



Senate Committee Action

Agriculture

Temporary Custody for Animals (SB 2270):

Provides that nothing prevents a law enforcement officer from taking temporary custody of an animal that is being put in danger due to extreme heat or cold conditions; officer must attempt to make contact with owner; owner is responsible of cost required for veterinary care.

Department of Agriculture Employee Misconduct (SB 2298):

A person employed by the Department of Agriculture shall not be subject to criminal or civil penalties for taking any action under the Act when the actions are within the scope of his or her employment.

Animal Control Intake (SB 2380): Adds new license-renewal requirements for animal control facilities and animal shelters, including breakdowns of incoming animals (stray, left by owner, etc.) and the ultimate disposition of those animals (adopted, euthanized, etc.) in the previous calendar year. Department of Agriculture shall post this intake and outcome statistics on their website for each facility.

Supplemental Deer Feeding Study (SB 2493):

Amends the University of Illinois Act; Provides that the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine, subject to appropriation and in consultation with the Department of Natural Resources, shall conduct a study for a period of at least five years of the health effects of supplemental deer feeding on the wild deer population and whether supplemental feeding affects the spread of any communicable diseases within the deer population.

Appropriations II

Wages for AFSCME (HB 4290): Appropriates \$63.3 million GRF to pay back wages owed to AFSCME members. Beginning in FY12, the Quinn Administration partially disregarded negotiated

COLAs for employees at several state agencies, most notably affecting DOC and DHS. This sum includes associated Social Security payments. P.A. 98-0675, passed in May 2014, paid roughly half of these wages. HB 4290 would pay the remaining balance.

School Infrastructure Fund (HB 5750): Appropriates \$16.3 million from the School Infrastructure Fund to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) for costs associated with District Broadband Expansion in FY19. Effective July 1, 2018.

Commerce and Economic Development

Entrepreneur Learner's Permit Pilot Program (SB 2281):

Requires the report that DCEO drafts to the General Assembly be filed in an electronic form only. Amends the "Entrepreneur Learner's Permit pilot program" within the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Implements the Amendatory Veto of SB 1462 (P.A. 100-541) by: (1) opening up the pool to all entrepreneur's regardless of industry, and allowing new businesses up to one year after the formation of their business to apply to the permit program. This is subject to appropriation. Keeps the \$500,000 program cap in statute under SB 1462.

HUBZone Businesses (SB 2675): Specifies that HUBZone business' definitions do not apply for construction, or construction-related procurements. Codifies federal definitions of a HUBZone business into IL Statute. Requires IL Procurement officers to use this HUBZone business definition when procuring out State contracts.

Coal Extraction for Highway Construction (SB 2899):

Amends the Surface Coal Mining Land Conservation and Reclamation Act. Provides that the Act does not apply to the extraction of coal as an incidental part of a federal, State, or local government-financed highway or other construction under rules adopted by the Department of Natural Resources. Effective immediately.

Higher Education

Community College Contract Agreements (SB 2905): Makes various changes to the Public Community College Act in reference to outdated language and fixes statutory references. Also, makes technical changes to reflect current practices. Clarifies that Illinois Community College Board contract agreements shall not be interpreted as applying to collective bargaining agreements with any labor organization.

Human Services

Community Care Program Medicaid Initiative (SB 1628): Requires Illinois Department of Aging to establish and implement a Community Care Program Medicaid Initiative to provide an enhanced rate to adequately compensate Care Coordination Units (CCUs) to help seniors complete applications for Medicaid and establish requirements for state agencies to make enrollment easier for seniors. CCUs shall be reimbursed for each completed application for those months in which the number of Medicaid applications is at or above the monthly average number of Medicaid applications the CCU helped seniors complete in the same service area during calendar year 2017. The rate of payments shall be no less than \$240 per completed application. Also creates the Community Care Program Medicaid Enrollment Oversight Subcommittee as a subcommittee of the Older Adult Services Advisory Committee to make recommendations on how best to increase the number of Illinois residents who are enrolled in CCP and receive services not paid for under Medicaid although they may be eligible for benefits.

DCFS Mandated Reporter Training (SB 2516): Requires the employer to inform the employee of mandated reporter training prior to the employee signing the statement acknowledging the employees' understanding of the reporting requirements to the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. Provides that mandated reporter training may be provided by the department.

Strengthening the Child Welfare Workforce for Children and Families Act (SB 2628): Creates the Strengthening the Child Welfare Workforce for

Children and Families Act. Creates a 17-member legislative Task Force on Strengthening the Child Welfare Workforce for Children and Families to study the compensation and workload of child welfare workers to determine the role that compensation and workload play in the recruitment and retention of child welfare workers, and to determine the role that staff turnover plays in achieving safety and timely permanency for children.

Community-Law Enforcement Partnership for Deflection and Addiction Treatment Act (SB 3023): Creates the Community-Law Enforcement Partnership for Deflection and Addiction Treatment Act. Allows law enforcement agencies to collaborate with licensed substance use service providers and other community partners to develop and implement programs that deflect individuals who have overdosed or who have substance use disorders instead into substance use treatment provided by a licensed provider.

Purchase of Refurbished Medical Equipment by Medicaid Recipients (SB 3048): For purposes of promoting environmental responsibility, meeting the needs of the recipient, and achieving cost savings, authorizes HFS and MCO's to use refurbished durable medical equipment (DME) except for prosthetic and orthotic devices as well as customized equipment.

Quarterly Reports of Workplace Violence in DHS/DHFS Facilities (SB 3075): Requires state operated facilities under DCFS, DHS, and Corrections to submit quarterly reports to the GA by January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 regarding workplace violence. Requires DCFS, DHS and Corrections to: establish a procedure for employees to report work related injuries; inform employees of reporting procedures, their right to report injuries/assaults, that they cannot be discriminated against for reporting incidents; and not discipline an employee for reporting incidents.

Residential Extended Care Services for Persons at Risk of Substance Abuse Relapse (HB 5868): Authorizes an insurance policy or managed care plan to provide coverage for residential extended care services for those with substance abuse disorders at risk of relapse.

Judiciary

Title Insurance Bifurcation (SB 65): Amends the Title Insurance Act. Requires that in a transaction or sale of residential real property the title insurance company issuing that owner's policy SHALL issue the lender's title policy for that transaction unless:

- The buyer and seller agree otherwise; or
- The buyer or seller is offered a discounted premium or other economic benefit.

Government Entity Billing, Debt Collection and Circuit Court Clerk Civil Case Fees (SB 544): Adds a definition for "offense" which means a violation of any local ordinance or penal statute of this State. In addition, the bill makes several changes to the Clerks of Court Act. Allows for billing of certain government entities by circuit clerk for civil filing fees, clarifies civil case debt collection fees, and makes changes on reduced circuit court clerk civil case fees for certain units of local government and school districts.

Firearms Restraining Order Act (HB 2354): Creates the Firearms Restraining Order Act. Allows family members or law enforcement to petition the court for an ex parte order alleging the respondent poses significant danger of causing personal injury to himself, herself or another by having in his custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing or receiving a firearm. The court may issue this order without notice to the respondent but a hearing must be held as soon as possible not to exceed 14 days. Allows for two types of orders: ex-parte/emergency and 6 month orders. Allows the court to issue search warrants (even in cases where the petitioner is a family member) to law enforcement to seize the weapons if there is probable cause to believe the respondent possesses weapons.

Mechanics Lien Demand and Referral Pilot Program (HB 5201): Creates a mechanics lien demand and referral pilot program that is repealed on January 1, 2022. If a recorder determines that a mechanics lien recorded in the grantor's index or the grantee's index is an expired lien, the recorder shall serve a Notice of Defective Lien by certified

mail to the last known address of the owner. The owner or legal representative of the owner of the residential property will confirm in writing his or her belief. The recorder may also determine a lien is expired if an individual fails to record satisfaction or release of a lienholder. When a lienholder commences a suit or files an answer within 30 days or the lienholder records a release of lien with the county recorder, then the demand and referral process is completed for the recorder for that property. If no response is received, the recorder may process with the claim.

Prohibits FOID as Condition of Work for Law Enforcement (HB 5231): Provides that an employer of an officer shall not make possession of a FOID card a condition of continued employment if the officer's Firearm Owner's Identification Card is revoked or seized because the officer has been a patient of a mental health facility and the officer has not been determined to pose a clear and present danger to himself, herself, or others as determined by a physician, clinical psychologist, or qualified examiner.

Insurance

Delta Dental Benefits (SB 2851): Amends the Uniform Health Care Service Benefits Information Card Act to make changes to create the definition of "dental plan". As well as, provides benefit cards for health benefit plans offering dental coverage or dental plan will include a statement explaining whether the plan is subject to regulation by the Department of Insurance.

Network Adequacy and Transparency Act (SB 3491): Amends the Network Adequacy and Transparency Act to clarify that dental, vision, and limited health service organizations with a network plan are exempt from the Act. Also, prohibits the department from establishing a minimum provider to beneficiary ratios for vision or dental providers who provide services under dental-specific or vision-specific benefits, and offers a hold harmless for network plans in the event a provider submits inaccurate or incomplete information.

Revenue

Illinois Enterprise Zone (HB 156): Amends the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act to add that a nuclear waste disposal site is also a qualifying criterion to apply for enterprise zone designations. This is an initiative for Zion, IL to apply for an enterprise zone, as they are the only active nuclear waste disposal site in the State. Brownfields and abandoned coal mines are already eligible to apply.

Keystone ROTA Exemption & Madison TIF Extension (HB 4507): Provides that from March 1, 2010-July 31, 2012, a business enterprise that received certification from DCEO, was a certified DCEO business enterprise in 2009, the retained a minimum of 500 full-time equivalent jobs in IL in 2009-2010, 675 full-time equivalent jobs in 2011, 850 full-time equivalent jobs in 2012, and 1,000 full-time equivalent jobs in IL in 2013 in the manufacturing sector are eligible for the exemptions provided in repair/replacement of machinery and equipment used in manufacturing under ROTA. Additionally, includes a TIF extension for Madison City, IL and would make Keystone Steel and Wire, located near Peoria, IL, eligible for manufacturing exemptions under ROTA for the years of 2010-2012.

Marion TIF Extension (SB 2303): Re-enacts provisions creating the Tax Increment Financing Reform Task Force, and provides that the Task Force shall report the findings of the study examining current Tax Increment Financing laws in this State to the General Assembly on or before June 1, 2018. Changes the repeal date of the provisions from April 30, 2018 to July 1, 2019 and extends the TIF Task Force Deadline to May 31, 2018.

Public Health

Cottage Food Handling (SB 457): Removes the requirement that cottage-food operations use new jars, but specify that the jars must be "Mason-style," remove the clause permitting cottage-food operations to sell beverages with only trace amounts of alcohol, specify that cottage-food operations may not sell kombucha, grant local public-health departments the authority to require cottage-food operations to submit canned-tomato

products to commercial labs for testing.

Opioid Prescribing Education (SB 2777): Requires licensed prescribers of controlled substances to complete three hours of continuing education on safe opioid-prescribing practices prior to renewing their prescription license.

Prescription Monitoring Program (SB 2952): Expands the Advisory Committee and restores a provision that permitted the Clinical Director to appoint a representative of an organization representing a professional organization. As well as, specifies that licensed prescribers may designate a non-licensed individual to check the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) database. Pharmacists, however, must designate a licensed designee.

State Government

Supported Employment Program for Those with Disabilities (SB 1453): Amends the Employment and Economic Opportunity for Persons with Disabilities Task Force Act with the following changes:

(1) Provides for additional members to the Employment and Economic Opportunity for Persons with Disabilities Task Force; and

(2) Provides additional responsibilities for the Task Force with regard to the post-secondary transition of youth with disabilities to employment, post-secondary education and training, community living, and other adult activities.

Cook County Water Infrastructure Fund (SB 2376): Would allow the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to make grants to municipalities to fund infrastructure improvements to facilitate water supplies from Lake Michigan for residents of Cook County. Also, adds "subject to appropriations" to the grant program.

State Police/Firearms (SB 2640): Codifies current State Police, Secretary of State Police, DNR Police and State Fire Marshal Investigators allowing retiring officers to buy back their badge and/or service firearm if requested prior to retirement.

State Insurance/Enrollment (SB 3046): Allows members of the Teachers Retirement Insurance

Program (TRIP) and community college members of the College Insurance Program (CIP) to opt-in to their respective retirement insurance program after having opted-out.

Board of State Fair Advisors (SB 3072): Restructures the State Fair Board, and it would reduce the number of appointed members to 15, down from 20, change the term for members from 2 years to 3 years, and staggers the terms of members so that only five members at a time are appointed each year.

CMS/Leases with purchase option SB 3143: Requires Central Management Services to include an analysis of leases of state buildings where a third full year of the lease has passed and the lease provides a purchase option in addition to the current requirements for the annual lease reports. Also, requires Central Management Services to submit the reports electronically.

Education

Safe schools/Healthy Learning (HB 4208): Creates, subject to appropriation, a competitive grant program called the Safe Schools and Healthy Learning Environments Grant Program which seeks to promote school safety and healthy learning environments by providing additional resources for restorative interventions and resolution strategies as alternatives to exclusionary discipline and to address students' intellectual, social, emotional, physical, psychological and moral development needs.

Design Build for Public Schools Act (HB 5593): Creates the Design-Build for Public Schools Act which authorizes up to five design-build demonstration projects statewide where it is shown to be in a school district's best interest, as determined by the State Board. All projects procured using this delivery system shall comply with the School Building Code within the School Code and shall be subject to review and approval by the State Board of Education

Hunger Free students (SB 2428): Mandates that any Illinois' schools who participates in the USDA child nutrition program must provide a federally reimbursable meal or snack to any student who requests it regardless of the student's ability to pay or if the student owes money for earlier lunches. Allows schools to seek a setoff under the State Comptroller Act if a student owes more than \$500. Provides that a

school may not publicly identify or stigmatize students who cannot pay or owe money for lunches.

Graduation Requirements (SB 2941): Expands the competency-based, high school graduation requirements pilot program to schools serving all grades (as opposed to just grades 9-12). Also, allows school districts to collaboratively apply to participate in the program and provides that the application of a collaborative of districts can only be counted as one district in the annual cohort selection process. Furthermore, makes changes to mathematics panel, transitional math issues 1) the statewide panel established to define transitional mathematics instruction recommendations, 2) transitional mathematics instruction placement and delivery, 3) high school and community college partnership agreements for transitional mathematics instruction, and 4) transitional mathematics instruction statewide supports.

Alternative Licensure Appeals Process (SB 3220): Creates an appeals process for institutions that have been denied a recommendation for recognition by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board. Also, allows a not-for-profit institution or an institution of higher education that is denied initial recommendation for recognition by the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board to appeal the denial to the State Board of Education, as provided for in rules adopted by the State Board of Education.

Licensed Activities and Pensions

Health Care Worker Protection Act (HB 4100): Creates the Health Care Violence Prevention Act. Requires all licensed Health care facilities to establish violence prevention programs to prevent violence against medical staff. Creates whistleblower protections for medical staff and provides for safety guidelines for DOC and DJJ when inmates receive medical treatment from medical staff.

Employer Pension Contributions (SB 2954): Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the pension system for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer

and remit the amount deducted to the system.

Fire Pension Double Dipping (SB 3119): Prevents a Former Police Chief that returns to service in the same Municipality from participating in both the police pension fund and the IMRF fund. The goal is to address issues when employees participate in a police pension fund as a police chief and then retire from that position and return as a civilian employees in that same department or as an advisor to that department and participate in IMRF, essentially double dipping for the same position.

Local Government

Chicago Fire Chief and Paramedic Chief Advisory Board (SB 37): For the Chicago Fire Department Adds a non-binding temporary 8-member Fire Chief and Paramedic Advisory board to allow members to have a say in which temporary command appointments are made.

Allow Lake County Board to Dissolve Seavey Drainage District (SB 2459): Amends the Illinois Drainage Code to give Lake County the ability to dissolve the Seavey Drainage District by resolution. Specific criteria for the content of the resolution are provided: that district boundaries have become indeterminate over time; more clearly specifies district powers to be transferred and prevents the transfer of levy/assessment powers; and requires the dissolution to take place before December 31, 2019.

Process to Disconnect FPD Territory Within Home Rule Municipality (SB 2598): Allows a home rule municipality to detach property from a fire protection district if the municipality gives fire protection service to at least 80 percent of territory within municipal corporate limits.

Flood Control Commission for Collar Counties (SB 3134): Amends the Flood Control Act of 1945 to create a Flood Control Commission. The 32-member commission is to study flood control practices and conduct a survey of DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties. Requirements for membership, duties and a final report are provided. The collar counties have endured severe flooding in recent years. This legislation will bring experts together to identify specific, actionable ways to help address this critical issue.

Temporary Appointments for Township Offices

250,000 or Less (HB 4104): Allows units of local government to use either accrual, cash or modified cash basis of accounting to meet all required auditing requirements for conformity with GAAP accounting principles. Provides consistency in auditing guidelines for all units of local government. For FY19 and thereafter, those who previously filed audit reports in full accrual must continue to do so and can't switch to cash flow accounting.

Procedural changes for dissolution process (HB 5777):

Amends the Local Government Reduction and Efficiency Division of the Counties Code. Concerning the required audit of a unit proposed for dissolution, the person/entity conducting the audit shall report the finding to the county board within 30 days or as soon as is practical after 30 days (currently states the person/entity must report finding within 30 days). Once the audit is returned, the county board may adopt ordinance authoring dissolution at most 60 days following the court's appointment of a trustee-in-dissolution. Gives the County Board Chairman the ability to proceed with the dissolution after the petition process and the referendum process.

Executive

Medicaid Pharmacy Benefits Manager (HB 3479):

Creates the Pharmacy Benefits Manager Licensing Act and requires all PBMs to be licensed by DOI before operating in Illinois. As well as, provides the department can refuse to issue, restore, or can revoke, suspend or place on probation any license if the PBM is involved in fraudulent activity, the PBM fails to pay the license fee, fails to comply with the transparency or pharmacy provider duties, or it is a matter of consumer protection.

Liquor Commission Reorganization (SB 3022):

The Executive Director of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate and changes the effective date so that most provisions of the bill become effective July 1, 2019 (rather than January 1, 2019) and adds an immediate effective date to the provisions concerning non-resident dealers' permission to begin selling at wholesale upon applying for a license from the Commission. Furthermore, transferred personnel and the Executive Director

(rather than personnel) to the Department of Revenue from the State Commission, those personnel and the Executive Director (rather than personnel) shall be transferred to the State Commission.

School Districts Quarterly Reports/Schools Cash On Hand (SB 3190): Requires all school boards (including CPS) to submit a quarterly report to the State Board of Education that contains all of the following information: The amount of funds that each school district has in its reserves, the number of each school district's days cash on hand and the amount of funds that each school district has in its investments. Also, requires the State Board to publish and maintain the information in each quarterly report on its Internet website.

Transportation

Agriculture Commodity Transport (HB 5749): Between September 1 and December 31st, requires IDOT to issue special permit authorizing the movement of loads of agricultural commodities that may exceed the current axle or vehicle gross weight limits by 10 percent. Also increases the fee to ISP for a police escort to \$75 per hour

Criminal Law

Stolen Vehicles (SB 2339): Allows for knowledge that a vehicle is stolen to be inferred from the surrounding facts and circumstances which would lead a reasonable person to believe that the vehicle or essential part is stolen or converted, or when the person exercises exclusive unexplained possession over the stolen or converted vehicle or essential part. The amendment still requires a detention hearing for a minor who commits the offenses of carjacking and aggravated carjacking. The provisions regarding knowledge for possession of a stolen motor vehicle remain the same.

State's Attorneys (HB 3648): Amends the Counties Code so that the State's Attorney may appoint qualified attorneys to assist as Special Assistant State's Attorneys when the public interest so requires.

Protective Orders (SB 558): Amends the Protective Orders Article of the Criminal Code by allowing the

respondent to rebut prima facie evidence of the offense by presenting evidence of a meritorious defense; requiring the respondent to file a written notice alleging a meritorious defense, which shall be verified and supported by affidavit; providing that if the court finds that the evidence presented at the hearing establishes a meritorious defense by a preponderance of the evidence, the court may decide not to issue a protective order. Also allows a petition for a domestic violence order of protection, civil no contact order, or a stalking no contact order to be filed by a State's Attorney on behalf of any minor child or dependent adult in the care of the named victim, if the named victim does not file a petition or request the State's Attorney file the petition.

DUI Sentencing Factor (HB 4554): Makes it an aggravating factor in sentencing for driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, intoxicating compounds or any combination thereof that the individual was driving his or her vehicle the wrong on a one-way street. Defines "traffic control devices" and makes technical changes.

Sealing Records (HB 5341): Prohibits a court from denying a petition for sealing of a record because the petitioner has not satisfied an outstanding legal financial obligation such as fines and fees. This does not apply if restitution is still owed unless restitution has been converted to a civil judgment.

Labor

Wage History Inquiries (SB 3100): Amends the Equal Pay Act of 2003. Targets the "root cause" of persistent wage discrepancies based on gender in the workplace by prohibiting employers from inquiring as to a prospective or current employee's wage, salary or other compensation history.