Hospital Association's [Legislation NOW page](#) for details about these bills.

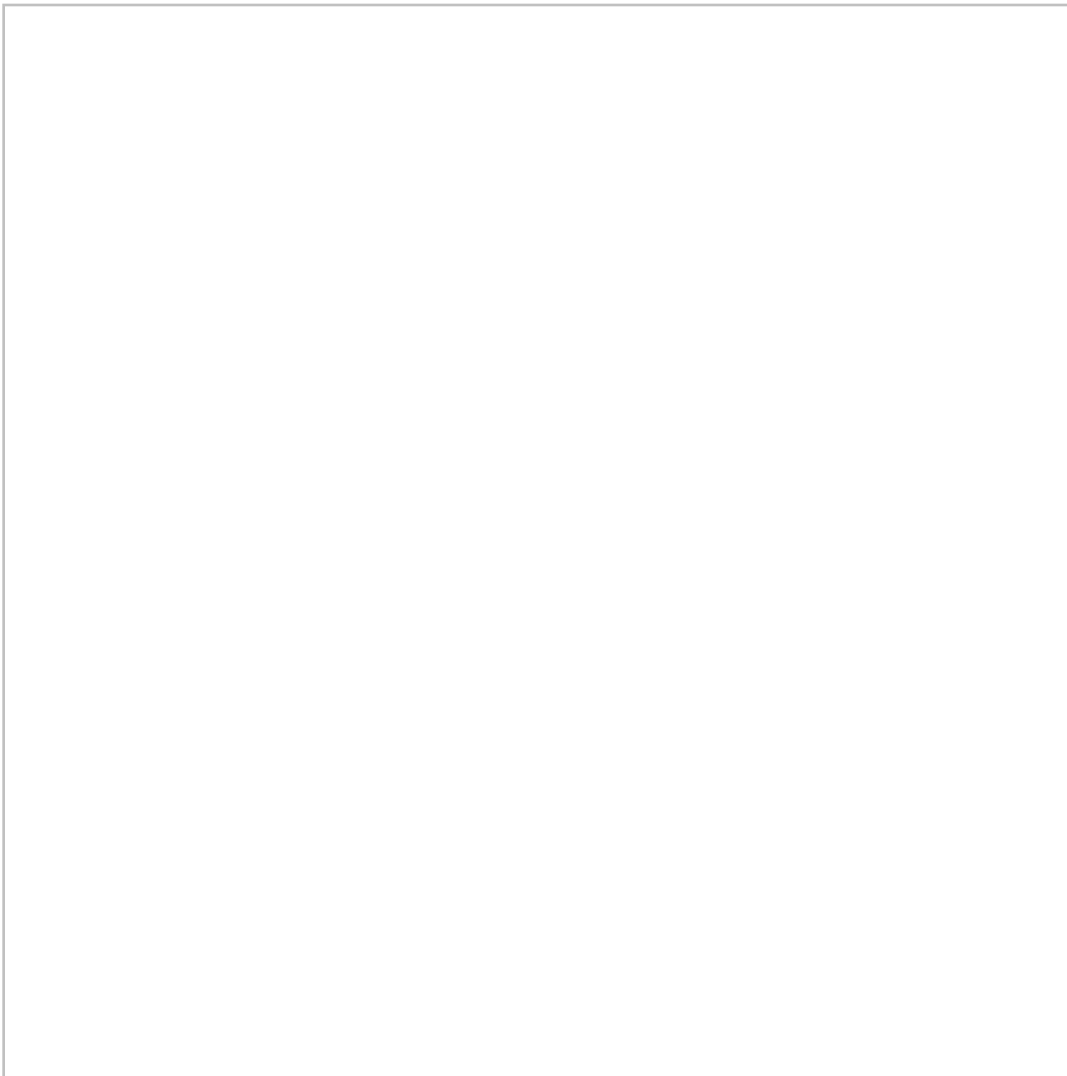
**Save the date for Hospital Day on the Hill Wednesday, Feb. 24.** Registration information will be released soon.

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## Adrian Dickey wins Senate District 41 race

This week, voters in Senate District 41 returned to the polls to vote for who would fill the seat recently vacated by former Sen. Mariannette Miller-Meeks, who is now serving in Congress. Republican Adrian Dickey (Packwood) beat Democrat Mary Stewart (Ottumwa) with 55.3% of the vote to Stewart's 44.7%. Sen.-elect Dickey will likely be sworn into the Senate the week of Feb. 8, keeping Republicans the majority party with a 32-18 split. The Iowa Hospital Association looks forward to working with Sen.-elect Dickey on hospital issues.

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## Listen to IHA's Capitol Update

The Iowa Hospital Association knows the importance of updates coming from the Capitol and works to provide easy ways to access that information. IHA members now have a convenient way to stay up to date on advocacy issues with the Iowa Hospital Association Capitol Update.

Capitol Update can be accessed through a video recording or audio-only version:

- [Podcast Link](#)
- [Vodcast Link](#)

Questions can be emailed to [Joah Hogan](#) at The Iowa Hospital Association.

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## How to stay in the know

Throughout legislative session, the Iowa Hospital Association has developed several ways to keep you informed. Stay tuned throughout session for weekly editions of Legislative Bulletin, biweekly Capitol Update, The Iowa Hospital Association's Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn accounts (web addresses are below). The Iowa Hospital Association also will mobilize hospital advocates through action alerts when legislators need to hear about hospital issues. **Advocates can sign up for email or text message Iowa Hospital Association action alerts**

at <https://www.ihaonline.org/advocacy/iha-hospital-action-network/>.

Links to bookmark:

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