

2018 LEGISLATIVE GOALS

Adopted by the ICCTA Board of Representatives on February 3, 2018

- **Protect local control**

Illinois community college boards are locally elected or appointed to make decisions affecting the local district and are directly responsive to the electorate. A 2007 Judicial Circuit Court decision reaffirmed the concept that community colleges are units of local government. ICCTA will protect local control of community colleges and oppose any legislation that infringes on this autonomy.

- **Fund community college operations**

Illinois community colleges operate high-quality institutions in a lean and fiscally responsible manner. ICCTA will seek Fiscal Year 2019 state funding to ensure that community colleges continue operating efficiently while keeping tuition and administrative costs low. Illinois community colleges will continue to provide critical educational services, including to the nation's veterans, and to improve student outcomes at a low cost.

- **Fund Monetary Award Program grants**

Manly low-income students rely on state-funded Monetary Award Program grants to attend Illinois community colleges and universities. ICCTA will work to protect these essential financial-aid grants from budget reductions.

- **Fund capital construction projects**

Community colleges have capital needs that are approaching more than \$1 billion statewide. Many of these projects were started several years ago and remain unfinished. ICCTA will pursue the release of funding for essential capital projects at community colleges.

- **Fund adult education programs**

More than 1.8 million people in Illinois lack a high school diploma or equivalent. ICCTA will promote initiatives to support the funding and expansion of adult education and literacy programs in Illinois.

- **Fund the College Insurance Program**

The College Insurance Program is a successful health insurance program for Illinois community college retirees. Efforts are required to improve the funding sources for CIP and allow the City Colleges of Chicago to participate.

- **Support community college bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) degrees**

The rising shortage of registered nurses (especially in rural areas) has prompted Illinois community colleges to seek legislative authority to offer bachelor of science degrees in nursing. ICCTA will support efforts to provide local college districts with the option of conveying the BSN degree.

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2018 COMMUNITY COLLEGE ISSUES

- **Secure full and stable community college funding for FY2019.**
The recent volatility of funding (and non-funding) makes it very difficult for the colleges to plan programs that are needed by their students and community. State funding for community colleges has fallen from \$310 million in FY2002 to \$249 million in FY2018. Predictable, stable and full funding will allow colleges to plan and meet the individual needs within each community college district.
- **Protect the ability of community colleges to be the first choice for dual credit courses in local high schools.**
Students are becoming more aware of the cost of higher education. Student education debt, job availability, and economic opportunity now weigh heavily in the student choice for higher education. Community colleges are a proven value leader in this area. Even more valuable have been dual credit courses that provide high school students with a head start on higher education. Now universities and out-of-state colleges want to invade the dual credit environment.
- **Allow community colleges to fill the current nursing shortage by authorizing community colleges to grant Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees.**
Many areas of Illinois are experiencing severe nursing shortages at the same time that nurses are being asked to bring more knowledge and experience to the workplace. Many of those same nurses wish to obtain, and an increasing number of hospitals and employers require, bachelor degrees but are unable to do so because of a lack of opportunity in their areas. Community colleges have been the leader in educating nurses with associate degrees and wish to provide a path to the BSN in their region and on a schedule that will allow nurses to reach their potential.

SESSION UPDATE

Illinois Community College Trustees Association

February 3, 2018

By: Jessica Nardulli & Tom Ryder

Illinois is celebrating 200 years of statehood in 2018. Since the Illinois General Assembly meets in two-year sessions, we are just starting the second year of the 100th General Assembly. During the first year (2017), we saw the end of the longest budget standoff in Illinois' history. This was accomplished over the veto of Gov. Bruce Rauner. The vote to override the Governor's veto included several Republicans in the Illinois House of Representatives. This partially explains why we are seeing an unusually large number of retirements and resignations by Representatives and Senators. While some members are running for a different office, and some are retiring after long careers, many are not running for re-election because of the toxic environment in Springfield.

During the second year of the 100th General Assembly, we will see an emphasis on the 2018 elections. All State Representatives, 39 Senators, and all statewide officers are up for election. The primary is March 20 and promises to be interesting. Seven Democrats filed for the nomination for Governor, and eight filed for the nomination for Attorney General. Additionally, there are far more primaries than usual in both parties. The large number of incumbents leaving office creates open seats, which attract multiple candidates.

Even the legislative calendar is skewed toward the primary. The House and Senate are only scheduled to be in session for four days each in the month of March. Most of the real legislative action will take place in the months of April and May, with the House scheduled to be in session for 33 days during those two months, and the Senate scheduled to be in session for 34 days.

School funding continues to be a major issue, as the Governor recently vetoed a bill addressing the distribution of some of the funds appropriated to K-12 schools in last year's budget. Will the General Assembly be able to pass a budget in 2018? Will the budget be balanced? Will the budget be limited to 6 months in order to get past the November election? While the temperatures outside are cold, the politics of Illinois are warming up.

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Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

By: Jessica Nardulli & Tom Ryder

February 12, 2018

The 2nd year of the 100th General Assembly is officially underway. The Governor has already presented his State of the State address and this week (February 14th) he will present his budget to the General Assembly.

A number of new bills have been introduced and are listed below. February 16 is the deadline for introducing new bills. In addition to the hundreds of new bills that will be filed by the deadline, any bills not considered during 2017 are still fair game. Committees are slowly getting underway to hear these and many other issues, while everyone's main focus is on the March 20th primary. In fact, there are only 12 session days scheduled for the House and 15 for Senate prior to the primary. We have heard many rumors are that some of those days may yet be cancelled.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH Sponsor Rep. Carol Ammons; Sen. Scott M. Bennett

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading January 30, 2018

HB 4167 SCH CD-SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIC Sponsor Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows a student enrolled in an educator preparation program at a regionally accredited

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LEGISLATION

- HB 4242 - FOIA-Harassment Settlements
- HB 4246 - HB 4248: Trustee Convention Expense Prohibition
- HB 4300 - Community College-Tuition Cap
- HB 4371 - Bonds-Pension Obligation
- HB 4495 - Vocational Opportunity Act
- SB 2597 - Higher Ed - ICCB & ISAC Consolidate

institution of higher education to apply for a substitute teaching license if the student has earned at least 90 credit hours at that institution (rather than requiring all applicants to hold a bachelor's degree or higher). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight

HB 4169 HIGHER ED-SEX VIOLENCE TRANSCR **Sponsor** Rep. Jonathan Carroll

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that certain higher education institutions shall note any violations of a comprehensive policy on any academic transcripts prepared for a student within 5 years following a finding of a violation. Provides that if a student transfers to another higher education institution, certain higher education institutions must also note the violation on any academic transcripts prepared within the 5 years following a finding of a violation. Limits the provisions to public universities and public community colleges.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4206 SCH CD-EDUCATOR LICENSE **Sponsor** Rep. Thomas M. Bennett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4242 FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and

(3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4246 LOCAL GOV CONVENTION EXPENSES **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a entered into before the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4247 CONVENTION SPACE APPROPRIATION **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, State appropriations may not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space for units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or other taxing bodies at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4248 CONVENTION EXPENSE LIMITATIONS **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date of the Act. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act by units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or local taxing bodies, State appropriations shall not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4263 NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT

Sponsor Rep. David B. Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Ratifies and approves the Nurse Licensure Compact, which allows for the issuance of multistate licenses that allow nurses to practice in their home state and other compact states. Provides that the Compact does not supersede existing State labor laws.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4298 NOTICES-ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION

Sponsor Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Notice By Publication Act. Provides that if a governmental unit, community college district, or school district is required to provide notice by publication in a newspaper by law, order of court, or contract, the governmental unit may publish the notice on an official government website instead of in a newspaper. Provides conditions concerning the availability and format of the notice webpage. Repeals a Section concerning the placement of published notices on a statewide website and makes corresponding changes throughout the Act and in the Newspaper Legal Notice Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	To Analytics Subcommittee

HB 4300 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-TUITION CAP

Sponsor Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Removes a provision providing that the variable tuition rates and fees established by the board of trustees of a community college district for students attending a public community college shall not exceed 1/3 of the per capita cost of the college.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Assigned to Community College Access & Affordability Committee

HB 4326 ELEC CD-EQUIPMENT/AUDITS

Sponsor Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Illinois Election Integrity Act. Amends the Election Code. Requires that each election authority (i) conduct an election day audit of a random sample of 10% of votes cast and (ii) provide by contract or employment for the performance by one or more independent auditors of post-election parallel tabulations and audits. Provides for the scope of the audits and the resulting reports. Requires that optical scan technology and direct recording



electronic voting systems meet certain federal and independent testing standards. Creates a voluntary tax checkoff for the Fund. With respect to early voting, requires that an election authority using only direct recording electronic voting systems have paper ballots available for voters wishing to use them. Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the Election Integrity Fund as a special fund in the State treasury.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4346 SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY **Sponsor** Rep. Thaddeus Jones

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4371 BONDS-PENSION OBLIGATION **Sponsor** Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance of an additional \$107,420,000,000 in State Serial Long Term Pension Obligation Bonds. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Serial Long Term Obligation Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4375 LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMAIL ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Email Act. Provides that all emails that are in connection with the transaction of public business sent or received by a unit of local government or school district or an employee, staff member, trustee, board member, elected official, or officer of a unit of local government or school district are public records regardless if the emails are sent or received on a personal or unit-provided or district-provided email address. Requires a unit of local government or school district that provides an email address to one or more of its employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers to provide an email address for all employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, and officers of the unit of local government or school district. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers shall use unit-provided or district-provided email for all communications in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected

officials, or officers shall promptly forward, print, or otherwise provide any email sent or received on his or her personal email address to his or her unit of local government or school district if the email is in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that if an email received on a personal email was carbon copied to a unit-provided and controlled or district-provided and controlled email, a copy of the email does not need to be provided to the unit or district. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4376 TREASURER-COLLEGE SAVINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Treasurer Act. In a Section concerning a college savings pool, provides that moneys may be used for qualified expenses allowed pursuant to Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Provides that, before January 1, 2026, the Treasurer shall allow a rollover of funds contained in a College Savings Pool account into an eligible ABLE account. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4395 ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING **Sponsor** Rep. Chad Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4412 PEN CD-SURS-SENIOR ADMIN STAFF **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4413 PEN CD-BROADCAST MEETINGS**Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that any open meeting of the board of trustees of a retirement system or pension fund or any committee established by a retirement system or pension fund must be broadcast to the public and maintained in real-time on the retirement system's or pension fund's website using a high-speed Internet connection. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4414 PEN CD-EXEC DIR & CIO-APPTMNT**Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Employees, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director or chief investment officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Amends the Chicago Teachers Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director, chief investment officer, or chief legal officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4421 E-VERIFY REQUIRE EMPLOYER**Sponsor** Rep. David B. Reis**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Right to Privacy in the Workplace Act. Requires every employer, after hiring an employee, to verify the employment eligibility of the employee through the E-Verify program. Provides that, in addition to any other requirement for an employer to receive a grant, loan, or performance-based incentive from any government entity, the employer shall register with and participate in the E-Verify program. Provides that before receiving the economic development incentive, the employer shall provide proof to the government entity that the employer is registered with and is participating in the E-Verify program. Provides that the State, its political subdivisions, and units of local government, including home rule units, shall require each employer to use an Employment Eligibility Verification System as a condition of receiving a government contract or a business license. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4425 ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS**Sponsor** Rep. Tim Butler

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4426

 ELEC CD-EARLY VOTING HOURS

Sponsor Rep. Tim Butler

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that on the day before election day, a permanent polling place for early voting must remain open no later than 5:00 p.m. Makes conforming and other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4467

 HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT

Sponsor Rep. Frances Ann Hurley

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4495

 VOCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY ACT

Sponsor Rep. André Thapedi

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Vocational Academy Opportunity Act. Creates 2 vocational academies, one located in Cook County and the other in St. Clair County, which shall be residential institutions. Provides that each academy shall be a State agency, funded by State appropriations, private contributions, and endowments. Provides that the academies shall be governed by a single Board of Trustees for the collective operation and oversight of the academies. Provides for the membership of the Board. Specifies the duties and powers of the Board. Provides that each academy shall be empowered to lease or purchase real and personal property on commercially reasonable terms for the use by the academy.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4499 PUBLIC DUTY RULE CODIFICATION**Sponsor** Rep. Keith R. Wheeler**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Public Duty Rule Codification Act. Contains legislative findings and a statement of legislative purpose. Provides that a local governmental entity and its employees owe no duty of care to individual members of the general public to provide governmental services.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4533 OPEN MEETINGS/FOIA-TRAINING**Sponsor** Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that an elected or appointed member of a public body of a municipality may satisfy the training requirements under the Open Meetings Act and a Freedom of Information Officer may satisfy the training requirements under the Freedom of Information Act by participating in a course of training sponsored or conducted by the Illinois Municipal League. Provides content requirements for the training. Provides that if an organization representing municipalities provides training, it must provide a certificate of course completion to each elected or appointed member of a public body who successfully completes that course of training.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4558 ENVIRONMENTAL BARRIERS-STAIRS**Sponsor** Rep. Margo McDermed**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Environmental Barriers Act. Provides that a public facility or multi-story housing shall have a detectable warning at the bottom step and top step of each stair run. Exempts stairs in dwelling units, stairs in enclosed stair towers, and stairs set to the side of the path of travel. Defines "detectable warning".

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4583 OPEN MEETINGS-SPECIAL MEETINGS**Sponsor** Rep. Brad Halbrook**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that certain notice provisions that currently apply to regular meetings of a public body shall also apply to special meetings of a public body. Requires a public body that has a website maintained by a full-time staff to post the agenda and notice of meetings for both the governing body and all subsidiary bodies of the public body. Removes a provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting. Requires a public body that has a website to post the minutes of a regular, special, or emergency meeting of its governing body (currently, only regular meeting). Allows a court to declare null and void any final

action taken at a meeting in violation of the Act, regardless of whether or not the meeting was a closed meeting. Provides that a court shall (rather than may) assess against any party, except a State's Attorney, reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred by any other party who substantially prevails in any action brought under specified provisions of the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4684 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB **Sponsor** Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4710 HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING **Sponsor** Rep. Sue Scherer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	House	Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Sue Scherer

SB 863 SCH CD-TRAINED OTHER STATES **Sponsor** Sen. Bertino-Tarrant; Rep. Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, for State Board of Education appointments made after the effective date of the amendatory Act, 3 of the members of the State Board must represent the educator community. Sets forth the qualifications for these members and makes other changes with regard to the qualifications of members of the State Board.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2018	Senate	Sent to the Governor

SB 2438

LABOR REL-FINANCIAL ABILITY

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act. Provides that if a unit of local government, as an employer, and public employees provide for arbitration of impasses, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue. Modifies the factors by which an arbitration panel shall base its findings, opinions, and order on a new agreement or amendment upon. Provides that arbitration decisions regarding peace officers, fire fighters, and fire department or fire district paramedic matters under the Act shall not include residency requirements. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. With respect to collective bargaining between an educational employer (other than the Chicago school district) and an exclusive representative of its employees, provides that when making wage and benefit determinations during interest arbitration, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Labor

SB 2476

ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS

Sponsor Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

SB 2477

ELEC CD-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

Sponsor Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that when a person who intends to be a write-in candidate for an uncontested office has not timely filed nomination papers but has filed a written statement or notice of his or her intent, no primary ballot shall be printed (rather than requiring a primary ballot to be prepared and a primary election held). Removes language concerning requirements for the written statement or notice. Removes language providing that an election authority has no duty to conduct a primary and prepare a ballot for a uncontested office, unless the written statement or notice is filed in a timely manner. Provides that where no primary is held, a person intending to become a write-in candidate shall re-file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for the consolidated election with the appropriate election authority or authorities. Provides that a write-in candidate's notarized declaration of intent needs to be filed no more than 106 days before a primary or election for write-in votes for the candidate to be counted. Provides that a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information, otherwise, the declaration shall not be accepted. Provides that person intending to become write-in candidates for President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file a joint declaration of intent to be a write in candidate that identifies the candidate for each office. Provides that a vote cast for either candidate shall constitute a valid write-in vote for the team of candidates.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

SB 2527

SCH CD-DUAL CREDIT-ONLINE

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver

Committee Hearing: Education Hearing Feb 13 2018 1:45PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 2533

BUSINESS ENTERPRISE-POSTING

Sponsors Sen. Martin Sandoval-Kimberly Lightford

Committee Hearing: State Government Hearing Feb 14 2018 2:30PM Capitol 409 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act. Provides that invoices submitted under the Act shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that each such invoice shall indicate which provision of the contract or subcontract has been submitted for payment and the amount due. Provides that, upon payment, the invoice number and the voucher number shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that the State Comptroller may enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Chicago for the purpose of collecting and posting that information.

Last Action

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2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to State Government
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SB 2545 EDUCATION-OPEN MEETINGS **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Open Meetings Act does not apply to meetings of a joint committee formed under certain provisions of the Code. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that negotiating team strategy sessions are included in an exception to the Open Meetings Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Steve Stadelman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 2597 HGER ED-ICCB&ISAC CONSOLIDATE **Sponsor** Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act, the Public Community College Act, and the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Increases the membership of the Board of Higher Education and makes other changes to the Board's membership. Provides that all of the rights, powers, duties, and functions vested by law in the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission are transferred to the Board of Higher Education on January 1, 2019. Abolishes the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission and provides for the transfer of personnel and property on that date.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 2612 ELEC CD-ELECTION AUTHORITIES **Sponsor** Sen. Melinda Bush

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that by January 31 of each year, each election authority shall submit a form with specified information to the State Board of Elections. Provides that the Board, in coordination with advocacy groups, shall develop the form an election authority shall use to submit the specified information. Provides that the Board shall provide a way for an election authority to submit the form online, by mail, or by facsimile. Provides that the Board shall make the information collected available to the public on request.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments



Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

By: Jessica Nardulli & Tom Ryder

March 9-10, 2018

The Governor delivered his Budget Address on February 14. Of primary importance to ICCTA members, he called for shifting the cost of pensions for teachers and university/college employees away from the state. He also proposed eliminating state funding for the Teachers' Retirement Insurance Program (TRIP) and College Insurance Program (CIP). The response to the Governor's proposal was cool, but the budget presented will serve as a discussion point for the coming legislative session and elections.

The deadline to introduce new legislation this spring has passed. The House filed a total of 5,820 bills and the Senate filed 3,579 bills. Many of those are from last year, but they are still available for consideration this year. For the most part, the cards have been dealt and we have the hand we will be playing with for this session – meaning we have a good sense for the issues the General Assembly will consider in 2018. However, things can quickly change with an amendment. We will be watching amendments very closely.

Session has started off very slow, as members are increasingly focused on the March 20 primary elections. If they don't have a race of their own, they are helping colleagues in competitive races. Members have until April 13 to move the mounds of bills they have introduced out of committee.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons; Sen. Scott M. Bennett

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading January 30, 2018

HB 4167 SCH CD-SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIC **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows a student enrolled in an educator preparation program at a regionally accredited

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- HB 4246 - HB 4248: Trustee Convention Expense Prohibition
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- HB 4495 - Vocational Opportunity Act
- HB 5536 - Community College Act - Various
- HB 5629 - Community College Contracts
- SB 2597 - Higher Ed - ICCB & ISAC Consolidate
- SB 2845 - Higher Ed – Employment Contract
- SB 2847 - Community College Staff / Board Member
- SB 2905 - Community College Act – Various
- SB 2968 - Community College Contracts
- SB 3046 - State Insurance (CIP) Enrollment

institution of higher education to apply for a substitute teaching license if the student has earned at least 90 credit hours at that institution (rather than requiring all applicants to hold a bachelor's degree or higher). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	To Special Issues Subcommittee

HB 4169 HIGHER ED-SEX VIOLENCE TRANSCR **Sponsor** Rep. Jonathan Carroll

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that certain higher education institutions shall note any violations of a comprehensive policy on any academic transcripts prepared for a student within 5 years following a finding of a violation. Provides that if a student transfers to another higher education institution, certain higher education institutions must also note the violation on any academic transcripts prepared within the 5 years following a finding of a violation. Limits the provisions to public universities and public community colleges.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4206 SCH CD-EDUCATOR LICENSE **Sponsor** Rep. Thomas M. Bennett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4242 FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and (3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual

discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that when a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters a severance agreement with an employee or contractor because the employee or contractor was found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, the public body shall publish specified information on its Internet website, if one is maintained, and make available such information to the news media for inspection and copying within 72 hours of the taxing body's approval of the severance agreement. Provides exceptions to disclosure of specified information. Provides that no unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall incur liability as a result of its compliance with required disclosures, except for willful or wanton misconduct. Provides that disclosure requirements do not supersede the confidentiality provisions of a severance agreement. Provides that nothing in the applicable provisions shall limit disclosure of public records required to be disclosed under the Act or the Freedom of Information Act. Defines terms. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	House	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4246 LOCAL GOV CONVENTION EXPENSES **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a entered into before the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4247 CONVENTION SPACE APPROPRIATION **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, State appropriations may not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space for units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or other taxing bodies at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4248 CONVENTION EXPENSE LIMITATIONS **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of

the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date of the Act. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act by units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or local taxing bodies, State appropriations shall not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4263 NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT

Sponsor Rep. David B. Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Ratifies and approves the Nurse Licensure Compact, which allows for the issuance of multistate licenses that allow nurses to practice in their home state and other compact states. Provides that the Compact does not supersede existing State labor laws.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4298 NOTICES-ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION

Sponsor Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Notice By Publication Act. Provides that if a governmental unit, community college district, or school district is required to provide notice by publication in a newspaper by law, order of court, or contract, the governmental unit may publish the notice on an official government website instead of in a newspaper. Provides conditions concerning the availability and format of the notice webpage. Repeals a Section concerning the placement of published notices on a statewide website and makes corresponding changes throughout the Act and in the Newspaper Legal Notice Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	To Analytics Subcommittee

HB 4300 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-TUITION CAP

Sponsor Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Removes a provision providing that the variable tuition rates and fees established by the board of trustees of a community college district for students attending a public community college shall not exceed 1/3 of the per capita cost of the college.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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1/30/2018

House

Assigned to Community College Access & Affordability Committee

HB 4326

ELEC CD-EQUIPMENT/AUDITS

Sponsor Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Illinois Election Integrity Act. Amends the Election Code. Requires that each election authority (i) conduct an election day audit of a random sample of 10% of votes cast and (ii) provide by contract or employment for the performance by one or more independent auditors of post-election parallel tabulations and audits. Provides for the scope of the audits and the resulting reports. Requires that optical scan technology and direct recording electronic voting systems meet certain federal and independent testing standards. Creates a voluntary tax checkoff for the Fund. With respect to early voting, requires that an election authority using only direct recording electronic voting systems have paper ballots available for voters wishing to use them. Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the Election Integrity Fund as a special fund in the State treasury.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4346

SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY

Sponsor Rep. Thaddeus Jones

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4371

BONDS-PENSION OBLIGATION

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance of an additional \$107,420,000,000 in State Serial Long Term Pension Obligation Bonds. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Serial Long Term Obligation Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4375

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMAIL ACT

Sponsor Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Email Act. Provides that all emails that are in connection with the transaction of public business sent or received by a unit of local government or school district or an employee, staff member, trustee, board member, elected official, or officer of a unit of local government or school district are public records regardless if the emails are sent or received on a personal or unit-provided or district-provided email address. Requires a unit of local government or school district that provides an email address to one or more of its employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers to provide an email address for all employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, and officers of the unit of local government or school district. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers shall use unit-provided or district-provided email for all communications in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers shall promptly forward, print, or otherwise provide any email sent or received on his or her personal email address to his or her unit of local government or school district if the email is in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that if an email received on a personal email was carbon copied to a unit-provided and controlled or district-provided and controlled email, a copy of the email does not need to be provided to the unit or district. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/12/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4376

TREASURER-COLLEGE SAVINGS

Sponsor Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Treasurer Act. In a Section concerning a college savings pool, provides that moneys may be used for qualified expenses allowed pursuant to Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Provides that, before January 1, 2026, the Treasurer shall allow a rollover of funds contained in a College Savings Pool account into an eligible ABLE account. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	House	To Growth, Reform & Fairness Subcommittee

HB 4395

ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING

Sponsor Rep. Chad Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4412

PEN CD-SURS-SENIOR ADMIN STAFF

Sponsor Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial

and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 4413 PEN CD-BROADCAST MEETINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that any open meeting of the board of trustees of a retirement system or pension fund or any committee established by a retirement system or pension fund must be broadcast to the public and maintained in real-time on the retirement system's or pension fund's website using a high-speed Internet connection. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 4414 PEN CD-EXEC DIR & CIO-APPTMNT **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employees, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director or chief investment officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Amends the Chicago Teachers Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director, chief investment officer, or chief legal officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4421 E-VERIFY REQUIRE EMPLOYER **Sponsor** Rep. David B. Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Right to Privacy in the Workplace Act. Requires every employer, after hiring an employee, to verify the employment eligibility of the employee through the E-Verify program. Provides that, in addition to any other requirement for an employer to receive a grant, loan, or performance-based incentive from any government entity, the employer shall register with and participate in the E-Verify program. Provides that before receiving the economic development incentive, the employer shall provide proof to the government entity that the employer is registered with and is participating in the E-Verify program. Provides that the State, its political subdivisions, and units of local government, including home rule units, shall require each employer to use an Employment Eligibility Verification System as a condition of receiving a government contract or a business license. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4425 ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS **Sponsor** Rep. Tim Butler
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4426 ELEC CD-EARLY VOTING HOURS **Sponsor** Rep. Tim Butler
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that on the day before election day, a permanent polling place for early voting must remain open no later than 5:00 p.m. Makes conforming and other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4467 HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Frances Ann Hurley
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4495 VOCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY ACT **Sponsor** Rep. André Thapedi
Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Vocational Academy Opportunity Act. Creates 2 vocational academies, one located in Cook County and the other in St. Clair County, which shall be residential institutions. Provides that each academy shall be a State agency, funded by State appropriations, private contributions, and endowments. Provides that the academies shall be governed by a single Board of Trustees for the collective operation and oversight of the

academies. Provides for the membership of the Board. Specifies the duties and powers of the Board. Provides that each academy shall be empowered to lease or purchase real and personal property on commercially reasonable terms for the use by the academy.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4499 PUBLIC DUTY RULE CODIFICATION **Sponsor** Rep. Keith R. Wheeler

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Public Duty Rule Codification Act. Contains legislative findings and a statement of legislative purpose. Provides that a local governmental entity and its employees owe no duty of care to individual members of the general public to provide governmental services.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4533 OPEN MEETINGS/FOIA-TRAINING **Sponsor** Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that an elected or appointed member of a public body of a municipality may satisfy the training requirements under the Open Meetings Act and a Freedom of Information Officer may satisfy the training requirements under the Freedom of Information Act by participating in a course of training sponsored or conducted by the Illinois Municipal League. Provides content requirements for the training. Provides that if an organization representing municipalities provides training, it must provide a certificate of course completion to each elected or appointed member of a public body who successfully completes that course of training.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4551 CHILD DAY CARE-FEE DISCLOSURE **Sponsor** Rep. Juliana Stratton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Child Care Act of 1969. Provides that a day care center or day care home must disclose its tuition and other applicable fee information on the day care facility's official website if the day care facility maintains such a website.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4558 ENVIRONMENTAL BARRIERS-STAIRS

Sponsor Rep. Margo McDermid

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Environmental Barriers Act. Provides that a public facility or multi-story housing shall have a detectable warning at the bottom step and top step of each stair run. Exempts stairs in dwelling units, stairs in enclosed stair towers, and stairs set to the side of the path of travel. Defines "detectable warning".

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Special Needs Services

HB 4583 OPEN MEETINGS-SPECIAL MEETINGS

Sponsor Rep. Brad Halbrook

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that certain notice provisions that currently apply to regular meetings of a public body shall also apply to special meetings of a public body. Requires a public body that has a website maintained by a full-time staff to post the agenda and notice of meetings for both the governing body and all subsidiary bodies of the public body. Removes a provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting. Requires a public body that has a website to post the minutes of a regular, special, or emergency meeting of its governing body (currently, only regular meeting). Allows a court to declare null and void any final action taken at a meeting in violation of the Act, regardless of whether or not the meeting was a closed meeting. Provides that a court shall (rather than may) assess against any party, except a State's Attorney, reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred by any other party who substantially prevails in any action brought under specified provisions of the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4684 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4710 HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING

Sponsor Rep. Sue Scherer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 4781 HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Kelly M. Burke

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Requires a public college or university to use its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 4803 LOCAL GOVT TRANSPARENCY ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Transparency Act. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government, either appointed or elected, may not be appointed, elected, or otherwise serve as the treasurer of that unit of local government. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government who is also the treasurer of that unit of local government on the effective date of the Act must comply with the provisions of the Act no later than 90 days after the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	House	Assigned to Cities & Villages Committee

HB 4806 SCH CD-CAREER READY ASSESSMENT **Sponsor** Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With regard to State assessments, provides that the State Board of Education shall develop a process for the college and career ready assessment that allows a school board to apply to the State Board to utilize the nationally recognized and locally selected assessment option of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act. Requires that the State Board of Education adopt technical criteria under specified federal law and rule to evaluate the proposed assessment. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee
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HB 4808 ELECTIONS-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Mike Fortner

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed notarized declarations of intent to be write-in candidates with the proper election authority, authorities, or State Board of Elections no earlier than 120 days prior to the primary or general election, but no later than 70 (rather than 61) days prior to the primary or general election. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate that do not include the specified information shall not be accepted. Provides that persons intending to become write-in candidates for the Offices of President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file one joint declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the State Board of Elections. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4818 PROP TX-INITIAL LEVY **Sponsor** Rep. Al Riley

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that a municipality that has not extended property taxes for any purpose for a continuous 5-year period immediately preceding the tax year of the initial levy may establish an initial levy without resort to referendum, but not to exceed an aggregate rate of 0.25% and further subject to the Truth in Taxation Law. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4833 LOCAL GOV OFFICER COMPENSATION **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Local Government Officer Compensation Act. In provisions regarding compensation of elected officers of school districts and units of local government, defines "compensation" as wages, salaries, commissions, and any other form of remuneration. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4834 VEH CD-COLLEGE POLICE PLATE **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Beginning with the 2020 registration year, allows vehicles owned or operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department.

to be registered for a one-time fee of \$8.00. Requires registration plates for vehicles owned or operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department to contain the designation "university police" or "college police" and to be numbered and distributed as prescribed by the Secretary of State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4838 OPEN MEETINGS POSTING RECORDS **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Requires a unit of local government or school district with an operating budget of \$1 million or more to maintain an Internet website and post to that website, for the current calendar or fiscal year, the following information: (1) information about elected and appointed officials; (2) notice of and materials prepared for meetings; (3) procedures for requesting information from the unit of local government or school district; (4) annual budget; (5) ordinances; (6) procedures to apply for building permits and zoning variances; (7) financial reports and audits; (8) information concerning employee compensation; (9) contracts with lobbying firms; (10) taxes and fees imposed by the unit of local government or school district; (11) rules governing the award of contracts; (12) bids and contracts worth \$25,000 or more; (13) a debt disclosure report; and (14) public notices. Provides that any citizen who is a resident of the unit of local government or school district may bring a mandamus or injunction action to compel the unit of local government or school district to comply with the Internet posting requirements. Limits home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides for a statutory exemption for any electronic copy of a record or information maintained on specified websites. Amends the Department of Central Management Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4839 PENCD-STATE SYS-TIER 3 **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. For the 5 State-funded Retirement Systems: Requires implementation of a Tier 3 plan that aggregates State and employee contributions in individual participant accounts. Provides that a person who becomes a participant on or after July 1, 2019 shall participate in the Tier 3 plan. Authorizes a Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant to elect to participate in the Tier 3 plan. Repeals provisions relating to a hybrid benefit plan and makes related changes. Requires Systems to offer an optional accelerated benefit payment to certain members in lieu of receiving a pension and authorizes the issuance of bonds for those payments. Authorizes a person to elect not to participate or to terminate participation in the Systems. Restricts participation in the General Assembly Retirement System to current participants. In Articles 7, 14, 15, and 16, for new participants, prohibits unused sick or vacation time from being used to calculate pensionable salary or establish service credit. In Articles 15 and 16, requires an employer to pay the projected costs of the increase in pension benefits associated with an increase in salary. In Article 16, prohibits an employer from making employee contributions on behalf of an employee, except as specified. Amends other Acts to prohibit collective bargaining over that prohibition and make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee
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HB 4841 LABOR AGREEMENT HEARINGS

Sponsor Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act and the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that, once an agreement is reached between a public or educational employer and its employees regarding all of the terms of a collective bargaining agreement, the agreement shall be reduced to writing and published on the website of the public or educational employer. Requires the public or educational employer, not less than 14 days after publishing such an agreement, to hold an open public meeting on the ratification of that agreement. Provides that any contract between a public employer and an employee where the total compensation exceeds \$150,000 shall be published on the employer's website for a period of not less than 14 days prior to being signed by both the employer and the employee. Requires the public employer to hold an open public meeting on the contract in addition to posting it for 14 days if that contract is subject to board approval. Makes conforming changes in the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4876 ELECTIONS-ELECTRONIC FILING

Sponsor Rep. Tim Butler

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that electronic filing is required for all political committees, regardless of the amount of contributions, expenditures, or loans received by that political committee. Removes language allowing the State Board of Elections to provide by rule for the optional electronic filing of expenditure and contribution reports for political committees. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4894 UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE

Sponsor Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4956 SCH CD-TEACHERS-3-YEAR DEGREE **Sponsor** Rep. John Cavaletto

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, every public university in this State that offers an educator preparation program must offer to those students enrolled in the educator preparation program a 3-year degree completion program. Provides that prior to implementation of the program, a public university shall submit to the Board of Higher Education the curriculum and requirements of its program for approval. Provides that upon completion of the program, a student shall receive a bachelor's degree and qualify for entitlement for licensure. Requires the Board of Higher Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board and the State Board of Education, to adopt rules to implement the program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5020 HGER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 5021 IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING **Sponsor** Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5062 SCH CD-TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRM **Sponsor** Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the State Board of Education shall develop and maintain a program aimed at facilitating education in advanced manufacturing technical skills. Provides that the program shall be implemented in no less than 12 public high schools, over the span of 3 years, where the youth unemployment rate is at least twice the national average. Specifies program requirements. Provides that the State Board shall ensure that each high school participating in the program has adequate funding for at least one industry coordinator, tutoring, pre-employment and on-the-job mentoring, professional and leadership development, and life and financial management instruction. Provides that the State Board shall use a program provider to help design, build, and accredit the training program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5109

COMMUNITY BEHAV HEALTH CARE

Sponsor Rep. Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program Act. Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program to be administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that the Program shall provide loan assistance, subject to appropriation, to eligible mental health and substance use professionals practicing in a community mental health center in an underserved or rural federally designated Mental Health Professional Shortage Area. Provides that applicants must enter into a minimum 2-year contract. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that Program participants who, for any reason, fail to begin or complete the required period of obligated service shall be liable to the Commission for an amount equal to the number of months of obligated service not completed multiplied by \$2,500 and interest on the amount at the maximum legal prevailing rate, as determined by the Treasurer of the United States from the date of breach.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Mental Health Committee

HB 5122

DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's

earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Appropriations-Higher Education Committee

HB 5138 PEN CD-SURS & TRS-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. In provisions of the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles that require a participant's employer to make an additional contribution if the participant's salary exceeds the amount of salary set for the Governor, removes a provision that specifies that the salary of the participant is determined on a full-time equivalent basis. In the Downstate Teacher Article, provides that for the purpose of calculating a refund under the Article, "accumulated contributions" does not include any contributions greater than those actually received by the System. Provides that any person (rather than any person, member, trustee, or employee of the Board) who knowingly makes any false statement or falsifies or permits to be falsified any record of the System in an attempt to defraud the System, any other retirement system or pension fund created under the Code, or the Illinois State Board of Investment (rather than the System) is guilty of a Class 3 felony (rather than a Class A misdemeanor). Provides that the violation shall be deemed to be relating to the person's service as a teacher for the purpose of the felony forfeiture provisions of the Article. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5204 SCH CD-COLLEGE APP REQUIRED

Sponsor Rep. Nicholas K Smith

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, each school district that maintains grades 9 through 12 shall require each student in grade 11 to file an application for admission to a public or private college, university, trade or vocational school, or internship or apprenticeship program or for entry into military service as a prerequisite to receiving a high school diploma; defines "military service".

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5247 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5268

FOIA-GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS

Sponsor Rep. Sam Yingling**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Defines "member-based organization" as any group, association, or organization that: (1) has a membership that includes one or more government taxing bodies; (2) lobbies on behalf of its governmental members; and (3) receives a majority of its funding from its governmental members. Provides that a member-based organization is a public body under the Act; however, only records relating to the member-based organization's receipt of public funds or its expenditures made in whole or in part with public funds are public records subject to inspection and copying by the public.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5402

\$FY19 ICCB OCE

Sponsor Rep. Jim Durkin**Synopsis As Introduced**

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Illinois Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, as follows: General Funds \$202,715,100; Other State Funds \$116,825,000; Federal Funds \$43,000,000; Total \$362,540,100.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5404

\$FY19 SURS OCE

Sponsor Rep. Jim Durkin**Synopsis As Introduced**

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the State Universities Retirement System for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, as follows: General Funds \$1,414,498,000; Other State Funds \$140,000,000; Total \$1,554,498,000.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5458

HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsor Rep. Norine K. Hammond**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the

General Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5460 HIGHER ED-COLLEGE SAVINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Norine K. Hammond

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Treasurer Act and Illinois Prepaid Tuition Act. Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2018, for a designated beneficiary or qualified beneficiary who is a State resident, no contributions toward the College Savings Pool or the purchase of an Illinois prepaid tuition contract may be considered in evaluating the financial situation of the beneficiary or be deemed a financial resource or form of financial aid or assistance to the beneficiary for purposes of determining the eligibility of the beneficiary for any scholarship, grant, or monetary assistance awarded by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that contributions toward the College Savings Pool or the purchase of an Illinois prepaid tuition contract may not reduce the amount of any scholarship, grant, or monetary assistance that the beneficiary is eligible to be awarded by the Commission. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5461 CDB-CONTRACT ADMIN FEES **Sponsor** Rep. Chad Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that certain administration fees do not apply to institutions of higher education, including public institutions of higher education.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5471 UNIV RETAIL SALES-INST DEFINED **Sponsor** Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the University Credit and Retail Sales Act. Changes the short title of the Act to the Higher Education Institution Credit and Retail Sales Act. Defines "State institution of higher learning" to mean a university, college, community college, or junior college in this State that is publicly supported by taxes levied and collected within the State on income, sales, or property. Provides that "State institution of higher learning" does not include a post-secondary educational institution as defined under the Private College Act. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5472 PEN CD-ACCEL BENEFIT PAYMENT

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teacher Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires each System to implement an accelerated pension benefit payment option for Tier 1 members who have submitted an application for a retirement annuity and meet other requirements. Requires each System to offer an eligible Tier 1 member the opportunity to irrevocably elect to have his or her automatic annual increases in retirement annuity calculated using the Tier 2 formula in exchange for an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the difference of the present value of the automatic annual increases in the Tier 1 member's retirement annuity using the formula applicable to the Tier 1 member and the present value of the automatic annual increases in the Tier 1 member's retirement annuity using the Tier 2 formula. Contains provisions concerning definitions; return to active service; depositing the payments into other qualified retirement plans; qualified plan status; and rulemaking. Excludes the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Adds provisions defining "Tier 1 member" and repeals the definitions of "Tier 1 member" added by Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5514 HIGHER ED-1YR COLLEGE PROMISE

Sponsor Rep. Justin Slaughter

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act to create the First-Year College Promise Fund as a special fund in the State treasury. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to implement and administer a program to award First-Year College Promise grants to low-income Illinois residents seeking an associate degree from a public community college or a bachelor's degree from a public university. Provides that a First-Year College Promise grant shall be equal to the cost of tuition and mandatory fees at the public institution for 2 semesters of enrollment. Sets forth the terms and conditions of the program.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5536 COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Chad Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing

the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5629 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS **Sponsor** Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5731 PROP TX-PTELL **Sponsor** Rep. Jim Durkin

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for levy years 2018 through 2021, the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law applies to all taxing districts, including home rule units. Provides that, for levy years 2018 through 2021, the extension limitation under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Provides that, for taxing districts that became subject to the Law as a result of the amendatory Act, "aggregate extension" does not include special purpose extensions made for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the taxing district prior to the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that taxing districts may provide for the continuation of the amendatory Act for up to 4 years upon referendum approval. Provides that the voters of the taxing district may require a reduction in the taxing district's aggregate extension base by referendum. Preempts home rule. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5736 INC TX-JOB TRAINING CREDIT **Sponsor** Rep. Tony McCombie

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that an employer may enter into an agreement with a community college in the State to establish a project. Provides that the term "project" means a program established by the community college to provide certain job training services. Provides that the employer is entitled to a credit against withholding tax payments in an amount equal to 1.5% of the wages paid by the employer to a participating employee during the first year of the employee's participation in the program. Provides that the employer shall remit the amount of the credit to the community college. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5746 HGER ED-SEXUAL VIOLENCE STUDY **Sponsor** Rep. Michelle Mussman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, each public or private higher education institution shall require all entering freshmen to receive, during a period of orientation or in an introductory course offered by the institution, instruction aimed at increasing the awareness and prevention of sexual violence and hate crimes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5758 DUAL CREDIT ACT-STATE CAMPUS **Sponsor** Rep. Monica Bristow

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Provides that an institution may not offer a dual credit program with a high school in this State if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Prohibits the Illinois Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education from approving an institution's offer of dual credit courses if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 863 SCH CD-TRAINED OTHER STATES **Sponsor** Sen. Bertino-Tarrant; Rep. Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, for State Board of Education appointments made after the effective date of the amendatory Act, 3 of the members of the State Board must represent the educator community. Sets forth the qualifications for these members and makes other changes with regard to the qualifications of members of the State Board.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/6/2018	Senate	Sent to the Governor
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SB 888 COMMUNITY COLL-NURSING DEGREE **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Public Community College Act. Allows a board of trustees of a community college district to establish and offer a baccalaureate-level nursing education program and confer a bachelor of science degree in nursing upon the meeting of specified conditions. Requires approval of both the Illinois Community College Board and Board of Higher Education. Limits the number of programs that may be approved to 20 until August 31, 2022. Requires the Illinois Community College Board to conduct a statewide evaluation of nursing programs established under the provisions and report on the results of the evaluation by July 1, 2022. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
8/4/2017	Senate	Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-9(b) / Referred to Assignments

SB 2234 HIGHER ED CENTERS EXCELLENCE **Sponsor** Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Requires the Board of Higher Education to establish a uniform admission process online, which must be used at all public institutions of higher education; sets forth what components this admission process must include. Requires the Board (i) to ensure that any high school student in this State with a 3.0 cumulative grade point average or better on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent on a 5.0 scale) receives access to the opportunity of higher education and (ii) to guarantee admission to a public university; requires cooperation by the State Board of Education, high schools, and public universities. Requires the Board to conduct a study of the academic programs offered at each public university campus. Sets forth the Board's duties concerning the study. Requires the Board to use the results of the study and other specified factors to determine which academic programs should be prioritized at campuses of public universities and to create and designate Higher Education Strategic Centers of Excellence. Requires the Board to work with the Illinois Community College Board to develop recommendations to integrate community colleges into this plan. Sets forth additional Board of Higher Education duties concerning evaluating programmatic expansions and new programs and studying student financial aid and multi-year budgeting. Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities to make conforming changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	Senate	Postponed - Higher Education

SB 2438 LABOR REL-FINANCIAL ABILITY **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act. Provides that if a unit of local government, as an employer, and public employees provide for arbitration of impasses, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue. Modifies the factors by which an arbitration panel shall base its findings, opinions, and order on a new agreement or amendment upon. Provides that arbitration decisions regarding peace officers, fire fighters, and fire department or fire district paramedic

matters under the Act shall not include residency requirements. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. With respect to collective bargaining between an educational employer (other than the Chicago school district) and an exclusive representative of its employees, provides that when making wage and benefit determinations during interest arbitration, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Labor

SB 2476 ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS **Sponsor** Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

SB 2477 ELEC CD-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that when a person who intends to be a write-in candidate for an uncontested office has not timely filed nomination papers but has filed a written statement or notice of his or her intent, no primary ballot shall be printed (rather than requiring a primary ballot to be prepared and a primary election held). Removes language concerning requirements for the written statement or notice. Removes language providing that an election authority has no duty to conduct a primary and prepare a ballot for a uncontested office, unless the written statement or notice is filed in a timely manner. Provides that where no primary is held, a person intending to become a write-in candidate shall re-file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for the consolidated election with the appropriate election authority or authorities. Provides that a write-in candidate's notarized declaration of intent needs to be filed no more than 106 days before a primary or election for write-in votes for the candidate to be counted. Provides that a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information, otherwise, the declaration shall not be accepted. Provides that person intending to become write-in candidates for President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file a joint declaration of intent to be a write in candidate that identifies the candidate for each office. Provides that a vote cast for either candidate shall constitute a valid write-in vote for the team of candidates.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act. Provides that invoices submitted under the Act shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that each such invoice shall indicate which provision of the contract or subcontract has been submitted for payment and the amount due. Provides that, upon payment, the invoice number and the voucher number shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that the State Comptroller may enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Chicago for the purpose of collecting and posting that information.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to State Government

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that during the period beginning September 1 of the year of a general election and ending the day after the general election, the proper name or image of any executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall not be included in a public announcement on behalf of an executive branch constitutional officer, member of the General Assembly, or State agency related to any contract or grant awarded by a State agency. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that appropriated funds may only be expended during the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Provides that if any State agency receives a grant or contract from itself from appropriated funds, the recipient agency shall be restricted in the expenditure of these funds to the period during which the grantor agency was so restricted. Amends the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall convene a subcommittee of the Illinois Single Audit Commission to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of legislation. Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Sets forth provisions concerning the stop payment system. Modifies a Section concerning the adoption of supplemental rules by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Modifies a Section concerning the annual report submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Provides requirements for awarded grants. Sets forth provisions concerning the travel costs incurred by the employees of the recipient or subrecipient of an awarded grant. Requires nonprofit organizations to maintain State grant funds in an account which is separate from non-grant funds. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/28/2018	Senate	Postponed - Government Reform
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SB 2545 EDUCATION-OPEN MEETINGS **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Open Meetings Act does not apply to meetings of a joint committee formed under certain provisions of the Code. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that negotiating team strategy sessions are included in an exception to the Open Meetings Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Steve Stadelman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2597 HGER ED-ICCB&ISAC CONSOLIDATE **Sponsor** Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act, the Public Community College Act, and the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Increases the membership of the Board of Higher Education and makes other changes to the Board's membership. Provides that all of the rights, powers, duties, and functions vested by law in the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission are transferred to the Board of Higher Education on January 1, 2019. Abolishes the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission and provides for the transfer of personnel and property on that date.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may require the elimination of any program of instruction, research, or public service at a public university that exhibits a trend of low performance. Provides that, in evaluating programmatic expansions and new programs at a public institution of higher education, the Board, prior to approving the expansions or programs, shall make certain findings about the region and the higher education infrastructure in this State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education
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SB 2612 ELEC CD-ELECTION AUTHORITIES **Sponsor** Sen. Melinda Bush

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that by January 31 of each year, each election authority shall submit a form with specified information to the State Board of Elections. Provides that the Board, in coordination with advocacy groups, shall develop the form an election authority shall use to submit the specified information. Provides that the Board shall provide a way for an election authority to submit the form online, by mail, or by facsimile. Provides that the Board shall make the information collected available to the public on request.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 2845 HIGHER ED-EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT **Sponsor** Sen. Thomas Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to employment contracts entered into with the president or all chancellors of a public university or an employee of a community college district, provides that severance under the contract may not exceed 6 months (rather than one year) of salary and applicable benefits.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2846 DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS **Sponsor** Sen. Cristina Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Human Services

SB 2847 COMM COLL-STAFF-BOARD MEMBER **Sponsor** Sen. Cristina Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that a faculty or staff member of a community college is ineligible to serve as a member, elected or otherwise, of the board of trustees of the community college district in which the faculty or staff member is employed. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2905 COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS **Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2927 HIGHER ED-VETERAN ACT-REPORT **Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Provides that each public college or university that is required to have a Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services shall report to the Board of Higher Education information on the its efforts in attracting, recruiting, and retaining veterans and military personnel at the institution. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2954

PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB

Sponsor Sen. Omar Aquino**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 13, 2018

SB 2968

COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS

Sponsor Sen. Pamela J. Althoff**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 2969

HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsor Sen. Paul Schimpf**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act, eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries may elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the Act. Provides that the election must be made during the benefit recipient's annual open enrollment period, subject to specified conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 13, 2018

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Feb 27 2018 3:15PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires those Systems to offer certain inactive members the opportunity to elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the net present value of their pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. Provides that if a person elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment, his or her credits and creditable service under that Article shall be terminated upon receipt of the accelerated pension benefit payment; except that the terminated service credit shall be used for the purposes of determining participation and benefits under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that a person who receives an accelerated pension benefit payment must direct the System to pay all of that payment as a rollover into another qualified retirement plan or account. Contains provisions concerning return to active service; rulemaking; and qualified plan status. Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 to make related changes. Requires the Authority to issue bonds if the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payments exceed the amount appropriated to each System for those payments. Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes \$250,000,000 in State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds to be sold to pay for accelerated pension benefit payments to eligible persons. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Licensed Activities and Pensions

SB 3090 IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING**Sponsor** Sen. Jim Oberweis**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3138 HGHR ED-STUDNT IDENTIY-PRIVATE**Sponsor** Sen. Scott M. Bennett**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or financial assistance applicant or recipient under the Act is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Judiciary

SB 3176 HGER ED-BOARD OF REGENTS**Sponsor** Sen. Dan McConchie**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that, beginning with the fiscal year 2020 budget, the budget submitted by the Governor shall include one or more line items appropriating moneys to the Board of Regents. Provides that all appropriations for public universities shall be made to the Board of Regents. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Creates the Board of Regents to allocate funds to public universities based on a funding formula recommended by the Board of Higher Education. Provides for the membership of the Board. Provides that the boards of trustees of public universities shall submit to the Board of Regents no later than the 15th day of November of each year their budget proposals for the operation and capital needs of the institutions under their governance or supervision for the ensuing fiscal year. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may require the elimination of any program of instruction, research, or public service at a public university that exhibits a trend of low performance or low enrollment. Provides that the Board of Higher Education shall prepare a comprehensive statewide plan to increase efficiency and enrollment in public institutions of higher education. Specifies the plan requirements. Prohibits the Board of Regents from providing any funds to a public university that does not adhere to the plan.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3190 DUAL CREDIT-INITIATIVE COURSE **Sponsor** Sen. Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Requires a public university or community college, jointly with a high school, to grant dual credit to a student who completes a course under the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum package adopted by the public university or community college under the Illinois Articulation Initiative Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 3209 CDB-HIGHER EDUCATION **Sponsor** Sen. Antonio Muñoz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that the Capital Development Board has the power to construct and repair, or to contract for and supervise the construction and repair of, buildings under the control or for the use of any public institution of higher education when non-appropriated funds are used and both the Capital Development Board and the public institution of higher education mutually agree to that construction or supervision. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Appropriations II

SB 3288 UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE **Sponsor** Sen. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3566

BD HIGHER ED-UNIFORM ADMISSION

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Requires the Board of Higher Education to establish a uniform admission process online, which must be used at all public institutions of higher education; sets forth what components this admission process must include. Effective July 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3567

MAP GRANT-FRESHMAN PREFERENCE

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. With regard to the Monetary Award Program, provides that a student who otherwise meets the award renewal requirements under the Program is not required to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid to obtain the renewal of an award. Provides that, beginning with the 2020-2021 academic year, a grant awarded to a first-time, full-time freshman of an institution of higher learning shall be guaranteed for renewal until the grant recipient completes a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent of 135 credit hours if the recipient otherwise meets the grant renewal requirements and remains enrolled at the same institution of higher learning until the degree or credit hours are completed.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3569

HIGHER ED-TUITION WAIVER LIMIT

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not limit the amount of tuition revenue that a public university may waive. Repeals provisions regarding tuition waiver limitations in various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HR 27

EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT

House Sponsors

Rep. David McSweeney-Sam Yingling-Jerry Costello, Il-Jay Hoffman-Mary E. Flowers, Norine K. Hammond, Allen Skillicorn, Bill Mitchell, Linda Chapa LaVia, Cynthia Soto, Stephanie A. Kifowit, Sara Wojcicki Jimenez, Katie Stuart, Terri Bryant, LaToya Greenwood, Sue Scherer, Deb Conroy, David B. Reis, Natalie A. Manley, John Cavaletto, C.D. Davidsmeyer, Charles Meier, Randy E. Frese, Michael Halpin, John Connor, Emanuel Chris Welch, Anna Moeller, Tony McCombie, Will Guzzardi, Litesa E. Wallace, Peter Breen, Carol Ammons, Monica Bristow, Natalie Phelps Finnie, Kelly M. Burke, John M. Cabello, Daniel Swanson, Christine Winger, Luis Arroyo, Camille Y. Lilly, Mark Batinick, Jehan Gordon-Booth, Nick Sauer, Chad Hays, Lawrence Walsh, Jr., Steven A.

Andersson, Thaddeus Jones, Barbara Wheeler, Jonathan Carroll, Steven Reick, David A. Welter, Joe Sosnowski, Dave Severin, Keith R. Wheeler, Lindsay Parkhurst, Brad Halbrook, Rita Mayfield, Arthur Turner, Marcus C. Evans, Jr., Nicholas K Smith, David S. Olsen, Martin J. Moylan, Keith P. Sommer, Juliana Stratton, William Davis and Kathleen Willis

Synopsis As Introduced

States the opinion of the Illinois House of Representatives that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
9/28/2017	House	Rule 19(b) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

SR 1411 MARCH-DUAL CREDIT WEEK

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Recognizes March 18, 2018 through March 24, 2018 as Dual Credit Week at the State Capitol.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

SR 1413 EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT

Sponsor Sen. Thomas Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

States the opinion of the Illinois Senate that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education



Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

By: Jessica Nardulli & Tom Ryder

April 9, 2018

The General Assembly returns to Springfield this week. They are working toward an April 13 deadline to pass substantive bills out of committees in their chamber of origin (Senate bills out of the Senate and House bills out of the House).

This is the first assembly since the March 20 primary. There were no major election upsets that would change the balance of power, although the Governor won a brutal battle with major party fences to mend before the November general election. That said, passing a new 2018-19 budget is the most critical agenda item for lawmakers to tackle by May 31st. A capital bill is also sorely needed, but conventional wisdom suggests it won't happen until after the fall election. Meanwhile, legislators hope to tackle a plethora of issues ranging from gun control to sexual harassment to Constitutional amendments for ERA and creating an independent commission for drawing legislative maps.

Attached is a long list of bills potentially impacting community colleges with updated committee hearing schedules for this week. This list should be significantly smaller after Friday's committee hearing deadline.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons; Sen. Scott M. Bennett

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/13/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading March 14, 2018

HB 4167 SCH CD-SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIC **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Committee Hearing:

Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight Hearing Apr 10 2018 8:00AM Capitol Building Room 115 Springfield, IL

KEY

LEGISLATION

- HB 4242 - FOIA-Harassment Settlements
- HB 4246 - HB 4248: Trustee Convention Expense Prohibition
- HB 4300 - Community College-Tuition Cap
- HB 4371 - Bonds-Pension Obligation
- HB 4495 - Vocational Opportunity Act
- HB 5536 - Community College Act - Various
- HB 5629 - Community College Contracts
- SB 2597 - Higher Ed - ICCB & ISAC Consolidate
- SB 2845 - Higher Ed – Employment Contract
- SB 2847 - Community College Staff / Board Member
- SB 2905 - Community College Act – Various
- SB 2968 - Community College Contracts
- SB 3046 - State Insurance (CIP) Enrollment

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows a student enrolled in an educator preparation program at a regionally accredited institution of higher education to apply for a substitute teaching license if the student has earned at least 90 credit hours at that institution (rather than requiring all applicants to hold a bachelor's degree or higher). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	To Special Issues Subcommittee

HB 4169

HIGHER ED-SEX VIOLENCE TRANSCR

Sponsor Rep. Jonathan Carroll**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that certain higher education institutions shall note any violations of a comprehensive policy on any academic transcripts prepared for a student within 5 years following a finding of a violation. Provides that if a student transfers to another higher education institution, certain higher education institutions must also note the violation on any academic transcripts prepared within the 5 years following a finding of a violation. Limits the provisions to public universities and public community colleges.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4206

SCH CD-EDUCATOR LICENSE

Sponsor Rep. Thomas M. Bennett**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4242

FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS

Sponsors Rep. McSweeney; Sen. T. Cullerton**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the

jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and (3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that when a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters a severance agreement with an employee or contractor because the employee or contractor was found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, the public body shall publish specified information on its Internet website, if one is maintained, and make available such information to the news media for inspection and copying within 72 hours of the taxing body's approval of the severance agreement. Provides exceptions to disclosure of specified information. Provides that no unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall incur liability as a result of its compliance with required disclosures, except for willful or wanton misconduct. Provides that disclosure requirements do not supersede the confidentiality provisions of a severance agreement. Provides that nothing in the applicable provisions shall limit disclosure of public records required to be disclosed under the Act or the Freedom of Information Act. Defines terms. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/9/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4246 LOCAL GOV CONVENTION EXPENSES **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a entered into before the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4247 CONVENTION SPACE APPROPRIATION **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, State appropriations may not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space for units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or other taxing bodies at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Provides that a State agency shall not expend public funds to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space at a convention or gathering of personnel. Provides that those provisions do not apply to public funds expended under a contract entered into before the effective date of the amendatory Act or to public funds expended for physical space at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Defines "State agency" as the departments of the executive branch of State government listed in Section 5-15 of the Departments of State Government Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4248 CONVENTION EXPENSE LIMITATIONS **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney
Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date of the Act. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act by units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or local taxing bodies, State appropriations shall not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4263 NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT **Sponsor** Rep. David B. Reis
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Ratifies and approves the Nurse Licensure Compact, which allows for the issuance of multistate licenses that allow nurses to practice in their home state and other compact states. Provides that the Compact does not supersede existing State labor laws.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4298 NOTICES-ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION **Sponsor** Rep. Joe Sosnowski
Committee Hearing:

Cost Benefit Analysis Committee Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL - House Committee Amendment 1

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Notice By Publication Act. Provides that if a governmental unit, community college district, or school district is required to provide notice by publication in a newspaper by law, order of court, or contract, the governmental unit may publish the notice on an official government website instead of in a newspaper. Provides conditions concerning the availability and format of the notice webpage. Repeals a Section concerning the placement of published notices on a statewide website and makes corresponding changes throughout the Act and in the Newspaper Legal Notice Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	To Analytics Subcommittee

HB 4300 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-TUITION CAP **Sponsor** Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Committee Hearing:

Community College Access & Affordability Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 9:00AM Capitol Building Room 115 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Removes a provision providing that the variable tuition rates and fees established by the board of trustees of a community college district for students attending a public community college shall not exceed 1/3 of the per capita cost of the college.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Assigned to Community College Access & Affordability Committee

HB 4326 ELEC CD-EQUIPMENT/AUDITS **Sponsor** Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

Committee Hearing: Elections & Campaign Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 12:00PM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Illinois Election Integrity Act. Amends the Election Code. Requires that each election authority (i) conduct an election day audit of a random sample of 10% of votes cast and (ii) provide by contract or employment for the performance by one or more independent auditors of post-election parallel tabulations and audits. Provides for the scope of the audits and the resulting reports. Requires that optical scan technology and direct recording electronic voting systems meet certain federal and independent testing standards. Creates a voluntary tax checkoff for the Fund. With respect to early voting, requires that an election authority using only direct recording electronic voting systems have paper ballots available for voters wishing to use them. Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the Election Integrity Fund as a special fund in the State treasury.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4346 SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY **Sponsor** Rep. Thaddeus Jones

Committee Hearing:

Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee Hearing Apr 10 2018 10:00AM Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high

school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee

HB 4371 BONDS-PENSION OBLIGATION

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance of an additional \$107,420,000,000 in State Serial Long Term Pension Obligation Bonds. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Serial Long Term Obligation Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4375 LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMAIL ACT

Sponsor Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Email Act. Provides that all emails that are in connection with the transaction of public business sent or received by a unit of local government or school district or an employee, staff member, trustee, board member, elected official, or officer of a unit of local government or school district are public records regardless if the emails are sent or received on a personal or unit-provided or district-provided email address. Requires a unit of local government or school district that provides an email address to one or more of its employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers to provide an email address for all employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, and officers of the unit of local government or school district. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers shall use unit-provided or district-provided email for all communications in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers shall promptly forward, print, or otherwise provide any email sent or received on his or her personal email address to his or her unit of local government or school district if the email is in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that if an email received on a personal email was carbon copied to a unit-provided and controlled or district-provided and controlled email, a copy of the email does not need to be provided to the unit or district. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/12/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4376 TREASURER-COLLEGE SAVINGS

Sponsor Rep. Peter Breen

Committee Hearing:

Revenue & Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 3:00PM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL
Growth, Reform & Fairness Subcommittee Hearing Apr 11 2018 3:02PM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Treasurer Act. In a Section concerning a college savings pool, provides that moneys may be used for qualified expenses allowed pursuant to Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Provides that, before January 1, 2026, the Treasurer shall allow a rollover of funds contained in a College Savings Pool account into an eligible ABLE account. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	House	To Growth, Reform & Fairness Subcommittee

HB 4395 ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING **Sponsor** Rep. Chad Hays

Committee Hearing: Elections & Campaign Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 12:00PM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4412 PEN CD-SURS-SENIOR ADMIN STAFF **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

Committee Hearing: Personnel & Pensions Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 11:00AM Capitol Building Room 118 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 4413 PEN CD-BROADCAST MEETINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

Committee Hearing:

Personnel & Pensions Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 11:00AM Capitol Building Room 118 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that any open meeting of the board of trustees of a retirement system or pension fund or any committee established by a retirement system or pension fund must be broadcast to the public and maintained in real-time on the retirement system's or pension fund's website using a high-speed Internet connection. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 4414

PEN CD-EXEC DIR & CIO-APPTMNT

Sponsor Rep. Carol Ammons

Committee Hearing:

Personnel & Pensions Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 11:00AM Capitol Building Room 118 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employees, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director or chief investment officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Amends the Chicago Teachers Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director, chief investment officer, or chief legal officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 4421

E-VERIFY REQUIRE EMPLOYER

Sponsor Rep. David B. Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Right to Privacy in the Workplace Act. Requires every employer, after hiring an employee, to verify the employment eligibility of the employee through the E-Verify program. Provides that, in addition to any other requirement for an employer to receive a grant, loan, or performance-based incentive from any government entity, the employer shall register with and participate in the E-Verify program. Provides that before receiving the economic development incentive, the employer shall provide proof to the government entity that the employer is registered with and is participating in the E-Verify program. Provides that the State, its political subdivisions, and units of local government, including home rule units, shall require each employer to use an Employment Eligibility Verification System as a condition of receiving a government contract or a business license. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4425 ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS **Sponsor** Rep. Tim Butler

Committee Hearing: Elections & Campaign Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 12:00PM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4426 ELEC CD-EARLY VOTING HOURS **Sponsor** Rep. Tim Butler

Committee Hearing: Elections & Campaign Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 12:00PM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that on the day before election day, a permanent polling place for early voting must remain open no later than 5:00 p.m. Makes conforming and other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4467 HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Frances Ann Hurley

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Appropriations-Higher Education Committee

HB 4495 VOCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY ACT **Sponsor** Rep. André Thapedi

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Vocational Academy Opportunity Act. Creates 2 vocational academies, one located in Cook County and the other in St. Clair County, which shall be residential institutions. Provides that each academy shall be a State agency, funded by State appropriations, private contributions, and endowments. Provides that the academies shall be governed by a single Board of Trustees for the collective operation and oversight of the academies. Provides for the membership of the Board. Specifies the duties and powers of the Board. Provides that each academy shall be empowered to lease or purchase real and personal property on commercially

reasonable terms for the use by the academy.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4499 PUBLIC DUTY RULE CODIFICATION

Sponsor Rep. Keith R. Wheeler

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Public Duty Rule Codification Act. Contains legislative findings and a statement of legislative purpose. Provides that a local governmental entity and its employees owe no duty of care to individual members of the general public to provide governmental services.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4533 OPEN MEETINGS/FOIA-TRAINING

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Committee Hearing:

Executive Committee Hearing Apr 10 2018 10:00AM Capitol Building Room 118 Springfield, IL - House Committee Amendment 1

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that an elected or appointed member of a public body of a municipality may satisfy the training requirements under the Open Meetings Act and a Freedom of Information Officer may satisfy the training requirements under the Freedom of Information Act by participating in a course of training sponsored or conducted by the Illinois Municipal League. Provides content requirements for the training. Provides that if an organization representing municipalities provides training, it must provide a certificate of course completion to each elected or appointed member of a public body who successfully completes that course of training.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4551 CHILD DAY CARE-FEE DISCLOSURE

Sponsor Rep. Juliana Stratton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Child Care Act of 1969. Provides that a day care center or day care home must disclose its tuition and other applicable fee information on the day care facility's official website if the day care facility maintains such a website.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4558

ENVIRONMENTAL BARRIERS-STAIRS

Sponsor Rep. Margo McDermid**Committee Hearing:**

Special Needs Services Hearing Apr 11 2018 8:30AM Capitol Building Room 115 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Environmental Barriers Act. Provides that a public facility or multi-story housing shall have a detectable warning at the bottom step and top step of each stair run. Exempts stairs in dwelling units, stairs in enclosed stair towers, and stairs set to the side of the path of travel. Defines "detectable warning".

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Special Needs Services

HB 4583

OPEN MEETINGS-SPECIAL MEETINGS

Sponsor Rep. Brad Halbrook**Committee Hearing:**

State Government Administration Committee Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that certain notice provisions that currently apply to regular meetings of a public body shall also apply to special meetings of a public body. Requires a public body that has a website maintained by a full-time staff to post the agenda and notice of meetings for both the governing body and all subsidiary bodies of the public body. Removes a provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting. Requires a public body that has a website to post the minutes of a regular, special, or emergency meeting of its governing body (currently, only regular meeting). Allows a court to declare null and void any final action taken at a meeting in violation of the Act, regardless of whether or not the meeting was a closed meeting. Provides that a court shall (rather than may) assess against any party, except a State's Attorney, reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred by any other party who substantially prevails in any action brought under specified provisions of the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/5/2018	House	Assigned to State Government Administration Committee

HB 4684

PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB

Sponsor Rep. Martwick; Sen. Aquino**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/9/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4710 HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING **Sponsor** Rep. Sue Scherer
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Standard Debate

HB 4781 HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Kelly M. Burke
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Requires a public college or university to use its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Standard Debate

HB 4803 LOCAL GOVT TRANSPARENCY ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst
Committee Hearing:

Cities & Villages Committee Hearing Apr 9 2018 3:00PM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Transparency Act. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government, either appointed or elected, may not be appointed, elected, or otherwise serve as the treasurer of that unit of local government. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government who is also the treasurer of that unit of local government on the effective date of the Act must comply with the provisions of the Act no later than 90 days after the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	House	Assigned to Cities & Villages Committee

HB 4806 SCH CD-CAREER READY ASSESSMENT **Sponsor** Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With regard to State assessments, provides that the State Board of Education shall develop a process for the college and career ready assessment that allows a school board to apply to the State Board to utilize the nationally recognized and locally selected assessment option of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act. Requires that the State Board of Education adopt technical criteria under specified federal law and rule to evaluate the proposed assessment. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4808 ELECTIONS-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Mike Fortner

Committee Hearing: Elections & Campaign Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 12:00PM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed notarized declarations of intent to be write-in candidates with the proper election authority, authorities, or State Board of Elections no earlier than 120 days prior to the primary or general election, but no later than 70 (rather than 61) days prior to the primary or general election. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate that do not include the specified information shall not be accepted. Provides that persons intending to become write-in candidates for the Offices of President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file one joint declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the State Board of Elections. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4818 PROP TX-INITIAL LEVY **Sponsor** Rep. Al Riley

Committee Hearing: Revenue & Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 3:00PM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that a municipality that has not extended property taxes for any purpose for a continuous 5-year period immediately preceding the tax year of the initial levy may establish an initial levy without resort to referendum, but not to exceed an aggregate rate of 0.25% and further subject to the Truth in Taxation Law. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee

HB 4833 LOCAL GOV OFFICER COMPENSATION **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Local Government Officer Compensation Act. In provisions regarding compensation of elected officers of school districts and units of local government, defines "compensation" as wages, salaries, commissions, and any other form of remuneration. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4834 VEH CD-COLLEGE POLICE PLATE **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Beginning with the 2020 registration year, allows vehicles owned or operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department to be registered for a one-time fee of \$8.00. Requires registration plates for vehicles owned or operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department to contain the designation "university police" or "college police" and to be numbered and distributed as prescribed by the Secretary of State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4838 OPEN MEETINGS POSTING RECORDS **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Committee Hearing:

Counties & Townships Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 12:00PM Capitol Building Room 115 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Requires a unit of local government or school district with an operating budget of \$1 million or more to maintain an Internet website and post to that website, for the current calendar or fiscal year, the following information: (1) information about elected and appointed officials; (2) notice of and materials prepared for meetings; (3) procedures for requesting information from the unit of local government or school district; (4) annual budget; (5) ordinances; (6) procedures to apply for building permits and zoning variances; (7) financial reports and audits; (8) information concerning employee compensation; (9) contracts with lobbying firms; (10) taxes and fees imposed by the unit of local government or school district; (11) rules governing the award of contracts; (12) bids and contracts worth \$25,000 or more; (13) a debt disclosure report; and (14) public notices. Provides that any citizen who is a resident of the unit of local government or school district may bring a mandamus or injunction action to compel the unit of local government or school district to comply with the Internet posting requirements. Limits home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides for a statutory exemption for any electronic copy of a record or information maintained on specified websites. Amends the Department of Central Management Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Counties & Townships Committee

Committee Hearing:

Personnel & Pensions Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 11:00AM Capitol Building Room 118 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. For the 5 State-funded Retirement Systems: Requires implementation of a Tier 3 plan that aggregates State and employee contributions in individual participant accounts. Provides that a person who becomes a participant on or after July 1, 2019 shall participate in the Tier 3 plan. Authorizes a Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant to elect to participate in the Tier 3 plan. Repeals provisions relating to a hybrid benefit plan and makes related changes. Requires Systems to offer an optional accelerated benefit payment to certain members in lieu of receiving a pension and authorizes the issuance of bonds for those payments. Authorizes a person to elect not to participate or to terminate participation in the Systems. Restricts participation in the General Assembly Retirement System to current participants. In Articles 7, 14, 15, and 16, for new participants, prohibits unused sick or vacation time from being used to calculate pensionable salary or establish service credit. In Articles 15 and 16, requires an employer to pay the projected costs of the increase in pension benefits associated with an increase in salary. In Article 16, prohibits an employer from making employee contributions on behalf of an employee, except as specified. Amends other Acts to prohibit collective bargaining over that prohibition and make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

Committee Hearing:

Labor & Commerce Committee Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol Building Room 114 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act and the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that, once an agreement is reached between a public or educational employer and its employees regarding all of the terms of a collective bargaining agreement, the agreement shall be reduced to writing and published on the website of the public or educational employer. Requires the public or educational employer, not less than 14 days after publishing such an agreement, to hold an open public meeting on the ratification of that agreement. Provides that any contract between a public employer and an employee where the total compensation exceeds \$150,000 shall be published on the employer's website for a period of not less than 14 days prior to being signed by both the employer and the employee. Requires the public employer to hold an open public meeting on the contract in addition to posting it for 14 days if that contract is subject to board approval. Makes conforming changes in the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Labor & Commerce Committee

Committee Hearing: Elections & Campaign Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 12:00PM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that electronic filing is required for all political committees, regardless of the amount of contributions, expenditures, or loans received by that political committee. Removes language allowing the State Board of Elections to provide by rule for the optional electronic filing of expenditure and contribution reports for political committees. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4894

UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE

Sponsor Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4914

PROP TX-SCHOOLS

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Committee Hearing:

Revenue & Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 3:00PM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL - House Committee Amendment 1

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that school-approved nonprofit dormitory or residence halls occupied in whole or in part by students who belong to fraternities, sororities, or other campus organizations are exempt. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/5/2018	House	Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee

HB 4956

SCH CD-TEACHERS-3-YEAR DEGREE

Sponsor Rep. John Cavaletto

Committee Hearing:

Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight Hearing Apr 10 2018 8:00AM Capitol Building Room 115 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, every public university in this State that offers an educator preparation program must offer to those students enrolled in the educator preparation program a 3-year degree completion program. Provides that prior to implementation of the program, a public university shall submit to the Board of Higher Education the curriculum and requirements of its program for approval. Provides that upon completion of the program, a student shall receive a bachelor's degree and qualify for entitlement for licensure. Requires the Board of Higher Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board and the State Board of Education, to adopt rules to implement the program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/5/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: Licensing, Administration & Oversight

HB 5020 HGER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5021 IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING **Sponsor** Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Committee Hearing:

Higher Education Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 9:00AM Capitol Building Room 114 Springfield, IL - House Committee Amendment 1 - House Committee Amendment 2

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/5/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 5062 SCH CD-TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRM **Sponsor** Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Committee Hearing:

Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee Hearing Apr 10 2018 10:00AM
Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the State Board of Education shall develop and maintain a program aimed at facilitating education in advanced manufacturing technical skills. Provides that the program shall be implemented in no less than 12 public high schools, over the span of 3 years, where the youth unemployment rate is at least twice the national average. Specifies program requirements. Provides that the State Board shall ensure that each high school participating in the program has adequate funding for at least one industry coordinator, tutoring, pre-employment and on-the-job mentoring, professional and leadership development, and life and financial management instruction. Provides that the State Board shall use a program provider to help design, build, and accredit the training program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee

HB 5109

COMMUNITY BEHAV HEALTH CARE

Sponsor Rep. Lou Lang

Committee Hearing:

Mental Health Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 11:00AM Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL - House Floor Amendment 1

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program Act. Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program to be administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that the Program shall provide loan assistance, subject to appropriation, to eligible mental health and substance use professionals practicing in a community mental health center in an underserved or rural federally designated Mental Health Professional Shortage Area. Provides that applicants must enter into a minimum 2-year contract. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that Program participants who, for any reason, fail to begin or complete the required period of obligated service shall be liable to the Commission for an amount equal to the number of months of obligated service not completed multiplied by \$2,500 and interest on the amount at the maximum legal prevailing rate, as determined by the Treasurer of the United States from the date of breach.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5122

DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State

criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Appropriations-Higher Education Committee

HB 5138

PEN CD-SURS & TRS-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. In provisions of the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles that require a participant's employer to make an additional contribution if the participant's salary exceeds the amount of salary set for the Governor, removes a provision that specifies that the salary of the participant is determined on a full-time equivalent basis. In the Downstate Teacher Article, provides that for the purpose of calculating a refund under the Article, "accumulated contributions" does not include any contributions greater than those actually received by the System. Provides that any person (rather than any person, member, trustee, or employee of the Board) who knowingly makes any false statement or falsifies or permits to be falsified any record of the System in an attempt to defraud the System, any other retirement system or pension fund created under the Code, or the Illinois State Board of Investment (rather than the System) is guilty of a Class 3 felony (rather than a Class A misdemeanor). Provides that the violation shall be deemed to be relating to the person's service as a teacher for the purpose of the felony forfeiture provisions of the Article. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5204

SCH CD-COLLEGE APP REQUIRED

Sponsor Rep. Nicholas K Smith

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, each school district that maintains grades 9 through 12 shall require each student in grade 11 to file an application for admission to a public or private college, university, trade or vocational school, or internship or apprenticeship program or for entry into military service as a prerequisite to receiving a high school diploma; defines "military service".

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5247

SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Committee Hearing:

Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee Hearing Apr 10 2018 10:00AM
 Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL - House Committee Amendment 1

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/5/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee

HB 5268

FOIA-GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS

Sponsor Rep. Sam Yingling

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Defines "member-based organization" as any group, association, or organization that: (1) has a membership that includes one or more government taxing bodies; (2) lobbies on behalf of its governmental members; and (3) receives a majority of its funding from its governmental members. Provides that a member-based organization is a public body under the Act; however, only records relating to the member-based organization's receipt of public funds or its expenditures made in whole or in part with public funds are public records subject to inspection and copying by the public.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5402

\$FY19 ICCB OCE

Sponsor Rep. Jim Durkin

Synopsis As Introduced

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Illinois Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, as follows: General Funds \$202,715,100; Other State Funds \$116,825,000; Federal Funds \$43,000,000; Total \$362,540,100.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5404

\$FY19 SURS OCE

Sponsor Rep. Jim Durkin

Synopsis As Introduced

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the State Universities Retirement System for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, as follows: General Funds \$1,414,498,000; Other State Funds \$140,000,000; Total \$1,554,498,000.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5458 HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Rep. Norine K. Hammond

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5460 HIGHER ED-COLLEGE SAVINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Norine K. Hammond

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Treasurer Act and Illinois Prepaid Tuition Act. Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2018, for a designated beneficiary or qualified beneficiary who is a State resident, no contributions toward the College Savings Pool or the purchase of an Illinois prepaid tuition contract may be considered in evaluating the financial situation of the beneficiary or be deemed a financial resource or form of financial aid or assistance to the beneficiary for purposes of determining the eligibility of the beneficiary for any scholarship, grant, or monetary assistance awarded by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that contributions toward the College Savings Pool or the purchase of an Illinois prepaid tuition contract may not reduce the amount of any scholarship, grant, or monetary assistance that the beneficiary is eligible to be awarded by the Commission. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5461 CDB-CONTRACT ADMIN FEES **Sponsor** Rep. Chad Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that certain administration fees do not apply to institutions of higher education, including public institutions of higher education.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5471 UNIV RETAIL SALES-INST DEFINED **Sponsor** Rep. Jay Hoffman

Committee Hearing:

Consumer Protection Committee Hearing Apr 9 2018 3:00PM Capitol Building Room 115 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the University Credit and Retail Sales Act. Changes the short title of the Act to the Higher Education Institution Credit and Retail Sales Act. Defines "State institution of higher learning" to mean a university, college, community college, or junior college in this State that is publicly supported by taxes levied and collected within the State on income, sales, or property. Provides that "State institution of higher learning" does not include a post-secondary educational institution as defined under the Private College Act. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/5/2018	House	Assigned to Consumer Protection Committee

HB 5472 PEN CD-ACCEL BENEFIT PAYMENT

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teacher Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires each System to implement an accelerated pension benefit payment option for Tier 1 members who have submitted an application for a retirement annuity and meet other requirements. Requires each System to offer an eligible Tier 1 member the opportunity to irrevocably elect to have his or her automatic annual increases in retirement annuity calculated using the Tier 2 formula in exchange for an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the difference of the present value of the automatic annual increases in the Tier 1 member's retirement annuity using the formula applicable to the Tier 1 member and the present value of the automatic annual increases in the Tier 1 member's retirement annuity using the Tier 2 formula. Contains provisions concerning definitions; return to active service; depositing the payments into other qualified retirement plans; qualified plan status; and rulemaking. Excludes the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Adds provisions defining "Tier 1 member" and repeals the definitions of "Tier 1 member" added by Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5514 HIGHER ED-1YR COLLEGE PROMISE

Sponsor Rep. Justin Slaughter

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act to create the First-Year College Promise Fund as a special fund in the State treasury. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to implement and administer a program to award First-Year College Promise grants to low-income Illinois residents seeking an associate degree from a public community college or a bachelor's degree from a public university. Provides that a First-Year College Promise grant shall be equal to the cost of tuition and mandatory fees at the public institution for 2 semesters of enrollment. Sets forth the terms and conditions of the program.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5536

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Chad Hays**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5629

COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 5731

PROP TX-PTELL

Sponsor Rep. Grant Wehrli**Committee Hearing:**

Revenue & Finance Committee Hearing Apr 11 2018 3:00PM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for levy years 2018 through 2021, the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law applies to all taxing districts, including home rule units. Provides that, for levy years 2018 through 2021, the extension limitation under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Provides that, for taxing districts that became subject to the Law as a result of the amendatory Act, "aggregate extension" does not include special purpose extensions made for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the taxing district prior to the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that taxing districts may provide for the continuation of the amendatory Act for up to 4 years upon referendum approval. Provides that the voters of the taxing district may require a reduction in the taxing district's aggregate extension base by referendum. Preempts home rule. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee

HB 5736 INC TX-JOB TRAINING CREDIT

Sponsor Rep. Tony McCombie

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that an employer may enter into an agreement with a community college in the State to establish a project. Provides that the term "project" means a program established by the community college to provide certain job training services. Provides that the employer is entitled to a credit against withholding tax payments in an amount equal to 1.5% of the wages paid by the employer to a participating employee during the first year of the employee's participation in the program. Provides that the employer shall remit the amount of the credit to the community college. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5746 HGHED ED-SEXUAL VIOLENCE STUDY

Sponsor Rep. Michelle Mussman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, each public or private higher education institution shall require all entering freshmen to receive, during a period of orientation or in an introductory course offered by the institution, instruction aimed at increasing the awareness and prevention of sexual violence and hate crimes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5758 DUAL CREDIT ACT-STATE CAMPUS

Sponsor Rep. Monica Bristow

Committee Hearing:

Higher Education Committee Hearing Apr 12 2018 9:00AM Capitol Building Room 114 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Provides that an institution may not offer a dual credit program with a high school in this State if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Prohibits the Illinois Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education from approving an institution's offer of dual credit courses if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/21/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State University Certificates of Participation Act. Provides that the Act applies under December 31, 2023 (rather than December 31, 2014). Amends the University of Illinois Act and the Northern Illinois University Law. Under an Investment, Performance, and Accountability Commitment at each University, requires each University to comply with certain tuition and mandatory fee, financial aid, and performance goal provisions if the University is appropriated a certain amount of money each fiscal year. Provides for an annual report, and repeals the Commitment on June 30, 2023. Subject to appropriation, provides for an Excellence Program at each University to recruit and retain promising faculty throughout the University through capital investments; amends the State Finance Act to create a special fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 863

SCH CD-TRAINED OTHER STATES

Sponsor Sen. Bertino-Tarrant; Rep. Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, for State Board of Education appointments made after the effective date of the amendatory Act, 3 of the members of the State Board must represent the educator community. Sets forth the qualifications for these members and makes other changes with regard to the qualifications of members of the State Board.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/6/2018	Senate	Public Act 100-0584

SB 888

COMMUNITY COLL-NURSING DEGREE

Sponsor Sen. Andy Manar

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Public Community College Act. Allows a board of trustees of a community college district to establish and offer a baccalaureate-level nursing education program and confer a bachelor of science degree in nursing upon the meeting of specified conditions. Requires approval of both the Illinois Community College Board and Board of Higher Education. Limits the number of programs that may be approved to 20 until August 31, 2022. Requires the Illinois Community College Board to conduct a statewide evaluation of nursing programs established under the provisions and report on the results of the evaluation by July 1, 2022. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
8/4/2017	Senate	Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-9(b) / Referred to Assignments

SB 2234 HIGHER ED CENTERS EXCELLENCE **Sponsor** Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Requires the Board of Higher Education to establish a uniform admission process online, which must be used at all public institutions of higher education; sets forth what components this admission process must include. Requires the Board (i) to ensure that any high school student in this State with a 3.0 cumulative grade point average or better on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent on a 5.0 scale) receives access to the opportunity of higher education and (ii) to guarantee admission to a public university; requires cooperation by the State Board of Education, high schools, and public universities. Requires the Board to conduct a study of the academic programs offered at each public university campus. Sets forth the Board's duties concerning the study. Requires the Board to use the results of the study and other specified factors to determine which academic programs should be prioritized at campuses of public universities and to create and designate Higher Education Strategic Centers of Excellence. Requires the Board to work with the Illinois Community College Board to develop recommendations to integrate community colleges into this plan. Sets forth additional Board of Higher Education duties concerning evaluating programmatic expansions and new programs and studying student financial aid and multi-year budgeting. Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities to make conforming changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	Senate	Postponed - Higher Education

SB 2438 LABOR REL-FINANCIAL ABILITY **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act. Provides that if a unit of local government, as an employer, and public employees provide for arbitration of impasses, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue. Modifies the factors by which an arbitration panel shall base its findings, opinions, and order on a new agreement or amendment upon. Provides that arbitration decisions regarding peace officers, fire fighters, and fire department or fire district paramedic matters under the Act shall not include residency requirements. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. With respect to collective bargaining between an educational employer (other than the Chicago school district) and an exclusive representative of its employees, provides that when making wage and benefit determinations during interest arbitration, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Labor

SB 2476 ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS **Sponsor** Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

SB 2477

ELEC CD-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

Sponsor Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that when a person who intends to be a write-in candidate for an uncontested office has not timely filed nomination papers but has filed a written statement or notice of his or her intent, no primary ballot shall be printed (rather than requiring a primary ballot to be prepared and a primary election held). Removes language concerning requirements for the written statement or notice. Removes language providing that an election authority has no duty to conduct a primary and prepare a ballot for a uncontested office, unless the written statement or notice is filed in a timely manner. Provides that where no primary is held, a person intending to become a write-in candidate shall re-file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for the consolidated election with the appropriate election authority or authorities. Provides that a write-in candidate's notarized declaration of intent needs to be filed no more than 106 days before a primary or election for write-in votes for the candidate to be counted. Provides that a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information, otherwise, the declaration shall not be accepted. Provides that person intending to become write-in candidates for President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file a joint declaration of intent to be a write in candidate that identifies the candidate for each office. Provides that a vote cast for either candidate shall constitute a valid write-in vote for the team of candidates.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

SB 2527

SCH CD-DUAL CREDIT-ONLINE

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver

Committee Hearing: Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 1:30PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 2533 BUSINESS ENTERPRISE-POSTING **Sponsors** Sen. Martin Sandoval-Kimberly Lightford

Committee Hearing: State Government Hearing Apr 11 2018 2:00PM Capitol 409 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act. Provides that invoices submitted under the Act shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that each such invoice shall indicate which provision of the contract or subcontract has been submitted for payment and the amount due. Provides that, upon payment, the invoice number and the voucher number shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that the State Comptroller may enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Chicago for the purpose of collecting and posting that information.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to State Government

SB 2540 GOVT ETHICS-STOP PAYMENT ORDER **Sponsor** Sen. Jason A. Barickman

Committee Hearing: Government Reform Hearing Apr 11 2018 10:30AM Capitol 400 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that during the period beginning September 1 of the year of a general election and ending the day after the general election, the proper name or image of any executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall not be included in a public announcement on behalf of an executive branch constitutional officer, member of the General Assembly, or State agency related to any contract or grant awarded by a State agency. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that appropriated funds may only be expended during the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Provides that if any State agency receives a grant or contract from itself from appropriated funds, the recipient agency shall be restricted in the expenditure of these funds to the period during which the grantor agency was so restricted. Amends the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall convene a subcommittee of the Illinois Single Audit Commission to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of legislation. Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Sets forth provisions concerning the stop payment system. Modifies a Section concerning the adoption of supplemental rules by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Modifies a Section concerning the annual report submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Provides requirements for awarded grants. Sets forth provisions concerning the travel costs incurred by the employees of the recipient or subrecipient of an awarded grant. Requires nonprofit organizations to maintain State grant funds in an account which is separate from non-grant funds. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/28/2018	Senate	Postponed - Government Reform

SB 2545 EDUCATION-OPEN MEETINGS **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Open Meetings Act does not apply to meetings of a joint committee formed under certain provisions of the Code. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that negotiating team strategy sessions are included in an exception to the Open Meetings Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM**Sponsor** Sen. Steve Stadelman**Committee Hearing:** Higher Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2597 HGER ED-ICCB&ISAC CONSOLIDATE**Sponsor** Sen. Chapin Rose**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act, the Public Community College Act, and the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Increases the membership of the Board of Higher Education and makes other changes to the Board's membership. Provides that all of the rights, powers, duties, and functions vested by law in the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission are transferred to the Board of Higher Education on January 1, 2019. Abolishes the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission and provides for the transfer of personnel and property on that date.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may require the elimination of any program of instruction, research, or public service at a public university that exhibits a trend of low performance. Provides that, in evaluating programmatic expansions and new programs at a public institution of higher education, the Board, prior to approving the expansions or programs, shall make certain findings about the region and the higher education infrastructure in this State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2612 ELEC CD-ELECTION AUTHORITIES**Sponsor** Sen. Melinda Bush**Committee Hearing:** Executive Hearing Apr 11 2018 2:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that by January 31 of each year, each election authority shall submit a form with specified information to the State Board of Elections. Provides that the Board, in coordination with advocacy groups, shall develop the form an election authority shall use to submit the specified information. Provides that the Board shall provide a way for an election authority to submit the form online, by mail, or by facsimile. Provides that the Board shall make the information collected available to the public on request.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 2845

HIGHER ED-EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Sponsor Sen. Thomas Cullerton

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to employment contracts entered into with the president or all chancellors of a public university or an employee of a community college district, provides that severance under the contract may not exceed 6 months (rather than one year) of salary and applicable benefits.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2846

DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Sen. Cristina Castro

Committee Hearing: Human Services Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 409 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Human Services

SB 2847 COMM COLL-STAFF-BOARD MEMBER **Sponsor** Sen. Cristina Castro

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that a faculty or staff member of a community college is ineligible to serve as a member, elected or otherwise, of the board of trustees of the community college district in which the faculty or staff member is employed. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2905 COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS **Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2927 HIGHER ED-VETERAN ACT-REPORT **Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Provides that each public college or university that is required to have a Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services shall report to the Board of Higher Education information on the its efforts in attracting, recruiting, and retaining veterans and military personnel at the institution. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2954 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB **Sponsor** Sen. Omar Aquino

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 13, 2018

SB 2968 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS **Sponsor** Sen. Pamela J. Althoff

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 2969 HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Paul Schimpf

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018
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SB 3046 STATE INSURANCE-ENROLLMENT **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act, eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries may elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the Act. Provides that the election must be made during the benefit recipient's annual open enrollment period, subject to specified conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 13, 2018

SB 3071 HGER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT **Sponsor** Sen. Tom Rooney

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Feb 27 2018 3:15PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 3073 PEN CD-ACCEL BENEFIT PAYMENT **Sponsor** Sen. Paul Schimpf

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires those Systems to offer certain inactive members the opportunity to elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the net present value of their pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. Provides that if a person elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment, his or her credits and creditable service under that Article shall be terminated upon receipt of the accelerated pension benefit payment; except that the terminated service credit shall be used for the purposes of determining participation and benefits under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that a person who receives an accelerated pension benefit payment must direct the System to pay all of that payment as a rollover into another qualified retirement plan or account. Contains provisions concerning return to active service; rulemaking; and qualified plan status. Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 to make related changes. Requires the Authority to issue bonds if the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payments exceed the amount appropriated to each System for those payments. Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes \$250,000,000 in State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds to be sold to pay for accelerated pension benefit payments to eligible persons. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Licensed Activities and Pensions

SB 3090

IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING

Sponsor Sen. Jim Oberweis**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3138

HGHR ED-STUDNT IDENTIY-PRIVATE

Sponsor Sen. Scott M. Bennett**Committee Hearing:** Judiciary Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 400 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or financial assistance applicant or recipient under the Act is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Judiciary

SB 3176

HGER ED-BOARD OF REGENTS

Sponsor Sen. Dan McConchie**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that, beginning with the fiscal year 2020 budget, the budget submitted by the Governor shall include one or more line items appropriating moneys to the Board of Regents. Provides that all appropriations for public universities shall be made to the Board of Regents. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Creates the Board of Regents to allocate funds to public universities based on a funding formula recommended by the Board of Higher Education. Provides for the membership of the Board. Provides that the boards of trustees of public universities shall submit to the Board of Regents no later than the 15th day of November of each year their budget proposals for the operation and capital needs of the institutions under their governance or supervision for the ensuing fiscal year. Provides that the Board

of Higher Education may require the elimination of any program of instruction, research, or public service at a public university that exhibits a trend of low performance or low enrollment. Provides that the Board of Higher Education shall prepare a comprehensive statewide plan to increase efficiency and enrollment in public institutions of higher education. Specifies the plan requirements. Prohibits the Board of Regents from providing any funds to a public university that does not adhere to the plan.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3190 DUAL CREDIT-INITIATIVE COURSE **Sponsor** Sen. Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant

Committee Hearing: Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 1:30PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Requires a public university or community college, jointly with a high school, to grant dual credit to a student who completes a course under the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum package adopted by the public university or community college under the Illinois Articulation Initiative Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 3209 CDB-HIGHER EDUCATION **Sponsor** Sen. Antonio Muñoz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that the Capital Development Board has the power to construct and repair, or to contract for and supervise the construction and repair of, buildings under the control or for the use of any public institution of higher education when non-appropriated funds are used and both the Capital Development Board and the public institution of higher education mutually agree to that construction or supervision. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Appropriations II

SB 3288 UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE **Sponsor** Sen. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Apr 10 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred

maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3404 CRIMINAL LAW-TECH

Sponsor Sen. Kwame Raoul

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that a statement of the higher education institution's obligation to include an amnesty provision that provides immunity to any student who reports, in good faith, an alleged violation of the higher education institution's comprehensive policy to a responsible employee shall include possession or use of a controlled substance. Amends the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Provides that every hospital providing hospital emergency services and forensic services to sexual assault survivors shall provide after a medical evidentiary or physical examination, access to a shower at no cost, unless showering facilities are unavailable. Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. Provides that upon the request of the victim, the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall provide a free copy of the police report concerning the incident, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 5 business days from the request. Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934 and the Illinois Controlled substances Act limiting prosecution for certain offenses if the person is reporting the commission of a sexual assault if certain perquisites are met. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Amends the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act. Provides that law enforcement shall give notice that the sexual assault forensic evidence collected will not be used to prosecute the victim for any offense related to the use of alcohol, cannabis, or a controlled substance. Makes other changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/14/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 10, 2018

SB 3566 BD HIGHER ED-UNIFORM ADMISSION

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Requires the Board of Higher Education to establish a uniform admission process online, which must be used at all public institutions of higher education; sets forth what components this admission process must include. Effective July 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3567 MAP GRANT-FRESHMAN PREFERENCE

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. With regard to the Monetary Award Program, provides

that a student who otherwise meets the award renewal requirements under the Program is not required to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid to obtain the renewal of an award. Provides that, beginning with the 2020-2021 academic year, a grant awarded to a first-time, full-time freshman of an institution of higher learning shall be guaranteed for renewal until the grant recipient completes a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent of 135 credit hours if the recipient otherwise meets the grant renewal requirements and remains enrolled at the same institution of higher learning until the degree or credit hours are completed.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3569

HIGHER ED-TUITION WAIVER LIMIT

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not limit the amount of tuition revenue that a public university may waive. Repeals provisions regarding tuition waiver limitations in various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HR 27

EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT

House Sponsors

Rep. David McSweeney-Sam Yingling-Jerry Costello, Il-Jay Hoffman-Mary E. Flowers, Norine K. Hammond, Allen Skillicorn, Bill Mitchell, Linda Chapa LaVia, Cynthia Soto, Stephanie A. Kifowit, Sara Wojcicki Jimenez, Katie Stuart, Terri Bryant, LaToya Greenwood, Sue Scherer, Deb Conroy, David B. Reis, Natalie A. Manley, John Cavaletto, C.D. Davidsmeyer, Charles Meier, Randy E. Frese, Michael Halpin, John Connor, Emanuel Chris Welch, Anna Moeller, Tony McCombie, Will Guzzardi, Litesa E. Wallace, Peter Breen, Carol Ammons, Monica Bristow, Natalie Phelps Finnie, Kelly M. Burke, John M. Cabello, Daniel Swanson, Christine Winger, Luis Arroyo, Camille Y. Lilly, Mark Batinick, Jehan Gordon-Booth, Nick Sauer, Chad Hays, Lawrence Walsh, Jr., Steven A. Andersson, Thaddeus Jones, Barbara Wheeler, Jonathan Carroll, Steven Reick, David A. Welter, Joe Sosnowski, Dave Severin, Keith R. Wheeler, Lindsay Parkhurst, Brad Halbrook, Rita Mayfield, Arthur Turner, Marcus C. Evans, Jr., Nicholas K Smith, David S. Olsen, Martin J. Moylan, Keith P. Sommer, Juliana Stratton, William Davis, Kathleen Willis, Jerry Lee Long and Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced

States the opinion of the Illinois House of Representatives that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
9/28/2017	House	Rule 19(b) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

SR 1411

MARCH-DUAL CREDIT WEEK

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Recognizes March 18, 2018 through March 24, 2018 as Dual Credit Week at the State Capitol.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/14/2018	Senate	Resolution Adopted

SR 1413

EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT

Sponsor Sen. Thomas Cullerton**Synopsis As Introduced**

States the opinion of the Illinois Senate that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Changes the resolved clause from stating a belief that the educational pension cost shift is wrong to urging the General Assembly not to impose it.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/14/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of Secretary's Desk Resolutions April 10, 2018



Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

By: Jessica Nardulli & Tom Ryder

April 16, 2018

Attached is a shorter list of bills. Those bills that failed to pass out of committee before the April 13 committee deadline have been removed - for now. The General Assembly can revive a bill they deem worthy, and many bills will likely receive an extended deadline. We are still watching them.

Two weeks remain to pass the rest of these bills out of their house of origin. Long hours will be devoted to presenting bills, asking questions, and floor debate – which is then followed by a vote. If a bill needs additional work, the sponsor may draft an amendment which may need to be sent to committee which causes the committee to have another hearing or the amendment may be sent straight to the floor for a vote by the entire chamber.

April 27, the next deadline (and the half way point in the spring session), again reduces the number of bills under consideration. Legislation must pass out of the chamber of origin prior to the deadline. After that, Senate bills passed out of the Senate will be heard in House committees and vice versa.

None of this process includes the giant issue of the budget. While appropriation committees hear testimony from executive agencies and departments, the real question is will we have a budget approved by the General Assembly by the adjournment date of May 31. That is an entirely different process, most of which is behind closed doors.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons; Sen. Scott M. Bennett

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/13/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading March 14, 2018

HB 4167 SCH CD-SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIC **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows a student enrolled in an educator preparation program at a regionally accredited

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LEGISLATION

- HB 4242 - FOIA-Harassment Settlements
- HB 4246 - HB 4248: Trustee Convention Expense Prohibition
- HB 4300 - Community College-Tuition Cap
- HB 4371 - Bonds-Pension Obligation
- HB 4495 - Vocational Opportunity Act
- HB 5536 - Community College Act - Various
- HB 5629 - Community College Contracts
- SB 2597 - Higher Ed - ICCB & ISAC Consolidate
- SB 2845 - Higher Ed – Employment Contract
- SB 2847 - Community College Staff / Board Member
- SB 2905 - Community College Act – Various
- SB 2968 - Community College Contracts
- SB 3046 - State Insurance (CIP) Enrollment

institution of higher education to apply for a substitute teaching license if the student has earned at least 90 credit hours at that institution (rather than requiring all applicants to hold a bachelor's degree or higher). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4242 FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS

Sponsors Rep. McSweeney; Sen. T. Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and (3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that when a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters a severance agreement with an employee or contractor because the employee or contractor was found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, the public body shall publish specified information on its Internet website, if one is maintained, and make available such information to the news media for inspection and copying within 72 hours of the taxing body's approval of the severance agreement. Provides exceptions to disclosure of specified information. Provides that no unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall incur liability as a result of its compliance with required disclosures, except for willful or wanton misconduct. Provides that disclosure requirements do not supersede the confidentiality provisions of a severance agreement. Provides that nothing in the applicable provisions shall limit disclosure of public records required to be disclosed under the Act or the Freedom of Information Act. Defines terms. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/9/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4247 CONVENTION SPACE APPROPRIATION

Sponsor Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, State appropriations may not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space for units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or other taxing bodies at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Provides that a State agency shall not expend public funds to

rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space at a convention or gathering of personnel. Provides that those provisions do not apply to public funds expended under a contract entered into before the effective date of the amendatory Act or to public funds expended for physical space at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Defines "State agency" as the departments of the executive branch of State government listed in Section 5-15 of the Departments of State Government Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4346 SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY Sponsor Rep. Thaddeus Jones

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Removes a provision providing that a student may not complete 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying material on the events of Black History.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4395 ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING Sponsor Rep. Chad Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4412 PEN CD-SURS-SENIOR ADMIN STAFF Sponsor Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of

Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4413 PEN CD-BROADCAST MEETINGS

Sponsor Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that any open meeting of the board of trustees of a retirement system or pension fund or any committee established by a retirement system or pension fund must be broadcast to the public and maintained in real-time on the retirement system's or pension fund's website using a high-speed Internet connection. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that a retirement system or pension fund must make audio and video available for an open meeting broadcast to the public and maintained on the retirement system or pension fund's website. Changes the effective date to January 31, 2019 (rather than upon becoming law).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4467 HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT

Sponsor Rep. Frances Ann Hurley

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning grants for dependents of Department of Corrections employees who are killed or who become a person with a permanent disability in the line of duty, provides that, with respect to disabled employees of the Department of Corrections, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4495 VOCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY ACT

Sponsor Rep. André Thapedi

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Vocational Academy Opportunity Act. Creates 2 vocational academies, one located in Cook County and the other in St. Clair County, which shall be residential institutions. Provides that each academy shall be a State agency, funded by State appropriations, private contributions, and endowments. Provides that the



academies shall be governed by a single Board of Trustees for the collective operation and oversight of the academies. Provides for the membership of the Board. Specifies the duties and powers of the Board. Provides that each academy shall be empowered to lease or purchase real and personal property on commercially reasonable terms for the use by the academy.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	House	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4583 OPEN MEETINGS-SPECIAL MEETINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Brad Halbrook

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that certain notice provisions that currently apply to regular meetings of a public body shall also apply to special meetings of a public body. Requires a public body that has a website maintained by a full-time staff to post the agenda and notice of meetings for both the governing body and all subsidiary bodies of the public body. Removes a provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting. Requires a public body that has a website to post the minutes of a regular, special, or emergency meeting of its governing body (currently, only regular meeting). Allows a court to declare null and void any final action taken at a meeting in violation of the Act, regardless of whether or not the meeting was a closed meeting. Provides that a court shall (rather than may) assess against any party, except a State's Attorney, reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred by any other party who substantially prevails in any action brought under specified provisions of the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4684 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB **Sponsor** Rep. Martwick; Sen. Aquino

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/9/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4710 HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING **Sponsor** Rep. Sue Scherer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois.

Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Standard Debate

HB 4781 HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Kelly M. Burke

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Requires a public college or university to use its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Standard Debate

HB 4803 LOCAL GOVT TRANSPARENCY ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Transparency Act. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government, either appointed or elected, may not be appointed, elected, or otherwise serve as the treasurer of that unit of local government. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government who is also the treasurer of that unit of local government on the effective date of the Act must comply with the provisions of the Act no later than 90 days after the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986. Provides that an individual may not simultaneously serve as the treasurer of a corporation and as an officer or chief executive of a political subdivision if the individual has the authority to unilaterally authorize transactions between both the corporation and the political subdivision. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4808 ELECTIONS-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Mike Fortner

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed notarized declarations of intent to be write-in candidates with the proper election authority, authorities, or State Board of Elections no earlier than 120 days prior to the primary or general election, but no later than 70 (rather than 61) days prior to the primary or general election. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate that do not include the specified information shall not be accepted. Provides that persons intending to become write-in

candidates for the Offices of President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file one joint declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the State Board of Elections. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4858 INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4956 SCH CD-TEACHERS-3-YEAR DEGREE **Sponsor** Rep. John Cavaletto

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, every public university in this State that offers an educator preparation program must offer to those students enrolled in the educator preparation program a 3-year degree completion program. Provides that prior to implementation of the program, a public university shall submit to the Board of Higher Education the curriculum and requirements of its program for approval. Provides that upon completion of the program, a student shall receive a bachelor's degree and qualify for entitlement for licensure. Requires the Board of Higher Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board and the State Board of Education, to adopt rules to implement the program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5020 HGHED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading April 17, 2018

HB 5021

IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that if an institution of higher education proposes to discontinue its operations, the chief administrative officer of the institution shall submit a plan to the Board of Higher Education for permanent retention of all academic records of the institution; defines "academic records" and "institution of higher education". Requires the plan to be approved by the Executive Director of the Board before it is executed. Provides that if it appears to the Board that the academic records may become lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5062

SCH CD-TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRM

Sponsor Rep. Mary E. Flowers**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the State Board of Education shall develop and maintain a program aimed at facilitating education in advanced manufacturing technical skills. Provides that the program shall be implemented in no less than 12 public high schools, over the span of 3 years, where the youth unemployment rate is at least twice the national average. Specifies program requirements. Provides that the State Board shall ensure that each high school participating in the program has adequate funding for at least one industry coordinator, tutoring, pre-employment and on-the-job mentoring, professional and leadership development, and life and financial management instruction. Provides that the State Board shall use a program provider to help design, build, and accredit the training program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5067

HIGHR ED-RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION

Sponsor Rep. Nick Sauer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act of 2012, the Private College Act, and the Academic Degree Act. Defines "religious institution" in these Acts. Provides that any religious institution (instead of any institution devoted entirely to the teaching of religion or theology) shall not be considered to be a private business and vocational school; makes related changes. Provides that no religious institution shall be subject to the educational requirements, standards, or demands contained in the Private College Act or the Academic Degree Act or in those Acts' administrative rules, and requires a religious institution to notify each of its students in writing that the religious degree being earned or course work earned at a religious, non-accredited, post-secondary educational institution may not transfer to other institutions.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5109

COMMUNITY BEHAV HEALTH CARE

Sponsor Rep. Lou Lang

Committee Hearing: Mental Health Committee Hearing Apr 19 2018 10:00AM Stratton Building Room 413 Springfield, IL - House Floor Amendment 1

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program Act. Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program to be administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that the Program shall provide loan assistance, subject to appropriation, to eligible mental health and substance use professionals practicing in a community mental health center in an underserved or rural federally designated Mental Health Professional Shortage Area. Provides that applicants must enter into a minimum 2-year contract. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that Program participants who, for any reason, fail to begin or complete the required period of obligated service shall be liable to the Commission for an amount equal to the number of months of obligated service not completed multiplied by \$2,500 and interest on the amount at the maximum legal prevailing rate, as determined by the Treasurer of the United States from the date of breach.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/8/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5122

DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary

school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 5247 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM **Sponsor** Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

SB 779 PEN CD-INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE **Sponsor** Sen. Daniel Biss; Rep. Bob Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code in relation to investment transparency. Defines terms. Provides that within 90 days after entering into a new agreement to invest in an alternative investment fund, a public retirement system must disclose certain specified provisions of the agreement. Provides that a public retirement system shall require its alternative investment fund external managers and general partners to make certain annual disclosures concerning certain fees and expenses, in regard to each alternative investment fund. Provides that supplying a public retirement system with a completed reporting template developed by the Institutional Limited Partners Association constitutes compliance with certain reporting requirements. Declares the disclosures to be public records and requires their publication on the public retirement system's website. Amends the Freedom of Information Act to make a conforming change. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the General Provisions, State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. In the General Provisions Article,

repeals a provision added by Public Act 100-23 that establishes a hybrid benefit plan for persons who first become members under the State Universities or Downstate Articles and noncovered employees under the State Employee Article after the implementation date of those benefits and makes related changes. In the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Article, incorporates the hybrid benefit plan added by Public Act 100-23 into each Article and makes conforming and related changes. Adds provisions specifying the method of calculating annuities and other defined benefits under the hybrid benefit plan. Adds provisions concerning the defined contribution component of the hybrid benefit plan. Makes changes to employee and employer contribution rates. In the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles, repeals a provision establishing individual employer accounts for the purposes of paying certain pension costs. Makes changes to provisions requiring the actual employer to pay specified pension costs. In the State Universities Article, provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller or the county treasurer the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer; adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Repeals certain provisions added by Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Makes other changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

SB 863 SCH CD-TRAINED OTHER STATES **Sponsor** Sen. Bertino-Tarrant; Rep. Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, for State Board of Education appointments made after the effective date of the amendatory Act, 3 of the members of the State Board must represent the educator community. Sets forth the qualifications for these members and makes other changes with regard to the qualifications of members of the State Board.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/6/2018	Senate	Public Act 100-0584

SB 888 COMMUNITY COLL-NURSING DEGREE **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Senate Floor Amendment No. 5

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Provides for a common name for a baccalaureate-level nursing education program, and makes changes to specified conditions. Removes the limit on the number of programs that may be approved by the Illinois Community College Board and Board of Higher Education. Requires the Illinois Community College Board to report on the results of its evaluation by July 1, 2023 (instead of July 1, 2022). Removes the effective date provision.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 11, 2018

SB 2438

LABOR REL-FINANCIAL ABILITY

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act. Provides that if a unit of local government, as an employer, and public employees provide for arbitration of impasses, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue. Modifies the factors by which an arbitration panel shall base its findings, opinions, and order on a new agreement or amendment upon. Provides that arbitration decisions regarding peace officers, fire fighters, and fire department or fire district paramedic matters under the Act shall not include residency requirements. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. With respect to collective bargaining between an educational employer (other than the Chicago school district) and an exclusive representative of its employees, provides that when making wage and benefit determinations during interest arbitration, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Labor

SB 2527

SCH CD-DUAL CREDIT-ONLINE

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall not adopt a policy limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of academic credits a student may receive from dual credit courses provided that the course is taught by an instructor under the Dual Credit Quality Act or by a licensed teacher or community college professor or instructor in the State of Illinois. Provides that a school board must award high school course credit to a student for dual credit coursework, unless evidence about the course's rigor and content shows that it does not address the relevant Illinois Learning Standard at the level appropriate for the high school grade during which the course is usually taken, and that credit shall satisfy certain requirements under Code for that course. Provides that a superintendent may limit the number of academic credits a student may earn from dual credit courses if certain requirements under the Code are not being met.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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4/11/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 12, 2018
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SB 2540 GOVT ETHICS-STOP PAYMENT ORDER **Sponsor** Sen. Jason A. Barickman

Committee Hearing: Government Reform Hearing Apr 18 2018 10:00AM Capitol 400 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that during the period beginning September 1 of the year of a general election and ending the day after the general election, the proper name or image of any executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall not be included in a public announcement on behalf of an executive branch constitutional officer, member of the General Assembly, or State agency related to any contract or grant awarded by a State agency. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that appropriated funds may only be expended during the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Provides that if any State agency receives a grant or contract from itself from appropriated funds, the recipient agency shall be restricted in the expenditure of these funds to the period during which the grantor agency was so restricted. Amends the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall convene a subcommittee of the Illinois Single Audit Commission to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of legislation. Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Sets forth provisions concerning the stop payment system. Modifies a Section concerning the adoption of supplemental rules by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Modifies a Section concerning the annual report submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Provides requirements for awarded grants. Sets forth provisions concerning the travel costs incurred by the employees of the recipient or subrecipient of an awarded grant. Requires nonprofit organizations to maintain State grant funds in an account which is separate from non-grant funds. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/28/2018	Senate	Postponed - Government Reform

SB 2545 EDUCATION-OPEN MEETINGS **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Open Meetings Act does not apply to meetings of a joint committee formed under certain provisions of the Code. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that negotiating team strategy sessions are included in an exception to the Open Meetings Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Steve Stadelman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of

higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following change. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to develop the pilot program rather than the Board of Higher Education.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/11/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 12, 2018

SB 2846

DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Sen. Cristina Castro

Committee Hearing: Human Services Hearing Apr 17 2018 4:00PM Capitol 409 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Human Services

SB 2847

COMM COLL-STAFF-BOARD MEMBER

Sponsor Sen. Cristina Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that a faculty or staff member of a community college is ineligible to serve as a member, elected or otherwise, of the board of trustees of the community college district in which the faculty or staff member is employed. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2905

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Sen. Pat McGuire**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may review and approve or disapprove any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit (instead of any educational services). Makes a conforming change. Corrects grammatical errors.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/11/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 12, 2018

SB 2927

HIGHER ED-VETERAN ACT-REPORT

Sponsor Sen. Pat McGuire**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Provides that each public college or university that is required to have a Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services shall report to the Board of Higher Education information on the its efforts in attracting, recruiting, and retaining veterans and military personnel at the institution. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/11/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 12, 2018

SB 2954

PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB

Sponsor Sen. Omar Aquino**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State

Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 11, 2018

SB 2968 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS **Sponsor** Sen. Pamela J. Althoff

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 11, 2018

SB 2969 HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Paul Schimpf

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 11, 2018

SB 3033 INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/12/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 17, 2018

SB 3046 STATE INSURANCE-ENROLLMENT**Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Employee Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act, eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries may elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the Act. Provides that the election must be made during the benefit recipient's annual open enrollment period, subject to specified conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 13, 2018

SB 3071 HIGHER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT**Sponsor** Sen. Tom Rooney**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 3073 PEN CD-ACCEL BENEFIT PAYMENT**Sponsor** Sen. Paul Schimpf**Committee Hearing:** Licensed Activities and Pensions Hearing Apr 18 2018 3:00PM Capitol 400 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires those Systems to offer certain inactive members the opportunity to elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the net present value of their pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. Provides that if a person elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment, his or her credits and creditable service under that Article shall be terminated upon receipt of the accelerated pension benefit payment; except that the terminated service credit shall be used for the purposes of determining participation and benefits under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that a person who receives an accelerated pension benefit payment must direct the System to pay all of that payment as a rollover into another qualified retirement plan or account. Contains provisions concerning return to active service; rulemaking; and qualified plan status. Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 to make related changes. Requires the Authority to issue bonds if the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payments exceed the amount appropriated to each System for those payments. Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes \$250,000,000 in State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds to be sold to pay for accelerated pension benefit payments to eligible persons. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Licensed Activities and Pensions

SB 3090

IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING

Sponsor Sen. Jim Oberweis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3138

HGHR ED-STUDNT IDENTIY-PRIVATE

Sponsor Sen. Scott M. Bennett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or financial assistance applicant or recipient under the Act is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a program administered by the Commission is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that the provision does not apply to the identity of a student recognized through the State Scholar program, Merit Recognition Scholarship program, Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Program, or any other program created on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act that is administered by the Commission with the purpose of providing a recipient public recognition of achievement. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/11/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 12, 2018

SB 3190

DUAL CREDIT-INITIATIVE COURSE

Sponsor Sen. Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Requires a public university or community college, jointly with a high school, to grant dual credit to a student who completes a course under the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum package adopted by the public university or community college under the Illinois

Articulation Initiative Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/11/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 12, 2018

SB 3209 CDB-HIGHER EDUCATION

Sponsor Sen. Antonio Muñoz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that the Capital Development Board has the power to construct and repair, or to contract for and supervise the construction and repair of, buildings under the control or for the use of any public institution of higher education when non-appropriated funds are used and both the Capital Development Board and the public institution of higher education mutually agree to that construction or supervision. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Appropriations II

SB 3226 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 11, 2018

SB 3288 UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE

Sponsor Sen. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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4/11/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 12, 2018
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SB 3404 CRIMINAL LAW-TECH

Sponsor Sen. Kwame Raoul

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that a statement of the higher education institution's obligation to include an amnesty provision that provides immunity to any student who reports, in good faith, an alleged violation of the higher education institution's comprehensive policy to a responsible employee shall include possession or use of a controlled substance. Amends the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Provides that every hospital providing hospital emergency services and forensic services to sexual assault survivors shall provide after a medical evidentiary or physical examination, access to a shower at no cost, unless showering facilities are unavailable. Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. Provides that upon the request of the victim, the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall provide a free copy of the police report concerning the incident, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 5 business days from the request. Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934 and the Illinois Controlled substances Act limiting prosecution for certain offenses if the person is reporting the commission of a sexual assault if certain prerequisites are met. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Amends the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act. Provides that law enforcement shall give notice that the sexual assault forensic evidence collected will not be used to prosecute the victim for any offense related to the use of alcohol, cannabis, or a controlled substance. Makes other changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/14/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 10, 2018

HR 27 EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT

House Sponsors

Rep. David McSweeney-Sam Yingling-Jerry Costello, Il-Jay Hoffman-Mary E. Flowers, Norine K. Hammond, Allen Skillicorn, Bill Mitchell, Linda Chapa LaVia, Cynthia Soto, Stephanie A. Kifowit, Sara Wojcicki Jimenez, Katie Stuart, Terri Bryant, LaToya Greenwood, Sue Scherer, Deb Conroy, David B. Reis, Natalie A. Manley, John Cavaletto, C.D. Davidsmeyer, Charles Meier, Randy E. Frese, Michael Halpin, John Connor, Emanuel Chris Welch, Anna Moeller, Tony McCombie, Will Guzzardi, Litesa E. Wallace, Peter Breen, Carol Ammons, Monica Bristow, Natalie Phelps Finnie, Kelly M. Burke, John M. Cabello, Daniel Swanson, Christine Winger, Luis Arroyo, Camille Y. Lilly, Mark Batinick, Jehan Gordon-Booth, Nick Sauer, Chad Hays, Lawrence Walsh, Jr., Steven A. Andersson, Thaddeus Jones, Barbara Wheeler, Jonathan Carroll, Steven Reick, David A. Welter, Joe Sosnowski, Dave Severin, Keith R. Wheeler, Lindsay Parkhurst, Brad Halbrosk, Rita Mayfield, Arthur Turner, Marcus C. Evans, Jr., Nicholas K Smith, David S. Olsen, Martin J. Moylan, Keith P. Sommer, Juliana Stratton, William Davis, Kathleen Willis, Jerry Lee Long and Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced

States the opinion of the Illinois House of Representatives that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
9/28/2017	House	Rule 19(b) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

SR 1413 EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT**Sponsor** Sen. Thomas Cullerton**Synopsis As Introduced**

States the opinion of the Illinois Senate that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Changes the resolved clause from stating a belief that the educational pension cost shift is wrong to urging the General Assembly not to impose it.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/14/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of Secretary's Desk Resolutions April 10, 2018

Illinois Community College Trustees Association ***ACTION ALERT***

April 24, 2018

Senate Bill 888 Update

[Senate Bill 888, Amendment #5](#) was scheduled for a hearing before the Senate Higher Education Committee today at 11:00 a.m. This newest version of the Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing issue created [much interest among proponents and opponents](#), some of whom were present in the Capitol Building for the hearing.

The Senate Higher Education Committee convened on time, then adjourned, without hearing any bills or amendments. No explanation was given.

Senate Bill 888, without any amendments, is currently on 3rd reading in the Senate. Without an amendment, Senate Bill 888 is a “technical bill” that makes no change in the law. The Senate deadline for the passage of Senate Bills out of the Senate is this Friday, April 27. An extension of this deadline is possible for SB 888. Other techniques may also be used to keep the BSN issue moving forward.



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Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

By: Jessica Nardulli & Tom Ryder

April 30, 2018

As we near the half way mark for the spring session, several bills in the House have failed to advance beyond the third reading deadline. The Senate decided to go home a day early last week since the House will not return to Springfield until May 8th. This gives the Senate more time to hear their bills on third reading, extending their deadline by a week. The Senate returns Tuesday.

The legislative to-do list for the remainder of session focuses on gun control, sexual harassment, veterans' affairs reform in the wake of the Legionnaires outbreak, and a budget / capital bill. It does not appear that there is an appetite to tackle a lot of major bills this spring due to the hyper-partisan nature of the upcoming election season.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 1940 ICCB-VARIOUS Sponsor Rep. Hays

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 109-000-000

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH Sponsors Rep. Ammons; Sen. Bennett

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same

KEY

LEGISLATION

- HB 4242 - FOIA-Harassment Settlements
- HB 4246 - HB 4248: Trustee Convention Expense Prohibition
- HB 4300 - Community College-Tuition Cap
- HB 4371 - Bonds-Pension Obligation
- HB 4495 - Vocational Opportunity Act
- HB 5536 - Community College Act - Various
- HB 5629 - Community College Contracts
- SB 2597 - Higher Ed - ICCB & ISAC Consolidate
- SB 2845 - Higher Ed – Employment Contract
- SB 2847 - Community College Staff / Board Member
- SB 2905 - Community College Act – Various
- SB 2968 - Community College Contracts
- SB 3046 - State Insurance (CIP) Enrollment

classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/13/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading March 14, 2018

HB 4242

FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS

Sponsors Rep. McSweeney; Sen. T. Cullerton

Committee Hearing: Judiciary Hearing May 1 2018 4:15PM Capitol 400 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and (3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that when a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters a severance agreement with an employee or contractor because the employee or contractor was found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, the public body shall publish specified information on its Internet website, if one is maintained, and make available such information to the news media for inspection and copying within 72 hours of the taxing body's approval of the severance agreement. Provides exceptions to disclosure of specified information. Provides that no unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall incur liability as a result of its compliance with required disclosures, except for willful or wanton misconduct. Provides that disclosure requirements do not supersede the confidentiality provisions of a severance agreement. Provides that nothing in the applicable provisions shall limit disclosure of public records required to be disclosed under the Act or the Freedom of Information Act. Defines terms. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Judiciary

HB 4346 SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY**Sponsor** Rep. Jones; Sen. Harris, III**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Removes a provision providing that a student may not complete 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying material on the events of Black History.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4395 ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING**Sponsor** Rep. Hays; Sen. Barickman**Committee Hearing:** Executive Hearing May 2 2018 3:45PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Executive

HB 4412 PEN CD-SURS-SENIOR ADMIN STAFF**Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 070-026-005

HB 4413 PEN CD-BROADCAST MEETINGS

Sponsor Rep. Ammons; Sen. Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that any open meeting of the board of trustees of a retirement system or pension fund or any committee established by a retirement system or pension fund must be broadcast to the public and maintained in real-time on the retirement system's or pension fund's website using a high-speed Internet connection. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that a retirement system or pension fund must make audio and video available for an open meeting broadcast to the public and maintained on the retirement system or pension fund's website. Changes the effective date to January 31, 2019 (rather than upon becoming law).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/19/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4467 HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT

Sponsor Rep. Hurley; Sen. Raoul

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning grants for dependents of Department of Corrections employees who are killed or who become a person with a permanent disability in the line of duty, provides that, with respect to disabled employees of the Department of Corrections, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4583 OPEN MEETINGS-SPECIAL MEETINGS

Sponsor Rep. Brad Halbrook

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that certain notice provisions that currently apply to regular meetings of a public body shall also apply to special meetings of a public body. Requires a public body that has a website maintained by a full-time staff to post the agenda and notice of meetings for both the governing body and all subsidiary bodies of the public body. Removes a provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting. Requires a public body that has a website to post the minutes of a regular, special, or emergency meeting of its governing body (currently, only regular meeting). Allows a court to declare null and void any final action taken at a meeting in violation of the Act, regardless of whether or not the meeting was a closed meeting. Provides that a court shall (rather than may) assess against any party, except a State's Attorney, reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred by any other party who substantially prevails in any action brought under specified provisions of the Act.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Reinserts a stricken provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting, and provides that such provision shall apply unless the failure to post notice was the result of bad faith on the part of the public body. Adds a provision requiring a court to consider the degree to which the relief obtained relates to the relief sought when determining reasonable attorney's fees.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading April 26, 2018

HB 4684

PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB

Sponsor Rep. Martwick; Sen. Aquino

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 26, 2018

HB 4710

HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING

Sponsor Rep. Sue Scherer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Creates the College Student Credit Card Marketing and Debt Task Force. Provides legislative findings. Provides for the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall provide technical and administrative support and any other necessary assistance to the Task Force and shall be responsible for administering its operations and ensuring that the requirements of the provisions are met. Provides that the Task Force shall conduct a study on student credit card debt; specifies study requirements. Provides that the Task Force shall report the findings of the study conducted and any recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 14, 2018, at which time the Task Force shall be dissolved. Repeals these provisions on November 1, 2019. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Standard Debate - Passed 062-042-000
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HB 4781 HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Kelly M. Burke

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Requires a public college or university to use its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 105-000-000

HB 4808 ELECTIONS-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Fortner; Sen. Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed notarized declarations of intent to be write-in candidates with the proper election authority, authorities, or State Board of Elections no earlier than 120 days prior to the primary or general election, but no later than 70 (rather than 61) days prior to the primary or general election. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate that do not include the specified information shall not be accepted. Provides that persons intending to become write-in candidates for the Offices of President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file one joint declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the State Board of Elections. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4858 INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Syverson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 4882 EDUCATION-TECH

Sponsor Rep. Rita Mayfield

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes to the definition of "cohort", "eligible school", and "hard-to-staff school". In provisions concerning selection of grantees, removes the language providing that the consortium shall consider whether a candidate has experienced an interruption in his or her college education when recruiting potential candidates for the program. Provides that, subject to the requirements under the Dual Credit Quality Act, an institution of higher education may offer a high school student a dual credit course under the program; defines "dual credit course". Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not adopt rules regarding candidate eligibility that are more restrictive than those in the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Standard Debate - Passed 063-047-000

HB 4956 SCH CD-TEACHERS-3-YEAR DEGREE

Sponsor Rep. Cavaletto; Sen. Cunningham

Committee Hearing: Education Hearing May 1 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, every public university in this State that offers an educator preparation program must offer to those students enrolled in the educator preparation program a 3-year degree completion program. Provides that prior to implementation of the program, a public university shall submit to the Board of Higher Education the curriculum and requirements of its program for approval. Provides that upon completion of the program, a student shall receive a bachelor's degree and qualify for entitlement for licensure. Requires the Board of Higher Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board and the State Board of Education, to adopt rules to implement the program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

HB 5020 HGER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT

Sponsor Rep. Brady; Sen. Bennett

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing May 1 2018 4:15PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HB 5021 IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that if an institution of higher education proposes to discontinue its operations, the chief administrative officer of the institution shall submit a plan to the Board of Higher Education for permanent retention of all academic records of the institution; defines "academic records" and "institution of higher education". Requires the plan to be approved by the Executive Director of the Board before it is executed. Provides that if it appears to the Board that the academic records may become lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading April 24, 2018

HB 5062 SCH CD-TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRM

Sponsor Rep. Flowers; Sen. Aquino

Committee Hearing: Education Hearing May 1 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the State Board of Education shall develop and maintain a program aimed at facilitating education in advanced manufacturing technical skills. Provides that the program shall be implemented in no less than 12 public high schools, over the span of 3 years, where the youth unemployment rate is at least twice the national average. Specifies program requirements. Provides that the State Board shall ensure that each high school participating in the program has adequate funding for at least one industry coordinator, tutoring, pre-employment and on-the-job mentoring, professional and leadership development, and life and financial management instruction. Provides that the State Board shall use a program provider to help design, build, and accredit the training program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

HB 5122 DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private

guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that qualifying youth shall receive a tuition and fee waiver to assist them in attending and completing their post-secondary education (rather than a waiver of all tuition and fees to attend and complete their post-secondary education). In provisions requiring an applicant to meet certain academic and age requirements, provides that the applicant must also apply for federal and State grant assistance by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Provides that the community college or public university that an applicant attends must waive any tuition and fee amounts that exceed the amounts paid to the applicant under the federal Pell Grant Program or the State's Monetary Award Program.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 5137 PENCD-TRS-DEFINED CONTRIBUTION

Sponsor Rep. Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Downstate Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: Further amends the Illinois Pension Code. In the State Universities Article, provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 094-000-000

HB 5247 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 5758 DUAL CREDIT ACT-STATE CAMPUS **Sponsor** Rep. Monica Bristow

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Provides that an institution may not offer a dual credit program with a high school in this State if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Prohibits the Illinois Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education from approving an institution's offer of dual credit courses if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

SB 351 PUBLIC AID-TECH **Sponsor** Sen. Morrison; Rep. Wallace

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. In regard to SNAP eligibility for part-time students, provides that an educational program offered at a community college under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 that could be a component of a SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) program, as identified by the Department of Human Services, shall be considered an employment and training program under a specified federal regulation concerning SNAP work requirements, unless prohibited by federal law. Provides that the Department of Human Services, in consultation with representatives of the Illinois Community College Board, ISAC, the Illinois Workforce Investment Board, and

advocates for students and SNAP recipients, shall establish a protocol to identify and verify all potential exemptions to an eligibility rule described in a specified federal regulation and to identify and verify a student's participation in educational programs. Requires the Department to adopt any rules necessary to implement specified provisions on or before January 1, 2018.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

In a provision granting the Department of Human Services rulemaking authority, removes language requiring the Department to adopt rules on or before January 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 101-000-000

SB 482 PTELL-EXTENSION LIMITATION

Sponsor Sen. J. Cullerton; Rep. Zalewski

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, the term "taxing district" includes all taxing districts in the State other than the City of Chicago and school districts that were not subject to the Law in the 2016 levy year. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, except with respect to school districts that were subject to the Law in the 2016 levy year, the extension limitation is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, only special purpose extensions (i) made for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the taxing district or (ii) made for contributions to a pension fund are exempt from taxing districts' aggregate extensions. Preempts home rule. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Makes a technical change in a Section authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/6/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

SB 779 PEN CD-INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE

Sponsor Sen. Daniel Biss; Rep. Bob Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code in relation to investment transparency. Defines terms. Provides that within 90 days after entering into a new agreement to invest in an alternative investment fund, a public retirement system must disclose certain specified provisions of the agreement. Provides that a public retirement system shall require its alternative investment fund external managers and general partners to make certain annual disclosures concerning certain fees and expenses, in regard to each alternative investment fund. Provides that supplying a public retirement system with a completed reporting template developed by the Institutional Limited Partners Association constitutes compliance with certain reporting requirements. Declares the disclosures to be public records and requires their publication on the public retirement system's website. Amends the Freedom of Information Act to make a conforming change. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the General Provisions, State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. In the General Provisions Article, repeals a provision added by Public Act 100-23 that establishes a hybrid benefit plan for persons who first

become members under the State Universities or Downstate Articles and noncovered employees under the State Employee Article after the implementation date of those benefits and makes related changes. In the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Article, incorporates the hybrid benefit plan added by Public Act 100-23 into each Article and makes conforming and related changes. Adds provisions specifying the method of calculating annuities and other defined benefits under the hybrid benefit plan. Adds provisions concerning the defined contribution component of the hybrid benefit plan. Makes changes to employee and employer contribution rates. In the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles, repeals a provision establishing individual employer accounts for the purposes of paying certain pension costs. Makes changes to provisions requiring the actual employer to pay specified pension costs. In the State Universities Article, provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller or the county treasurer the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer; adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Repeals certain provisions added by Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Makes other changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

SB 888 COMMUNITY COLL-NURSING DEGREE **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Senate Floor Amendment No. 5

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Provides for a common name for a baccalaureate-level nursing education program, and makes changes to specified conditions. Removes the limit on the number of programs that may be approved by the Illinois Community College Board and Board of Higher Education. Requires the Illinois Community College Board to report on the results of its evaluation by July 1, 2023 (instead of July 1, 2022). Removes the effective date provision.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 24, 2018

SB 2527 SCH CD-DUAL CREDIT-ONLINE **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall not adopt a policy limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of academic credits a student may receive from dual credit courses provided that the course is taught by an instructor under the Dual Credit Quality Act or by a licensed teacher or community college professor or instructor in the State of Illinois. Provides that a school board must award high school course credit to a student for dual credit coursework, unless evidence about the course's rigor and content shows that it does not address the relevant Illinois Learning Standard at the level appropriate for the high school grade during which the course is usually taken, and that

credit shall satisfy certain requirements under Code for that course. Provides that a superintendent may limit the number of academic credits a student may earn from dual credit courses if certain requirements under the Code are not being met.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/18/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 19, 2018

SB 2540 GOVT ETHICS-STOP PAYMENT ORDER **Sponsor** Sen. Jason A. Barickman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that during the period beginning September 1 of the year of a general election and ending the day after the general election, the proper name or image of any executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall not be included in a public announcement on behalf of an executive branch constitutional officer, member of the General Assembly, or State agency related to any contract or grant awarded by a State agency. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that appropriated funds may only be expended during the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Provides that if any State agency receives a grant or contract from itself from appropriated funds, the recipient agency shall be restricted in the expenditure of these funds to the period during which the grantor agency was so restricted. Amends the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall convene a subcommittee of the Illinois Single Audit Commission to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of legislation. Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Sets forth provisions concerning the stop payment system. Modifies a Section concerning the adoption of supplemental rules by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Modifies a Section concerning the annual report submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Provides requirements for awarded grants. Sets forth provisions concerning the travel costs incurred by the employees of the recipient or subrecipient of an awarded grant. Requires nonprofit organizations to maintain State grant funds in an account which is separate from non-grant funds. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 24, 2018

SB 2545 EDUCATION-OPEN MEETINGS **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Open Meetings Act does not apply to meetings of a joint committee formed under certain provisions of the Code. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that negotiating team strategy sessions are included in an exception to the Open Meetings Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 26, 2018

SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Stadelman; Rep. Wallace

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the

Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following change. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to develop the pilot program rather than the Board of Higher Education.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/24/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2822 HIGHR ED-RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION

Sponsor Sen. McConchie; Rep. Sauer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act of 2012, the Private College Act, and the Academic Degree Act. Defines "religious institution" in these Acts. Provides that any religious institution (instead of any institution devoted entirely to the teaching of religion or theology) shall not be considered to be a private business and vocational school; makes related changes. Provides that no religious institution shall be subject to the educational requirements, standards, or demands contained in the Private College Act or the Academic Degree Act or in those Acts' administrative rules, and requires a religious institution to notify each of its students in writing that the religious degree being earned or course work earned at a religious, non-accredited, post-secondary educational institution may not transfer to other institutions.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Private College Act and the Academic Degree Act. Provides that a religious institution may file an annual application with the Board of Higher Education to become exempt from the educational requirements, standards, or demands under the Acts or those Acts' administrative rules and the Board may annually grant the exemption; defines "religious institution". Specifies application requirements.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2846 DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Sen. Cristina Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to

student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to receive and consider applications for grants for high risk students formerly in the care of the Department of Children and Family Services. Provides that an applicant is eligible for a grant if, among other conditions, he or she is a youth for whom the Department has court-ordered legal responsibility, a youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or a youth formerly under care who has been adopted and was the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who has been placed in private guardianship and was the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Sets forth provisions concerning the amount and payment of grant assistance, the automatic renewal of grants, administration, and rulemaking.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2905

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Sen. Pat McGuire; Rep. G. Harris

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may review and approve or disapprove any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit (instead of any educational services). Makes a conforming change. Corrects grammatical errors.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2927 HIGHER ED-VETERAN ACT-REPORT**Sponsor** Sen. McGuire; Rep. K. Burke**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Provides that each public college or university that is required to have a Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services shall report to the Board of Higher Education information on the its efforts in attracting, recruiting, and retaining veterans and military personnel at the institution. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/24/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2954 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB**Sponsor** Sen. Omar Aquino**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 11, 2018

SB 2968 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS**Sponsor** Sen. Althoff; Rep. Spain**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

SB 2969 HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM**Sponsor** Sen. Schimpf; Rep. Bryant**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General

Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

SB 3033 INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 24, 2018

SB 3046 STATE INSURANCE-ENROLLMENT **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act, eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries may elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the Act. Provides that the election must be made during the benefit recipient's annual open enrollment period, subject to specified conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/24/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 25, 2018

SB 3047 GROW STEM TEACHERS ACT **Sponsor** Sen. Manar; Rep. John Connor

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Act. Requires a public university to waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus housing costs of a student who agrees to pursue a minimum of a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics for a teaching occupation that includes, but is not limited to, mathematics, natural sciences, or career and vocational education in the areas of technology teacher, industrial arts teacher, trade teacher, health care teacher, or information technology teacher and maintains a 3.0 cumulative grade point average. Provides that the student shall agree to fully reimburse the public

university if the student fails to teach at least 3 years at an Illinois high school or at least 5 years at an Illinois public institution of higher education. Provides for funding. Requires the Board of Higher Education to adopt rules it determines are necessary for the administration of the Act. Effective July 1, 2020.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that funding for the Act shall be subject to appropriation, rather than subject to ongoing appropriation.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill as amended by House Amendment No. 1 with the following change. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition and fees for a student who is a licensed Illinois teacher with a master's degree and who (i) agrees to pursue up to a maximum of 18 graduate hours necessary to qualify the student to teach dual credit consistent with applicable accreditation and State standards for dual credit faculty, and (ii) agrees to fully reimburse the public institution of higher education for any waived tuition or fees if the student fails to teach at least 3 years at a high school located in this State after the completion of the graduate hours. Effective July 1, 2020.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 4

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 3 with the following changes. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus costs of a student who agrees to pursue a minimum of a bachelor's degree in agriculture for a teaching occupation in the area of agriculture education. For the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Program, adds a requirement that a student must teach at a hard-to-staff school, as determined by the Board of Higher Education. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition and fees for a student who is a licensed Illinois teacher with a master's degree and who (i) agrees to pursue up to a maximum of 18 graduate hours necessary to qualify the student to teach dual credit consistent with applicable accreditation and State standards for dual credit faculty and (ii) agrees to fully reimburse the public institution of higher education for any waived tuition or fees if the student fails to teach at least 5 years at a high school located in this State after the completion of the graduate hours. Changes the effective date from July 1, 2020 to July 1, 2019.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 5

Adds a provision providing that a public institution of higher education shall waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus housing costs for a student in the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Program and waive any tuition and fees for a student in the Grow Your Own Dual Credit Teachers Program only if funds are appropriated to the Board of Higher Education under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3073 PEN CD-ACCEL BENEFIT PAYMENT

Sponsor Sen. Paul Schimpf

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires those Systems to offer certain inactive members the opportunity to elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the net present value of their pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. Provides that if a person elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment, his or her credits and creditable service under that Article shall be terminated upon receipt of the accelerated pension benefit payment; except that the terminated service credit shall be used for the purposes of determining participation and benefits under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that a person who receives an accelerated pension benefit payment must direct the System to pay all of that payment as a rollover into another qualified retirement plan or account. Contains provisions concerning return to active service; rulemaking; and qualified plan status. Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 to make related changes. Requires the Authority to issue bonds if the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payments

exceed the amount appropriated to each System for those payments. Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes \$250,000,000 in State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds to be sold to pay for accelerated pension benefit payments to eligible persons. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/19/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Special Issues (LA)

SB 3090

IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING

Sponsor Sen. Jim Oberweis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3138

HGHR ED-STUDNT IDENTIY-PRIVATE

Sponsor Sen. Scott M. Bennett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or financial assistance applicant or recipient under the Act is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a program administered by the Commission is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that the provision does not apply to the identity of a student recognized through the State Scholar program, Merit Recognition Scholarship program, Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Program, or any other program created on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act that is administered by the Commission with the purpose of providing a recipient public recognition of achievement. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the personal identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a non-discretionary program administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, where eligibility data is obtained from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or is protected from disclosure under federal or State law or under rules and regulations implementing federal or State law, is information that is

intended to remain private and shall be exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3190 DUAL CREDIT-INITIATIVE COURSE

Sponsor Sen. Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Requires a public university or community college, jointly with a high school, to grant dual credit to a student who completes a course under the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum package adopted by the public university or community college under the Illinois Articulation Initiative Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 26, 2018

SB 3209 CDB-HIGHER EDUCATION

Sponsor Sen. Antonio Muñoz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that the Capital Development Board has the power to construct and repair, or to contract for and supervise the construction and repair of, buildings under the control or for the use of any public institution of higher education when non-appropriated funds are used and both the Capital Development Board and the public institution of higher education mutually agree to that construction or supervision. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Appropriations II

SB 3226 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Sponsor Sen. Weaver; Rep. Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3288 UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE **Sponsor** Sen. Sims, Jr.; Rep. Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3404 CRIMINAL LAW-TECH **Sponsor** Sen. Raoul; Rep. C. Mitchell

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that a statement of the higher education institution's obligation to include an amnesty provision that provides immunity to any student who reports, in good faith, an alleged violation of the higher education institution's comprehensive policy to a responsible employee shall include possession or use of a controlled substance. Amends the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Provides that every hospital providing hospital emergency services and forensic services to sexual assault survivors shall provide after a medical evidentiary or physical examination, access to a shower at no cost, unless showering facilities are unavailable. Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. Provides that upon the request of the victim, the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall provide a free copy of the police report concerning the incident, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 5 business days from the request. Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934 and the Illinois Controlled substances Act limiting prosecution for certain offenses if the person is reporting the commission of a sexual assault if certain perquisites are met. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Amends the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act. Provides that law enforcement shall give notice that the sexual assault forensic evidence collected will not be used to prosecute the victim for any offense related to the use of alcohol, cannabis, or a controlled substance. Makes other changes.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Provides that if the victim consented to the collection of evidence using an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act, it shall constitute reporting for purposes of the provision (in Senate Amendment No. 1, reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act).

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Deletes language providing that the victim's attorney may be present during any stage of a medical examination.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3604 GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE PAY ACT

Sponsor Sen. T. Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Government Severance Pay Act. Provides that a unit of government that enters into a contract or employment agreement, or renewal or renegotiation of an existing contract or employment agreement, that contains a provision for severance pay with an officer, agent, employee, or contractor must include specified provisions in the contract. Provides that nothing in the Act creates an entitlement to severance pay in the absence of its contractual authorization or as otherwise authorized by law. Defines terms.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 26, 2018

HR 902 ACT COLLEGE STANDARDS

Sponsor Rep. Rita Mayfield

Synopsis As Introduced

Urges Illinois to adopt the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards for high school English language arts, math, and science courses to ensure Illinois high school students are adequately prepared for higher education, to enter the workforce, or whatever path they may choose.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee



Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

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May 7, 2018

The House and Senate return Tuesday for a busy week of committee hearings. The Senate will hear bills that have passed the House with a deadline of May 11 to pass out of Senate committees. The House will hear Senate bills with a May 18 deadline to pass Senate bills out of House committees. With each passing week, more bills fail to move through the process. You will see this in the report attached here.

Meanwhile, budget negotiators have yet to agree on how much revenue they have to work with to pass a state budget by the May 31 deadline.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 1940 ICCB-VARIOUS **Sponsor** Rep. Hays; Sen. McGuire

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsors** Rep. Ammons; Sen. Bennett

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination

KEY

LEGISLATION

- HB 4242 - FOIA-Harassment Settlements
- HB 1940 / SB 2968- Com. College Act – Various
- HB 4684 – SURS Employer Contribution
- HB 5122 / SB 2846 – DCFS Tuition & Fee Waivers
- SB 888 – BS Nursing
- SB 2527 – Dual Credit
- SB 2954 – SURS Employer Contribution
- SB 2968 - Community College Contracts
- SB 3046 - State Insurance (CIP) Enrollment
- SB 3047 – Grow STEM Teachers Act

requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/13/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading March 14, 2018

HB 4242 FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS

Sponsors Rep. McSweeney; Sen. T. Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and (3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that when a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters a severance agreement with an employee or contractor because the employee or contractor was found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, the public body shall publish specified information on its Internet website, if one is maintained, and make available such information to the news media for inspection and copying within 72 hours of the taxing body's approval of the severance agreement. Provides exceptions to disclosure of specified information. Provides that no unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall incur liability as a result of its compliance with required disclosures, except for willful or wanton misconduct. Provides that disclosure requirements do not supersede the confidentiality provisions of a severance agreement. Provides that nothing in the applicable provisions shall limit disclosure of public records required to be disclosed under the Act or the Freedom of Information Act. Defines terms. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading May 3, 2018

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing May 8 2018 3:30PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Removes a provision providing that a student may not complete 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying material on the events of Black History.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts a Section from the engrossed bill concerning Internet-based systems of filing, and makes changes. Removes a provision prohibiting all candidates for elective office who are required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy under the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests. Specifies that a candidate filing for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Comptroller, State Senate, or State House of Representatives shall not use the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests, but shall file his or her statement of economic interests in a written or printed form and shall receive a written or printed receipt for his or her filing. Provides that the duly appointed ethics officer for each legislative caucus shall annually certify to the Secretary of State whether his or her caucus members will file their statements of economic interests electronically or in a written or printed format for that year. Provides that if the ethics officer for a caucus certifies that the statements of economic interests shall be written or printed, then members of the General Assembly of that caucus shall not use the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests, but shall file his or her statement of economic interests in a written or printed form and shall receive a written or printed receipt for his or her filing. Provides that if no certification is made by an ethics officer for a legislative caucus, or if a member of the General Assembly is not affiliated with a legislative caucus, then the affected member or members of the General Assembly may file their statements of economic interests using the Internet.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/3/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading May 8, 2018

Committee Hearing: State Government Hearing May 9 2018 2:30PM Capitol 409 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Assigned to State Government

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that any open meeting of the board of trustees of a retirement system or pension fund or any committee established by a retirement system or pension fund must be broadcast to the public and maintained in real-time on the retirement system's or pension fund's website using a high-speed Internet connection. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that a retirement system or pension fund must make audio and video available for an open meeting broadcast to the public and maintained on the retirement system or pension fund's website. Changes the effective date to January 31, 2019 (rather than upon becoming law).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/19/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing May 8 2018 3:30PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning grants for dependents of Department of Corrections employees who are killed or who become a person with a permanent disability in the line of duty, provides that, with respect to disabled employees of the Department of Corrections, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HB 4583 OPEN MEETINGS-SPECIAL MEETINGS Sponsor Rep. Brad Halbrook

Committee Hearing: Judiciary Hearing May 8 2018 3:30PM Capitol 400 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that certain notice provisions that currently apply to regular meetings of a public body shall also apply to special meetings of a public body. Requires a public body that has a website maintained by a full-time staff to post the agenda and notice of meetings for both the governing body and all subsidiary bodies of the public body. Removes a provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting. Requires a public body that has a website to post the minutes of a regular, special, or emergency meeting of its governing body (currently, only regular meeting). Allows a court to declare null and void any final action taken at a meeting in violation of the Act, regardless of whether or not the meeting was a closed meeting. Provides that a court shall (rather than may) assess against any party, except a State's Attorney, reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred by any other party who substantially prevails in any action brought under specified provisions of the Act.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Reinserts a stricken provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting, and provides that such provision shall apply unless the failure to post notice was the result of bad faith on the part of the public body. Adds a provision requiring a court to consider the degree to which the relief obtained relates to the relief sought when determining reasonable attorney's fees.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Assigned to Judiciary

HB 4684 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB Sponsor Rep. Martwick; Sen. Aquino

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading May 3, 2018

HB 4710 HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING **Sponsor** Rep. Scherer; Sen. Stadelman

Committee Hearing: Financial Institutions Hearing May 9 2018 10:30AM Capitol 409 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Creates the College Student Credit Card Marketing and Debt Task Force. Provides legislative findings. Provides for the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall provide technical and administrative support and any other necessary assistance to the Task Force and shall be responsible for administering its operations and ensuring that the requirements of the provisions are met. Provides that the Task Force shall conduct a study on student credit card debt; specifies study requirements. Provides that the Task Force shall report the findings of the study conducted and any recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 14, 2018, at which time the Task Force shall be dissolved. Repeals these provisions on November 1, 2019. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Assigned to Financial Institutions

HB 4781 HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT **Sponsor** Rep. K. Burke; Sen. McGuire

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing May 8 2018 3:30PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Requires a public college or university to use its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HB 4808 ELECTIONS-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Fortner; Sen. Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed notarized declarations of intent to be write-in candidates with the proper election authority, authorities, or State Board of Elections no earlier than 120 days prior to the primary or general election, but no later than 70 (rather than 61) days prior to the primary or general election. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate that do not include the specified information shall not be accepted. Provides that persons intending to become write-in candidates for the Offices of President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file one joint declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the State Board of Elections. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Assigned to Executive

HB 4858 INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Syverson

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing May 8 2018 3:30PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HB 4882 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsor** Rep. Rita Mayfield

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing May 8 2018 3:30PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes to the definition of "cohort", "eligible school", and "hard-to-staff school". In provisions concerning selection of grantees, removes the language providing that the consortium shall consider whether a candidate has experienced an interruption in his or her college education when recruiting potential candidates for the program. Provides that, subject to the requirements under the Dual Credit Quality Act, an institution of higher education may offer a high school student a dual credit course under the program; defines "dual credit course". Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not adopt rules regarding candidate eligibility that are more restrictive than those in the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HB 4956 SCH CD-TEACHERS-3-YEAR DEGREE **Sponsor** Rep. Cavaletto; Sen. Cunningham

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, every public university in this State that offers an educator preparation program must offer to those students enrolled in the educator preparation program a 3-year degree completion program. Provides that

prior to implementation of the program, a public university shall submit to the Board of Higher Education the curriculum and requirements of its program for approval. Provides that upon completion of the program, a student shall receive a bachelor's degree and qualify for entitlement for licensure. Requires the Board of Higher Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board and the State Board of Education, to adopt rules to implement the program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

HB 5020 HGHED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Brady; Sen. Bennett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading May 3, 2018

HB 5021 IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Tracy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that if an institution of higher education proposes to discontinue its operations, the chief administrative officer of the institution shall submit a plan to the Board of Higher Education for permanent retention of all academic records of the institution; defines "academic records" and "institution of higher education". Requires the plan to be approved by the Executive Director of the Board before it is executed. Provides that if it appears to the Board that the academic records may become lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/3/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HB 5062

SCH CD-TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRM

Sponsor Rep. Flowers; Sen. Aquino

Committee Hearing: Education Hearing May 8 2018 2:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the State Board of Education shall develop and maintain a program aimed at facilitating education in advanced manufacturing technical skills. Provides that the program shall be implemented in no less than 12 public high schools, over the span of 3 years, where the youth unemployment rate is at least twice the national average. Specifies program requirements. Provides that the State Board shall ensure that each high school participating in the program has adequate funding for at least one industry coordinator, tutoring, pre-employment and on-the-job mentoring, professional and leadership development, and life and financial management instruction. Provides that the State Board shall use a program provider to help design, build, and accredit the training program. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

HB 5122

DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Rep. Welch; Sen. Castro

Committee Hearing: Human Services Hearing May 8 2018 3:45PM Capitol 409 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that qualifying youth shall receive a tuition and fee waiver to assist them in attending and completing their post-secondary education (rather than a waiver of all tuition and fees to attend and complete their post-secondary education). In provisions requiring an applicant to meet certain academic and age requirements, provides that the applicant must also apply for federal and State grant assistance by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Provides that the community college or public university that an applicant attends must waive any tuition and fee amounts that exceed the amounts paid to the applicant under the federal Pell Grant Program or the State's Monetary Award Program.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Assigned to Human Services

HB 5137

PENCD-TRS-DEFINED CONTRIBUTION

Sponsor Rep. Martwick**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Downstate Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: Further amends the Illinois Pension Code. In the State Universities Article, provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading May 2, 2018

HB 5247

SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Sponsor Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Weaver**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading May 2, 2018

HB 5758

DUAL CREDIT ACT-STATE CAMPUS

Sponsor Rep. Monica Bristow**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Provides that an institution may not offer a dual credit program with a high school in this State if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Prohibits the Illinois Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education from approving an institution's offer of dual credit courses if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/1/2018	House	Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

SB 351

SNAP-ELIGIBILITY-STUDENTS

Sponsor Sen. Morrison; Rep. Wallace**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. In regard to SNAP eligibility for part-time students, provides that an educational program offered at a community college under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 that could be a component of a SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) program, as identified by the Department of Human Services, shall be considered an employment and training program under a specified federal regulation concerning SNAP work requirements, unless prohibited by federal law. Provides that the Department of Human Services, in consultation with representatives of the Illinois Community College Board, ISAC, the Illinois Workforce Investment Board, and advocates for students and SNAP recipients, shall establish a protocol to identify and verify all potential exemptions to an eligibility rule described in a specified federal regulation and to identify and verify a student's participation in educational programs. Requires the Department to adopt any rules necessary to implement specified provisions on or before January 1, 2018.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

In a provision granting the Department of Human Services rulemaking authority, removes language requiring the Department to adopt rules on or before January 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/30/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of Concurrence House Amendment(s) 1 - May 2, 2018

SB 482

PTELL-EXTENSION LIMITATION

Sponsor Sen. J. Cullerton; Rep. Zalewski**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, the term "taxing district" includes all taxing districts in the State other than the City of Chicago and school districts that were not subject to the Law in the 2016 levy year. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, except with respect to school districts that were

subject to the Law in the 2016 levy year, the extension limitation is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, only special purpose extensions (i) made for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the taxing district or (ii) made for contributions to a pension fund are exempt from taxing districts' aggregate extensions. Preempts home rule. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Makes a technical change in a Section authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/6/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

SB 779

PEN CD-INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE

Sponsor Sen. Daniel Biss; Rep. Bob Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code in relation to investment transparency. Defines terms. Provides that within 90 days after entering into a new agreement to invest in an alternative investment fund, a public retirement system must disclose certain specified provisions of the agreement. Provides that a public retirement system shall require its alternative investment fund external managers and general partners to make certain annual disclosures concerning certain fees and expenses, in regard to each alternative investment fund. Provides that supplying a public retirement system with a completed reporting template developed by the Institutional Limited Partners Association constitutes compliance with certain reporting requirements. Declares the disclosures to be public records and requires their publication on the public retirement system's website. Amends the Freedom of Information Act to make a conforming change. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the General Provisions, State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. In the General Provisions Article, repeals a provision added by Public Act 100-23 that establishes a hybrid benefit plan for persons who first become members under the State Universities or Downstate Articles and noncovered employees under the State Employee Article after the implementation date of those benefits and makes related changes. In the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Article, incorporates the hybrid benefit plan added by Public Act 100-23 into each Article and makes conforming and related changes. Adds provisions specifying the method of calculating annuities and other defined benefits under the hybrid benefit plan. Adds provisions concerning the defined contribution component of the hybrid benefit plan. Makes changes to employee and employer contribution rates. In the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles, repeals a provision establishing individual employer accounts for the purposes of paying certain pension costs. Makes changes to provisions requiring the actual employer to pay specified pension costs. In the State Universities Article, provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller or the county treasurer the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer; adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Repeals certain provisions added by Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Makes other changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

SB 888

COMMUNITY COLL-NURSING DEGREE

Sponsor Sen. Andy Manar**Senate Floor Amendment No. 5**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Provides for a common name for a baccalaureate-level nursing education program, and makes changes to specified conditions. Removes the limit on the number of programs that may be approved by the Illinois Community College Board and Board of Higher Education. Requires the Illinois Community College Board to report on the results of its evaluation by July 1, 2023 (instead of July 1, 2022). Removes the effective date provision.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/3/2018	Senate	Rule 3-9(a) / Re-referred to Assignments

SB 2527

SCH CD-DUAL CREDIT-ONLINE

Sponsor Sen. Weaver; Rep. Swanson**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall not adopt a policy limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of academic credits a student may receive from dual credit courses provided that the course is taught by an instructor under the Dual Credit Quality Act or by a licensed teacher or community college professor or instructor in the State of Illinois. Provides that a school board must award high school course credit to a student for dual credit coursework, unless evidence about the course's rigor and content shows that it does not address the relevant Illinois Learning Standard at the level appropriate for the high school grade during which the course is usually taken, and that credit shall satisfy certain requirements under Code for that course. Provides that a superintendent may limit the number of academic credits a student may earn from dual credit courses if certain requirements under the Code are not being met.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a qualified student shall be allowed to enroll in an unlimited amount of dual credit courses and earn an unlimited amount of academic credits from dual credit courses if the courses are taught by an Illinois instructor, as provided under the Dual Credit Quality Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	House	Arrived in House

SB 2540

GOVT ETHICS-STOP PAYMENT ORDER

Sponsor Sen. Barickman; Rep. Crespo**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that during the period beginning September 1 of the year of a general election and ending the day after the general election, the proper name or image of any

executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall not be included in a public announcement on behalf of an executive branch constitutional officer, member of the General Assembly, or State agency related to any contract or grant awarded by a State agency. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that appropriated funds may only be expended during the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Provides that if any State agency receives a grant or contract from itself from appropriated funds, the recipient agency shall be restricted in the expenditure of these funds to the period during which the grantor agency was so restricted. Amends the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall convene a subcommittee of the Illinois Single Audit Commission to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of legislation. Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Sets forth provisions concerning the stop payment system. Modifies a Section concerning the adoption of supplemental rules by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Modifies a Section concerning the annual report submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Provides requirements for awarded grants. Sets forth provisions concerning the travel costs incurred by the employees of the recipient or subrecipient of an awarded grant. Requires nonprofit organizations to maintain State grant funds in an account which is separate from non-grant funds. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with changes. Removes certain changes made to the State Comptroller Act and the Governor's Office of Management and Budget Act regarding stop payment orders, but adds a provision providing that upon a request for a stop payment order from a State grant-making agency for a recipient or subrecipient, the Office of the Comptroller shall notify the Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit within 30 days of the request. Removes changes made to the State Finance Act regarding limitations to fiscal year appropriations and interfund transfers. Modifies provisions regarding State agencies that receive grants or contracts from appropriated funds. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget, in conjunction with the Illinois Audit Commission, shall provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of specified legislation (rather than convene a subcommittee to provide recommendations). Provides that the recommendations shall be submitted January 1, 2020 (rather than January 1, 2019). Adds provisions concerning stop payment order requests made by State grant-making agencies, and whether such stop payment order requests are in the best interests of the State. Specifies additional responsibilities for the Governor's Office of Management and Budget and the Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit. Defines and modifies terms. Makes conforming and other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	House	Arrived in House

SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM

Sponsor Sen. Stadelman; Rep. Wallace

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Committee Hearing May 9 2018 4:00PM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following change. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to develop the pilot program rather than the Board

of Higher Education.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

SB 2822 HIGHR ED-RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION

Sponsor Sen. McConchie; Rep. Sauer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act of 2012, the Private College Act, and the Academic Degree Act. Defines "religious institution" in these Acts. Provides that any religious institution (instead of any institution devoted entirely to the teaching of religion or theology) shall not be considered to be a private business and vocational school; makes related changes. Provides that no religious institution shall be subject to the educational requirements, standards, or demands contained in the Private College Act or the Academic Degree Act or in those Acts' administrative rules, and requires a religious institution to notify each of its students in writing that the religious degree being earned or course work earned at a religious, non-accredited, post-secondary educational institution may not transfer to other institutions.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Private College Act and the Academic Degree Act. Provides that a religious institution may file an annual application with the Board of Higher Education to become exempt from the educational requirements, standards, or demands under the Acts or those Acts' administrative rules and the Board may annually grant the exemption; defines "religious institution". Specifies application requirements.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2846 DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Sen. Castro; Rep. Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to receive and consider applications for grants for high risk students formerly in the care of the Department of Children and Family Services. Provides that an applicant is eligible for a grant if, among other conditions, he or she is a youth for whom the Department has court-ordered legal responsibility, a youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or a youth formerly under care who has been adopted and was the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who has been placed in private guardianship and was the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Sets forth provisions concerning the amount and payment of grant assistance, the automatic renewal of grants, administration, and rulemaking.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2905 COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS **Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire; Rep. G. Harris

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may review and approve or disapprove any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit (instead of any educational services). Makes a conforming change. Corrects grammatical errors.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 2927 HIGHER ED-VETERAN ACT-REPORT **Sponsor** Sen. McGuire; Rep. K. Burke

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Committee Hearing May 9 2018 4:00PM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Provides that each public college or university that is required to have a Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services shall report to the Board of

Higher Education information on the its efforts in attracting, recruiting, and retaining veterans and military personnel at the institution. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/2/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

SB 2954 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB **Sponsor** Sen. Omar Aquino

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that for State fiscal years (rather than academic years) beginning on or after July 1, 2017, if the amount of a participant's earnings for any State fiscal year exceeds the amount of the salary set by law for the Governor that is in effect on July 1 of that fiscal year (rather than the salary set for the Governor), the participant's employer shall pay to the System an additional contribution. Provides that the additional contribution may be paid within 90 days after issuance (rather than receipt) of the bill. Provides that if the employer contributions are not paid within 90 days after issuance (rather than receipt) of the bill, then interest will be charged at a specified rate compounded annually from the 91st day after issuance (rather than receipt) of the bill. Provides that all payments must be received (rather than concluded) within 3 years after issuance (rather than the employer's receipt) of the bill. Provides that if the employer fails to make complete payment, including payment of any applicable interest, within 3 years, then the System may, after giving notice to the employer, certify the delinquent amount to the State Comptroller, and the Comptroller shall thereupon deduct the certified delinquent amount from State funds payable to the employer and pay them instead to the System. Provides that the provisions concerning earnings in excess of the Governor's salary do not apply to the extent an employer pays the employer normal cost of such earnings. Provides that the changes are intended to apply retroactively to July 6, 2017. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/3/2018	House	Arrived in House

SB 2968 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS **Sponsor** Sen. Althoff; Rep. Spain

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

Last Action

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4/26/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee
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SB 2969 HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Schimpf; Rep. Bryant

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Committee Hearing May 9 2018 4:00PM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

SB 3033 INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/3/2018	House	Arrived in House

SB 3046 STATE INSURANCE-ENROLLMENT **Sponsor** Sen. Manar; Rep. Gordon-Booth

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act, eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries may elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the Act. Provides that the election must be made during the benefit recipient's annual open enrollment period, subject to specified conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/3/2018	House	Arrived in House

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Act. Requires a public university to waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus housing costs of a student who agrees to pursue a minimum of a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics for a teaching occupation that includes, but is not limited to, mathematics, natural sciences, or career and vocational education in the areas of technology teacher, industrial arts teacher, trade teacher, health care teacher, or information technology teacher and maintains a 3.0 cumulative grade point average. Provides that the student shall agree to fully reimburse the public university if the student fails to teach at least 3 years at an Illinois high school or at least 5 years at an Illinois public institution of higher education. Provides for funding. Requires the Board of Higher Education to adopt rules it determines are necessary for the administration of the Act. Effective July 1, 2020.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that funding for the Act shall be subject to appropriation, rather than subject to ongoing appropriation.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill as amended by House Amendment No. 1 with the following change. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition and fees for a student who is a licensed Illinois teacher with a master's degree and who (i) agrees to pursue up to a maximum of 18 graduate hours necessary to qualify the student to teach dual credit consistent with applicable accreditation and State standards for dual credit faculty, and (ii) agrees to fully reimburse the public institution of higher education for any waived tuition or fees if the student fails to teach at least 3 years at a high school located in this State after the completion of the graduate hours. Effective July 1, 2020.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 4

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 3 with the following changes. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus costs of a student who agrees to pursue a minimum of a bachelor's degree in agriculture for a teaching occupation in the area of agriculture education. For the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Program, adds a requirement that a student must teach at a hard-to-staff school, as determined by the Board of Higher Education. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition and fees for a student who is a licensed Illinois teacher with a master's degree and who (i) agrees to pursue up to a maximum of 18 graduate hours necessary to qualify the student to teach dual credit consistent with applicable accreditation and State standards for dual credit faculty and (ii) agrees to fully reimburse the public institution of higher education for any waived tuition or fees if the student fails to teach at least 5 years at a high school located in this State after the completion of the graduate hours. Changes the effective date from July 1, 2020 to July 1, 2019.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 5

Adds a provision providing that a public institution of higher education shall waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus housing costs for a student in the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Program and waive any tuition and fees for a student in the Grow Your Own Dual Credit Teachers Program only if funds are appropriated to the Board of Higher Education under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or financial assistance applicant or recipient under the Act is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a program administered by the Commission is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that the provision does not apply to the identity of a student recognized through the State Scholar program, Merit Recognition Scholarship program, Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Program, or any other program created on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act that is administered by the Commission with the purpose of providing a recipient public recognition of achievement. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the personal identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a non-discretionary program administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, where eligibility data is obtained from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or is protected from disclosure under federal or State law or under rules and regulations implementing federal or State law, is information that is intended to remain private and shall be exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3226 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Weaver; Rep. Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3288

UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE

Sponsor Sen. Sims, Jr.; Rep. Hoffman**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3404

SEXUAL VIOLENCE-HIGHER EDUC

Sponsor Sen. Raoul; Rep. C. Mitchell**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that a statement of the higher education institution's obligation to include an amnesty provision that provides immunity to any student who reports, in good faith, an alleged violation of the higher education institution's comprehensive policy to a responsible employee shall include possession or use of a controlled substance. Amends the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Provides that every hospital providing hospital emergency services and forensic services to sexual assault survivors shall provide after a medical evidentiary or physical examination, access to a shower at no cost, unless showering facilities are unavailable. Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. Provides that upon the request of the victim, the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall provide a free copy of the police report concerning the incident, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 5 business days from the request. Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934 and the Illinois Controlled substances Act limiting prosecution for certain offenses if the person is reporting the commission of a sexual assault if certain prerequisites are met. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Amends the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act. Provides that law enforcement shall give notice that the sexual assault forensic evidence collected will not be used to prosecute the victim for any offense related to the use of alcohol, cannabis, or a controlled substance. Makes other changes.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Provides that if the victim consented to the collection of evidence using an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act, it shall constitute reporting for purposes of the provision (in Senate Amendment No. 1, reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act).

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Deletes language providing that the victim's attorney may be present during any stage of a medical examination.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 3604 GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE PAY ACT**Sponsor** Sen. T. Cullerton; Rep. Kifowit**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Government Severance Pay Act. Provides that a unit of government that enters into a contract or employment agreement, or renewal or renegotiation of an existing contract or employment agreement, that contains a provision for severance pay with an officer, agent, employee, or contractor must include specified provisions in the contract. Provides that nothing in the Act creates an entitlement to severance pay in the absence of its contractual authorization or as otherwise authorized by law. Defines terms.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/3/2018	House	Arrived in House

HR 902 ACT COLLEGE STANDARDS**Sponsor** Rep. Rita Mayfield

Committee Hearing: Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee Hearing May 9 2018 10:00AM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Urges Illinois to adopt the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards for high school English language arts, math, and science courses to ensure Illinois high school students are adequately prepared for higher education, to enter the workforce, or whatever path they may choose.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee



Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

By: Jessica Nardulli & Tom Ryder

June 1, 2018

The Illinois General Assembly approved a bipartisan budget deal that invests in public higher education. The budget was negotiated by bipartisan working groups, finalized by legislative leaders, and then approved in a bipartisan vote. Governor Rauner has announced he will sign the budget. Hopefully this signifies an end to partisan budget fights that decimated funding for higher education and ballooned the state's debt.

The state's operating budget totals \$38.5 billion, which is a \$600 million increase over the current budget. Higher education sees a 2% increase, which translates to a \$5 million increase for community colleges. Importantly, the budget deal does not include shifting millions in state pension costs onto the colleges.

The deal also includes a series of pension reforms the state projects will bring in \$445 million in budget savings. Those reforms include: (1) Inactive buyout – vested, inactive workers have the option to cash out when they reach the qualifying retirement age for 60% of the value; (2) COLA buyout – Tier 1 employees owed a compounding 3% COLA in retirement have the option to have the state buyout the compounded COLA for 70% of the value; (3) 6% Rule changed to 3% - if a college awards an end of career raise in excess of 3%, SURS will charge the college to cover the increased expense

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsors** Rep. Ammons; Sen. Bennett

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/10/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4242 FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS

Sponsors Rep. McSweeney; Sen. T. Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a

FAILED LEGISLATION

- HB 4242 - FOIA-Harassment Settlements
- HB 4246-4248 – Local Govt Convention Expense Limitations
- HB 4300 – Community College Tuition Cap
- HB 4371 - \$107B Bond – Pension Liability
- HB 4495 – Vocational Opportunity Act
- HB 4583 – OMA-Special Meetings
- HB 4838 – OMA Post Records
- HB 5471– Bookstore Sales
- SB 779 – Hybrid Benefit Plan
- SB 888 / SB 3045 – BS Nursing at Com. Col.
- SB 2234 – Higher Ed Centers of Excellence
- SB 2365 – BEP Scoring
- SB 2597 – Consolidate IBHE, ICCB, & ISAC
- SB 2845 – Employment Contract – Severance Limit
- SB 2822 – Religious Institution
- SB 3190 – Dual Credit Requirements
- SB 3566 – Uniform Admission

severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and (3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that when a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters a severance agreement with an employee or contractor because the employee or contractor was found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, the public body shall publish specified information on its Internet website, if one is maintained, and make available such information to the news media for inspection and copying within 72 hours of the taxing body's approval of the severance agreement. Provides exceptions to disclosure of specified information. Provides that no unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall incur liability as a result of its compliance with required disclosures, except for willful or wanton misconduct. Provides that disclosure requirements do not supersede the confidentiality provisions of a severance agreement. Provides that nothing in the applicable provisions shall limit disclosure of public records required to be disclosed under the Act or the Freedom of Information Act. Defines terms. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Corrects a cross-reference to the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/31/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4346 SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY **Sponsor** Rep. Jones; Sen. Harris, III

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Removes a provision providing that a student may not complete 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying material on the events of Black History.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/16/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4395 ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING **Sponsor** Rep. Hays; Sen. Barickman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts a Section from the engrossed bill concerning Internet-based systems of filing, and makes changes. Removes a provision prohibiting all candidates for elective office who are required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy under the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests. Specifies that a candidate filing for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Comptroller, State Senate, or State House of Representatives shall not use the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests, but shall file his or her statement of economic interests in a written or printed form and shall receive a written or printed receipt for his or her filing. Provides that the duly appointed ethics officer for each legislative caucus shall annually certify to the Secretary of State whether his or her caucus members will file their statements of economic interests electronically or in a written or printed format for that year. Provides that if the ethics officer for a caucus certifies that the statements of economic interests shall be written or printed, then members of the General Assembly of that caucus shall not use the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests, but shall file his or her statement of economic interests in a written or printed form and shall receive a written or printed receipt for his or her filing. Provides that if no certification is made by an ethics officer for a legislative caucus, or if a member of the General Assembly is not affiliated with a legislative caucus, then the affected member or members of the General Assembly may file their statements of economic interests using the Internet.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/31/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4412 PEN CD-SURS-SENIOR ADMIN STAFF **Sponsor** Rep. Ammons; Sen. Sims, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In provisions concerning the allocation and delegation of fiduciary duties, provides that each retirement system, pension fund, or investment board shall make its best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of its senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of its membership. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/31/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4467 HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Hurley; Sen. Raoul

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning grants for dependents of Department of Corrections employees who are killed or who become a person with a permanent disability in the line of duty, provides that, with respect to disabled employees of the Department of Corrections, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that children (rather than natural children) need not be born, legally adopted, or in the legal custody of the officer or employee (rather than born) before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/31/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4684 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB **Sponsor** Rep. Martwick; Sen. Aquino

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/23/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4710 HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING **Sponsor** Rep. Scherer; Sen. Stadelman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Creates the College Student Credit Card Marketing and Debt Task Force. Provides legislative findings. Provides for the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall provide technical and administrative support and any other necessary assistance to the Task Force and shall be responsible for administering its operations and ensuring that the requirements of the provisions are met.



Provides that the Task Force shall conduct a study on student credit card debt; specifies study requirements. Provides that the Task Force shall report the findings of the study conducted and any recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 14, 2018, at which time the Task Force shall be dissolved. Repeals these provisions on November 1, 2019. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/16/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4781 HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT **Sponsor** Rep. K. Burke; Sen. McGuire

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Creates the College and Career Interest Task Force. Provides for the membership of the Task Force. Requires the Task Force to study the feasible methods by which the college or career interest data of a high school student in this State may be collected and shared amongst public institutions of higher education. Requires the Task Force to submit the findings of the study to the General Assembly on or before January 30, 2019, at which time the Task Force is dissolved. Repeals the provision on July 1, 2019. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/31/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4858 INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Syverson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/17/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 4882 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsor** Rep. Mayfield; Sen. Martinez

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes to the definition of "cohort", "eligible school", and "hard-to-staff school". In provisions concerning selection of grantees, removes the language providing that the consortium shall consider whether a candidate has experienced an interruption in his or her college education when recruiting potential candidates for the program. Provides that, subject to the requirements under the Dual Credit Quality Act, an institution of higher education

may offer a high school student a dual credit course under the program; defines "dual credit course". Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not adopt rules regarding candidate eligibility that are more restrictive than those in the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/29/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 5020 HGER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Welch; Sen. Bennett

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. With regard to the Monetary Award Program, provides that beginning with the processing of applications for the 2020-2021 academic year, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission shall annually publish a priority deadline date for renewing applicants and, subject to appropriation, a renewing applicant who files by the published priority deadline date shall receive a grant if he or she continues to meet the program's eligibility requirements; defines "renewing applicant". Provides that a renewing applicant's failure to apply by the established priority deadline date shall not disqualify him or her from receiving a grant if sufficient funding is available to provide awards after that date. Provides that beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Commission may not make any Monetary Award Program grants to an applicant enrolled at a for-profit institution; except that until July 1, 2023, the Commission may award a grant renewal to an applicant enrolled at a for-profit institution if he or she otherwise meets the renewal requirements. Allows for rulemaking. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Removes language providing that beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission may not make any Monetary Award Program grants to an applicant enrolled at a for-profit institution.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Changes the definition of "renewing applicant" to mean a student attending an institution of higher learning (rather than a public institution of higher learning) who received a Monetary Award Program grant during the prior academic year.

Last Action

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HB 5021 IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Tracy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that if an

institution of higher education proposes to discontinue its operations, the chief administrative officer of the institution shall submit a plan to the Board of Higher Education for permanent retention of all academic records of the institution; defines "academic records" and "institution of higher education". Requires the plan to be approved by the Executive Director of the Board before it is executed. Provides that if it appears to the Board that the academic records may become lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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5/24/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 5122 DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Rep. Welch; Sen. Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that qualifying youth shall receive a tuition and fee waiver to assist them in attending and completing their post-secondary education (rather than a waiver of all tuition and fees to attend and complete their post-secondary education). In provisions requiring an applicant to meet certain academic and age requirements, provides that the applicant must also apply for federal and State grant assistance by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Provides that the community college or public university that an applicant attends must waive any tuition and fee amounts that exceed the amounts paid to the applicant under the federal Pell Grant Program or the State's Monetary Award Program.

Last Action

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HB 5137 PENCD-TRS-DEFINED CONTRIBUTION

Sponsor Rep. Martwick; Sen. McConchie

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Downstate Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options

to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: Further amends the Illinois Pension Code. In the State Universities Article, provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

Last Action

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5/24/2018	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 5247 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

House Committee Amendment No. 2

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" does not include an apprenticeship program related to construction, as defined under the Employee Classification Act.

Last Action

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SB 351

SNAP-ELIGIBILITY-STUDENTS

Sponsor Sen. Morrison; Rep. Wallace**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. In regard to SNAP eligibility for part-time students, provides that an educational program offered at a community college under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 that could be a component of a SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) program, as identified by the Department of Human Services, shall be considered an employment and training program under a specified federal regulation concerning SNAP work requirements, unless prohibited by federal law. Provides that the Department of Human Services, in consultation with representatives of the Illinois Community College Board, ISAC, the Illinois Workforce Investment Board, and advocates for students and SNAP recipients, shall establish a protocol to identify and verify all potential exemptions to an eligibility rule described in a specified federal regulation and to identify and verify a student's participation in educational programs. Requires the Department to adopt any rules necessary to implement specified provisions on or before January 1, 2018.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

In a provision granting the Department of Human Services rulemaking authority, removes language requiring the Department to adopt rules on or before January 1, 2018.

Last Action

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5/9/2018	Senate	Passed Both Houses

SB 2354

DEGREE PROGRAM ADVICE

Sponsor Sen. McGuire; Rep. Stuart**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Articulation Initiative Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, each public institution shall require any student who, upon completing 30 academic credit hours, is interested in pursuing an associate degree or baccalaureate degree at the public institution in which he or she is enrolled or at another public institution to indicate to the public institution in which he or she is enrolled all of his or her degree programs of interest. Provides that the public institution in which the student is enrolled shall make a reasonable attempt to conduct a meeting with the student and an academic advisor of the public institution, who shall inform the student of the prerequisite requirements for the student's degree programs of interest. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board shall develop a policy to foster the reverse transfer of credit for any student who has accumulated at least 15 hours of academic credit at a community college and a sufficient number of hours of academic credit at a State university in the prescribed courses necessary to meet a community college's requirements to be awarded an associate degree; defines "reverse transfer of credit". Provides that a student wishing to reverse transfer earned academic credit to obtain an associate degree shall agree to the exchange of transcript information between each community college and State university that he or she has attended and shall submit an application and his or her transcripts to a community college for conferral of an associate degree. Provides that the Board of Higher Education, the Illinois Community College Board, and the Midwestern Higher Education Compact's Multi-State Collaborative on Military Credit shall adopt a policy regarding the award of academic credit for military training applicable to meeting a community college's requirements for awarding an associate degree. Requires the Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board to adopt rules to implement the provisions. Amends the Illinois Articulation Initiative Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, each public institution shall require any student who, upon completing 30 academic credit hours, is interested in pursuing an associate degree or baccalaureate degree at the public institution in

which he or she is enrolled or at another public institution to indicate to the public institution in which he or she is enrolled all of his or her degree programs of interest. Provides that the public institution in which the student is enrolled shall make a reasonable attempt to conduct a meeting with the student and an academic advisor of the public institution, who shall inform the student of the prerequisite requirements for the student's degree programs of interest. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not limit the amount of tuition revenue that a public university may waive. Repeals provisions regarding tuition waiver limitations in various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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5/31/2018	Senate	Passed Both Houses

SB 2527 SCH CD-DUAL CREDIT-ONLINE

Sponsor Sen. Weaver; Rep. Swanson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall not adopt a policy limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of academic credits a student may receive from dual credit courses provided that the course is taught by an instructor under the Dual Credit Quality Act or by a licensed teacher or community college professor or instructor in the State of Illinois. Provides that a school board must award high school course credit to a student for dual credit coursework, unless evidence about the course's rigor and content shows that it does not address the relevant Illinois Learning Standard at the level appropriate for the high school grade during which the course is usually taken, and that credit shall satisfy certain requirements under Code for that course. Provides that a superintendent may limit the number of academic credits a student may earn from dual credit courses if certain requirements under the Code are not being met.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a qualified student shall be allowed to enroll in an unlimited amount of dual credit courses and earn an unlimited amount of academic credits from dual credit courses if the courses are taught by an Illinois instructor, as provided under the Dual Credit Quality Act.

Last Action

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SB 2540 GOVT ETHICS-STOP PAYMENT ORDER

Sponsor Sen. Barickman; Rep. Crespo

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that during the period beginning September 1 of the year of a general election and ending the day after the general election, the proper name or image of any executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall not be included in a public announcement on behalf of an executive branch constitutional officer, member of the General Assembly, or State agency related to any contract or grant awarded by a State agency. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that

appropriated funds may only be expended during the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Provides that if any State agency receives a grant or contract from itself from appropriated funds, the recipient agency shall be restricted in the expenditure of these funds to the period during which the grantor agency was so restricted. Amends the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall convene a subcommittee of the Illinois Single Audit Commission to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of legislation. Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Sets forth provisions concerning the stop payment system. Modifies a Section concerning the adoption of supplemental rules by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Modifies a Section concerning the annual report submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Provides requirements for awarded grants. Sets forth provisions concerning the travel costs incurred by the employees of the recipient or subrecipient of an awarded grant. Requires nonprofit organizations to maintain State grant funds in an account which is separate from non-grant funds. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with changes. Removes certain changes made to the State Comptroller Act and the Governor's Office of Management and Budget Act regarding stop payment orders, but adds a provision providing that upon a request for a stop payment order from a State grant-making agency for a recipient or subrecipient, the Office of the Comptroller shall notify the Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit within 30 days of the request. Removes changes made to the State Finance Act regarding limitations to fiscal year appropriations and interfund transfers. Modifies provisions regarding State agencies that receive grants or contracts from appropriated funds. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget, in conjunction with the Illinois Audit Commission, shall provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of specified legislation (rather than convene a subcommittee to provide recommendations). Provides that the recommendations shall be submitted January 1, 2020 (rather than January 1, 2019). Adds provisions concerning stop payment order requests made by State grant-making agencies, and whether such stop payment order requests are in the best interests of the State. Specifies additional responsibilities for the Governor's Office of Management and Budget and the Grant Accountability and Transparency Unit. Defines and modifies terms. Makes conforming and other changes. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Removes a Section concerning public service announcements and other promotional material. Modifies provisions concerning general and lodging and subsistence travel costs. Removes a provision concerning commercial air travel costs. Makes conforming changes.

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Makes changes to the engrossed bill to provide for electronic reporting of the reports included in the bill to the General Assembly. Makes conforming changes.

Last Action

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SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM

Sponsor Sen. Stadelman; Rep. Wallace

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following change. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to develop the pilot program rather than the Board of Higher Education.

Last Action

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5/21/2018	Senate	Passed Both Houses

SB 2838

DUAL CREDIT PARTNERSHIPS

Sponsors Sen. Bertino-Tarrant; Rep. Manley

House Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Requires a community college district, upon the request of a school district within the jurisdiction of the community college district, to enter into a partnership agreement with the school district to offer dual credit coursework; specifies requirements for the partnership agreement. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, a school district may not enter into a new contract with an out-of-state institution to provide a dual credit course without first offering the community college district in the district in which the school district is located the opportunity to provide the course. Provides for a Model Partnership Agreement and creates the Dual Credit Committee. Makes other changes.

Last Action

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SB 2905

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Sen. Pat McGuire; Rep. Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may review and approve or disapprove any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit (instead of any educational services). Makes a conforming change. Corrects grammatical errors.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

With regard to the Illinois Community College Board's power to review and approve or disapprove any contract or agreement, provides that nothing in the provision shall be interpreted as applying to collective bargaining agreements with any labor organization.

Last Action

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5/30/2018	Senate	Passed Both Houses

SB 2927

AIM HIGH GRANT PILOT PROGRAM

Sponsor Sen. McGuire; Rep. K. Burke

House Floor Amendment No. 3

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Defines "public university" and "public university campus". Creates the AIM HIGH Grant Pilot Program. Makes legislative findings and defines terms. Provides that beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, each public university in this State may establish a merit-based scholarship pilot program known as the AIM HIGH Grant Pilot Program. Provides that each year, the Illinois Student Assistance Commission shall receive and consider applications from public universities to participate in the Program and the public university campuses shall distribute grant funds to eligible students; specifies requirements for the grants and other requirements of the Program. Repeals the provision on October 1, 2024. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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SB 2941

HIGH SCH GRAD REQUIREMENT PROG

Sponsors Sen. McGuire; Rep. Mayfield

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Act. With respect to the State Board of Education's competency-based, high school graduation requirements pilot program, provides that a school district may participate in the program for some or all of its schools (instead of for some or all of its schools serving grades 9 through 12). Allows school districts to collaboratively apply to participate in the pilot program; sets forth provisions governing a collaborative of districts.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Adds an immediate effective date.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Act. Makes changes with regard to the statewide panel to define transitional mathematics instruction recommendations, transitional mathematics instruction placement and delivery, high school and community college partnership agreements for transitional mathematics instruction, and transitional mathematics instruction statewide supports.

Last Action

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Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that for State fiscal years (rather than academic years) beginning on or after July 1, 2017, if the amount of a participant's earnings for any State fiscal year exceeds the amount of the salary set by law for the Governor that is in effect on July 1 of that fiscal year (rather than the salary set for the Governor), the participant's employer shall pay to the System an additional contribution. Provides that the additional contribution may be paid within 90 days after issuance (rather than receipt) of the bill. Provides that if the employer contributions are not paid within 90 days after issuance (rather than receipt) of the bill, then interest will be charged at a specified rate compounded annually from the 91st day after issuance (rather than receipt) of the bill. Provides that all payments must be received (rather than concluded) within 3 years after issuance (rather than the employer's receipt) of the bill. Provides that if the employer fails to make complete payment, including payment of any applicable interest, within 3 years, then the System may, after giving notice to the employer, certify the delinquent amount to the State Comptroller, and the Comptroller shall thereupon deduct the certified delinquent amount from State funds payable to the employer and pay them instead to the System. Provides that the provisions concerning earnings in excess of the Governor's salary do not apply to the extent an employer pays the employer normal cost of such earnings. Provides that the changes are intended to apply retroactively to July 6, 2017. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Illinois Pension Code. In provisions of the Downstate Teacher Article that require a participant's employer to make an additional contribution if the participant's salary exceeds the amount of salary set for the Governor, removes a provision that specifies that the salary of the participant is determined on a full-time equivalent basis.

Last Action

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Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act, eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries may elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the Act. Provides that the election must be made during the benefit recipient's annual open enrollment period, subject to specified conditions. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts and modifies the provisions of the engrossed bill. Removes provisions allowing eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college

benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries to elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that eligible TRS benefit recipients and eligible community college benefit recipients may enroll or re-enroll in the program of health benefits established under the Act during any applicable annual open enrollment period and as otherwise permitted by the Department of Central Management Services. Provides that TRS benefit recipients and community college benefit recipients shall not be deemed ineligible to participate solely by reason of the TRS benefit recipient or community college benefit recipient having made a previous election to disenroll or otherwise not participate in the program of health benefits.

Last Action

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SB 3138 HGHR ED-STUDNT IDENTIY-PRIVATE **Sponsor** Sen. Bennett; Rep. Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or financial assistance applicant or recipient under the Act is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a program administered by the Commission is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that the provision does not apply to the identity of a student recognized through the State Scholar program, Merit Recognition Scholarship program, Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Program, or any other program created on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act that is administered by the Commission with the purpose of providing a recipient public recognition of achievement. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the personal identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a non-discretionary program administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, where eligibility data is obtained from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or is protected from disclosure under federal or State law or under rules and regulations implementing federal or State law, is information that is intended to remain private and shall be exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/28/2018	Senate	Passed Both Houses

SB 3220 SCH CD-ALT TEACHER LICENSE **Sponsor** Sen. Aquino; Rep. Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends an Article of the School Code concerning educator licensure. Provides that the State Board of Education shall not approve a course of study under the Alternative Educator Licensure Program for Teachers unless the State Board can demonstrate that there is a need for a particular type of licensed educator offered by the course of study.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 2

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that an institution of higher education that is denied a recommendation for recognition by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board to offer an educator preparation program at the institution may appeal the decision to the State Board of Education. Requires the appeal to state the reasons why the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board's decision should be reversed and to include any other information required by the State Board of Education. Provides that if a majority of the members of the State Board of Education determines that the appeal is untimely or that the proposed educator preparation program does not comply with applicable administrative rules, the State Board of Education must hold a public hearing; specifies hearing requirements.

House Floor Amendment No. 4

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that a not-for-profit institution, institution of higher education, or for-profit institution that is denied an initial recommendation for recognition by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board may appeal the denial of recommendation for recognition to the State Board of Education, as provided by rules adopted by the State Board of Education; specifies hearing requirements for an appeal requested by a for-profit institution. Requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules.

Last Action

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SB 3404 SEXUAL VIOLENCE-HIGHER EDUC

Sponsor Sen. Raoul; Rep. C. Mitchell

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that a statement of the higher education institution's obligation to include an amnesty provision that provides immunity to any student who reports, in good faith, an alleged violation of the higher education institution's comprehensive policy to a responsible employee shall include possession or use of a controlled substance. Amends the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Provides that every hospital providing hospital emergency services and forensic services to sexual assault survivors shall provide after a medical evidentiary or physical examination, access to a shower at no cost, unless showering facilities are unavailable. Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. Provides that upon the request of the victim, the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall provide a free copy of the police report concerning the incident, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 5 business days from the request. Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934 and the Illinois Controlled substances Act limiting prosecution for certain offenses if the person is reporting the commission of a sexual assault if certain perquisites are met. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Amends the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act. Provides that law enforcement shall give notice that the sexual assault forensic evidence collected will not be used to prosecute the victim for any offense related to the use of alcohol, cannabis, or a controlled substance. Makes other changes.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2

Provides that if the victim consented to the collection of evidence using an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act, it shall constitute reporting for purposes of the provision (in Senate Amendment No. 1, reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act).

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3

Deletes language providing that the victim's attorney may be present during any stage of a medical

examination.

House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the engrossed bill. Further amends the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act. Provides a victim shall have 10 years (currently, 5 years) from the completion of an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit, or 10 years from the age of 18 years, whichever is longer, to sign a written consent to release the sexual assault evidence to law enforcement for testing. Makes conforming changes to the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act.

Last Action

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SB 3604 GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE PAY ACT **Sponsor** Sen. T. Cullerton; Rep. Kifowit

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Government Severance Pay Act. Provides that a unit of government that enters into a contract or employment agreement, or renewal or renegotiation of an existing contract or employment agreement, that contains a provision for severance pay with an officer, agent, employee, or contractor must include specified provisions in the contract. Provides that nothing in the Act creates an entitlement to severance pay in the absence of its contractual authorization or as otherwise authorized by law. Defines terms.

Last Action

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5/29/2018	Senate	Passed Both Houses

SR 1647 COLLEGE COMPLETION RATES **Sponsor** Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

Synopsis As Introduced

Recognizes that there are significant disparities in college degree completion rates for low-income and first generation college students and students of color at institutions across the State. Commits to closing statewide racial and socioeconomic degree attainment gaps and institutional achievement gaps and encourages institutions of higher education to implement and expand existing student success efforts that have evidence of improving educational outcomes for low-income and first generation college students and students of color. Urges the State's P20 Council is to update the State's 60 by 25 goal to include equity-focused targets aimed at closing institutional racial and socioeconomic achievement gaps.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
5/31/2018	Senate	Resolution Adopted