



Senate Committee Action

Local Government

Waterworks and Sanitary Systems in One Utility (HB 1190): Amends the Sanitary District Act of 1936 to provide for a combined waterworks and sewerage system. This allows a sanitary district to combine and jointly operate the district's waterworks and sewerage systems by ordinance.

Temporary Appointments for Township Offices (HB 4697): Changes the Township Code to provide that if a vacant township supervisor office is filled by appointment, the appointed supervisor is to fulfill the bond requirement for township supervisors. Such appointed supervisor may be a trustee appointed by a majority vote of the trustees.

Cook County Sheriff Merit Board Discipline Procedure (HB 5303): Allows the Cook County Sheriff to take disciplinary measures prescribed by the Merit Board for infractions by officers for all discipline less than termination (instead of just suspensions less than 30 days). Also makes the following changes:

- Provides for a hearing of the Merit Board or a Hearing Officer, designated by the Board for cases including the termination of officers.
- Provides that the Hearing Officer shall make a finding of guilt, and may either remove officers or other punishment.
- Provides that the Board shall render its decision no later than 90 days following the conclusion of any hearings. Gives hearing officers the same ability as the Merit Board to apply to the court to order appearances.

Government Reform

Gender Neutral Election Code Amendment (HB 1010): Amends the Election Code to replace gender specific terms with gender neutral terms, such as changing "Chairman" to "Chair."

Financial Institutions

Nationwide Multistate Licensing System Loan Processing Entity (HB 4404): Amends the Residential Mortgage License Act of 1987 and changes reference to "Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry" to reference to "Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry". As well as, provides that an entity that is exempt from licensure under specified provisions of the Act as an independent loan processing entity shall annually apply to the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation through the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry for an exempt company registration for specified purpose.

College Credit Card Marketing and Debt Task Force (HB 4710): Creates the College Student Credit Card Marketing and Debt Task Force that provides legislative findings and provides for the membership of the Task Force. Also, offers that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall provide technical and administrative support and any other necessary assistance to the Task Force, and shall be responsible for administering its operations and ensuring that the requirements of the provisions are met.

Currency Exchange Closure Fee Returns (HB 5141): Provides that within one year (rather than 3 years) after the Secretary of Financial and Professional Regulation's first published notice in a local newspaper regarding a community

currency exchange filing for termination, the owners of the debts, liabilities, and lawful demands against such community currency exchange will be redeemed by the Secretary on demand in writing.

Credit Union Revisions (HB 5497): Amends the Illinois Credit Union Act and makes numerous technical changes regarding Credit Unions, the following changes include:

1. Lowers the threshold for a law enforcement officer to access a credit union member's financial records without prior notice or consent.

- A supervisor or manager of a law enforcement authority can provide a 1 page letter stating the reason immediate access to the financial records is necessary.
- The letter doesn't need to be specific and uses the "reasonable suspicion" standard instead of "probable cause."
- The credit union will not be held liable to the member or any other person for the disclosure of information to the law enforcement authority.

2. Updates and clarifies the asset thresholds at which an independent audit of financial statements and agreed upon procedures are required. Also establishes a year-end 120 day delivery date to IDFP of the independent audit or agreed procedures report.

3. Clarifies that credit unions may issue certificates of deposit to purchase assets of other financial institutions.

Labor

Includes Paramedics in IPLRA (HB 126): Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act to include paramedics employed by a unit of local government into the definition of fire fighter.

Paramedics (HB 127): Includes paramedics employed by a unit of local government or EMT into the definition of "fire fighter" for purposes of health insurance benefits in cases of catastrophic injury or death under the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act.

Nursing Mothers in Workplace (HB 1595): Amends the Nursing Mothers in Workplace Act. Currently provides for unpaid breaks as long as it wouldn't overly disrupt business operations, and also make that a paid break and would also remove the exception to employers if the break would unduly disrupt business operations. This Act currently applies to employers that have 6 or more employees exclusive of the employer's immediate family.

Human Rights Act Expansion (HB 4572): Expands coverage of Human Rights Act to cover all employers who employ at least one employee (currently 15 or more). Includes an exemption to the definition of "employer," so that places of worship are excluded.

Amusement Ride Safety (HB 4677): Amends the Amusement Ride and Attraction Safety Act and clarifies that monies from ARAS Act violations go into a special fund, and not GRF.

African American Status in Equal Pay (HB 4743): Amends the Equal Pay Act to provide no employers may discriminate between employees by paying wages to an African American employee at a rate less than the rate of someone who is not African American.

Includes Paramedics and Fire Fighters in PEDAs (HB 5221): Includes full-time paramedics and fire fighters who perform paramedic duties in the definition of eligible employee under the Public Employee Disability Act. The PEDAs is a one year benefit that entitles those with "line of duty" injuries who can't work their full pay, no reduction in pension credits or sick leave accumulation.

IDOL Apprenticeship Report Date (HB 5595):

Changes the State Construction Minority and Female Building Trades Act, and pushes the annual report date back to March 31 from March 1 of each year.

Civil Service Commission remand of cases (SB 2707):

Allows the Civil Service Commission to remand a case to the Administrative Law Judge for the purpose of taking additional evidence, soliciting additional argument, or for any other reason that will assist the Commission in rendering its finding and decision. Furthermore, provides that upon remand, the Civil Service Commission gets another 60 days to make a determination.

State Government

Police Dog Protection Act (HB 1671): Requires every law enforcement agency/handler of police dogs to provide an annual medical examination by licensed vet and vaccinate the dog against rabies prior to the dog beginning police service. It also requires vehicles that transport police dogs to be equipped with heat sensor monitor in the vehicle that will send an audible and visual notification in the vehicle if the temperature in the vehicle reaches 85 degrees.

Department of Military Affairs Collection (HB 3040):

A collection of new statutes and guidelines impacting the Illinois National Guard that exempts the Guard from the definition of a state "agency;" makes Guard members state employees; sets succession for the Guard's Adjutant General should he/she become incapacitated or die in office; creates new guidelines for Guard members subject to court-martial; aligns Illinois Guard court-martial guidelines with U.S. Military rules; and establishes the Illinois State Guard as the State's non-federally recognized military force.

State Employee Job Location (HB 4295):

Requires the Director of CMS to direct the

relocation of all State employment positions and direct all new State employment positions under the Personnel Code to Sangamon County, that are not required by their nature or function to be located in a specific geographic area. Also, requires the Director to determine a geographic location for each State employment position and, if it is other than Sangamon County, the reason for it to be in that geographic location.

First Responder Mental Health Awareness Day (HB 4345):

Designates the third Friday of each May of each year as "First Responder Mental Health Awareness Day", to be observed throughout the State as a day to honor firefighters, police officers, and other first responders who have lost their lives due to and suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, and other mental health issues.

Missing Person's ID Act (HB 4348):

Requires Illinois investigative agencies of an identified persons or human remains case to provide the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System with information that could be used for identification.

Pension Board Staff Racial Makeup (HB 4412):

Provides that a pension board in Illinois shall make its best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership.

Report/Act Repeal Date Change (HB 4420):

Amends the Protection of Individuals with Disabilities in the Criminal Justice System Task Force Act; Changes the date by which the Task Force shall submit its Report from March 31, 2018 to March 31, 2019. Changes the Act repeal date from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2020.

Criminal Justice Task Force (HB 4424):

Changes the date by which the Criminal Justice System Task Force shall submit its report to the General Assembly from March 31, 2018 to March 31, 2019. It also changes the Act repeal date from

June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2020.

Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (HB 4689): Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act, modifies a Section concerning the adoption of federal rules applicable to grants and provides that specified provisions do not apply to for-profit sub-recipients because for-profit sub-recipients are not subject to the requirements of a specified provision of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Illinois Dept. of Military Affairs (HB4849): Amends the Military Code of Illinois by providing the following:

- All moneys received from the transfer or exchange of any realty under the control of the Department of Military Affairs, and all funds received from the federal government under terms of the federal Master Cooperative Agreement related to constructing and maintaining real property between the Department and the United States Property and Fiscal Officer for Illinois shall be deposited into the Illinois National Guard Construction Fund.
- The moneys in the fund shall be used exclusively by the Adjutant General for rehabilitating existing facilities and other capital improvements.
- Removes the provision that expenditures from the fund shall be subject to written release by the Governor.
- Repeals Section 22-6 that contained contradictory language to the changes

This bill is intended to ensure that the IDMA is within full compliance of the Master Cooperative Construction Agreement and federal fiscal law as it pertains to the distribution of funds for the purposes of

capital improvements and rehabilitation construction costs.

Record and report DOC inmate violence (HB 4888): Requires the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) to collect and report violence in prisons and other correctional facilities and to publish public safety reports. The data would include numbers on assaults, sexual assaults, contraband, weapons, suicide, and segregation.

Illinois Secure Choice Savings Program (HB 4923): Makes the following changes to the IL Secure Choice Savings Program Act:

- Provides that an investment option may be a conservative fund rather than a conservative principal protection fund.
- Provides that the Board shall determine whether to establish any of the additional investment options based upon an analysis of its cost, risk profile, benefit level, feasibility, and ease of implementation.
- The Illinois Secure Choice Savings Board may establish deadlines for payment of payroll deductions to the Fund.
- Audits of the Program shall be conducted on a fiscal year basis rather than a calendar year basis and report by the following January rather than July.
- Requires the Treasurer to prepare annual reports on benefits provided by the Program and post the report on the Program website

Furthermore, the Treasurer's Office and the IL Secure Choice Savings Board would like for better returns on the Fund's investments by allowing for investment in conservative funds and establishing other investment strategies through analytical measures.

State Salary and Annuity Withholding (HB 5019): Allows an employee or annuitant may authorize the withholding of a portion of his or her salary, wages, or annuity, among other purposes, for investment purchases made as a participant or

contributor to qualified tuition programs and qualified ABLE programs (rather than College Savings Programs) established under the Internal Revenue Code.

IDNR’s User Advisory Committee (HB 5027):

Repeals the provisions calling for a User Advisory Committee within the Illinois Geographic Information Council, which is under the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Youth Budget Commission (HB 5202): Creates the Youth Budget Commission with the goal of producing an annual youth budget scan, and the Commission is subject to appropriations.

Police Training Standards Changes (HB 5203):

Codifies current training already being conducted for law enforcement officers concerning sexual assault and sexual abuse. As well as, removes the 40-hour training and adds to the list of topics for trauma-informed responses and investigations of sexual assault and sexual abuse the recognizing special sensitivities of victims due to: age, including those under the age of 13; gender; or other qualifications. Also, adds “age sensitive” to the evidence-based curriculum standards to the training requirements for courses for police.

Cybersecurity Compliance Audit (HB 5547):

Requires the Auditor General, as part of his annual compliance examinations for State agencies, to review the agencies’ cybersecurity programs and practices. Upon completion of the audit, a report of the audit shall be issued in accordance with the Illinois State Auditing Act, and a copy of the report shall also be delivered to the head of each audited State agency.

Codifies DoIT (HB 5611): Codifies the Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT) Act as established by Executive Order 2016-001. In addition to the creation of the “new” Department, the legislation creates the

Illinois Information Security Improvement Act, and the Office of the Statewide Chief of Information Security Officer.

Coal Mining Act Updates (HB 5689): Amends the Coal Mining Act and requires additional Self Contained Self Rescuers (SCSRs) to be strategically placed throughout the mine to ensure SCSRs are available based on the number of miners expected at any given location in a mine rather than an arbitrary number at a location under current law. As well as, requires rescue chambers to be placed throughout the mine to ensure miners are no more than 30 minutes away from a rescue chamber or safe exit in case of an emergency. Lastly, maintains IDNR oversight of mine rescue procedures by requiring that IDNR approve any changes to mine escape procedures.

Prompt Pay Interest Appropriations (HB 5814):

Beginning July 1, 2019 the Governor’s introduced budget shall include a separate line item request appropriating moneys to each state agency for:

- 1) Estimated costs for each fund under the State Prompt payment Act; and
- 2) Estimated costs for each fund under the Insurance Code for late payment penalties.

This provides that late interest penalties under the Prompt Payment Act and State Employees Group Insurance Act are subject to a maximum 2% aggregate amount for transfers between line-items. Also, Requires GOMB to report annual estimates of late payment penalties.

Licensed Activities and Pensions

Physical Therapy Diagnosis (HB 4643): Amends the Illinois Physical Therapy Act. Provides that the limitation on determining a differential diagnosis shall not in any manner limit a physical therapist from establishing a relevant diagnosis. In the definition of "documented current and relevant diagnosis" and in provisions concerning disciplinary actions, removes language requiring a

diagnosis to be substantiated by a physician, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse, physician assistant, or podiatric physician.

Pension Trustee Ethics Training (HB 4661):

Provides that for an elected or appointed trustee under the Downstate Police or Downstate Firefighter Article of the Code, fulfillment of certain trustee training requirements satisfies certain ethics training requirements.

Nursing Home Administrators Trailer Bill (HB 4688):

Amends the Nursing Home Administrators Licensing and Disciplinary Act. Provides that all applicants and licensees shall provide a valid address and email address and shall inform the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation of any change of address or email address through specified means.

Chicago Municipal Pension (HB 4811):

Amends the Chicago Municipal article of the Pension Code to stipulate that the physical examination to prove disability may occur at a longer interval of time as determined by the fund's board of trustees, rather than every year. Additionally, makes numerous technical changes to the Chicago Municipal and Laborers' Pension Funds.

- Amends the Chicago Municipal article to stipulate that the physical examination to prove disability may occur at a longer interval of time, rather than every year.
- Clarifies reciprocal issue in the funds created in the FY18 BIMP.
- Holds funds harmless from loss for annuitants who direct the board to pay the annuity directly to a financial institution.

Sexual Harassment Training (HB 4953):

Provides that for professions that have continuing education requirements, the required continuing education hours shall

include at least one hour of sexual harassment prevention training for license renewals occurring on or after January 1, 2020.

Social Worker License (HB 5110):

Amends the Clinical Social Work and Social Work Practice Act, the Marriage and Family Therapy Licensing Act, and the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act. This requires the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to issue a license as a clinical social worker, social worker, professional counselor, or clinical professional counselor not more than 60 days after a completed application is received by the Department.

Police Chief Pension Fund Participation (HB 5490):

Makes changes to the Downstate Police Pension Fund and prohibits a chief of police from participating in the pension fund if there is an agreement between the chief and municipality to not participate.

Executive

Hospital Patient Voting (HB 2477):

The Election Code is amended to provide that a patient of a hospital or mental institution who has resided at the hospital or mental institution, for at least 180 days shall be deemed a resident, and is eligible to register as a voter in the election district in which the hospital or mental institution is located.

Inmate Voting (HB 4469):

The Election Code, Counties Code and Unified Code of Corrections relative to voting rights of persons who are held in jails or incarcerated. The Department of Corrections shall make available to a person in its custody current resource materials containing detailed information regarding voting rights of a person with a criminal conviction. The materials shall be provided upon release of a person on parole, mandatory supervised release, final discharge, or pardon from the Department. As well as, upon release of a person who is eligible to vote, the Department shall provide the person with a form that informs him or her that his or

her voting rights have been restored and a voter registration application.

Merger Water Rate Increase (HB 4508):

Modifies the definition of "water or sewer utility" to remove language specifying water or sewer service provided to 7,500 or fewer customer connections as provided by certain entities. This will allow water companies to more easily buy bigger city systems. Additionally, allows ICC to enact water rate increases on old private water system customers and extends the sunset date for American Water and Aqua Water to buy other public systems and larger cities can participate.

Write-In Candidates (HB 4808): Write-in candidates will have to file declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate no earlier than 120 days prior to the primary and no later than 70 days prior to the. Declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include: (a) the name and address of the person intending to be a write-in candidate; (b) the office sought; (c) the date of election; and (d) the notarized signature of the candidate or candidates. Persons intending to be write-in candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file one joint declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate.

FOID Renewal and Suspension (HB 4855):

Allows ISP by rule to suspend a FOID card for the duration of a disqualification rather than having to permanently revoke the FOID card as long as the disqualification is not a permanent grounds for revocation like felony conviction, domestic violence, etc. Also, clarifies the definition of "patient" in the FOID Card Act so hospitals and mental health facilities have a better idea as to what should be reported to DHS and ultimately ISP.

Insurance

Volunteer EMS Driving Personal Vehicle (HB 1336): Amends the Illinois Insurance Code to prohibit automobile insurers from increasing rates, canceling a policy, or refusing to renew a policy of a person for having an accident while performing volunteer EMS services.

Fertility Preservation Treatment for Cancer Patients (HB 2617): Mandates coverage for expenses for standard fertility preservation services when a treatment may cause iatrogenic infertility. Also, defines "iatrogenic infertility" as an impairment of fertility by surgery, radiation, chemotherapy, or other medical treatment affecting reproductive organs or processes.

Child Hearing Aid Mandate (HB 4516): Amends the Illinois Insurance Code to mandate coverage for hearing instruments for children under 18. Makes conforming changes in the Health Maintenance Organization Act and the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act.

Stage 4 Cancer Drugs (HB 4821): Prohibits insurers from limiting or excluding coverage for a drug used to treat stage 4, metastatic cancer by requiring an insured to first try to successfully respond to another drug or prove history of failure to the drug.

Revenue

Caseyville/Posen TIF Extension (HB 4129): Creates TIF extensions for Caseyville, Illinois and Posen, Illinois an additional 12 years.

Urban Agriculture Zones (HB 3418): Amends the Illinois Municipal Code and provides that the corporate authorities of a municipality may establish an urban agricultural area. Includes other conforming changes necessary for the implementation. Provides that the Department shall adopt rules consistent with the purposes of the new provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code

Hanover Park TIF extension (HB 4536):

Extends the life of the TIF for Hanover Park, Illinois an additional 12 years.

Hydraulic Fracturing Tax Certificates (HB 4724):

This bill seeks uniformity across all operators, producers and purchasers of oil and gas under the IL Hydraulic Fracturing Tax Act. As well as, removes provisions concerning first purchaser exemption certificates, and also would remove the exemption from taxation of oil and gas under this Act.

Income on Oil and Gas Cleanup Language (HB 4920):

Provides that, only for oil or gas from non-coal formations held in no trust estates and by legal tenants and remainder men (instead of "with respect only to no trust estates, for oil or gas from non-coal formations"), proceeds from the sale of such minerals produced and received as royalty, overriding royalty, limited royalty, working interest, net profit interest, time-limited interest or term interest, or lease bonus shall be deemed income. Additionally, clarifies language in P.A. 100-519 regarding how receipts from oil and gas interests are allocated when ownership is divided between a life tenant and a remainder beneficiary.

Angel Investment Credit Cleanup (HB 5214):

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act concerning the Angel Investment Credit, and changes the definition of "applicant" and "related member." This provides that "Applicant" definition does not include the value of the qualified new business venture receiving the investment and that "Related Member" definition now includes qualified new business ventures that is the recipient of the applicant's investment.

Oversight Medicaid Management Care

MCO Pharmacy Formulary (HB4096): Requires Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs) that provide services under the Code to use a

pharmacy formulary that is no more restrictive by drug class than HFS' preferred drug list (PDL). In addition to, prohibits HFS from adopting any rules or policies that prohibit an MCO from:

- Covering additional drugs that are not listed on the Department's PDL;
- submitting all covered drugs listed on HFS's PDL and additional as qualified encounters to be used for appropriate purposes; or
- Removing from the MCOs PDL, any prior approval requirements, step therapy, or utilization control.

The bill also requires HFS to develop a standardized format for all MCOs' PDL by January 1, 2019 and to allow MCOs 6 months from the completion date of the standardized format to comply with the new PDL format. Also, requires HFS to establish, no later than January 1, 2019, the Illinois Pharmacy and Therapeutics Advisory Board to have the authority and responsibility to provide recommendations to HFS regarding which drug products to list on the PDL.

MCO Pharmacists to View the PMP (HB 4650):

Amends the Illinois Controlled Substance Act. In a provision allowing pharmacists to authorize a designee to consult the Prescription Monitoring Program on their behalf, defines "pharmacist" to include a pharmacist employed and designated by an Medicaid MCO under contract with HFS for the purpose of clinical review of services provided to enrollees.

MCO Auto Enrollment for Certain Categories of Children (HB 4736):

Prohibits HFS from auto-enrolling the following populations into an MCO:

- children who receive in-home shift nursing (individuals in this category are known as Nursing Personal Care Services (NPCS));
- children made eligible for services under a 1915(c) waiver for MFTD children.

Any child in the two categories above who are currently in an MCO shall be given the option to disenrollment and receive services under the fee-for-service program.

HFS Performance Audit (SB 2447): Requires HFS to collect all MCO regular reports required by contract or statute through an electronic file transfer. As well as, authorizes ad hoc reports to be collected in an alternative manner.