Governor Eric Holcomb
2017 Next Level Legislative Agenda

- Diversify our economy
- Upgrade our infrastructure
- Strengthen our workforce
- Attack the drug epidemic
- Deliver great government service
Diversify our economy

Status: Great progress in budget bill

- Pass an honestly balanced budget
- Pass a balanced budget amendment
- Maintain reserve funds at appropriate levels

- Make Indiana the innovation hub of the Midwest
  - Convert the Next Generation Fund to the Next Level Fund
  - Seek Venture Capital Investment transferability
  - Continue appropriations to the 21 Fund
  - Create entrepreneurship grants in partnerships with Indiana higher education institutions and communities
  - Continue the momentum created by the Regional Cities program
  - Incentivize more direct flights
  - Support the Indiana Biosciences Research Institute
Upgrade our infrastructure

Status: Strong movement toward a 20-year plan

• Our roads and bridges plan will:
  o Fully maintain our existing roads and bridges
  o Finish what we have started
  o Invest in the future

• Provide more funding for local roads
• Federal dollars swap for local projects
• Double track the South Shore
• Create a water infrastructure safety and reliability data hub through the Management Performance Hub
Strengthen our workforce

**Status: Positive, but there's work to be done**

- Appoint a Secretary of Education beginning in 2021
- Double the state’s investment in pre-K
- Create a regional grant program that will fully fund adults who earn credentials, certificates and degrees in high-wage, high-demand fields
- Lead a statewide effort to align STEM efforts throughout K-12 education
- Provide state funding for the E-rate federal match to ensure WiFi for Hoosier students
Attack the drug epidemic

Status: Strong support

- Attack the drug epidemic on all fronts: prevention, treatment, & enforcement
- Created a position of Executive Director for Substance Abuse Prevention, Treatment and Enforcement
- Limit the amount of controlled substances prescriptions and refills
- Expand local authority to establish syringe exchange programs
- Enhance penalties for those who commit pharmacy robberies
Deliver great government service

Status: Positive momentum in the budget bill

- Modernize the outdated state Department of Revenue computer system
- Expand the Nurse Family Partnership to combat infant mortality
- Raise pay for Indiana State Police
- Exempt military pensions income
- Update the Indiana State Police labs