

## **Senate Committee Action**

#### **Criminal Law**

**Sex offense prosecution (SB 2271):** Extends the statute of limitations for sex offenses committed against an adult for one year after discovery by the victim when corroborating physical evidence is available. The charging document must state that the statute of limitations is extended and the circumstances justifying the extension.

Civil immunity (HB 4191): Provides immunity from civil liability for property damage resulting from forcible entry into a vehicle in order to save a dog or cat only if the person completes several preemptive measures. Uses those same preemptive measures to create an affirmative defense for the offenses of criminal damage to property and criminal trespass to vehicles. Provides that law enforcement, emergency responder, or animal control officer arriving on the scene where a dog or cat was broken out of a vehicle will seek veterinary care if deemed necessary.

Corrections visitation policy (HB 4741): Entitles inmates to seven visits per month and permits inmates to supply the Illinois Department of Corrections with a list of 30 persons that are authorized to visit. The required list of authorized visitors is to be available beginning August 2019 in electronic format.

Crime of violence (HB 5267): Provides that "crime of violence" includes: posting identifying or graphic information on a pornographic Internet site or possessing graphic information with pornographic material; and non-consensual dissemination of private sexual images. Specifies that "pecuniary loss" means appropriate expenses (instead of expenses) for psychiatric care or counseling. Provides that a law enforcement agency within this State shall, within 15 days of receipt of a written request, provide the Attorney General's office with the law enforcement agency's full written report of

the investigation of the crime for which an application for compensation has been filed.

Trafficking victims (HB 5494): Waives the normal three-year waiting period for sealing of offenses for human trafficking victims, allowing them to petition for immediate sealing of their criminal record after completing a sentence as long as they can show that the underlying offense was a direct result of human trafficking.

**Custodial sexual misconduct (HB 5597):** Provides that any person employed by a law enforcement agency commits "custodial sexual misconduct" when he or she engages in any form of sexual conduct or sexual penetration with a person who is under arrest or detained.

#### **Education**

Life Safety Bonds for Wolf Branch School District (HB 1265): Provides that none of the \$17.5 million in life safety bonds that Wolf Branch School District 113 is planning to issue to rebuild their damaged middle school will be considered indebtedness under their statutory debt limitation and that the \$17.5 million will be reduced by any grants the District is receiving from the State Board of Education or the Capital Development Board to repair/rebuild the structure.

Safe Schools Healthy Learning (HB 4208): Creates the Safe Schools and Healthy Learning Environments Program to offer grants to schools to implement practices to reduce reliance on law enforcement for behavior issues and to offer alternative strategies to address certain other student needs.

**Schools Concussion Protocol (HB 4426):** Requires IDPH to publish brochure on effects and symptoms of concussions in children and requires schools to provide it to families of students who may have suffered concussions.

**State Board (HB 4284):** Requires 3 members of state education board to be from educator community.

**Dyslexia Handbook (HB 4369):** Requires ISBE to develop and post a dyslexia guidance handbook.

**Parenting Education (HB 4442):** Requires ISBE to implement a 3 year pilot program on parenting education.

**Emotional Intelligence (HB 4657):** Creates the Emotional Intelligence and Social and Emotional Learning Task Force to develop curriculum and assessment guidelines and best practices on emotional intelligence and social and emotional learning.

Third Party Sub Teacher (HB 4742): Requires the State Board of Education to implement a program to allow school districts to use recruiting firms to find substitute teachers.

**Medical Cannabis (HB 4870):** Creates Ashley's Law which allows the administration of medical cannabis on school grounds or on school buses under certain conditions.

**Dental Examination Data (HB 4908):** Requires children in ninth grade to have a dental examination before May 15th of the school year.

Juvenile Justice Teachers (HB 5005): Provides that CMS is not required to verify the license of a teacher employed by the Department of Juvenile Justice if the license is verified by the State Board of Education.

**Technical Skills Program (HB 5062):** Requires the State Board of Education to develop and maintain a program for 12 public high schools to offer advanced manufacturing technical skills training.

**Teacher Evaluation Plan (HB 5136):** Provides certain exemptions for open meetings act for under certain situations, including joint committees on matters related to school district's performance evaluation rating system, negotiating team strategies, etc.

#### Personnel Code Partial Exemption (HB 5153):

Removes a sunset date which would end the direct hire policy at the Illinois School for the Deaf (ISD) and the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired (IVSI) for teaching positions on August 30, 2019. **Teacher Salary (HB 5175):** Creates minimum wage for teachers of \$40,000 per year.

**Transportation Hazard (HB5195):** Provides that school districts may provide free transportation for any pupil residing 1.5 miles from school, when conditions are such that walking constitutes a serious hazard to the safety of the pupil due a course or pattern of criminal activity.

Paraprofessional Fee (HB 5196): Lowers the license renewal fee for paraprofessionals to \$25 (currently it is \$50).

Class Size Goals (HB 5481): Amends the School Code to add a new section that mandates class size reporting.

**Every Student Succeeds (HB 5588):** This legislation is an initiative of the State Board of Education to make various statutory changes that are required to implement Illinois' Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) plan.

Mental Health Services (HB 5770): Requires school boards to notify district students and their parents/guardians that a student with a mental health diagnosis may be eligible to receive supportive health services from the school under a federal 504 plan.

**Truant Definition (HB 5795):** Redefines the term truant as a child who is subject to compulsory school attendance and who is absent without valid cause, from such attendance for more than 1%, but less than 5%, of the past 180 school days.

### **Higher Education**

**Black History Course Requirement (HB 4346):**Requires every public institution of higher education and community colleges to offer a course studying the events of Black History.

Children of Disabled Police, Fire, and Corrections Employees Grants (HB 4467): Grants for tuition and mandatory fees for children of police, fire, or corrections officers that are killed or become permanently disabled in the line of duty shall apply to that child regardless of whether they were born before the disability occurred.

Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services Preference (HB 4781): A public university or community college must use its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services.

Schools Instructing Manufacturing Grants (HB 4858): Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants for acquiring land, construction of facilities, and purchasing equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Modifies the term, "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act
Amendment (HB 4882): Amends the Grow Your
Own Teacher Education Act to include high school
students participating in dual credit classes. Adds
to the list of eligible schools participating in the
Grow Your Own Teacher Program to include early
childhood programs where 60 percent or more of
the children it serves are receiving subsidized care
under DHS's Childcare Assistance Program.

Bridge Program for Underrepresented Students Act (HB 5696): Creates the Bridge Program for Underrepresented Students Act. The Program shall be open only to State residents and will include testing, counseling, guidance services, courses, tutoring, and supplemental financial assistance.

#### **Human Services**

Part-Time Low-Income Students Receive SNAP Benefits (SB 351): Provides that part-time low income students enrolled in a vocational or technical education program at a community college are eligible to receive SNAP benefits.

Limitations on Actions for Negligent Hiring Act (SB 2382): Creates the Limitations on Actions for Negligent Hiring Act. No cause of action can be brought against an employer, general contractor, premises owner, or other business solely for hiring an employee or independent contractor who has been convicted of a non-violent, non-sexual offense. It cannot be introduced into evidence the fact that an employer, general contractor, or

premises owner hired an employee or independent contractor who has been convicted of a non-violent, non-sexual offense.

Rate Reimbursement Reform for MC/DD Facilities (SB 2898): Sets a minimum base rate for MC/DDs. Sets three tiers of specific exceptional care rates (in place of not in addition to base rate) based on acuity. For consistency, acuity uses the same medical definitions and documentation requirements as nursing homes.

- Tier 1 (bottom) \$326 per day People with feeding tubes supplying at least 51% of their daily caloric intake and respiratory therapy or oxygen therapy
- Tier 2 \$ \$546 per day people with tracheostomy care (without a vent) AND either dialysis, suctioning, or feeding tube.
- Tier 3 \$735 per day people with ventilator care and tracheostomy care

Right of Minors to Consent to Counseling Services or Psychotherapy on an Outpatient Basis Act (HB 1443):

Creates the Right of Minors to Consent to Counseling Services or Psychotherapy on an Outpatient Basis Act. Repeals a Section of the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code regarding a minor 12 years of age or older requesting and receiving counseling services or psychotherapy on an outpatient basis. Places these provisions in the new Act. Provides that counseling services or psychotherapy provided under these provisions shall be provided in compliance with the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act, the Clinical Social Work and Social Work Practice Act, or the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act (currently only under the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act or the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act).

# Additions to List of Establishments for Human Trafficking Resource Center Notice Act (HB 4340):

Adds the following to the list of establishments required to post notice under the Human Trafficking Resource Center Notice Act: massage establishments; public gatherings and special events conducted on property open to the public that require the issuance of a permit from the unit of local government; public and private elementary and secondary schools; and establishments registered under the Tattoo and Body Piercing Establishment Registration Act. Provides that a business or establishment that fails to comply with

the Act is guilty of a petty offense, and subject to a fine of up to \$500 for each violation (instead of liable for a civil penalty of \$500 for a first offense and \$1,000 for each subsequent offense).

Direct Support Person Credential Pilot Program (HB 4665): Requires DHS Division of DD to Implement a Direct Support Person Credential Pilot Program. Creates a direct support persons credential pilot program within the Division of Developmental Disabilities at DHS to assist and attract persons into the field of direct support and to assist them in obtaining a credential in their field of expertise. Under the MC/DD Act and the ID/DD Community Care Act, provides a CNA shall lose his or her certification if he or she goes 24 consecutive months without performing "nursing or nursing-related services."

Agency Employee Directly Providing Care to Disabled Adult Ward Cannot Be Appointed Guardian (HB 4686): Prohibits An Agency Employee who is Directly Providing Care to a Disabled Adult Ward From Being Appointed Guardian. Amends the Guardians For Adults With Disabilities Article of the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that the court shall not appoint as guardian an employee of an agency that is directly providing residential services to the ward.

Visitation Privileges of a Ward That Is a Disabled Adult (HB 4687): Authorizes Various Persons to Petition for Visitation Privileges of a Ward that is a Disabled Adult. Also adds a provision to the bill which prohibits the court from allowing visitation if the court finds that the ward has capacity to evaluate and communicate decisions regarding visitation and expresses a desire not to have visitation with a petitioner.

## CCAP for DCFS Open Intact Family Services Cases for Families With Children Under 5 (HB 4885):

Provides that families with children under the age of five who have an open intact family services case with the DCFS must be eligible for child care assistance under the DHS child care assistance program (CCAP). Provides that eligible families will remain eligible for child care assistance six months after the child's intact family services case is closed, regardless of whether the child's parents or other relatives as defined by rule are working or participating in employment or education or

training programs. Requires DHS to adopt rules to protect the privacy of families who are the subject of an open intact family services case, and to offer families the opportunity to receive an Early Intervention screening and other DHS services.

DCFS Assist Youths in Care With Documents as Independent Adult (HB 4887): Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to assist youths in care in identifying and obtaining documents necessary to function as an independent adult prior to the closure of the youth's case to terminate wardship under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Provides that the necessary documents shall include, but not be limited to: State identification card or driver's license; social security card; medical records; educational records; and other documents.

# US Armed Forces Mental Health Professionals as Licensed Mental Health Professionals (HB 4936):

Requires Department of Human Services (DHS) to adopt rules to allow a person who has completed a psychiatric training program certification from the United States Armed Forces with at least one year of experience in a mental health setting to be recognized as a mental health professional for programs authorized or funded by DHS under the direction of a licensed mental health professional.

#### **CCAP Redetermination Change to 12 Months (HB**

**4965):** Provides a family's eligibility for the Department of Human Services (DHS) Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) shall be redetermined, no sooner than 12 months following the most recent determination, instead of every six months. During the 12-month period, the family shall remain eligible for child care services regardless of a change in family income that does not exceed 85% of state median income or a temporary change in work or job training status.

Prohibits DOC and DJJ From Charging Inmates a Co-Pay for Medical/Dental Services (HB 5104): Amends the Unified Code of Corrections with respect to inmate medical co-payments at Department of Corrections (DOC) facilities and Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) facilities. Provides that neither DJJ, nor DOC may charge inmates/committed persons a co-payment for medical or dental services.

Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program Act (HB 5109): Beginning on July

1, 2019, creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program Act. Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program to be administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that the program shall provide loan assistance, subject to appropriation, to eligible mental health and substance use professionals practicing in a community mental health center in an underserved or rural federally designated Mental Health Professional Shortage Area. Provides that the Commission shall award a grant to each qualified applicant for a maximum of four years; specifies grant amounts and eligibility requirements. Requires the recipient to complete a separate 12-month period working in a community mental health center in an underserved or rural federally designated Mental Health Professional Shortage Area for each grant awarded.

Requires DCFS to Provide Significant Event
Reports to Guardian or Attorney Within 3 Days of
Discovery (HB 5257): Requires DCFS to provide a
minor's guardian ad litem or attorney appointed
under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, with a copy
of each significant event report involving the
minor, as defined by Department rule, no later
than three days after DCFS learns of an event
requiring a report to be written, or earlier as
required by Department rule. Defines "significant
event report" to mean a document that describes
an occurrence beyond customary operations such
as allegations of abuse or neglect or anything that
might raise a concern about the well-being of the
minor.

Eliminates \$5 Co-Pay Required for Inmates to pay for Medicaid Services (HB 5308): Prohibits HFS from requiring any person incarcerated in a facility of the Department of Corrections who is eligible for Medicaid to pay a \$5 co-payment fee for services. Prohibits the Department of Corrections from requiring committed persons receiving medical or dental treatment or services to pay a \$5 co-payment fee for such treatment or services.

Create Electronic Version of Annual Assessments for CILA Residents (HB 5463): Each individual living in a CILA is required to receive an annual assessment to screen that individual for any health issues or risks. Beginning July 1, 2019, each resident must receive their annual client

assessment via a web-based electronic screening tool. Requires the electronic screening tool to replace the current paper-based assessment.

MH/DD Facilities Must Post GAC and Equip for Equality Contact Info (HB 5558): Adds to the provision that requires mental health and developmental disability facilities to publicly post a summary of the rights relevant to the services delivered by that facility by also requiring that the contact information for the Guardianship and Advocacy Council (GAC) and Equip for Equality must also be included on the public posting.

Codifies the 185% FPL CCAP Eligibility Level in Statute (HB 5599): Codifies the 185% FPL CCAP Eligibility Level in Statute. Regarding DHS' Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), beginning in FY19, the specified threshold for working families must be no less than 185% of the then-current federal poverty level (FPL) for each family size. Seeks to codify the current CCAP eligibility level of 185% FPL, so that future changes to eligibility could only be made through a change in statute and not a change in Administrative Rule. The current FPL level for CCAP eligibility is 185% FPL.

Annual Public Reports to DHS Detailing Information About DD Facility Visits (HB 5636): Requires the designated agency that administers the State Plan to protect and advocate for the rights of persons with DD (Equip for Equality is the current designated agency) to submit an annual, public report to DHS detailing how many visits the designated agency made, which facilities were visited, and the nature of the visit. Adds CILAs to the facilities the designated agency has access to.

## Judiciary

**Firearm Disposition Record Form mandates (SB 2387)**: Requires that a Firearm Disposition Record form must be filed with both the State Police and the circuit court located in the county in which the

circuit court located in the county in which the transferor resides. Requires that the recipient of any firearm transferred by way of a Firearm Disposition Record form must file the form with the circuit court in which they reside and ISP along with a sworn statement that they are aware of the laws and penalties for illegal transfer of a firearm. Additionally, the unlawful sale or delivery of firearms offense is amended so that someone who is not a federally

licensed firearm dealer who fails to determine the validity of a purchaser's Firearm Owner's Identification Card commits a Class 4 felony.

#### **Immigrant Tenant Protection Act (SB 3103)**:

Creates the Immigrant Tenant Protection Act.

Outlines actions that are prohibited by landlords. If a landlord violates the Act, a tenant may bring a civil action to seek cash or injunctive remedies. The bill states that immigration or citizenship status of any person is irrelevant to any issue of liability or remedy under a tenant's civil action. Also creates an affirmative defense based on immigration status.

Crestwood Property Sale (HB 128): Allows the Village of Crestwood to sell property formerly owned by the State Police. States that the requirement to maintain this parcel of land is waived due to the large cost of "rehabilitating the property and remediating environmental conditions" that will be incurred by the Village and that Crestwood may sell the property to a private purchaser as long as the State receives 50 percent of funds from the sale after deduction for the cost of preparing the land for sale.

Home Repair Consumer Rights Pamphlet (HB 4268): The Home Repair and Remodeling Act is amended to add information concerning mechanic's liens to the home repair consumer rights pamphlet. The bill includes new language that replaces more general language reminding home owners about the rights of suppliers and subcontractors to file a mechanic's lien.

Peoria County Property Sale (HB 4319): Allows property previously transferred to Peoria County from the Department of Corrections to be sold. States that if Peoria County sells the property, 10 percent of the proceeds will be paid to the State of Illinois.

Illinois Civil and Criminal Court Fee Assessments (HB 4594): Creates the Criminal and Traffic Assessment Act. Consolidates the current system of court related assessments, costs and surcharges which are scattered throughout the Code into 13 Schedules. Provides a minimum fine is \$25 unless waived by the judge. The bill also creates a sliding-

scale waiver for criminal defendants based upon percentages of the poverty index.

ABLE provision changes (HB 4754): Amends the State Treasurer Act in the section detailing ABLE accounts. Unless prohibited by federal law, when a designated beneficiary dies the account proceeds may be transferred to the estate or account of another individual specified by the designated beneficiary. A court or a person with a disability may assign "resources" (property, maintenance, child support, etc.) to that person's ABLE account, or a discretionary trust that complies with Medicaid reimbursements.

**Adults with Disabilities Multiple Guardianships** Changes (HB 4867): Adds a new section to the Guardians for Adults with Disabilities Article of the Probate Act. Provides that a court may not appoint an individual a guardian of a person or estate of an adult with disabilities before the would-be guardian discloses to the court the number of adults with disabilities over which he/she currently is appointed guardian over. Further provides that if a court determines the would-be guardian is appointed guardian over more than 5 adults with disabilities, the court shall order the circuit court clerk to notify the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission in a form/manner in which the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission prescribes. Further provides that the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission shall maintain a list of all notifications it receives under this new section for reference by other agencies, units of government, or the public.

State Long Term Care Ombudsman Technical Change (HB 4879): Amends the Illinois Power of Attorney Act. Adds the words "a representative of the Office of" to the statute to allow a representative of the Office of the State Long Term Ombudsman fulfill the duties of the Office under the Act.

Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Facilities Liens (HB 4911): Authorizes Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Facilities to file liens under the Health Care Services Lien Act. Adds Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Facilities to the Definition of Health Care Provider which authorizes them to file liens under the Health Care Services Lien Act.

# Changes (HB 4949): Amends the Consumer Fraud And Deceptive Practice Act. Provides that it is an unlawful practice to engage in misleading or false advertising or promotion that misrepresents the need to seek mental health disorder or substance use disorder treatment outside of the State of Illinois. Sets forth requirements for advertising or promotional sales materials directed to Illinois

residents concerning mental health disorder or

substance use disorder treatment.

**Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Practices Act** 

Security Deposit Return (HB 4951): The Security Deposit Return Act is amended to provide that if costs are specified in a lease that may be withheld from a security deposit for cleaning, repair, or replacement of any component of the leased premises or any component of the building or common areas that, if damaged, will not be replaced, those costs will be for damage beyond normal wear and tear and reasonable to restore the leased premises to the same condition as the time the lease began.

#### **Presumptively Void Transfers Changes (HB 5047):**

Amends the Presumptively Void Transfers Article of the Probate Act. Includes a civil union partner within the scope of the term "family member" and includes a transfer on death instrument within the scope of the term "transfer instrument." Sets forth conditions under which a financial institution or similar entity is not liable for distributing or releasing property when the transfer is challenged. Specifies that the notice must include a copy of the complaint. Additionally, provides that if the property in question is an interest in real property, a bona fide purchaser or mortgagee for value will take the subject property free and clear of the action challenging the transfer instrument if the transfer to the bona fide purchaser or mortgagee for value occurs prior to the recordation of a lis pendens for an action challenging the transfer.

#### **Juvenile Court Commitment Reports (HB 5077)**:

Requires that if a minor is committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice, the clerk of the court shall forward to the Department the sentencing order and copies of committing petition

and a report detailing the minor's criminal history in a manner and from prescribed by the Department.

#### **Blocked Trust Account for Child Actors (HB 5147)**:

Amends the Child Labor Law. Establishes a "Coogan's Law" for Illinois which will require a certain percentage of a child actor's gross earnings be deposited into a blocked trust account for the child actor upon age 18.

**Adoption Consent Forms (HB 5155)**: The Adoption Act is amended to update various forms related to consent and surrender for purposes of adoption.

Healthcare Surrogate for Youth in Care (HB 5157): In situations where the court has appointed a temporary guardian for an abused or neglected minor, allows the court to also give the custodian the authority to serve as a surrogate decision maker for the minor under the Health Care Surrogate Act.

#### Kaskaskia Commons Permanent Fund (HB 5690):

Amends a 1909 Act concerning the Kaskaskia Commons Permanent Fund. Transfers all property associated with the Fund to the Kaskaskia Island Drainage and Levee District.

Nursing Mothers Excused from Jury Service (HB 5745): Exempts nursing mothers from jury service in counties where the Jury Commission Act applies.

#### **Public Health**

Medicaid Long-Term Care Eligibility (HB 175): Moves the six-month timeline for the state to implement the caseworker-based processing system. Specifies that "renewal" has the same meaning as "redetermination." Cleans up language regarding the

"redetermination." Cleans up language regarding the submission of claims to the Comptroller. Specifies that if an individual who is enrolled with a managed-care organization (MCO) receives provisional eligibility, the MCO is only responsible for paying the benefits covered by the capitation payment it has received for the individual.

Capitol Lactation Rooms (HB 1042): Requires the Architect of the Capitol to designate at least one lactation and wellness room in each of the following buildings: the State Capitol Building, the Howlett Building, and the Stratton Building. The rooms must

comply with the recommendations of the American Institute of Architects. Cost: The initial estimate by Capitol Development Board put the price at \$634,570. This estimate is probably on the high end.

Medication Disposal (HB 1338): Amends the Safe Pharmaceutical Disposal Act. It broadens the definition of "unused medication" to include medications that are in liquid form, specifically suspensions. This would permit police officers and nurses to dispose of liquid medications that are located at death scenes. Permits unused medications contained in intraperitoneal solutions to be disposed of in public wastewater-collection or septic systems. Current law permits the disposal of unused medications that are contained in intravenous fluids, syringes, or transdermal patches.

**Hospice Care (HB 1447):** Expands the number of individuals a hospice residence may serve from sixteen to twenty.

Opioid Overdose Reporting (HB 4331): Creates a new section in the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Mandates that the Department of Public Health submit an electronic report on opioid overdoses to the General Assembly annually on the data collected under: Section 2310-316 of the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois (this Act), Section 8.5 of the University of Illinois Hospital Act (does not exist), Section 6.09c of the Hospital Licensing Act (does not exist) and Section 3-3013 of the Counties Code as amended by this bill.

Mammography Report (HB 4392): Requires mammogram providers to include a statement similar to the following in the report they send to patients with "dense breast tissue": "Your mammogram indicates that you have dense breast tissue. Dense breast tissue is normal and identified on mammograms in about 50% of women. Dense breast tissue can make it more difficult to detect cancer on a mammogram and may be associated with an increased risk of breast cancer. Despite these limitations, screening mammograms have been proven to save lives. Continue to have

routine screening mammography whether or not additional exams are suggested for you. This information is provided to raise your awareness of the impact of breast density on cancer detection. For further information about dense breast tissue, as well as other breast cancer risk factors, contact your breast imaging health care provider." Mammogram providers may update the language to reflect advances in science and technology as long as they: 1) notify patients about the impact of dense breast tissue on mammogram accuracy and 2) encourage patients to discuss the issue with their health-care providers.

Dairy Farm Inspection Reports (HB 4428): Amends the Grade A Pasteurized Milk and Milk Products Act. Requires DPH (or the local public-health inspector) to provide a paper copy of the inspection report to a dairy farm being inspected at the time of the inspection.

Lyme Disease Prevention (HB 4515): Amends the Medical Practice Act to grant immunity from DFPR disciplinary action to physicians prescribing experimental treatments for Lyme disease. Creates the Lyme Disease Prevention and Protection Act. The Act requires DPH to employ a coordinator to manage the newly created Lyme Disease Prevention, Detection, and Outreach Program. As part of the program, DPH must collect and disseminate information about Lyme disease incidents in Illinois, collect and disseminate information about the prevention, detection, and treatment of Lyme disease and expand its Lyme disease testing. 3) Creates the Lyme Disease Task Force. DPH must establish the Lyme Disease Task Force to advise the department on disease prevention/surveillance and provider/public education on the disease. Deletes current statutory requirements for the collection of Lyme-disease data.

Prescription Drug Task Force (HB 4707): Creates the Prescription Drug Task Force. The task force shall study prescription opioid abuse in Illinois, study the over-prescription of opioids, such as Hydrocodone and Oxycodone, recommend whether prescriptions should be restricted and recommend other legislation to reduce opioid addiction and abuse

Procurement Expenditure Exemptions (SB 4745): Exempts procurement expenditures that are made for the implementation of newborn-screening services from the requirements of the Illinois Procurement Code.

Medicaid Long-Term Care Eligibility (HB 4771): CA 1 makes several changes to the bill as passed by the House: it moves the six-month timeline for the state to implement the caseworker-based processing system, it specifies that "renewal" has the same meaning as "redetermination." it cleans up language regarding the submission of claims to the Comptroller. It specifies that if an individual who is enrolled with a managed-care organization (MCO) receives provisional eligibility, the MCO is only responsible for paying the benefits covered by the capitation payment it has received for the individual. This bill addresses the backlog of Medicaid long-term care applications pending final determination. The bill was passed by committee with the understanding that work on it would continue in the House.

#### Medical Records for Homeless Vets (HB 4848):

Amends the Code of Civil Procedure. Mandates that health-care facilities and practitioners provide a free copy of a homeless veteran's medical records if the records are being requested by either the veteran or an authorized person, entity, or organization for the purpose of supporting a claim for veterans' disability benefits.

Changes to the Health Facilities Planning Act (HB 4892): Amends the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act. Specifies that exemption holders, as well as permit holders, may be fined \$10,000 per month for failing to meet the Health Facilities Review Board's reporting requirements. Deletes the requirement that a Board member attend every public hearing. Deletes the requirement that monthly reports are posted on the Board's website. Makes other changes.

**Food Handling Regulations (HB 5011):** Amends the Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act. Specifies that a food-service sanitation manager certificate issued prior to January 1, 2018, will remain valid unit its expiration date.

**Task Force on Behavior Health Education Center (HB 5111):** Creates the Behavioral Health Education Center Task Force to study the

possibility of creating a Behavioral Health Education Center.

#### **Transportation**

New Harmony Bridge Bi-State Commission (SB 2804): Creates the New Harmony Bridge Bi-State Commission to jointly take control of the New Harmony Bridge with a similar authority in Indiana. If there is no intergovernmental agreement by January 1, 2020 then the New Harmony Bridge Authority is created as an Illinois only authority to control the New Harmony Bridge.

Multi-year Vehicle Registration (HB 4259): Allows the Secretary of State to offer owners of first and second division vehicles, under 8,000 pounds, the option to register their vehicle for one or two years, and trailers up to 5 years. The owner would pay a one-time fee based on the amount of years they choose.

Uber/Lyft Driver Application (HB 4416): Requires an individual applying to become a transportation network company driver (such as Uber and Lyft) must include in the application his or her full name and any used nicknames or aliases. Requires that an individual must also submit his or her social security number and date of birth. Provides that an individual who submits an application that contains false or incomplete information shall be guilty of a petty offense.

**Texting Violation (HB 4846):** Makes the first violation of texting while driving or using a hand-held cell phone a moving violation.

**SOS Clean-up (HB 5056):** Various changes suggested by the Secretary of State to improve existing law and to clean up areas of the Illinois Vehicle Code.

- Provides that the owner of a junk vehicle is not required to surrender the vehicle's certificate of title under certain circumstances.
- Allows SOS to alternate numeric and alpha characters on specialty plates to increase the issuance of certain plates without redesigning/issues plates.
- Permits funeral home plates to be personalized.
- Any first division vehicle that has a gross weight of 8,000 pounds or more and is used

for commercial purpose shall be subject to inspection by IDOT.

**Public Transit Toll Exemption (HB 5856):** Provides that any revenue vehicles owned or operated by a Mass Transit District created under a provision of the Local Mass Transit District Act and running regular scheduled service may use any toll highway without paying a toll.

#### **Veterans Affairs**

Illinois National Guard Member Priority (HB 4288): Provides that for provisions concerning veterans' preference, a person who has been a member of the Illinois National Guard shall be given priority over a person who has been a member of the National Guard of any other state.

**Service Members' Leases (HB 4317):** Provides that if a service member who has entered into certain residential leases is killed in action or while on active duty, then the immediate family or dependents of the service member may terminate the lease.

**G.I. Bill of Rights Day (HB 4954):** Provides that the 4th day of November of each year is designated as "G.I. Bill of Rights Day", to be observed throughout the State as a day in recognition of the landmark legislation that provided benefits to World War II veterans, and would serve as the basis of future legislation to extend benefits to all who serve in the United States Armed Forces.

Members Benefits Fund (HB 5682): Provides that the Department of Veterans' Affairs may make expenditures from a members' benefits fund, subject to approval by the Director of Veterans' Affairs, for recognition and appreciation programs for volunteers who assist the Veterans Homes.