HIV, limited pot bills up to Branstad

State legislators passed two controversial bills in the closing hours of this year’s legislative session.

HIV
A bill to modernize HIV criminalization wrapped up the House’s legislative session on Thursday.

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A law based on old science was revamped at the end of this legislative session to be more representative of new science.

“We see situations where science has advanced enough that it makes old laws outdated and disconcerting,” said Rep. Chip Baltimore, D-Boulder. “We are obligated as officials to change it.”

The HIV law in Iowa was altered Thursday to more closely match the times, Baltimore said. “This treatment and diagnoses and life span in people with HIV, knowingly infected someone with HIV. The old law could face 20 years in prison if they

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The law now includes protection of HIV, and also tuberculosis, hepatitis, and meningitis. It also adjusts the prison sentence for infecting someone else. If the person who was

exposed contracts the disease, it is a five-year sentence. If the

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MEDICINAL MARIJUANA
Legislation involving limited use of medicinal marijuana passed both the House and the Senate in the early hours of Thursday morning.

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As controversy over legalizing medicinal marijuana escalated, Iowa took its part in the discussion.

As the Iowa Senate comes to a close today, following the House Thursday, a major bill sitting on the governor’s desk is receiving quite a bit of attention.

Kinnick, Carver to upgrade
Kinnick Stadium and Carver-Hawkeye are set to see improvements that will provide Hawkeye fans with stronger cell-phone signals.

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UI depression research advances

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Depression is one of the top disabilities worldwide, but current medications don’t meet everyone’s needs. Research started at the University of Iowa has developed a new type of medicine that could one day help those left out.

Scientifically linking depression to a hormone that controls the hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal axis, researchers have created a new class of medications that may provide better relief from the mental disorder. A new study from the University of Iowa, led by psychiatrist Andrew Pieper, will appear in the journal Psychoneuroendocrinology.

"A hormone that controls the hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal axis, or HPAA axis, is a key player in many cases of depression," said Andrew Pieper, an assistant professor of psychiatry and behavioral neuroscience at the University of Iowa. "A lot of our work has focused on creating medications that can help reduce the activity of this axis, and this new study looks at whether we can use this axis as a target for new drugs.

"The HPAA axis is one of the main systems in the body that helps regulate mood and behavior. When this system is overactive, it can lead to depression. By trying to reduce the activity of this axis, we hope to find new treatments for depression that can help people who are not helped by current medications.

"Our goal is to develop new drugs that target the HPAA axis, which we believe could be a promising new treatment for depression. We hope our research will help pave the way for new medications that can help people who are not helped by current treatments."
A generous donor to the University of Iowa Foundation stopped by to celebrate Phil's Day.

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He explained that his “bread-crumb theory” is “an business, a lot of times, you look in terms of your expenses, and some people want to look at just the big day. Tippie said after his speech, “I’m saying that’s the last thing to look at. We need to look for the crumbs, because the crumbs add up.”

Tippie, the eponym of the Tippie College of Busi-
ness, visited campus for the third-annual Phil’s Day, a University of Iowa’s football facility.

Henry B. Tippie stood at a podium in the IMU ball-
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thank you, Walk It Out.

The Writers Project at the University of Iowa and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society are organizing the 3rd Walk It Out, a 5K to help support patients and their families. This year we want to do more than just walk — we want to wind up a Hula-Hoop! Help us break the world record for the longest continuous Hula-Hoop in the world. See how you might have fun to benefit MS Awareness Month! The event starts 10 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Oct. 20 for an MS-related organization. We are already 60% away from our goal!

The recent lack of transparency only adds to the suspicion involving the honesty and integrity of pub-
dic officials. Whatever memory that the organizers may recall the 60 percent of the people frustrated by the official response to rising reports of sexual misconduct, the university stepped up its efforts to curb sexual assault on campus. But although it only happened after students and other people began crying foul once it got a look at the results, it is not finished yet.

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State Board of Regents employees and their families were, for a time, excluded from public health care benefits. Those families are now back in the public’s view. But to return to the “Game of Thrones” example for a moment, I look at Quest and feel giddy. The meaning of that result, to me, is that I really care about what Harry Potter thinks. But that within the society of Westeros, Robb Stark is a bit of a puzzlement. But I don’t think I care a whole lot about the current events of the real world.

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Kelly Shaw, a University of Iowa student in political science, said he was surprised the bill was passed through; originally, he thought it was "not specific to one cell-phone company," she said. "That cell-phone tower will carry with it the companies that buy into it."

Meyer and the system can be used for phone calls and text messages, as well as allow fans and officials to make calls in certain areas. "When you're in there, it's much easier for you to be able to make phone calls," she said. Students said they would be glad to see cell service improved in the stadium.

Matthew Hoffmann, a freshman history major, said he sat front row at many of the football games last fall. "I usually get front row seats. It would be nice to get better service," he said.

Other Big Ten programs are rolling out similar systems. Indiana University is implementing similar technology for 2014 as well, said Chuck Forbis, the Hoosier assistant athletics director for facilities. He said that for the first year the sys- tem will be utilized in both the football stadium and the school's basketball arenas. He said the size and pur- pose of the structures creates

"It's not a one-size-fits- all solution," said Jeff Cum- ply the associate athletic director for marketing and sales at UI. "Whether it's a 70,000-person-open-stadium or a basketball gym, it's a unique challenge."

That statement applies to North Carolina State University's Carter-Finley Arena as well. "When you put 70,000 to 80,000 people in that envi- ronment, that presents a challenge," Meyer said.

Ohio State University rolled out its system at Ohio Stadium last year, and Jerry Emig, an asso- ciate sports information director at Ohio State Univer- sity, said Ohio Stadium has 278 antennas in 24 towers, which equates to eight regular cell-phone towers and near- ly 16 miles of cable.

"It created a system that facilitates the viola- tion of federal law, and I think that's a problem for us," he said.

Aside from marijuana products, the bill was not enough research-based evidence to assure him.

"We've got two new cell-phone towers in the stadium there," he said. "It was a long time coming."

Sen. Mark Chagaloff, R-Ottumwa, also support- ed the bill. "I think most people, those who look at the state of technology and the ad- vancement of the drugs that are used to combat not just HIV but other com- municable diseases, they would understand," he said. "Now that we have the tech- nology that we do... we've just brought the law up to speed and up to date where we are technologically."

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ATLETICS CONTINUED FROM FRONT

The form of ticket income. An uptick in interest in basketball is showing up in ticket revenues.

Along with increased tick- ets revenue, the department received $650,000 Big Ten distributions for 2014-15, a $565,000 increase in gift income more than ex- pected. In all revenues were

$13 million over projections. However, expenditures were $10 million over esti- mates. Scholarship costs cut $400,000, mostly due to a planned August in The de- partment will have new national facility for track and field. R-Pattys, which is a step toward progress."

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The column focuses on the effects of the author's life and the 9/11 attacks. The author mentions some personal experiences and reflections.
Softball gears up for Buckeyes

Hawks have the potential to jump the Buckeyes and grab a seventh seed if they pull off a sweep.

By JORDAN HANSEN

A crucial Big Ten series awaits the Iowa softball team when it takes on Ohio State at home this weekend at Pearl Field. Three games in three days will determine the Hawkeyes' (15-27-1, 8-12) postseason fate as they face a talented Ohio State squad (26-23, 11-9) that sits one spot ahead of them in the Big Ten standings.

"Ohio State is coming in here hot after sweeping Northwestern last weekend, and we have to take care of that," head coach Marla Looper said. "Plain and simple, we have to take care of ourselves and our teammates, which is the most important thing.

If Iowa could sweep Ohio State, both teams would finish the season with 11-12 records, and the Hawks would overtake the Buckeyes for the third seed in the Big Ten.

A more realistic version of this weekend would have Iowa winning one or two games and probably being awarded an eighth seed depending on how struggling Penn State (14-31, 5-15) does this weekend against Illinois (20-25, 4-16).

It is important to note here that Penn State has lost eight-straight games and will probably not sweep equally awful Illinois, but anything can happen in a very strange Big Ten thus far.

Even with their postseason dreams at least partially hinging on their performance this weekend, Looper's focus remains on the Buckeyes and the three remaining conference games they have yet to play.

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Look forward to it yet," Looper said. "We have to take care of Ohio State and see those opportunities to set ourselves up better for the conference tournament."

The Ohio State series comes on the heels of a very disappointing midweek outing versus Northern Iowa, in which the Hawks lost by a single run after coming back from a 9-run deficit.

Junior Megan Blank, who hit two home runs during the rally, believes that her team still can do some damage this season.

"It's our last weekend of conference, and it's at home, so it's our senior weekend, and we just want to take it one game at a time," she said. "The opponent shouldn't matter, and if we take care of ourselves and do what we can do, we can beat just about anyone.'"

Despite the general negative feeling around this season, there certain-ly still is some confidence in the dugout that something can be salvaged in this season. Even though the season is not what Looper envisioned, the series this weekend could be a jumping off point for either the tournament or next season. Regardless, the head coach will make the most out of her seniors in their last outing as Hawkeyes.

"I'm looking forward to it being a nice weekend; looks like the weather is supposed to be all right, and we should have some May flowers due to all these April showers," Looper said. "I'd like to think we can get out, at home, with a sweep."

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Iowa softball vs. Ohio State

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Hawkeyes softball gears up for Buckeyes.
"O'Brien Wilson is on the verge of doing something really big in the league. I've really started to watch that," Woody said. "I feel like our program is really known to peak at the right time."

In the past, Woody has had a big role in the Big Ten championship meets, as temperatures are supposed to be around 80 and a wind of 14 mph predicted, which is a fairly nice day but as the night falls, things could get a tad chilly.

However, the weather, at least to senior Trevor Kenyon was a tad chilly. " Whatever I need to do to lift the Hawkeyes to a three-game sweep of the Big Ten outdoor championships on May 25, I will be the last official meet to prepare for the conference meet," Woody said. "Assistant coach Chris Robichaud plans to use this last-chance tuneup in specific on areas or events we're not excelling at or even ones we're not excelling at."

"I'm not downsizing the importance of the meet, but the most important part of the year is the Big Ten championships," Roberts said. "The 4x100 meter relay is just a stepping stone to work on some things and make sure that we're actually able to compete against the best of the best."

"We have a lot of things to work on, and I think we can continue to improve in a lot of areas," Anderson said. "We've got a lot of things to work on, and I think we can continue to improve in a lot of areas."
Men's golf heads to Big Ten Tournament

The Iowa men's golf team is in fourth place after 54 holes of this weekend's Big Ten Tournament. The event will begin at 7 a.m. today and will run through May 4.

The Hawkeyes have finished in the top four of the tournament each of the last six seasons and finished no worse than eighth in any season.

“I think we're as ready as we can be. “We are excited about the opportunity to play,” head coach Mark Hankins said in a release. “It’s no different than any other tournament that we play, but it’s a little bit more about our schedule and how we’re going to do ahead of time.”

--- By Jarrad Rankin

Hawks to face Tar Heels in ACC/Big Ten Challenge

The schedule for the annual ACC/ Big Ten Challenge was announced Thursday afternoon, with Iowa drawing a road game against North Carolina.

“Were excited to face some of the best teams in the country, and we understand the value, and we’re going to be as well-coached,” assistant coach Joey Woody said. “At the end of the season, we want to expect.”

The Hawkeyes and Tar Heels meet in a special five-game package as the Hawkeyes compete in both conference tournaments and neutral-site events.

“I think our one tournament in the season, ” assistant coach Joey Woody said in a release. “We’re excited about the opportunity to play North Carolina on Dec. 3.

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Eager for Twilight zone

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When you look at how far the Iowa baseball team has come in just a few months, you can’t help but marvel at the strides the team has made.

Coming off a disappointing 2013 season that saw the Hawkeyes win just 22 games, the team and first-year head coach Rick Heller have eclipsed last year’s victory total with nearly three weeks left to play.

And with a chance to improve their record in Big Ten play this weekend against Ohio State, Iowa has its first legitimate chance to making the Big Ten Tournament since 2010.

While the Hawkeyes’ turnaround is impressive, it took place in a season in which so many key pieces went down with injuries makes it all the more amazing.

For Heller, a veteran coach with more than a decade of experience, injuries are part of the game and something he’s come to expect.

“Every team has to try to deal with it, ” he said. “This year isn’t totally shocked what you throw them in a new sport. he said. “We just try to think of it as part of the game. It’s going to happen, and every team has to try to deal with it.”

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