



Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

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This is the first report of the new 100th General Assembly, spring 2017. Over 6,000 bills have been filed so far. While it was a lot to review, the number of bills impacting community colleges appears to be a little less this year. Hopefully, this reflects legislators' understanding of the dire need for a budget in higher education. We welcome your feedback, whether it be support, oppose, or neutral.

Only the House will be in session this week. We have some new committee chairs in the House. Representative Kelly Burke (Oak Lawn) will now chair the Higher Education Appropriations Committee, with Representative Dan Brady (Bloomington) serving as the Republican Spokesperson. Representative Chris Emanuel Welch (Westchester) will chair the Higher Education Committee, with Representative Norine Hammond (Macomb) serving as the Republican Spokesperson. Finally, Representative Thaddeus Jones (Calumet City) will return as the chair of the Community College Access & Affordability Committee, with Representative Chad Hays (Catlin) serving as the Republican Spokesperson.

When the Senate returns February 28th, the leaders have announced their plan to vote on the "grand bargain" set of bills including a supplemental FY 17 budget, a property tax freeze, bonding to pay down the bill backlog, workers compensation reform, tax increases and more.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

KEY LEGISLATION

HB 103 \$HIGHER EDUCATION Sponsor Rep. Reginald Phillips

Synopsis As Introduced

Makes appropriations to boards of trustees of public institutions of higher education from the Education Assistance Fund for ordinary and contingent expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Makes appropriations to the Illinois Community College Board from the Education Assistance Fund for distribution to qualifying public community colleges for base operating and equalization grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Makes appropriations to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission from the General Revenue Fund for grant awards to students eligible for the Monetary Award Program for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Appropriations-Higher Education Committee

HB 208 HIGHER ED-GRANTS TO TEACHERS Sponsor Rep. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to award grants, subject to appropriation, to applicants who are teachers licensed under the School Code and are employed by a school district within an area designated as a poverty area by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to obtain additional course credit or an additional degree at a public university located in this State. Provides that the amount of the grant shall equal 50% of the tuition and other necessary fees required of the teacher by the public university at which the teacher enrolls. Requires grant recipients to contract with the Commission to teach for an additional 2 years in the school district in which they were employed at the time of application for the grant. Sets forth provisions concerning this commitment.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Appropriations-Higher Education Committee

HB 242 COLLEGE ADMISSION INQUIRIES Sponsor Rep. Flowers
Committee Hearing:

Higher Education Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 2:30PM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the College Admission Inquiries Act. Provides that during the admission decision-making process, a college (defined as an institution of

higher education authorized to confer degrees in this State and work-study programs offered by institutions of higher education) may not inquire about arrests that did not result in a criminal conviction and criminal convictions that have been sealed or expunged or make any inquiry or consider information about any arrest or criminal accusation of an individual that was followed by a termination of that criminal action or proceeding in favor of the individual. Provides that a college may not make any inquiry or consider information about an individual's past criminal conviction or convictions at any time during the admission decision-making process. Provides that after an individual has been admitted as a student, a college may make inquiries about and consider information about the individual's past criminal conviction history for the purpose of offering support counseling and services. Provides that a college may also make inquiries about and consider information about the individual's past criminal conviction history for the purpose of making decisions about participation in activities and aspects of campus life associated with the individual's status as a student. Provides that a college may not use the information to rescind an offer of admission. Provides that a college is not required to make inquiries into or consider an individual's criminal conviction history for any reason.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 243 SCH-POLICE JOB TRAINING PROG **Sponsor** Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Committee Hearing:

Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 10:00AM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL - House Committee Amendment 1

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Creates the police training academy job training program. Requires any school district with a high school to establish a partnership with a local police department, county sheriff, or police training academy to establish a jobs training program for high school students. Provides that the program shall be open to all students regardless of academic history, but that school districts may impose requirements to maintain successful participation in the program. Requires the State Board of Education to track students participating in the programs. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Creates the police training academy job training scholarship program. Provides that the Illinois Student Assistance Commission shall receive applications for scholarships from any applicant that has successfully completed the police training academy job training program and been accepted to any public institution of higher learning in the State. Provides that applicants who are determined to be eligible for the scholarship shall receive, subject to appropriation, a renewable scholarship to be applied to tuition and mandatory fees and paid directly to the public institution of higher learning at which the applicant is enrolled. Allows the Commission to establish by rule academic requirements to maintain access to the scholarship. Grants students who have received a scholarship access to any needed noncredit remedial courses in order to ensure academic success, as well as access to a student retention program offered by the public institution, including, but not limited to, CHANCE programs. Allows the Commission to make all necessary and proper rules needed for the program.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee

HB 290 LOCAL GOV-INTERNET POSTINGS **Sponsor** Rep. David S. Olsen

Committee Hearing:

Counties & Townships Committee Hearing Feb 24 2017 9:00AM Capitol Building Room 115 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Local Records Act. Requires any unit of local government serving a population of 5,000 or more

and any school district with an enrollment of 500 or more students to maintain an Internet website and post to that website, for the current calendar or fiscal year, as the case may be, certain information. 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. Provides that records posted pursuant to this amendatory Act shall remain posted on the entity's website, or subsequent websites, in perpetuity. Limits home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Contains a severability clause. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a public body is not required to copy and make available for public inspection a public record that is published on the public body's website if the public body's Freedom of Information officer certifies that the online record is a true and accurate copy of the original record maintained by the public body. Provides that the Freedom of Information officer shall notify the person requesting the public record that it is available online. Provides that if the person requesting the public record is unable to access the record online, the public body is then required to copy and make available the public record. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Assigned to Counties & Townships Committee

HB 298 HIGHER ED-SEX VIOLENCE TRANSCR **Sponsor** Rep. Michael J. Zalewski

Committee Hearing:

Higher Education Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 2:30PM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

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
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 299 PEN CD-SURS-RETURN TO WORK **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In a provision concerning return to work by an affected annuitant, provides that a person who becomes an affected annuitant remains an affected annuitant, except for any period on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act during which an annuitant received an annualized retirement annuity that is less than \$10,000. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 312 NURSES-APRN SCOPE OF PRACTICE **Sponsor** Rep. Sara Feigenholtz

Committee Hearing:

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. In provisions concerning scope of practice, written collaborative agreements, temporary practice with a collaborative agreement, prescriptive authority with a collaborative agreement, titles, advertising, continuing education, and reports relating to professional conduct and capacity, changes references of "advanced practice nurse" and "APN" to "advanced practice registered nurse" and "APRN". Provides that a written collaborative agreement is required for all postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses until specific requirements have been met. Provides that postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses may enter into written collaborative agreements with collaborating advanced practice registered nurses or physicians (rather than collaborating physicians or podiatric physicians). In provisions concerning prescriptive authority for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses, sets forth the requirements for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses to have prescriptive authority and the limitations of such authority. Defines "full practice authority" and provides requirements for it to be granted to an advanced practice registered nurse. Removes provisions concerning advanced practice nursing in hospitals, hospital affiliates, or ambulatory surgical treatment centers, except the provision for anesthesia services and the provision requiring advanced practice registered nurses to provide services in accordance with other Acts. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Health Care Licenses Committee

HB 313 NURSE PRACTICE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Sara Feigenholtz

Committee Hearing:

Health Care Licenses Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 10:00AM Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Extends the repeal of the Nurse Practice Act from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2028. Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Defines "focused assessment", "full practice authority", "oversight", and "postgraduate advanced practice nurse". Changes references of "advanced practice nurse" and "APN" to "advanced practice registered nurse" and "APRN" throughout the Act. Replaces provisions regarding nursing delegation with provisions that prohibit specified actions. Provides other guidelines for delegation of nursing activities and medication administration. Makes changes to education program requirements, qualifications for licensure, the scope of practice, and continuing education for LPN and RN licensees. Provides that a written collaborative agreement is required for all postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses until specific requirements have been met. Provides that postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses may enter into written collaborative agreements with collaborating advanced practice registered nurses or physicians (rather than collaborating physicians or podiatric physicians). In provisions concerning prescriptive authority for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses, sets forth the requirements for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses to have prescriptive authority and the limitations of such authority. Makes changes to provisions concerning the grounds for disciplinary action under the Act. Requires the Department of Public Health to prepare a report regarding the moneys appropriated from the Nursing Dedicated and Professional Fund to the Department of Public Health for nursing scholarships. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Health Care Licenses Committee

HB 332 STUDENT DATA PRIVACY

Sponsor Rep. Scott Drury

Committee Hearing:

Judiciary - Civil Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 8:30AM Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL



Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code to add provisions concerning student data privacy. Amends the Illinois School Student Records Act. Makes changes to the definition provisions. Sets forth provisions allowing disclosure of student records to researchers at an accredited post-secondary educational institution or an organization conducting research if specified requirements are met. Amends the Children's Privacy Protection and Parental Empowerment Act to change the definition of "child" to mean a person under the age of 18 (instead of 16).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Judiciary - Civil Committee

HB 333

FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS

Sponsor Rep. Scott Drury

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and to the extent permitted by federal law, for fiscal year 2017 and each fiscal year thereafter, outstanding liabilities as of June 30, payable from appropriations which have otherwise expired, may be paid out of the expiring appropriations only during the 2-month period ending at the close of business on August 31. Provides for an exception for a proper bill or invoice as defined by the State Prompt Payment Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Appropriations-Human Services Committee

HB 349

IPLRA-CONTRACTS

Sponsor Rep. David McSweeney

Committee Hearing:

Labor & Commerce Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 1:30PM Capitol Building Room 114 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that no collective bargaining agreement shall be reduced to writing by the parties until the provisions of the agreement are substantially complete. Provides that once the agreement is reduced to writing and signed by the parties, it is eligible for ratification by both parties. Provides that upon ratification, changes to the agreement may be made through a technical corrections process. Defines "substantially complete". Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/25/2017	House	Assigned to Labor & Commerce Committee

HB 368

PEN CD-SURS-DISABILITY ANNUITY

Sponsor Rep. Elaine Nekritz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Changes the definition of "service" to include periods where earnings credits were established for periods of voluntary pay reduction in lieu of furlough. In a provision concerning retirement annuity payment periods, provides that for a recipient of a disability retirement annuity, the date on which a retirement annuity payment period begins shall not be prior to the

discontinuation of the disability retirement annuity. Provides for the discontinuation of a disability retirement annuity when the recipient refuses to submit to a reasonable physical examination by a physician approved by the board or when the recipient fails to provide an earnings verification necessary to determine continuance of benefits. Requires the board to prescribe rules governing the filing, investigation, control, and supervision of disability retirement annuity claims. Adds provisions concerning costs incurred in connection with completing a claim for a disability retirement annuity. Authorizes the secretary of the board to issue subpoenas to obtain information to assist in the collection of sums due to the System, the determination of the death of a benefit recipient or a potential benefit recipient, or obtaining personal identifying information necessary for the administration of benefits. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following change: in a provision that authorizes the secretary of the board to issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents and records in connection with the collection of sums due to the System, removes language that specifies that those documents and reports include, but are not limited to, banks and other financial records. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 426

IMMIGRATION SAFE ZONES

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Immigration Safe Zones Act. Provides that schools, medical treatment and health care facilities, and places of worship may not grant access to State and local law enforcement agencies that have entered into an agreement with United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement or undertake other joint efforts with federal, State, or local law enforcement agencies to investigate, detain, or arrest individuals for violation of federal immigration law, unless a court has issued a warrant and appropriate personnel have reviewed that warrant and have consented to access or unless required by law and appropriate personnel have consented. Prohibits employees of elementary and secondary schools and institutions of higher education from asking about a student's immigration status or that of the student's family members, with exceptions. Requires the Department of Human Services to provide training or make training available to teachers, administrators, and other staff of elementary and secondary schools, as well as to medical treatment and health care facilities, on how to deal with immigration issues and how to notify families of those issues in multiple languages. Requires appropriate personnel of a facility to develop a plan to provide assistance, information, and safety to persons who are concerned about the government's immigration enforcement efforts. Provides for the removal of certain file information by State agencies, public schools, and public institutions of higher education. Contains a severability clause. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 442

OPEN MEETINGS POSTING RECORDS

Sponsor Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Committee Hearing:

Counties & Townships Committee Hearing Feb 24 2017 9:00AM 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
2/2/2017	House	Assigned to Counties & Townships Committee

HB 447

LABOR AGREEMENT HEARINGS

Sponsor Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Committee Hearing:

Labor & Commerce Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 1:30PM 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
2/2/2017	House	Assigned to Labor & Commerce Committee

HB 448

LABOR REL-FINANCIAL ABILITY

Sponsor Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Committee Hearing:

Labor & Commerce Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 1:30PM Capitol Building Room 114 Springfield, IL

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. Provides that in interest arbitration for security employee, peace officer, and fire fighter disputes, the arbitration panel shall take the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources as the 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 (currently the interests and welfare of the public and the financial ability of the unit of

government to meet those goals). 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. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2017	House	Assigned to Labor & Commerce Committee

HB 469 VEH CD-COLLEGE POLICE PLATE **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Committee Hearing:

Transportation: Vehicles & Safety Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 10:00AM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that vehicles owned and operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department, except for motor driven cycles or all-terrain vehicles, shall have permanent vehicle registration plates for a one time fee of \$8.00. These registration plates shall contain the designation of "university police" or "college police" and shall be numbered and distributed as prescribed by the Secretary of State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2017	House	Assigned to Transportation: Vehicles & Safety Committee

HB 476 SCH BD/COM COL BD-TERM LIMITS **Sponsor** Rep. Thaddeus Jones

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and the Public Community College Act. With respect to school boards of school districts and boards of trustees of community college districts, provides that a person may not serve as a board member for more than 2 terms of office that begin on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2017	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 537 ELECTION CD-REVENUE REFERENDA **Sponsor** Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides for disclosure of certain items when a unit of local government proposes referenda seeking to impose or increase a retailers' occupation tax, a use tax, a service occupation tax, a service use tax, or a property tax, or regarding the issuance of bonds. Provides that such referenda may only appear on ballots once every 23 months. Provides for publication requirements. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 660

LABOR REL-SOCIAL SECURITY INFO

Sponsor Rep. Mark Batinick

Committee Hearing:

Labor & Commerce Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 1:30PM Capitol Building Room 114 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act. Provides that a public employer is prohibited from providing the exclusive bargaining representative the social security numbers of public employees in the bargaining unit and the exclusive bargaining representative is prohibited from requesting the social security numbers of public employees in the bargaining unit. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act to make similar changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Assigned to Labor & Commerce Committee

HB 671

PEN CD-EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

Sponsor Rep. Thomas Morrison

Committee Hearing:

Personnel & Pensions Committee Hearing Feb 24 2017 10:00AM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that, for academic years beginning on or after July 1, 2017, if the amount of a participant's earnings for any academic year used to determine the final rate of earnings, determined on a full-time equivalent basis, exceeds the amount of his or her earnings with the same employer for the previous academic year, determined on a full-time equivalent basis, by more than the unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for that year (rather than 6%), then the participant's employer shall pay to the applicable System, in addition to all other payments required and in accordance with guidelines established by that System, the present value of the increase in benefits resulting from the portion of the increase in earnings that is in excess of the unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for that year (rather than the present value of the increase in benefits resulting from the portion of the increase in earnings that is in excess of 6%). Defines "consumer price index-u". Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 680

NURSING HOME-STAFFING-NURSES

Sponsor Rep. C.D. Davidsmeyer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nursing Home Care Act. Provides that upon application by a facility, the Director of Public Health may grant or renew a waiver of certain staffing requirements for registered nurses, considering specified criteria, if the facility demonstrates to the Director's satisfaction that the facility is unable, despite diligent efforts, including offering wages at a competitive rate for registered nurses in the community, to employ the required number of registered nurses. Provides that the Director may not grant or renew such waivers for certain minimum nurse staffing requirements contained in federal regulations to facilities that are Medicare-certified or both Medicare-certified and Medicaid-certified. Provides that these waivers shall be reviewed quarterly by the Department of Public Health, including requiring a demonstration by the facility that it has continued to make diligent efforts to

employ the required number of registered nurses, and shall be revoked for noncompliance with certain requirements. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 726 SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY Sponsor Rep. Thaddeus Jones

Committee Hearing:

Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 10:00AM
Stratton Building Room D-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
2/8/2017	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee

HB 782 NOTICES-ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION Sponsor Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Committee Hearing:

Cost Benefit Analysis Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 1:30PM Stratton Building Room C-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Notice By Publication Act. Provides that whenever 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
2/8/2017	House	Assigned to Cost Benefit Analysis Committee

HB 784 INC TX-DREAM CHECKOFF Sponsor Rep. Jaime M. Andrade

Committee Hearing:

Revenue & Finance Committee Hearing Feb 24 2017 8:30AM Capitol Building Room 118 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates a tax checkoff for the Illinois DREAM Fund. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act to provide that moneys from the checkoff may be received by the Fund.

Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee

HB 788 LOCAL GOV-UNFUNDED MANDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Tom Demmer

Committee Hearing:

State Government Administration Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 1:30PM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Unfunded Mandate Exemption Act. Provides that all units of local government, school districts, and public colleges and universities may, by a majority vote of the governing body, exempt themselves from specified mandates that are unfunded if it is determined that it is not economically feasible to comply with the unfunded mandate. Provides for notice, public hearing, and other requirements in order for a governing body to exempt itself from any mandate. Prohibits exemption from federally required mandates, mandates pertaining to health and public safety, mandates pertaining to civil rights, and instructional mandates for school districts. Provides for appeal procedures by State agencies affected by exempted mandates. Amends the State Mandates Act. Provides that, if the Act conflicts with the Local Unfunded Mandate Exemption Act, the Local Unfunded Mandate Exemption Act controls.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Assigned to State Government Administration Committee

HB 797 LABOR REL-FINANCIAL ABILITY **Sponsor** Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Committee Hearing:

Labor & Commerce Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 1:30PM Capitol Building Room 114 Springfield, IL

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. Provides that in interest arbitration for security employee, peace officer, and fire fighter disputes, the arbitration panel shall take the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources as the 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 (currently the interests and welfare of the public and the financial ability of the unit of government to meet those goals). 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
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2/8/2017	House	Assigned to Labor & Commerce Committee
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HB 1776 COM COL-CHICAGO-ELECT BOARD **Sponsor** Rep. Robert Martwick
Committee Hearing:
 Higher Education Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 2:30PM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides for the election of the board of trustees of the City Colleges of Chicago, Illinois Community College District No. 508, at the general primary election in 2018 on a nonpartisan ballot. Provides that a member of the board of trustees shall be elected at each consolidated election thereafter. Makes related changes. Amends the Public Community College Act. Sets forth provisions concerning nominating petitions and ballots. Provides that the City of Chicago shall be subdivided into 20 trustee districts by the General Assembly for seats on the board of trustees, in addition to one at-large trustee. Provides that in the year following each decennial census, the General Assembly shall redistrict the trustee districts to reflect the results of each decennial census. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2017	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 2385 LOCAL RECORDS ACT-EMAILS **Sponsor** Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that all emails that are in connection with the transaction of public business sent or received by an agency, an employee, staff member, or contractor of an agency, or an officer of an agency are public records regardless if the emails are sent or received on a personal or agency-provided email address. Requires an agency that provides an email address to one or more of its staff members, employees, or contractors to provide an email address for all officers of the agency. Provides that staff members, employees, contractors, and officers shall use agency-provided email for all communications in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that staff members, employees, contractors, and officers shall promptly forward, print, or otherwise provide any email sent or received on his or her personal email address to his or her agency if the email is in connection with the transaction of public business. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2017	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 2389 HIGHER ED ASSIST-CHILD OF VET **Sponsor** Rep. Brad Halbrook
Committee Hearing:
 Higher Education Committee Hearing Feb 23 2017 2:30PM Stratton Building Room D-1 Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that for each of the following periods of hostilities, each county shall be entitled, annually, to one honorary scholarship in a public institution of higher learning for the benefit of the children of persons who served in the armed forces of the United States, except that the total number of scholarships annually granted to recipients from each county may not exceed 3: (1) any time between September 16, 1940 and the termination of World War II; (2) any time during the national emergency between June 25, 1950 and January 31, 1955; (3) any time during the Viet Nam conflict between January 1, 1961 and May 7, 1975; (4) any time during the siege of Beirut and the Grenada Conflict between June 14, 1982 and December 15, 1983; (5) any time on or after August 2, 1990 and until Congress or the President orders that

persons in service are no longer eligible for the Southwest Asia Service Medal; or (6) any time during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Sets forth scholarship qualifications and preferences. Provides that recipients are entitled to receive instruction in any or all departments of a public institution of higher learning without charge for tuition for a term of at least 4 consecutive years. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to administer the scholarship program. Makes changes to a provision of the University of Illinois Act providing for a similar scholarship. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2017	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 2404 CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

Sponsor Rep. Kathleen Willis

Comment: ICCB initiative

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Credit for Prior Learning Act. Requires each public university to submit its policies and procedures for students to earn credit for prior learning to the Board of Higher Education for review and approval and each community college to submit its policies and procedures for students to earn credit for prior learning to the Illinois Community College Board for review and approval. Provides that, at a minimum, these procedures shall include a listing of the types of documentation acceptable and the dates of inclusion for which prior learning is acceptable. Requires the Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board to adopt rules to permit public higher education institutions to award credit for prior learning after the assessment of prior learning experiences for documented learning that demonstrates achievement of all terminal objectives for a specific course or courses.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2017	House	Assigned to Community College Access & Affordability Committee

HB 2472 ELEC CD-ELECTORAL BOARDS

Sponsor Rep. Barbara Wheeler

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Abolishes municipal officers electoral boards, township officers electoral boards, and education officers electoral boards and transfers their duties to the county officers electoral board of counties with a population of less than 3,000,000. Provides that if a municipality, township, or community college district is located in 2 or more counties, including a county with a population of 3,000,000 or more, the county officers electoral board of the county in which the principal office of the municipality, township, or community college district is located shall hear and pass upon objections to nominations of candidates. Makes conforming changes. Amends the Illinois Municipal Code to make a conforming change.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2529 HIGHER ED-VETERANS INFORMATION

Sponsor Rep. Kelly M. Burke

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Requires the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services to make his or her best effort to provide student veterans certain information on

available veterans benefits and preferences.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2590 FOIA-ELECTION NOMINATING PAPER **Sponsor** Rep. David Harris

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that notwithstanding any other provision of the Act, all certificates of nomination and nomination papers when presented or filed under the Election Code shall be open to public inspection as provided in the Election Code. Provides that the State Board of Elections and the several election authorities and local election officials having charge of certificates of nomination and nomination papers shall make the certificates of nomination and nomination papers available to the public as provided in the Election Code.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2706 FOIA-RECORDS OF PUBLIC BODY **Sponsor** Rep. Grant Wehrli

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that provisions allowing the withholding of specified information apply to all public bodies, regardless of whether the public body meets certain criteria. Exempts from disclosure records in the possession of any public body (instead of records in the possession of any public body "created in the course of administrative enforcement proceedings, and any law enforcement or correctional agency for law enforcement purposes"), but only to the extent that disclosure would interfere with law enforcement in one of several enumerated ways. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2740 SCH CD-ALTERNATIVE CREDENTIALS **Sponsor** Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Comment: ICCB initiative

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board shall establish alternative methods of credentialing for the issuance of high school equivalency certification throughout the State. Allows the Board to offer the credentialing on or after January 1, 2018 based on high school credit, post-secondary credit, foreign diplomas, and completion of a competency-based program as approved by the Board. Makes technical and conforming changes.

Last Action

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2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee
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HB 2749 OVERTIME EXEMPTION THRESHOLD **Sponsor** Rep. Will Guzzardi

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Minimum Wage Law. Provides that the overtime requirements of the Law do not apply to an employee employed in a bona fide executive, administrative, or professional capacity as defined by or covered by the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 but compensated at a salary greater than \$47,476 per year (rather than an amount specified by a federal regulation) or the weekly or monthly portion thereof or a greater salary as may be adopted by the U.S. Department of Labor. Provides that the amount shall increase annually by the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2757 WAGE PAYMENT VACATION SICK **Sponsor** Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act. Requires any unit of local government or school district to pay, within a specified time period, the monetary equivalent of all earned vacation and sick time to an employee who is terminating employment.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2760 PEN CD-SURS-ROTH ACCOUNT **Sponsor** Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In a Section relating to the self-managed plan, provides that pursuant to federal law, all employees with applicable retirement plans will be provided options to: (i) establish, (ii) contribute to, and (iii) transfer any guaranteed or vested portion of their traditional accounts, on any day, into qualified in-plan Roth accounts, without distribution. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2794 VOCATIONAL ACADEMY-CHARTER SCH **Sponsor** Rep. La Shawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall require the school district's high schools, if any, to inform all 11th and 12th grade students of dual enrollment and dual credit opportunities at public community colleges for qualified students.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2939 CAMPUS FREE SPEECH

Sponsor Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Campus Free Speech Act. Requires the governing board of each public university and community college to develop and adopt a policy on free expression; sets forth what the policy must contain. Requires the Board of Higher Education to create a Committee on Free Expression to issue an annual report. Requires public institutions of higher education to include in their freshman orientation programs a section describing to all students the policies and rules regarding free expression that are consistent with the Act. Contains provisions concerning rules, construction of the Act, permitted restrictions, and enforcement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2944 LOCAL RECORDS-INTERNET POSTING

Sponsor Rep. Allen Skillicorn

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that a unit of local government or school district that serves a population of less than 1,000,000 that maintains an Internet website other than a social media or social networking website shall post to its website for the current calendar year a mechanism, such as a uniform, single email address, for members of the public to electronically communicate with elected officials of that unit of local government or school district. Requires the information to be easily accessible from the unit of local government's or school district's home page through a hyperlink. Limits home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2976 HIGHER ED SUPPLIER DIVERSITY

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Department of Central Management Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Requires every institution of higher education approved by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, whether public or private, to submit an annual report on its voluntary supplier diversity program to the Department of Central Management Services, except that, in the case of public community colleges, requires the report to be submitted to the Illinois Community College Board and requires the Illinois Community College Board to immediately forward the report to the Department. Sets forth provisions on what the report must include and how and when the report must be submitted. Provides that, for each report, the Department shall publish the results on its Internet website for 5 years after submission or, with respect to public community colleges, for 5 years after the report has been forwarded to the Department by the Illinois Community College Board. Requires the Department to hold an annual higher education supplier diversity workshop in February of 2018 and every February thereafter to discuss the reports with representatives of the institutions of higher education and vendors. Provides that the Department shall prepare a template for voluntary supplier diversity reports. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 2980

HIGHER ED-EXPENSE REFORM ACT

Sponsor Rep. Mark Batinick**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Illinois College Expense Reform Act. Provides that public universities and community colleges are not subject to the provisions of the Illinois Procurement Code. Provides that the State Universities Civil Service Act does not apply to employees hired by public universities and community colleges after the effective date of the Act. Provides that the Prevailing Wage Act does not apply to construction projects by public universities or community colleges estimated at less than \$300,000. Provides that the Prevailing Wage Act does not apply to non-instructional services contracted to third parties. Allows universities and community colleges to contract any non-instructional services to third parties. Allows the Board of Higher Education to adopt rules to implement the Act. Amends the Personnel Code. Exempts employees of community colleges from the provisions of the Code. Amends the Illinois Procurement Code, the State Universities Civil Service Act, and the Prevailing Wage Act to make conforming changes. Amends various Acts related to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that beginning with the 2018-2019 academic year, public universities and community colleges shall ensure that at least 80% of their incoming freshman classes are Illinois residents.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3006

NOTICES-INTERNET PUBLISH

Sponsor Rep. Al Riley**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Deletes language providing that a public body that maintains a website shall also post specified information on its website. Provides that a unit of local government or school district with annual operating expenditures of more than \$1 million for 2 consecutive years that has a website maintained by the full-time staff of the public body shall post to that website specified information. Provides that a public record is considered published on the public body's website even if it is hosted on a website that is maintained by another governmental entity if a hyperlink to the public record is provided on the public body's website. Amends the Local Records Act. Repeals a Section providing that specified units of local government and school districts shall post specified information to their websites. Amends the Notice By Publication Act. Provides that whenever an officer of a court, unit of local government, or school district is required by law to provide notice by publication in a newspaper, it is sufficient to publish, in lieu of the entire text of the notice, the following information: (1) a citation to the statutory basis for the requirement that the notice be published; and (2) the Internet website where the full text of the notice may be found.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3023

HIGHER ED SEXUAL ASSAULT INVES

Sponsor Rep. David Harris**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Investigations of Sexual Assault in Higher Education Act. Provides that municipal police with

jurisdiction, or if in an unincorporated area the sheriff, shall investigate allegations of sexual assault at any public university or public community college located in this State. Provides that campus police departments shall lend all necessary support that may be needed to conduct a thorough investigation under the direction of the municipal police department or sheriff. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3091 COMM COLLEGE BOARDS-VACANCIES **Sponsor** Rep. Avery Bourne

Comment: ICCB initiative

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that when a vacancy occurs in a community college board, the elected successor shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term. Provides that the vice-chairman shall perform the duties of chairman if there is a vacancy in the office of the chairman or in case of the chairman's absence or inability to act (rather than the vice-chairman shall serve in the chairman's absence). Provides that if there is a vacancy in the office of the chairman and vice-chairman, a chairman pro tempore shall be appointed. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3142 CRIM HISTORY IN COLLEGE APPS **Sponsor** Rep. Barbara Wheeler

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Criminal History in College Applications Act. Provides that a public college may not inquire about or consider an applicant's criminal history information at any time during the admission decision-making process, except as required by State or federal law. Allows public colleges to continue using a multi-institution application, even if the application inquires about criminal history, but requires the public college to disregard the information for the admissions process. Allows public colleges to inquire about criminal history for certain purposes after the admission decision-making process, but forbids public colleges from rescinding an admissions offer based on the information. Authorizes public colleges to provide certain information. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3152 HIGHER ED-DIGITAL DISCOUNT **Sponsor** Rep. Kelly M. Burke

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community college districts in Illinois. Allows universities and community colleges to establish a digital discount program that complies with federal regulations. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3175 PEN CD-EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS **Sponsor** Rep. Nick Sauer

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that, for academic years beginning on or after July 1, 2017, if the amount of a participant's earnings for any academic year used to determine the final rate of earnings, determined on a full-time equivalent basis, exceeds the amount of his or her earnings with the same employer for the previous academic year, determined on a full-time equivalent basis, by more than the unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for that year (rather than 6%), then the participant's employer shall pay to the applicable System, in addition to all other payments required and in accordance with guidelines established by that System, the present value of the increase in benefits resulting from the portion of the increase in earnings that is in excess of the unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for that year (rather than the present value of the increase in benefits resulting from the portion of the increase in earnings that is in excess of 6%). Defines "consumer price index-u". Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3211 SNAP BENEFITS-COLLEGE STUDENTS **Sponsor** Rep. Litesa E. Wallace

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) to identify and flag all college students who are potentially eligible to receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. Provides that the factors to be used to determine potential SNAP eligibility shall be prescribed by the Department of Human Services by rule, but at a minimum the Department shall consider income information reported on a college student's Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Requires ISAC to develop a notice available electronically to institutions of higher education that includes, at a minimum, college student SNAP eligibility criteria, the Application for Benefits Eligibility's website address, and the Illinois Hunger Coalition's Hunger Hotline. Requires Illinois institutions of higher education that participate in the Monetary Award Program to provide the notice in writing to all students who are enrolled or accepted for enrollment and are identified by ISAC as potentially SNAP eligible and, if possible, to designate a public benefits liaison or single point person to assist students in taking the necessary steps to obtain public benefits if eligible. Contains provisions concerning: SNAP Employment and Training program requirements; protocols 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; and other matters. Requires the Department to adopt any rules necessary to implement specified provisions on or before October 1, 2017. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3242 FOIA-IMPARTIALITY; FEES **Sponsor** Rep. Christine Winger

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that except as otherwise provided in the Act, the public body shall apply the Act in a uniform manner, regardless of who requests to inspect or copy a public record.

Provides that all fees charged by a public body shall be according to a fee schedule that is part of a public record of the body. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3258 ST GROUP INSUR-UNIV-SMP

Sponsor Rep. Sara Wojcicki Jimenez

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. In the definition Section, provides that the term "annuitant" includes an employee who retires from one of the specified retirement systems on a form of authorized retirement benefit distribution other than an immediate annuity; specifies that this includes an employee who retires under the SURS self-managed plan and chooses a form of distribution other than an immediate retirement annuity. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3262 ICCB-RESEARCH & TECH FUND

Sponsor Rep. Michael J. Zalewski

Comment: ICCB initiative

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may collect a fee to cover the cost of processing and handling individual student-level data requests pursuant to an approved data sharing agreement. Renames the ICCB Instructional Development and Enhancement Applications Revolving Fund to the ICCB Research and Technology Fund. Provides that the Fund shall receive all moneys received from processing requests for individual student-level data, and that money from the Fund shall be used for costs associated with maintaining and updating individual student-level data systems. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change. Effective July 1, 2017.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3323 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 that a public body may satisfy its obligation to produce a copy of a public record that is published on the public body's website by providing the requester an accessible link that results in direct access to the requested record in the format in which it is maintained. Provides that 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
2/9/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3326 OPEN MEETING-SPEAK & PENALTY **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Specifies that at each regular or special meeting which is open to the public, any person shall have the opportunity to address public officials with comments or questions, subject to reasonable constraints. Provides that any answers to questions asked during the open meeting shall be provided by the public body within 45 days. Provides that if a court determines that a public body willfully and intentionally failed to comply with the Act, or otherwise acted in bad faith, the court shall, in addition to any other relief authorized, also impose upon the public body a civil penalty of not less than \$2,500, but no more than \$5,000, for each violation. Provides that the court shall (currently, 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 prevails (currently, substantially prevails) in an action brought under the Act.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3329 STATE AND LOCAL RECORDS **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Records Act. Provides that all records under the Act, including legal records and emails, shall be retained for a minimum of 7 years. Provides that every public employee, State and local, shall receive record retention training to comply with the Act. Modifies the term "record" or "records" to include any medium that stores or transmits information generated or used by a public body. Amends the Local Records Act to make similar changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3368 SCH CD-ENTREPRENEUR CURRICULUM **Sponsor** Rep. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to create model curriculum for use by school districts with secondary schools for the teaching of entrepreneur skills. Requires the State Board to encourage the input of business groups and universities in the creation of the model curriculum.

Last Action

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2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3369 SCH CD-HIGH-SKILLED MANUFACTUR **Sponsor** Rep. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to establish guidelines for the creation of a high-skilled manufacturing curriculum to be used in vocational education programs.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3384 PUBLIC OFFICER PROHIBITED ACTS **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act. Provides that a public officer's direct or indirect financial interest in a contract or work to be done is not removed by an abstention or present vote. Provides that an abstention during a vote on a contract or the performance of any work is considered a vote and carries with the majority. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3385 FOIA-OFFICERS: QUALIFICATIONS **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that each public body shall designate one or more public officials or employees of the public body (instead of "one or more officials or employees") to act as its Freedom of Information officer or officers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3403 EDU LABOR REL-AUTHORIZE STRIKE **Sponsor** Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the strike provisions of the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. With respect to the conditions that must be met in order for educational employees to engage in a strike, provides that the condition that at least three-fourths of all bargaining unit employees who are members of the exclusive bargaining representative must have affirmatively voted to authorize the strike applies to all educational employees (not just those employed in the Chicago school district). Effective July 1, 2017.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3472 NURSE PRACTICE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Cynthia Soto

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Extends the repeal date of the Nurse Practice Act from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2028. Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Eliminates the position of Assistant Nursing Coordinator. Eliminates the Advanced Practice Nursing Board. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may provide notice to a licensee or applicant by certified or registered mail to the address of record or by email to the email address of record. Provides provisions for change of address of record and email address of record, application for license, confidentiality of any information collected by the Department in the course of an examination or investigation of a license or applicant, and disposition by a consent order. Changes references to "advanced practice nurse" to references to "advanced practice registered nurse" throughout the Act and other Acts. Changes references to "Illinois Center for Nursing" to references to "Illinois Nursing Workforce Center". Makes changes concerning definitions, application of the Act, unlicensed practice, prohibited acts, Department powers and duties, nursing delegation, qualifications for LPN, RN, and APRN licensure, RN education program requirements, grounds for disciplinary action, intoxication and drug abuse, the Nursing Dedicated and Professional Fund, investigations, notices, hearings, use of stenographers and transcripts, review under the Administrative Review Law, certification of records, the Center for Nursing Advisory Board, and medication aide licensure requirements. Removes provisions concerning registered nurse externship permits, rosters, liability of the State, hearing officers, and orders for rehearings. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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HB 3490 NURSING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Sponsor Rep. Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nursing Education Scholarship Law. Provides that "approved institution" includes specified institutions with pre-licensure nursing education programs and post-licensure nursing education programs approved by the Illinois Board of Higher Education or any successor agency with similar authority. Corrects a reference to the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3495 HIGHER ED-CLASSES ON ELEC DAY

Sponsor Rep. Silvana Tabares

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various acts relating to the governance of public universities and community college districts in Illinois. Requires public universities and community colleges to not hold any classes on the day of a general primary or general election, as established by the Election Code. Allows public universities and community colleges to remain open for other purposes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3498

COMM COLLEGE-FREE TUITION

Sponsor Rep. Thaddeus Jones**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board shall establish and implement a program that provides tuition to the first 1,500 students per year that enroll at each designated community college, which will be paid from the Community College Free Tuition Trust Fund. Provides that 16 community colleges shall be designated for the program for a 2-year period on a rotating schedule determined by the Illinois Community College Board. Creates the Community College Free Tuition Trust Fund as a nonappropriated trust fund to be held outside the State Treasury. Amends the Illinois Banking Act. Requires every bank under the Act to pay into the Trust Fund. Amends the Illinois Credit Union Act. Requires every credit union to pay into the Trust Fund.

Last Action

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HB 3601

SCH CD/COMM COLL-SW IL COLLEGE

Sponsor Rep. LaToya Greenwood**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that students in grades 11 and 12 of East St. Louis School District 189 may take courses at Southwestern Illinois College for dual credit at no cost to the student. Amends the Public Community College Act to make conforming changes.

Last Action

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2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3626

OPEN MEETINGS-RIGHT TO SPEAK

Sponsor Rep. Steven A. Andersson**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that any person seeking to address public officials in an open meeting shall be allowed to do so at least once per meeting, and any rule limiting a person to speaking no more than once in a given number of days shall be void. Allows the public body to reasonably limit the amount of time given to a person to address public officials during an open meeting. Provides that there shall be nothing under the rules established and recorded by the public body requiring persons seeking to address public officials to do anything more than state his or her name for the record immediately prior to addressing the public officials.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Expands what public-private agreements are exempt from the Code, and exempts leasing of clinical space and certain funds for collaborative clinical and academic programs from the Code. Re-enacts provisions of the Code concerning the applicability of the Code to artistic or musical services and to public institutions of higher education. Provides that the Executive Ethics Commission may (rather than shall) appoint procurement compliance monitors for certain terms. Makes changes to requirements for competitive sealed bidding and competitive sealed proposals. Increases the small purchase threshold and certain other thresholds to \$100,000. Requires contractors to be authorized to conduct business in Illinois at the time of contract execution (rather than at time of proposal or bid). Sets forth requirements for best value procurement. Includes public institutions of higher education in provisions concerning design-build contracts. In provisions concerning preferences for high-gas mileage vehicles, allows an exemption for vehicles based on intended use or other reasonable considerations, such as the health and safety of citizens. Repeals a provisions concerning the use of soybean oil-based inks. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Educational Credit for Military Experience Act. Requires that public institutions of higher education adopt a policy regarding their award of academic credit for military training considered applicable to the requirements of the student's certificate or degree program. Sets forth certain requirements for the policy and for the institution. Requires public institutions of higher education to submit their policies for review by the Board of Higher Education or the Illinois Community College Board, as applicable, before June 30 of every other year. Requires the Board of Higher Education to collect data to assess enrollment and completions outcomes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Educational Credit for Military Experience Act. Provides that before June 1, 2018, each institution of higher education shall adopt a policy to award academic credit for military training applicable to the student's certificate or degree requirements. Requires the policy to apply to any individual who is enrolled in the institution of higher education and who has completed a military training course that meets certain requirements. Provides that institutions of higher education shall develop procedures for evaluating courses and awarding credit. Requires institutions of higher education to submit their policies for awarding credit to the Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board for review before June 30, 2018 and before June 30 of every other year thereafter. Requires the Board of Higher Education to college data in the Illinois Higher Education Information System on students who are veterans or have military service to assess enrollment and completions outcomes.

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HB 3758 LOCAL GOV-EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS **Sponsor** Rep. Sam Yingling

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act. Prohibits an elected officer of a unit of local government from entering into or authorizing an employment contract, with the exception of a contract negotiated with a labor union, that would extend past the expiration of his or her elected term. Prohibits a governing body of a unit of local government from entering into or authorizing an employment contract, with the exception of a contract negotiated with a labor union, that would extend past the expiration of the term of the elected officer of the governing body whose term expires last. Provides that an employment contract entered into in violation of these provisions is voidable.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3760 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
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3871 STATE GOV-PRIORITY OF PAYMENTS **Sponsor** Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Budget Law. Provides for a continuing appropriation for funding of public education and human services. Amends the State Comptroller Act. Provides that if any cash flow deficit resulting from timing variation between disbursement and receipt of funds in the General Revenue Fund is anticipated, the Comptroller's efforts to manage timing variations shall include issuing payments for education and human services before issuing payments for financial services. Amends the State Treasurer Act. Provides that when any warrant is presented to the State Treasurer to be countersigned, he shall do so if the warrant is in proper form, there are sufficient moneys in the fund to pay the warrant, and payments for education and human services have been issued. Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Provides that the irrevocable and continuing authority to appropriate funds under the Act shall cover payments to bondholders, but shall not cover fees for credit enhancements or net payments on interest rate swap agreements, or financial futures contracts associated with General Obligation Bonds. Defines terms.

Last Action

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2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee
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HB 3900 COMM COLLEGES-TUITION WAIVER **Sponsor** Rep. Justin Slaughter

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that after high school graduation, an eligible student may attend any community college in the State without paying tuition or the cost of books. Provides that costs shall only be waived after any available federal student aid is applied. Defines "eligible student" to mean a student who has graduated from the Chicago school district with a grade point average of at least 3.0 and who has tested as completion-ready in English language arts and mathematics.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 3927 \$FY18 ISAC OCE **Sponsor** Rep. Jim Durkin

Comment: Governor Rauner's appropriation package for FY18

Synopsis As Introduced

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017: General Funds \$412,772,500; Other State Funds \$10,580,000; Federal Funds \$309,753,700; Total \$733,106,200.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/17/2017	House	Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Jim Durkin

HB 3928 \$FY18 ICCB OCE **Sponsor** Rep. Jim Durkin

Comment: Governor Rauner's appropriation package for FY18

Synopsis As Introduced

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Illinois Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, as follows: General Funds \$ 236,178,600; Other State Funds \$83,825,000; Federal Funds \$43,000,000; Total \$363,003,600.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/17/2017	House	Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Jim Durkin

SB 4 GO RESTRUCTURING BONDS **Sponsor** Sen. Donne E. Trotter

Comment: Part of the Senate's "Grand Bargain"

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance of an additional \$7,000,000,000 in State General Obligation Restructuring Bonds. Provides that the proceeds from that bond sale shall be used for the purpose of paying vouchers incurred by the State prior to July 1, 2017. Effective immediately, but this Act does not take effect at all unless Senate Bills 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13 of the 100th General Assembly become law.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading January 25, 2017

SB 6 \$FY17 VARIOUS

Sponsor Sen. John J. Cullerton

Comment: Part of the Senate's "Grand Bargain"

Synopsis As Introduced

Makes appropriations to agencies for costs incurred prior to July 1, 2017. Effective immediately, but this Act does not take effect at all unless Senate Bills 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13 of the 100th General Assembly become law.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading January 25, 2017

SB 12 WORKERS' COMP-VARIOUS

Sponsor Sen. Christine Radogno

Comment: Part of the Senate's "Grand Bargain"

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Exempts from public inspection certain information collected by the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission from self-insureds and papers, documents, reports, or evidence relevant to a workers' compensation fraud investigation conducted by the Department of Insurance. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012 regarding workers' compensation fraud penalties. Amends the Workers' Compensation Act. Makes changes concerning: accidental injuries considered to be "arising out of and in the course of the employment" if an employee is required to travel away from the employer's premises; the maximum compensation rate for a period of temporary total incapacity; wage differential benefits to professional athletes; limitations on the number of chiropractic, occupational therapy, or physical therapy visits an injured worker may receive for injuries; compensation awards for injuries to the shoulder and hip; the maximum allowable payment for certain service categories; the assignment and reassignment of arbitrators to hearing sites; the creation of an evidence based drug formulary; the duties of the Workers' Compensation Edit, Alignment, and Reform Commission; additional compensation awards where there has been a vexatious delay in the authorization of medical treatment or the payment or intentional underpayment of compensation; annual reports on the state of self-insurance for workers' compensation in Illinois; and other matters. Effective immediately, but this Act does not take effect at all unless Senate Bills 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 13 of the 100th General Assembly become law.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading January 25, 2017

SB 13

PROP TX-PTELL FREEZE

Sponsor Sen. Christine Radogno**Comment:** Part of the Senate's "Grand Bargain"**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for the 2017 and 2018 levy years, the term "taxing district" means all taxing districts in the State, including home rule units. Provides that, for the 2017 and 2018 levy years, the extension limitation for those taxing districts is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Amends the School Code. Makes changes concerning contracts between a school board and a third party. Provides that local boards of education shall forward certain cost projections to the State Board of Education. Provides that, beginning July 1, 2022, the State Board shall review and analyze the cost projections and review for any cost savings and economic benefits. Requires the State Board to file a report by December 31, 2022. Imposes a moratorium on third-party contracts for non-instructional services while the State Board is preparing the report. Provides that a school district may offer a driver education course in a school by contracting with a commercial driver training school; sets forth requirements concerning the contract. Provides that school districts need not comply with and may discharge any mandate or requirement placed on school districts by the Code or by administrative rules adopted by the State Board of Education that is unfunded; with exceptions. Sets forth requirements concerning discharging mandates. Makes changes concerning physical education. Effective immediately, but this Act does not take effect at all unless Senate Bills 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 of the 100th General Assembly become law.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading January 25, 2017

SB 83

HIGHER ED SUPPLIER DIVERSITY

Sponsor Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Department of Central Management Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Requires every institution of higher education approved by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, whether public or private, to submit an annual report on its voluntary supplier diversity program to the Department of Central Management Services, except that, in the case of public community colleges, requires the report to be submitted to the Illinois Community College Board and requires the Illinois Community College Board to immediately forward the report to the Department. Sets forth provisions on what the report must include and how and when the report must be submitted. Provides that, for each report, the Department shall publish the results on its Internet website for 5 years after submission or, with respect to public community colleges, for 5 years after the report has been forwarded to the Department by the Illinois Community College Board. Requires the Department to hold an annual higher education supplier diversity workshop in February of 2018 and every February thereafter to discuss the reports with representatives of the institutions of higher education and vendors. Provides that the Department shall prepare a template for voluntary supplier diversity reports. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Postponed - Higher Education

SB 85

LOCAL GOVT INSPECTOR GENERAL

Sponsor Sen. Michael Connelly**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Local Government Inspector General Act. Provides that the purpose of the Act is to establish an independent entity to which allegations of incompetence, neglect of duty, malfeasance in office, corruption, or official misconduct involving units of local government, including their officers, employees, and agents, or elected or appointed local officials, may be reported and investigated with the assistance of the Attorney General. Creates the Local Government Ethics Commission and the Office of the Local Government Inspector General and provides that members of the Commission and the Inspector General shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Sets forth the procedures of investigating a complaint and the issuing of reports. Defines terms.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2017	Senate	Assigned to Government Reform

SB 222

UNIVERSITY OF IL COMMITMENT

Sponsor Sen. Bill Cunningham

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Removes procurement expenditures made by the University of Illinois from the application of the Act and the University of Illinois from the definition of "State agency". Amends the State Property Control Act to remove property of the University of Illinois from the definition of "property" (but still requires the University of Illinois to send usable, surplus equipment to the Department of Central Management Services for transfer or disposal). Amends the University of Illinois Act. Under a University of Illinois Investment, Performance, and Accountability Commitment, requires the State to annually appropriate a minimum specified amount, provided that the University meets certain requirements at its campuses. Provides for an annual report, and repeals the Commitment on June 30, 2022. Provides for the issuance of certificates of participation for capital improvements, to be reviewed by the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability. Requires the maximum annual debt service for the University's total certificate of participation obligation to not exceed \$100,000,000. Subject to appropriation, provides for an Illinois Excellence Program to recruit and retain promising faculty throughout the University of Illinois system through capital investment in both new and distressed facilities; amends the State Finance Act to create a special fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2017	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 589

EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASST

Sponsors Sen. Neil Anderson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Dental Practice Act. Allows a dental assistant, after being authorized by a dentist, to remove loose, broken, or irritating orthodontic appliances on a patient of record for the purpose of eliminating pain or discomfort. Provides that dental assistants who have undergone certain training may hold themselves out as expanded function dental assistants. Sets forth the training requirements for expanded function dental assistants and the services that may be provided. Provides that any procedure completed by an expanded function dental assistant must be approved by the supervising dentist and examined prior to dismissal of the patient. Sets forth certain limits on expanded function dental assistants.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

In provisions concerning expanded functions of dental assistants, adds that the supervising dentist shall be responsible for all dental services or procedures performed by the dental assistant.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 2

In provisions concerning expanded functions of dental assistants, requires the training for expanded function

dental assistants to include basic life support certification. Proof of certification shall be kept on file with the supervising dentist.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2017

SB 599

STUDENT ONLINE PERSONAL INFO

Sponsor Sen. Michael Connelly

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Higher Education Student Online Personal Information Protection Act. Provides that the operator of an Internet website, online service, online application, or mobile application used primarily for higher education purposes and designed and marketed for higher education purposes shall not knowingly (1) engage in targeted advertising on the operator's site, service, or application or target advertising on any other site, service, or application when the targeting of the advertising is based upon any information that the operator has acquired because of the use of that operator's site, service, or application; (2) use information created or gathered by the operator's site, service, or application to amass a profile about a student, except in furtherance of higher education purposes; (3) sell a student's information; or (4) disclose covered information, as defined in the Act, without a student's consent. Sets forth exceptions and other provisions concerning the construction and application of the Act. Effective January 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/1/2017	Senate	Assigned to Judiciary

SB 625

NURSE PRACTICE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Sen. Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Extends the repeal of the Nurse Practice Act from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2028. Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Defines "focused assessment", "full practice authority", "oversight", and "postgraduate advanced practice nurse". Changes references of "advanced practice nurse" and "APN" to "advanced practice registered nurse" and "APRN" throughout the Act. Replaces provisions regarding nursing delegation with provisions that prohibit specified actions. Provides other guidelines for delegation of nursing activities and medication administration. Makes changes to education program requirements, qualifications for licensure, the scope of practice, and continuing education for LPN and RN licensees. Provides that a written collaborative agreement is required for all postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses until specific requirements have been met. Provides that postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses may enter into written collaborative agreements with collaborating advanced practice registered nurses or physicians (rather than collaborating physicians or podiatric physicians). In provisions concerning prescriptive authority for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses, sets forth the requirements for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses to have prescriptive authority and the limitations of such authority. Makes changes to provisions concerning the grounds for disciplinary action under the Act. Requires the Department of Public Health to prepare a report regarding the moneys appropriated from the Nursing Dedicated and Professional Fund to the Department of Public Health for nursing scholarships. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Postponed - Licensed Activities and Pensions

SB 642

NURSES-APRN SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Sponsor Sen. Heather A. Steans-Melinda Bush**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. In provisions concerning scope of practice, written collaborative agreements, temporary practice with a collaborative agreement, prescriptive authority with a collaborative agreement, titles, advertising, continuing education, and reports relating to professional conduct and capacity, changes references of "advanced practice nurse" and "APN" to "advanced practice registered nurse" and "APRN". Provides that a written collaborative agreement is required for all postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses until specific requirements have been met. Provides that postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses may enter into written collaborative agreements with collaborating advanced practice registered nurses or physicians (rather than collaborating physicians or podiatric physicians). In provisions concerning prescriptive authority for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses, sets forth the requirements for postgraduate advanced practice registered nurses to have prescriptive authority and the limitations of such authority. Defines "full practice authority" and provides requirements for it to be granted to an advanced practice registered nurse. Removes provisions concerning advanced practice nursing in hospitals, hospital affiliates, or ambulatory surgical treatment centers, except the provision for anesthesia services and the provision requiring advanced practice registered nurses to provide services in accordance with other Acts. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2017

SB 654

PEN CD-SURS-DISABILITY ANNUITY

Sponsor Sen. Daniel Biss**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Changes the definition of "service" to include periods where earnings credits were established for periods of voluntary pay reduction in lieu of furlough. In a provision concerning retirement annuity payment periods, provides that for a recipient of a disability retirement annuity, the date on which a retirement annuity payment period begins shall not be prior to the discontinuation of the disability retirement annuity. Provides for the discontinuation of a disability retirement annuity when the recipient refuses to submit to a reasonable physical examination by a physician approved by the board or when the recipient fails to provide an earnings verification necessary to determine continuance of benefits. Requires the board to prescribe rules governing the filing, investigation, control, and supervision of disability retirement annuity claims. Adds provisions concerning costs incurred in connection with completing a claim for a disability retirement annuity. Authorizes the secretary of the board to issue subpoenas to obtain information to assist in the collection of sums due to the System, the determination of the death of a benefit recipient or a potential benefit recipient, or obtaining personal identifying information necessary for the administration of benefits. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading February 28, 2017

SB 662

PEN CD-PENSION BUYOUT OPTION

Sponsor Sen. Michael E. Hastings**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Pension Buyout Act. Authorizes the Department of Central Management Services to enter into contracts with approved vendors to provide pension buyout payments to eligible retirees in the General Assembly, State Employee, State Universities, and Judges Retirement Systems. Requires the Illinois Finance Authority to issue bonds if the amount appropriated to implement the pension buyout option is less than the amount necessary for the Department to pay the approved vendor the amount required under a contract between the

Department and the approved vendor for any fiscal year. Provides that the contract entered into by the Department shall be subject to the applicable requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code. Amends the General Assembly, State Employee, State Universities, and Judges Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that an eligible retiree may relinquish his or her right to receive any benefits from the system in exchange for a lump sum payment made by an approved vendor that is equal to the present value of the retirement annuity. Provides that a person who participates in the pension buyout option shall be entitled to any benefits under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 that he or she would have otherwise been entitled to. Contains provisions concerning the form of the contract; rulemaking; notice to the System; certification to the Department of the amount of lump sum payments made; and qualified plan status. Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, the Department of Central Management Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the Illinois Procurement Code, and the Illinois Finance Authority Act to make related changes. Effective July 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2017	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 705

HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT

Sponsor Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Provides that a required survey and guidebook shall be made available on the homepage of a campus website or a veteran Internet link (instead of just the survey being made available on the homepage of the campus Internet link). Requires the survey to be sent to the Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, and State Comptroller. Requires each public college and university to make its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2017

SB 736

HIGHER ED-MILITARY EXP CREDIT

Sponsor Sen. Michael E. Hastings

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Educational Credit for Military Experience Act. Provides that before June 1, 2018, each institution of higher education shall adopt a policy regarding its awarding of academic credit for military training considered applicable to the requirements of the student's certificate or degree program. Requires the policy to apply to any individual who is enrolled in the institution of higher education and who has completed a military training course that meets certain requirements. Provides that institutions of higher education shall develop procedures for evaluating courses and awarding credit. Requires institutions of higher education to submit their policies for awarding credit to the Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board for review before June 30, 2018 and before June 30 of every other year thereafter. Requires the Board of Higher Education to collect data in the Illinois Higher Education Information System on students who are veterans or have military service to assess enrollment and completions outcomes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2017

SB 875

HIGHER ED-QUALIFIED EXAMINER

Sponsor Sen. David Koehler**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Student Optional Disclosure of Private Mental Health Act. Provides that an institution of higher learning may designate someone to act as a qualified examiner.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Postponed - Higher Education

SB 887

ICCB-RESEARCH & TECH FUND

Sponsor Sen. Pat McGuire**Comment:** ICCB initiative**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may collect a fee to cover the cost of processing and handling individual student-level data requests pursuant to an approved data sharing agreement. Renames the ICCB Instructional Development and Enhancement Applications Revolving Fund to the ICCB Research and Technology Fund. Provides that the Fund shall receive all moneys received from processing requests for individual student-level data, and that money from the Fund shall be used for costs associated with maintaining and updating individual student-level data systems. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change. Effective July 1, 2017.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2017	Senate	Postponed - Higher Education

SB 900

NURSE PRACTICE ACT-VARIOUS

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

Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Extends the repeal date of the Nurse Practice Act from January 1, 2018 to January 1, 2028. Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Eliminates the position of Assistant Nursing Coordinator. Eliminates the Advanced Practice Nursing Board. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation may provide notice to a licensee or applicant by certified or registered mail to the address of record or by email to the email address of record. Provides provisions for change of address of record and email address of record, application for license, confidentiality of any information collected by the Department in the course of an examination or investigation of a license or applicant, and disposition by a consent order. Changes references to "advanced practice nurse" to references to "advanced practice registered nurse" throughout the Act and other Acts. Changes references to "Illinois Center for Nursing" to references to "Illinois Nursing Workforce Center". Makes changes concerning definitions, application of the Act, unlicensed practice, prohibited acts, Department powers and duties, nursing delegation, qualifications for LPN, RN, and APRN licensure, RN education program requirements, grounds for disciplinary action, intoxication and drug abuse, the Nursing Dedicated and Professional Fund, investigations, notices, hearings, use of stenographers and transcripts, review under the Administrative Review Law, certification of records, the Center for Nursing Advisory Board, and medication aide licensure requirements. Removes provisions concerning registered nurse externship permits, rosters, liability of the State, hearing officers, and orders for rehearings. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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2/15/2017	Senate	Assigned to Licensed Activities and Pensions
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SB 926 HIGHER ED-STUDENT-MONEY OWED **Sponsor** Sen. Emil Jones, III

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that a public university or community college district may not prohibit a student from registering for classes or refuse to issue a student transcript solely because the student owes the university or district money. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/15/2017	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 935 PROP TX-PTELL **Sponsor** Sen. Michael Connelly

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2017 levy year, the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law applies to all taxing districts, including home rule units. Provides that, beginning with the 2017 levy year, the extension limitation under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Preempts home rule. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/15/2017	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 1227 OPEN MEETINGS-EXCEPTIONS **Sponsor** Sen. Jil Tracy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that a public body may hold closed meetings for issues involving communications between a public body and an attorney or auditor representing the public body that would not be subject to discovery in litigation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/15/2017	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 1263 OPEN MEETINGS-RIGHT TO SPEAK **Sponsor** Sen. Michael Connelly

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Specifies that at each regular or special meeting which is open to the public, any person shall have the opportunity to address public officials with comments or questions, subject to reasonable constraints. Provides that any answers to questions asked during the open meeting shall be provided by the public body within a reasonable amount of time not to exceed 45 days.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/15/2017	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 1401 PROCUREMENT-HIGHER ED

Sponsor Sen. Pat McGuire

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. Expands what public-private agreements are exempt from the Code, and exempts leasing of clinical space and certain funds for collaborative clinical and academic programs from the Code. Re-enacts provisions of the Code concerning the applicability of the Code to artistic or musical services and to public institutions of higher education. Provides that the Executive Ethics Commission may (rather than shall) appoint procurement compliance monitors for certain terms. Makes changes to requirements for competitive sealed bidding and competitive sealed proposals. Increases the small purchase threshold and certain other thresholds to \$100,000. Requires contractors to be authorized to conduct business in Illinois at the time of contract execution (rather than at time of proposal or bid). Sets forth requirements for best value procurement. Includes public institutions of higher education in provisions concerning design-build contracts. In provisions concerning preferences for high-gas mileage vehicles, allows an exemption for vehicles based on intended use or other reasonable considerations, such as the health and safety of citizens. Repeals a provisions concerning the use of soybean oil-based inks. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1428 SCH CD-ALTERNATIVE CREDENTIALS

Sponsor Sen. Sue Rezin

Comment: ICCB initiative

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board shall establish alternative methods of credentialing for the issuance of high school equivalency certification throughout the State. Allows the Board to offer the credentialing on or after January 1, 2018 based on high school credit, post-secondary credit, foreign diplomas, and completion of a competency-based program as approved by the Board. Makes technical and conforming changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1560 CAMPUS FREE EXPRESSION

Sponsor Sen. Michael Connelly

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Campus Free Expression Act. Deems the outdoor areas of campuses of institutions of higher education (both private and public) as traditional public forums. Provides that institutions of higher education may maintain and enforce reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions in service of a significant institutional interest only when such restrictions employ clear, published, content-neutral, and viewpoint-neutral criteria and

provide for ample alternative means of expression, with any such restrictions allowing for members of the higher education community to spontaneously and contemporaneously assemble. Provides that any person who wishes to engage in noncommercial, expressive activity on campus shall be permitted to do so freely, as long as the person's conduct is not unlawful (subject to an institution's restrictions). Contains enforcement provisions. Amends the Campus Demonstrations Policy Act to make a corresponding change. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1582 FOIA-OFFICERS: QUALIFICATIONS **Sponsor** Sen. Michael Connelly

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that each public body shall designate one or more public officials or employees of the public body (instead of "one or more officials or employees") to act as its Freedom of Information officer or officers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1612 COMM COLL-ELECTIONS **Sponsor** Sen. Jil Tracy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that various petitions and filings must be filed with the county clerk or the county board of election commissioners, as the case may be, of the county in which the principal office of the community college board is located, rather than the secretary of the board of trustees. Makes conforming changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1671 COM COL DIST-COMMON NAME **Sponsor** Sen. Jil Tracy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. With respect to the name of the board of a community college district, removes the requirement that the county or counties be listed when referring to the common name of the community college and provides that the district number may (instead of shall) be incorporated in the board's name. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1739 HIGHER ED-MINORITY TEACHERS

Sponsor Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that a student who is already licensed to teach and is enrolled in a course of study leading to an additional teaching endorsement or a master's degree in an academic field in which he or she is teaching or plans to teach may participate in the Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship program (rather than limiting the program to undergraduate students). Makes a conforming change. Effective June 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1838 HIGHER ED-DIGITAL DISCOUNT

Sponsor Sen. Andy Manar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community college districts in Illinois. Allows universities and community colleges to establish a digital discount program that complies with federal regulations. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1865 CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose

Comment: ICCB initiative**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Credit for Prior Learning Act. Requires each public university to submit its policies and procedures for students to earn credit for prior learning to the Board of Higher Education for review and approval and each community college to submit its policies and procedures for students to earn credit for prior learning to the Illinois Community College Board for review and approval. Provides that, at a minimum, these procedures shall include a listing of the types of documentation acceptable and the dates of inclusion for which prior learning is acceptable. Requires the Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board to adopt rules to permit public higher education institutions to award credit for prior learning after the assessment of prior learning experiences for documented learning that demonstrates achievement of all terminal objectives for a specific course or courses.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1889 HIGHER ED-CHILDREN OF VETERANS

Sponsor Sen. Wm. Sam McCann

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Makes changes to the Illinois Veteran grant program to allow the child of a qualified applicant to access the grant program upon request of a qualified applicant. Makes

conforming changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1945 SCH BD/COM COL BD-OFFICERS

Sponsor Sen. Jil Tracy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and the Public Community College Act. With respect to school boards of school districts and boards of trustees of community college districts, provides that officers are subject to removal by a majority vote of all the board members and, in case of removal or where a vacancy otherwise occurs in any of the offices, the board shall appoint or elect a successor to fill the vacancy. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1968 COMM COLLEGE BOARDS-VACANCIES

Sponsor Sen. Tom Rooney

Comment: ICCB initiative

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that when a vacancy occurs in a community college board, the elected successor shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term. Provides that the vice-chairman shall perform the duties of chairman if there is a vacancy in the office of the chairman or in case of the chairman's absence or inability to act (rather than the vice-chairman shall serve in the chairman's absence). Provides that if there is a vacancy in the office of the chairman and vice-chairman, a chairman pro tempore shall be appointed. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1977 FOIA-PUBLIC RECORD DEFINITION

Sponsor Sen. William R. Haine

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that all records of (instead of "in the custody or possession of") a public body are presumed to be open to inspection or copying. Changes the definition of "public records" by removing the inclusion of material having been or being used by, received by, in the possession of, or under the control of any public body.

Last Action

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2/10/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 2018 STUDENT DATA PRIVACY**Sponsor** Sen. Thomas Cullerton**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Student Data Privacy Act. On and after October 1, 2017, requires the school board of a school district to enter into a written contract with a contractor any time the school board shares or provides access to student information, student records, or student-generated content with that contractor. Among other provisions, sets forth provisions concerning contract requirements, contractor and operator requirements and prohibitions, security breach procedures, and the establishment of a task force to study issues relating to student data privacy. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 2064 LOCAL GOV-UNFUNDED MANDATES**Sponsor** Sen. Dale A. Righter**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Local Unfunded Mandate Exemption Act. Provides that all units of local government, school districts, and public colleges and universities may, by a majority vote of the governing body, exempt themselves from specified mandates that are unfunded if it is determined that it is not economically feasible to comply with the unfunded mandate. Provides for notice, public hearing, and other requirements in order for a governing body to exempt itself from any mandate. Prohibits exemption from federally required mandates, mandates pertaining to health and public safety, mandates pertaining to civil rights, and instructional mandates for school districts. Provides for appeal procedures by State agencies affected by exempted mandates. Amends the State Mandates Act to make conforming changes.

Last Action

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2/10/2017	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HR 27 EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT**Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney**Committee Hearing:**

Personnel & Pensions Committee Hearing Feb 24 2017 10:00AM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

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
2/2/2017	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HR 38 PENSION COST SHIFTING**Sponsor** Rep. Allen Skillicorn**Committee Hearing:**

Personnel & Pensions Committee Hearing Feb 24 2017 10:00AM Capitol Building Room 122B Springfield, IL

Synopsis As Introduced

Recognizes that the normal cost of pensions for State educators is the responsibility of the State and that the General Assembly should not use the current budget crisis as a reason to shift its financial responsibility for State pension costs to the local taxpayers.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2017	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HJR 2

REPRESENTATION IN HIGHER ED

Sponsor Rep. André Thapedi**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Underrepresented Groups in Academia Task Force within the Board of Higher Education to examine strategies to grow underrepresented groups in institutions of higher education and to ascertain the viability of increasing the number of laboratory schools in the State and creating State-owned and operated trade schools.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2017	House	Placed on Calendar Order of Resolutions