

# The Cope...



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## A CHANCE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The 2010 INCMA Legislative Conference will be held on Wednesday January 27, 2010. Speakers include: The Honorable Tony Bennett, State Superintendent of Education

Ron Christian, Exec. VP of Vectren Corp. to speak on Cap and Trade

Larry DeBoer, Purdue University to speak on his new property tax cap impacts study.

John Willey, Anthem to speak on Health Care Reform, and

Pat Kiely IMA President

This is the one formal event of the year where members are encouraged to take time from their schedule to come to Indianapolis to hear what's new and to sit down with their respective legislators to convey their concerns. Special thanks to our sponsors to date:

**KERAMIDA Inc.**

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Log on to INCMA.org to register for the event or sponsor as 2 sponsorships remain!

## INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATE

The General Assembly has been working hard since January 5 (and even in December) and have introduced approximately 800 bills for consideration by March 14, 2010. Select bills being considered that may impact the foundry industry include:

**HB 1011:** Employee's Right to Work. Author: Torr (R)

**HB 1229:** Utility Receipts Tax Credit for Foundries. Provides a \$6,000 credit for foundry energy expenditures. Author: Pearson (D) in response to INCMA's request.

**HB 1355:** Recycled Newsprint Fee on Newspapers in response to media criticism of legislators. Author: Wolkins (R)

**HJR 0001:** Resolution to place the question of amending property tax caps into the State

Constitution on the Nov. 2010 ballot.

**SB 23:** Unemployment Contribution Rates. Delays implementation of the new higher rates for one year. Author: Kenley (R) All Senate democrats opposed this bill setting up concerns that the House may not supportive.

**SB 213:** Unauthorized aliens. Latest effort to tighten illegal immigrant laws. Authors: Kruse/Delph (R) and 9 other Senators to date.

**SB 366:** Limit on Assessment Increases. Limits gross assessment growth to 10% annually. One of several bills dealing with this issue. Author: Stutzman (R)

## CLIMATE CHANGE UPDATE

While most believe that Congress will not vote this year for the cap and trade proposal currently being considered in Congress, AFS continues to work to position the foundry industry for this and future legislative initiatives by lobbying key players to insure iron, steel and aluminum foundries

are included in any rebate program. Problems have arisen with the "trade intensity" qualifications of the steel and AL foundry sectors.

## INDIANA ENERGY ISSUES

Several energy related issues will be discussed by the 2010 General Assembly including energy efficiency, renewables, smart grid technology, and net metering. INCMA is an active member and partner with the Indiana Industrial Energy Consumers who focus primarily on these issues. Log on to [www.indiec.com](http://www.indiec.com) to review position papers.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

INCMA welcomes our newest member: Southern Indiana Power located in Tell City! Log on to members page at INCMA.org to learn more about them.

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