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INCMA's Monthly Newsletter

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REGISTER NOW FOR 2023 GOLF OUTING

Register now for INCMA's 2023 Member Dinner and Golf Outing to be held in Plymouth on Aug. 28th and 29th. The 8/28 dinner will be at the Brass Rail in downtown Plymouth and the Outing will be at the beautiful Pretty Lake Golf Course on August 29th. Senator Mike Braun has been invited to be this year's guest speaker at the member dinner. We hope to confirm his participation soon. [Click here to sponsor or register to attend any portion of the event.](#)

LEGISLATIVE SUMMER STUDY TOPICS

As reported by Sally Rideout/INCMA Lobbying: The State Legislative Council met this week to consider and assign topics to interim study committees. Of the 160 proposed study topics, and half dozen projects proposed, House and Senate leadership chose only 42 topics for review "that had a consensus or majority." Their assignments left eight standing committees with no topics slated for study, including: Natural Resources, and Environmental Affairs. A primary focus is on the

State and Local Tax Review Tax Force that is charged with undertaking a holistic review of the state system. [Click here to review a list of the topics that were approved that could be of significant interest to INCMA.](#) In the coming weeks, Legislative leaders will assign members to the committees and meeting dates will be set. We'll be in touch with that information when it is available.



INCMA ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE TO MEET

The INCMA Environmental Affairs Committee will hold their quarterly meeting virtually on June 27th at 10 am. EDT. If you would like to participate, RSVP to INCMAoffice@ameritech.net

GREENHOUSE GAS ACCOUNTING

The Purdue Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) is offering an 8 hour workshop on how to map your greenhouse gas emissions in Elkhart on June 27th. Fees apply. [Click here for information.](#)

AFS FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS

During an AFS webinar in May, several federal issues were identified as priorities in the coming year including a significant focus on environmental matters including:

- EPA Agenda & Budget
- PM 2.5 NAAQS
- PFAS
- EPA's IRIS Health Assessments, and
- Climate Change

A few key points made during the presentation emphasized: 1) 61 new policies under the Biden admin. and 88 Trump admin. policies overturned to date. 2) EPA is proposing to lower the current annual PM 2.5 standard by approximately 20%. EPA is proposing PFAS drinking water standards to below detection. 3) Several chemicals are undergoing new IRIS health assessments which could lead to new regulations. 4) The DOE finalized a rule to phase out incandescent light bulbs by August.

[Click here to review the slides associated with this portion of the webinar.](#)

NAM OUTLOOK SURVEY LOOKING CONCERNED

The National Association of Manufacturers released its [Manufacturers' Outlook Survey for the second quarter of 2023](#), which reveals manufacturers' mounting concerns over the onslaught of unbalanced federal regulations and the threat that poses to sustaining manufacturing investment, job creation and wage growth.

ONE NOVEL APPROACH TO THE MANUFACTURING LABOR SHORTAGE

The founder of Cardinal Manufacturing, a student-run business in Strum, Wisconsin focuses on teaching both soft skills and technical training from an early age and has shown great success over 16 years. [Read more about the program](#) and it's focus on kids at an early age in an effort to develop good employees.

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