Illinois Community College Trustees Association Action Alert

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Ethics Act bill passes Illinois Senate

Senate Bill 753 (sponsored by Senate majority leader Debbie Halvorson) unanimously passed out of the Illinois Senate this morning. SB 753 amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act to classify community college districts as units of local government that must adopt resolutions regulating the political activities and the solicitation and acceptance of gifts by their officials and employees (currently, community colleges are classified as state agencies subject to the entire Act's regulation and enforcement by the Executive Ethics Commission and the Governor's Executive Inspector General). The bill now moves to the Illinois House for consideration. An identical bill, **House Bill 3504**, passed the House yesterday and will move to the Senate for consideration.

Later today, members of the Senate will join state representatives in returning to their home districts for a two-week break during the Easter and Passover holidays.

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ICCTA's Lobby Day is Wednesday, April 25, in Springfield * For additional legislative updates, call ICCTA at 1-800-454-2282 *

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