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## Bills that passed the Senate May 17, 2018

### **Academic Advisor Meeting for Transfer**

**Students (SB 2354):** States that upon completing 30 credit hours, college students who expect to transfer to a public university are required to make a reasonable attempt to meet with an academic adviser at their own public institution of higher education. This is an attempt to improve articulation and reduce excess academic credit hours, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year.

**Teacher Salary (SB 2892):** Requires school boards to incrementally increase the minimum salary of full-time teachers to \$40,000 per year by the 2022-2023 school year, then increase it by the CPI each year.

## House bills that passed the Senate

### **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.

### **Allow All Counties to Set Up Stormwater**

**Commissions (HB 4748):** Amends the Counties Code. Provides that the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning is to emphasize the use of cost effective solutions to flooding problems. Provides that a stormwater management planning committee may make grants to units of local government, non-for profit organizations, and landowners if certain conditions are met. Also, allows all Illinois

counties to set up stormwater commissions that can adopt plans and ordinances as well have access to a fee schedule and a 0.2 percent of EAV property tax levy if certain conditions are met. Ten counties that fit a provided definition of “urbanized area” may do so automatically while all other counties may do so by front-door referendum.

**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.

### **Youth Hunting and Trapping License (HB 4783):**

Amends the Wildlife Code. Combines the youth hunting and trapping licenses to make administering the Act simpler for the Department, and easier to understand for the public. Sets license at \$7.

**Substance Abuse Rewrite (HB 4795):** Changes the short title of “Alcoholism and Other Drug Abuse and Dependency Act” to the “Substance Use Disorder Act.” These changes provide the foundation for subsequent policies and rules that will enhance and support efforts to combat the opioid epidemic and other substance use disorders and the resultant changes that are created for medical and community-based organizations that provide intervention and treatment. Managed care organizations and primary care providers need clear guidance on when licensure is required and this will help to ensure a standardized approach to intervention



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and treatment.

**Protective Orders (HB 4796):** Amends the Domestic Violence Act and the Protective Orders Article so that foster parents, legally appointed guardians, adoptive parents and prospective adoptive parents are added as persons protected under those Acts in cases involving domestic violence. Initiative of Chicago Bar Association and Cook County Public Guardian.

**Money Transmitters Surety Bond Requirements (HB 4805):** Amends the Transmitters of Money Act (TOMA). TOMA applicants or licensees shall post a bond in the amount of \$50,000, instead of current \$100,000 bond, or an amount equal to 1 percent of all Illinois-based activity, whichever is greater.

**“Eligible Adult” Definition for Receiving Adult Protective Services (HB 4847):** Amends the Adult Protective Services Act, and expands the definition of “eligible adult” to include an adult who resides in a facility operated, licensed, certified, or funded by DHS if: the alleged abuse or neglect occurs outside of the facility and not under facility supervision and the alleged abuser is a family member, caregiver, or another person with a continuing relationship with the adult; or the alleged financial exploitation is perpetrated person with a continuing relationship with the adult, but who is not an employee of the facility where the adult resides.

**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.

**Adults with Disabilities Multiple Guardianships Changes (HB 4867):** 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 five 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.

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

**Barber/Cosmetology-Examination (HB 4883):** Provides that an applicant for licensure as a barber or teacher of barbering may take the licensure examination after completing 1,200 hours in the study of barbering. Provides that an applicant for licensure as a cosmetologist or teacher of cosmetology may take the licensure examination after completing 1,200 hours in the study of cosmetology. Provides that an applicant for licensure as an esthetician or teacher of esthetics may take the licensure examination after completing 600 hours in the study of esthetics. Provides that an applicant for licensure as a nail technician or teacher of nail technology may take the licensure examination after completing 280 hours in the study of nail technology. Provides that provisions concerning an applicant’s qualification to sit in a licensure



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examination for barber, cosmetologist, esthetician, or nail technician after completing a specified amount of study do not apply to teachers of barbering, cosmetology, esthetics, or nail technology.

**Child Care Assistance For Certain DCFS Families (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.

**Youths in Care Documents (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.

**DOC Inmate Violence Reporting (HB 4888):** Requires the Illinois Department of Corrections 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.

**Health Facilities Planning Board (HB 4892):** 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.

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

**DCFS Birth Records (HB 4909):** Permits young people who have been placed under the temporary guardianship or custody of DCFS to receive up to four certified birth certificates annually free of cost. They can continue to receive free birth certificates through age 26 if they were in care of DCFS on or after their 18th birthday.

**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.

**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



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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.

**Rebate Cards (HB 4922):** Provides that it is an unlawful practice to offer to consumers at retail a rebate made on a rebate card, rather than a stored-value card, that charges dormancy fees or other post-issuance fees. Excludes gift cards issued under the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, payroll cards issued under the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act, certain stored-value cards, and cards issued for in-store credit from the scope of the term “rebate card.”

**Illinois Secure Choice Savings Program (HB 4923):** Changes the Illinois Secure Choice Savings Program Act, providing 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 Illinois 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.

**Mental Health False Advertising (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.

**Security Deposit Return (HB 4951):** Amends the Security Deposit Return Act 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.

**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 Jan. 1, 2020.

**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.

**Tourism Fund Extension (HB 4990):** Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may make grants from the Tourism Promotion Fund until July 1, 2022.



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Currently, July 1, 2020. Also provides that a report by DCEO concerning convention center and sports facility grants must be provided electronically.