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New School Laws 2017

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public schools enacted in 2016



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FOREWORD

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This publication is designed to alert school board members, administrators, business officials, and principals to new laws and changes in existing laws. The Alliance lobbying team has made every effort to identify which new acts to include. We recognize, however, that one or more acts may have escaped our attention. This publication, therefore, is not intended as a substitute for either a current version of the Illinois Compiled Statutes or legal counsel.

Please note the synopsis of each act is brief and may or may not encompass the full content or impact of the Act. The synopsis is designed to call attention to statutory changes and additions that may merit further research.

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Act summaries are organized under subject matter categories, and categories are arranged alphabetically as shown in the Table of Contents. In addition, three indexes are provided. These may be used to identify an act by title, bill number, or by the public act number.

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BOARDS OF EDUCATION

HB 0119 Student Retention Committee

Sponsors:

House: Flowers-Harper-Ford-Mayfield-Welch
Senate: Collins

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/14-6.01
105 ILCS 5/34-18.49 new

Summary: The act allows Chicago Public Schools to create a committee on the retention of students which would review the school's decision to retain a student at a grade level and have the final decision on such retention.

Public Act: 99-0592

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

HB 2262 School Bus Insurance

Sponsors:

House: Mitchell, B
Senate: Rose-McCarter

Chapter Reference:

625 ILCS 5/12-707.01

Summary: The act provides that the minimum amount of \$2,000,000 of liability insurance required for a vehicle with a school bus driver permit may be satisfied by either a \$2 million combined single limit primary commercial automobile policy, or a \$1 million primary commercial automobile policy and a minimum \$5 million excess or umbrella liability policy.

Public Act: 99-0595

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

HB 3199 Charter Schools-Truancy

Sponsors:

House: Chapa LaVia-Guzzardi-Sims
Senate: Collins-Delgado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/27A-5.5 new

Summary: The act requires charter schools to comply with all absenteeism and truancy policies applicable to public schools and defines truant and dropouts.

Public Act: 99-0596

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

HB 3239 Local School Council Members

Sponsors:

House: Andrade-Davis, M.-Ford
Senate: Martinez

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/34-2.1

Summary: The act defines "community resident" as it pertains to the election of Chicago Local School Council Members.

Public Act: 99-0597

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

HB 4379 School Board Expense Policy

Sponsors:

House: McSweeney-Skoog-Sullivan-Franks-Conroy
Senate: Cullerton-McConchie-Connelly-Landek

Chapter Reference:

New Act

Summary: The act creates the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act to require school districts to adopt a policy to regulate travel, meal, and lodging expenses of officers and employees including: the types of official business for which the expenses are allowable, maximum allowable reimbursements, and a standardized form for submission of expenses. It requires that such expenses of school board members to be approved by roll call vote in an open meeting and documentation must be received in writing.

Public Act: 99-0604

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

2:125, Board Member Compensation; Expenses

2:125-E1, Board Member Expense Reimbursement Form

2:125-E2, Board Member Estimated Expense Approval Form

2:125-E3, Resolution to Regulate Expense Reimbursements

4:55, Use of Credit and Procurement Cards

4:80-AP, Checklist for Internal Controls

5:60, Expenses

5:60-E1, Employee Expense Reimbursement Approval Form

5:60-E2, Employee Estimated Expense Approval Form

HB 4606 Residency Procedures

Sponsors:

House: Davis, W.-Lilly-Wallace
Senate: Harris-Collins

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.12b

Summary: The act makes changes concerning the determination by a school board that a pupil who is attending school in the district on a tuition free basis is a nonresident for whom tuition is required to be charged, including the contents of the notice to the person who enrolled the pupil

of the amount of the tuition charged that is due, the hearing to review the determination of the school board, the school board's decision after the conclusion of the hearing, petitioning the regional superintendent of schools to review the school board's decision, the regional superintendent of schools' review of the school board's decision, and the adjustment of State aid payments. The act also clarifies that references to days in the Section refer to calendar days.

Public Act: 99-0670

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

7:60, Residence

7:60-AP1, Challenging a Student's Residence

HB 4630

Verbatim Recording Access

Sponsors:

House: Ives-Breen-Bellock
Senate: Connelly

Chapter Reference:

5 ILCS 120/2.06

Summary: The act requires that all available minutes and verbatim recordings of meetings closed to the public prior to a newly elected or appointed official's term in a public body shall be available to that official for review, regardless of whether those minutes or verbatim recordings are confidential.

Public Act: 99-0515

Effective Date: June 30, 2016

PRESS Materials:

2:200, Types of School Board Meetings

2:220, School Board Meeting Procedure

*2:220-E1, Board Treatment of Closed Meeting
Verbatim Records and Minutes*

2:220-E5, Semi-Annual Review of Closed Meeting Minutes

*2:220-E7, Access to Closed Meeting
Minutes and Verbatim Recordings*

*2:220-E8, School Board Records Maintenance
Requirements and FAQs*

HB 4715

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)

Sponsors:

House: Bryant
Senate: Radogno

Chapter Reference:

5 ILCS 140/2

5 ILCS 140/11

5 ILCS 140/11.6 new

Summary: The act allows the court to fine a public body \$1,000 each day the public body fails to comply with a court's order regarding a FOIA compliance violation.

Public Act: 99-0586

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

2:250, Access to District Public Records

2:250-AP1, Access to and Copying of District Public Records

HB 5530

Food Contracts

Sponsors:

House: Williams-Sente-Gabel
Senate: Van Pelt-Hunter

Chapter Reference:

30 ILCS 500/55-20 new

105 ILCS 5/10-20.21

Summary: The act provides that a school district shall not enter into a contract to purchase food with a bidder or offeror if the bidder's or offeror's contract terms prohibit the public entity from donating food to food banks, including, but not limited to, homeless shelters, food pantries, and soup kitchens.

Public Act: 99-0552

Effective Date: July 15, 2016

PRESS Materials:

4:55, Use of Credit and Procurement Cards

4:60, Purchases and Contracts

4:60-AP1, Purchases

HB 5556

Educational Facility Master Plan

Sponsors:

House: Soto
Senate: Martinez

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/34-210

Summary: The act requires Chicago Public Schools to submit an Educational Facility Master Plan on July 1, 2016, instead of January 1, 2016.

Public Act: 99-0531

Effective Date: July 8, 2016

HB 5683

Open Meetings Civil Action

Sponsors:

House: Breen-Nekritz-Williams-Andersson-Sandack
Senate: Nybo

Chapter Reference:

5 ILCS 120/3

Summary: The act allows a person to bring a civil action in the circuit court within 60 days of the decision by the Attorney General to resolve a request for review by means other than the issuance of a binding opinion.

Public Act: 99-0714

Effective Date: August 5, 2016

HB 5684 IMRF-Disclosable Payments

Sponsors:

House: Breen-Tryon-Nekritz-Ammons-Ives
Senate: Nybo-McConchie-Bush

Chapter Reference:

New Act
5 ILCS 120/2
40 ILCS 5/7-114

Summary: The act provides that employers under IMRF may not pay a disclosable payment to a retiring employee before the expected date of retirement without first disclosing certain information about the payment at a public meeting of the governing body of the employer.

Public Act: 99-0646

Effective Date: July 28, 2016

PRESS Materials:

2:200, *Types of School Board Meetings*
2:220-E2, *Motion to Adjourn to Closed Meeting*
2:220-E6, *Log of Closed Meeting Minutes*

HB 5729 Post-Secondary & Workforce Readiness Act

Sponsors:

House: Burke-Chapa LaVia-Crespo-Conroy-Sente
Senate: Biss-Collins-McGuire-Bush-Rose

Chapter Reference:

New Act
105 ILCS 5/27-22

Summary: The act creates the Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Act. Various agencies shall, in consultation with appropriate stakeholders, jointly adopt and publicize model postsecondary and career expectations for public school student in grades 8 through 12. It also requires ISBE to establish and administer a competency-based high school graduation requirements pilot program with certain school districts. Additionally, the various agencies must establish and administer requirements and supports for transitional mathematics instruction, and establish a statewide panel to recommend competencies for reading and communication aligned to applicable learning standards. The act also creates the ability for public high school graduates to attain College and Career Pathway Endorsements on their high school diplomas.

Public Act: 99-0674

Effective Date: July 29, 2016

HB 5901 Assessment Reporting

Sponsors:

House: Guzzardi-Wallace
Senate: Martinez-Delgado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/22-82 new

Summary: The act creates an assessment reporting requirement. Districts must report for each of its schools:

- Every reliable assessment that measures:
 - a certain group or subset of students in the same manner with the same potential assessment items;
 - is scored by a non-district entity;
 - is administered either statewide or beyond Illinois;
 - will be administered by each school that school year.
- The administration window for each of these assessments
- Which entity is requiring the assessment (state, school district, network, or principal)
- Which grade levels will be taking the assessment
- Which subsets of students, such as English Learners and special education students, will be taking the assessment
- An estimate of the average time it will take a student to complete the assessment.
- If the results of the assessment are to be used for purposes other than for guiding instruction, what the results of the assessment will be used for, such as for promotion, course placement, graduation, teacher evaluation, or school performance ratings.

The language in this act goes beyond the assessment reporting requirements in the federal Every Student Succeeds Act.

Public Act: 99-0590

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

PRESS Materials:

2:250-E2, *Immediately Available District Public Records and Web-Posted Reports and Records*
6:340, *Student Testing and Assessment Program*

HB 6131 Drivers Education-Traffic Stops

Sponsors:

House: Hurley-Ford-Manley-D'Amico-Moylan
Senate: Morrison-Delgado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/27-24.2
105 ILCS 5/27-24.2a new
625 ILCS 5/6-419

Summary: The act provides that driver education courses shall include instruction concerning law enforcement procedures for traffic stops, including a demonstration of the proper actions to be taken during a traffic stop and appropriate interactions with law enforcement.

Public Act: 99-0720

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

6:60, *Curriculum Content*

HB 6252 Special Education Joint Agreement

Sponsors:

House: Willis-Lilly
Senate: Harmon-Landek

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/10-22.31

Summary: The act allows an elementary school district to withdraw from its special education joint agreement program under certain circumstances.

Public Act: 99-0729

Effective Date: August 5, 2016

SB 0345 Insurance Coverage Additions

Sponsors:

Senate: Harmon-Silverstein-Holmes-Collins-Lightford
House: Hoffman-Currie-Gabel-Bellock-Soto

Chapter Reference:

New Act
215 ILCS 5/356z.14
215 ILCS 5/356z.24 new

Summary: The act deals with therapy coverage (immune gamma globulin) for patients with Autism. The mandate was removed during the legislative process and the resulting language makes it easier for a person to receive insurance coverage for this treatment.

Public Act: 99-0788

Effective Date: August 12, 2016

SB 0384 Open Meetings Exceptions

Sponsors:

Senate: Munoz
House: Sims

Chapter Reference:

5 ILCS 120/2

Summary: The act provides that a public body may hold closed meetings to discuss, among other subjects matters protected under the federal Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005 and HIPA.

Public Act: 99-0687

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

SB 2186 Zoning Compliance

Sponsors:

Senate: Althoff
House: Tryon-Sente-Nekritz-Pritchard-Bennett

Chapter Reference:

55 ILCS 5/5-12021 new
60 ILCS 1/110-70

65 ILCS 5/11-13-27 new
105 ILCS 5/10-22.13a

Summary: The act provides that a school district is subject to, and its school board must comply with, any valid local government zoning ordinance or resolution that applies where the pertinent part of the school district is located.

Public Act: 99-0890

Effective Date: August 25, 2016

PRESS Materials:

8:100, Relations with Other Organizations and Agencies

SB 2227 State Mandates

Sponsors:

Senate: Holmes-Bush
House: Kifowit-Franks

Chapter Reference:

30 ILCS 805/7

Summary: The act provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall submit a bi-yearly review and report on mandates (beginning in 2019) detailing the nature and scope of each existing State mandate enacted the previous two years and another review and report every 10 years (beginning in 2017) on all effective mandates.

Public Act: 99-0789

Effective Date: August 12, 2016

SB 2393 Breakfast Program

Sponsors:

Senate: Harmon-Lightford-Collins-Silverstein-Nybo
House: Pritchard-Davis, W.-Cavaletto

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 126/16 new

Summary: The act requires school districts to provide breakfast to students if 70% or more are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches, are classified as low-income, or can be claimed for free or reduced-price meals. Districts may determine the service model that best suits its students, and are exempt if 70% or more of free or reduced-price eligible students are being served through existing breakfast programs or if the expense reimbursement would not cover the costs of implementation.

Public Act: 99-0850

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

4:130, Free and Reduced-Price Food Services

SB 2823 **Student Constructed Homes**

Sponsors:

Senate: Koehler

House: Unes

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/5-22

Summary: The act, in the case of a residential property constructed or renovated by students as part of a curricular program, allows a school board, by a resolution adopted by at least two-thirds of the board members, to engage the services of a licensed real estate broker to sell the property for a commission not to exceed 7%, contingent on the sale of the property within 120 days.

Public Act: 99-0794

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

2:220, School Board Meeting Procedure

4:80, Accounting and Audits

SB 2970 **Gifted Education**

Sponsors:

Senate: Lightford-Martinez-Harmon

House: Lilly-Sosnowski-Harper-Gordon-Booth-Wallace

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/14A-30

Summary: The act adds requirements districts must comply with when they apply for funds for the education of gifted and talented children, including using assessments that 1) are equitable to and inclusive of underrepresented groups, 2) assess both demonstrated achievement and potential for achievement, and 3) use score ranges that are appropriate for the school or district population.

Public Act: 99-0706

Effective Date: July 29, 2016

SB 2974 **School Bus Licenses**

Sponsors:

Senate: Cunningham

House: Hurley-Moylan-D'Amico-Welch

Chapter Reference:

625 ILCS 5/3-806.3

625 ILCS 5/3-808.1

Summary: The act provides that, beginning with the 2017 registration year, permanent vehicle registration plates shall be issued, for a one time fee of \$8, to vehicles that do not require a school bus driver permit to operate, and are owned by a public school district from grades K-12 or a public community college.

Public Act: 99-0707

Effective Date: July 29, 2016

ELECTIONS

SB 1529 **Elections Changes**

Sponsors:

Senate: Link

House: Currie

Chapter Reference:

10 ILCS 5/1-3

10 ILCS 5/1-12

10 ILCS 5/1-13 new

10 ILCS 5/1A-16.5

10 ILCS 5/1A-16.8

10 ILCS 5/1A-50 new

10 ILCS 5/4-8

10 ILCS 5/4-20

10 ILCS 5/4-33

10 ILCS 5/5-7

10 ILCS 5/5-28

10 ILCS 5/5-43

10 ILCS 5/6-35

10 ILCS 5/6-65

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10 ILCS 5/21-1

10 ILCS 5/24C-12

10 ILCS 5/29-5

10 ILCS 5/20-6 rep.

60 ILCS 1/45-20

105 ILCS 5/9-10

Summary: Among many changes to the Election Code, the act removes provisions concerning certain paperwork which must be included for candidates to school boards.

Public Act: 99-0522

Effective Date: June 30, 2016

PRESS Materials:

2:30, School District Elections

PERSONNEL

HB 4036

Family Medical Leave Act

Sponsors:

House: Lilly-Wallace-Harper

Senate: Hutchinson-Collins-Hunter

Chapter Reference:

820 ILCS 180/10

820 ILCS 180/20

Summary: The act extends the Family Medical Leave Act to all employers for employee leave related to domestic violence.

Public Act: 99-0765

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

5:250, *Leaves of Absence*

5:330, *Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves*

HB 4996

Department of Children & Family Services Liaison

Sponsors:

House: Welch

Senate: Lightford

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.58 new

105 ILCS 5/34-18.50 new

Summary: The act allows a school board to appoint at least one employee to act as a liaison to facilitate the enrollment and transfer of records of students in the legal custody of the Department of Children and Family Services when enrolling in or changing schools. It sets forth the qualifications for preferential appointment. Liaisons are encouraged to build capacity and infrastructure within the school district to support students in the legal custody of the Department of Children and Family Services.

Public Act: 99-0781

Effective Date: August 12, 2016

PRESS Materials:

4:110, *Transportation*

7:50, *School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools*

7:250, *Student Support Services*

HB 4999

Privacy in the Workplace

Sponsors:

House: Guzzardi

Senate: Connelly-Collins

Chapter Reference:

725 ILCS 168/5

820 ILCS 55/10

Summary: The act prohibits an employer or prospective employer from requiring an employee to access a personal online account in an employer's presence, invite the employer to join an online group affiliated with a personal online account, or join an online account established by an employer. The act also prohibits an employer from requiring username and passwords for personal online accounts.

Public Act: 99-0610

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

5:10, *Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment*

5:30, *Hiring Process and Criteria*

5:125, *Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct*

HB 5576

Contraceptive Coverage

Sponsors:

House: Nekritz-Wallace-Tabares

Senate: Hutchinson-Lightford-Steans-Collins-Bush

Chapter Reference:

215 ILCS 5/356z.4

Summary: The act requires insurance plans to cover all contraceptive drugs, devices and other products approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Public Act: 99-0672

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

HB 6021

Pension Survivor Benefits

Sponsors:

House: Yingling-Sullivan-Ammons-Willis-Nekritz

Senate: Biss-Noland

Chapter Reference:

40 ILCS 5/7-154

40 ILCS 5/7-159

40 ILCS 5/15-139

40 ILCS 5/15-145

40 ILCS 5/15-154

40 ILCS 5/16-143.2

Summary: The act provides that certain annuitants who received a refund of contributions for survivor benefits may elect to repay the refund, with interest, and have their survivor benefit rights reinstated.

Public Act: 99-0682

Effective Date: July 29, 2016

HB 6162 Employee Sick Leave Act

Sponsors:

House: Skoog-Lang-Hoffman-Flowers
Senate: Collins-Murphy, L.-Koehler-Lightford-Hunter

Chapter Reference:

New Act

Summary: The act provides that employees may use personal sick leave benefits provided by the employer for absences due to an illness, injury, or medical appointment of the employee's child, spouse, sibling, parent, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandchild, grandparent, or stepparent, for reasonable periods of time as the employee's attendance may be necessary, on the same terms upon which the employee is able to use sick leave benefits for the employee's own illness or injury.

Public Act: 99-0841

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

5:250, Leaves of Absence

5:330, Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves

HB 6181 Professional Development Hours

Sponsors:

House: Willis-Manley-Scherer-Welch-Pritchard
Senate: Martinez-Delgado-Hastings

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/21B-45

Summary: The act allows educators to earn professional development hours during the final three months of the school year and enter those professional development hours into the Educator Licensure Information System.

Public Act: 99-0591

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

*3:50, Administrative Personnel Other
Than the Superintendent*

SB 2137 Teacher Institutes

Sponsors:

Senate: Morrison-Anderson-Lightford-Holmes
House: Cabello-Lilly

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/3-11

Summary: The act requires teacher training, at least once every two years, on the federal Americans with Disabilities Act during teacher institutes.

Public Act: 99-0616

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

PRESS Materials:

5:100, Staff Development Program

SB 2433 Clinical Psychologist

Sponsors:

Senate: Althoff
House: Zalewski

Chapter Reference:

5 ILCS 80/4.27
5 ILCS 80/4.37 new
225 ILCS 15/2
225 ILCS 15/2.5 new
225 ILCS 15/3
225 ILCS 15/6
225 ILCS 15/7
225 ILCS 15/10
225 ILCS 15/11
225 ILCS 15/15
225 ILCS 15/15.2
225 ILCS 15/16
225 ILCS 15/16.1
225 ILCS 15/19
225 ILCS 15/20
225 ILCS 15/21
225 ILCS 15/23
225 ILCS 15/15.4 rep.

Summary: Among many changes to the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act, the act provides that no individual shall offer to render, or render, clinical psychological services without a license.

Public Act: 99-0572

Effective Date: July 15, 2016

SB 2440 Principal Endorsement

Sponsors:

Senate: Bertino-Tarrant-Van Pelt-Noland
House: Pritchard-Crespo

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/21B-25

Summary: The act extends the allowance of a Principal Endorsement if a person has four total years of teaching or working as school support personnel to June 30, 2021.

Public Act: 99-0623

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

SB 2613 Child Bereavement Leave

Sponsors:

Senate: Bertino-Tarrant-Collins-Connelly-Murphy, L.
House: Manley-Hurley-Flowers-Walsh-Scherer

Chapter Reference:

New Act

30 ILCS 105/5.875 new

Summary: The act provides that an employee who is eligible under the Family and Medical Leave Act, may use up to two

weeks of unpaid bereavement leave to grieve the death of the employee's child, attend services in relation to the death of the employee's child, or make arrangements necessitated by the death of the employee's child.

Public Act: 99-0703

Effective Date: July 29, 2016

PRESS Materials:

5:250, Leaves of Absence

5:330, Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves

SB 2894

Pension Code-Retroactive Survivor Benefits

Sponsors:

Senate: Clayborne-Martinez

House: Martwick-Ammons-Chapa LaVia-Franks-Wallace

Chapter Reference:

40 ILCS 5/7-155

Summary: The act eliminates the 1-year limit on backdating a survivor benefit. Annuity payments for periods before the application date shall be paid without interest based on late payment.

Public Act: 99-0580

Effective Date: July 15, 2016

SB 2896

IMRF Annuitants

Sponsors:

Senate: Althoff-Martinez-Clayborne

House: Andrade-Harris, D.

Chapter Reference:

30 ILCS 805/8.40 new

40 ILCS 5/7-144

40 ILCS 5/7-172

Summary: The act, in response to Alliance concerns, was amended to provide annual notice to Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) annuitants that they must report employment with an IMRF employer. Reimbursement to the fund is shared when a violation occurs, and for employers only when they have knowingly failed to notify IMRF to suspend the annuity. The reimbursement provisions do not apply if the annuitant returned to work with the employer for less than 12 months.

Public Act: 99-0745

Effective Date: August 5, 2016

SB 2918

Pesticide Operator License

Sponsors:

Senate: Cunningham

House: Reis-Pritchard

Chapter Reference:

415 ILCS 60/4

415 ILCS 60/9

415 ILCS 60/10

415 ILCS 60/11.1

415 ILCS 60/12

415 ILCS 60/13

Summary: The act provides that if specified notice is submitted then an employer may request that the unused portion of a terminated licensee's pesticide applicator or operator license term be transferred to a newly certified or re-certified individual (rather than only a newly certified individual).

Public Act: 99-0540

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

SB 2972

IMRF Separation Benefit

Sponsors:

Senate: Harmon-Martinez-Clayborne

House: Davis, W.

Chapter Reference:

40 ILCS 5/7-166

Summary: The act amends the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Article of the Illinois Pension Code to allow a participant who is terminating service to elect a separation benefit rather than a retirement annuity if his or her annuity would be less than \$100 (now \$30) per month.

Public Act: 99-0747

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

SB 2975

Agriculture Education Teacher Grants

Sponsors:

Senate: Cunningham-Holmes

House: Costello-Phelps-Jimenez-Bradley-Moffitt

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.80b new

110 ILCS 947/65.25

Summary: The act provides that, subject to appropriation, there is created an agriculture education teacher grant program to fund personal services costs for agriculture education teachers in school districts. It provides that a school district may apply for a grant to fund 50% of the personal services cost for an agriculture education teacher; however, a school district that is creating a new agriculture education program may apply for a grant to fund 100% of an agriculture teacher's personal services cost in the first and second year of the new agriculture education program and 80% of an agriculture teacher's personal services cost in the third and fourth years of the new agriculture education program.

Public Act: 99-0826

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

SCHOOL FINANCE

HB 4397

Energy Efficiency Grants

Sponsors:

House: Costello-Bryant
Senate: Luechtefeld

Chapter Reference:

30 ILCS 705/5
105 ILCS 230/5-200

Summary: The act extends the deadline for school energy efficiency grants awarded in 2014 to four years from the date the funds were distributed.

Public Act: 99-0606

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

HB 5529

Interfund Transfers

Sponsors:

House: Crespo-Pritchard
Senate: Sullivan, J.-Bertino-Tarrant

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/17-2.11
105 ILCS 5/17-2A

Summary: The act extends the expiration date of the law that allows for school districts to make interfund transfers of funds for three more years.

Public Act: 99-0713

Effective Date: August 5, 2016

PRESS Materials:

4:10, Fiscal and Business Management

4:150, Facility Management and Building Programs

SB 0238

Early Childhood Education Block Grants

Sponsors:

Senate: Lightford-Collins
House: Chapa LaVia-Crespo-Welch-Pritchard-Gabel

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/1C-2

Summary: The act provides that not less than 14% of the Early Childhood Education Block Grant allocation of funds (instead of not less than 20% of the grant) shall be used to fund programs for children ages 0-3. Provides that, beginning in Fiscal Year 2016, at least 25% of any additional Early Childhood Education Block Grant funding over and above the previous fiscal year's allocation shall be used to fund programs for children ages 0-3 and once the percentage of grant funding allocated to programs for children ages 0-3 reaches 20% of the overall grant allocation for a full fiscal year, thereafter in subsequent fiscal years the percentage of grant funding allocated to programs for children ages 0-3

each fiscal year shall remain at least 20% of the overall grant allocation.

Public Act: 99-0589

Effective Date: July 21, 2016

SB 2469

Debt Limits

Sponsors:

Senate: Lightford-Martinez-Bush-Bennett-Homes
House: Soto-Currie-Chap LaVia-Welch-Davis, W.

Chapter Reference:

75 ILCS 5/5-2.5 new
105 ILCS 5/1-2
105 ILCS 5/5-2.5 new
105 ILCS 5/19-1
105 ILCS 5/19-3

Summary: The act allows Bureau Valley Community Unit School District 340, Paxton-Buckley-Loda Community Unit School District 10, and Hillsboro Community Unit School District 3 to issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$25,000,000, \$28,500,000, and \$34,500,000, respectively, under specified conditions for each school district. It provides that the debt incurred on the bonds shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation. It also allows bonds issued by any school district as qualified school construction bonds in accordance with federal tax law to be payable at such time not exceeding 25 (rather than 20) years.

Public Act: 99-0735

Effective Date: August 5, 2016

SB 2814

Utility Rate Increase

Sponsors:

Senate: Rose-Radogno-Trotter-Anderson
House: Rita-Walsh-Mitchell-Davis, W.-Sullivan

Chapter Reference:

5 ILCS 100/5-45
20 ILCS 3855/1-5
20 ILCS 3855/1-10
20 ILCS 3855/1-20
20 ILCS 3855/1-25
20 ILCS 3855/1-56
20 ILCS 3855/1-75
30 ILCS 500/20-10
220 ILCS 5/5-117
220 ILCS 5/5-202.1
220 ILCS 5/8-103
220 ILCS 5/8-103B new
220 ILCS 5/8-104
220 ILCS 5/9-107 new
220 ILCS 5/16-107

220 ILCS 5/16-107.5
220 ILCS 5/16-107.6 new
220 ILCS 5/16-108
220 ILCS 5/16-108.5
220 ILCS 5/16-108.10 new
220 ILCS 5/16-108.11 new
220 ILCS 5/16-108.12 new
220 ILCS 5/16-108.15 new
220 ILCS 5/16-108.16 new
220 ILCS 5/16-111.1
220 ILCS 5/16-111.5
220 ILCS 5/16-111.5B
220 ILCS 5/16-111.7
220 ILCS 5/16-115D
220 ILCS 5/16-119A
220 ILCS 5/16-127
220 ILCS 5/16-128A
220 ILCS 5/16-128B new
305 ILCS 20/13
305 ILCS 20/18
220 ILCS 5/2-202

Summary: The Act contains the multi-billion energy package that among the numerous provisions:

- Facilitates two of Illinois' nuclear power plants to remain open;
- Provides for a Zero Emission Standard Procurement Plan;
- Expands Energy Efficiency Programs that reduce energy consumption. Customers participating will see less energy costs to offset increased rates for all;
- Expands Renewable Portfolio Standard creating a target of 25% renewable generation in Illinois by 2025;
- Creates an Illinois Solar for All program providing incentives for low-income solar and community solar programs including job training; and
- Increases utility costs for all rate-payers estimating that schools in Commonwealth Edison territory will see an increase of 3.2% for those not participating in energy efficiency programs and 3.1% for those that do. Ameren territories estimated a lesser cost.

Public Act: 99-0906

Effective Date: June 1, 2017

SCHOOL SAFETY AND HEALTH

HB 4365

Concussion Reporting

Sponsors:

House: Welch-Sente-Hurley-Breen-D'Amico
Senate: Raoul-Delgado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 25/1.20 new

Summary: The act, beginning with the 2016-2017 school year, requires Illinois High School Association to require all member schools that have certified athletic trainers to complete a monthly report on student-athletes who have sustained a concussion. In subsequent years the Illinois High School Association must file a report to the General Assembly with this data.

Public Act: 99-0831

Effective Date: August 19, 2016

PRESS Materials:

7:305, Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries

7:305-AP, Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries

HB 4462

Epinephrine Auto-Injectors

Sponsors:

House: Mussman-Madigan-Manley-Hurley-Conroy
Senate: Nybo-Mulroe-Cullerton-Trotter

Chapter Reference:

20 ILCS 2610/40 new
30 ILCS 805/8.40 new

50 ILCS 705/10.19 new
105 ILCS 5/22-30
410 ILCS 620/3.21

Summary: The act extends the opportunity for the self-administration and self-carry of asthma medication and epinephrine auto-injectors to students while being transported to and from school and adds school bus drivers to the list of who can be "trained personnel".

Public Act: 99-0711

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

7:270, Administering Medicines to Students

SB 2835

Public School Highways

Sponsors:

Senate: Manar
House: Scherer-D'Amico-Moylan-Riley-Manley

Chapter Reference:

625 ILCS 5/11-1414

Summary: The act requires a vehicle to stop before meeting or overtaking, from either direction, any school bus stopped on a highway, roadway, private road, parking lot, school property, or at any other location, including, without limitation, a location that is not a highway or roadway for the purpose of receiving or discharging pupils.

Public Act: 99-0740

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

SB 2956 **Environmental Barriers**

Sponsors:

Senate: Holmes-Harmon-Collins-Martinez-Link
House: Williams

Chapter Reference:

410 ILCS 25/2
410 ILCS 25/3
410 ILCS 25/4
410 ILCS 25/5
410 ILCS 25/6
410 ILCS 25/7 rep.
410 ILCS 25/8

Summary: The act makes numerous changes to the Environmental Barriers Act related to individuals with disabilities accessibility including provisions regarding enforcement and other penalties.

Public Act: 99-0582

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

4:150, Facility Management and Building Programs

8:70, Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

HB 4343 **Attendance Commission Report**

Sponsors:

House: Chapa LaVia
Senate: Collins-Delegado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.164

Summary: The act extends the deadline for the first report of the Illinois Attendance Commission to March 15, 2016.

Public Act: 99-0601

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

Summary: The act provides that no one may be licensed to teach or supervise in public schools, who have been convicted of certain drug offenses, until seven years following the end of the sentence for the offense.

Public Act: 99-0667

Effective Date: July 29, 2016

PRESS Materials:

4:60, Purchases and Contracts

4:60-AP3, Criminal History Records

Check of Contractor Employees

4:175-AP1, Criminal Offender Notification Laws; Screening

5:30, Hiring Process and Criteria

5:30-AP2, Investigations

5:260, Student Teachers

HB 4352 **Dyslexia Definition**

Sponsors:

House: Bellock-Lilly-Jesiel-Chapa LaVia-Crespo
Senate: Bush-Althoff-Cunningham-Delgado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.161

Summary: The act creates a definition of dyslexia in the School Code.

Public Act: 99-0602

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

HB 4367 **Reading Advisory Group**

Sponsors:

House: Bellock-Lilly-Jesiel-Chapa LaVia
Senate: Bush-Althoff-Cunningham

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.161

Summary: The act requires the Illinois State Board of Education to re-establish the reading instruction advisory group and it should complete its work by December 31, 2016.

Public Act: 99-0603

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

HB 4360 **Educator Qualifications**

Sponsors:

House: Cassidy-Davis, W.
Senate: Van Pelt-Martinez-Collins

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/10-21.9
105 ILCS 5/21B-15
105 ILCS 5/21B-80
105 ILCS 5/34-18.5

HB 5566 **Illinois P-20 Council**

Sponsors:

House: Sims-Welch-Kifowit-Gordon-Booth
Senate: Trotter-McGuire

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/22-45

Summary: The act allows the chairperson of the Illinois P-20 Council to create a working group to focus on tuition, financial aid, and other issues related to keeping postsecondary education affordable for Illinois residents.

Public Act: 99-0643

Effective Date: January 1, 2016

HB 5668 Youth Unemployment Task Force

Sponsors:

House: Sims-Riley-Dunkin-Ford
Senate: Harris-Collins-Trotter

Chapter Reference:

New Act

Summary: The act creates a Youth Unemployment Task Force to examine the state-wide youth unemployment crisis and its particular effect on young people of color, including recommendations.

Public Act: 99-0645

Effective Date: July 28, 2016

HB 5720 Computer Science Education

Sponsors:

House: Andrade-Fortner
Senate: Bennett

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.167 new

Summary: The act establishes a task force on Computer Science Education to analyze the current computer science education program highlight best practices and recommend to the General Assembly. An appointment to the task force is reserved for the Illinois Association of School Boards and either the Illinois Principals Association or the Illinois Association of School Administrators.

Public Act: 99-0647

Effective Date: July 28, 2016

HB 5918 Charter Schools

Sponsors:

House: Thapedi-Wheeler-Hernandez-Demmer-Wallace
Senate: Martinez-Delgado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/27A-9
105 ILCS 5/27A-11.5

Summary: The act provides that a charter shall be granted for a period of five school years (instead of may be granted for a period not less than 5 and not more than 10 school years) and may be renewed in incremental periods not to exceed ten (instead of five) school years.

Public Act: 99-0840

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

HB 6333 Asthma Action Plan

Sponsors:

House: Gabel-Hernandez-Sims-Walsh-Lilly
Senate: Koehler-Trotter-Delgado

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/22-30

Summary: The act requires a school district to request an asthma action plan from the parents or guardian of a pupil with asthma. It requires the Illinois State Board of Education and an asthma advocacy group to develop model asthma emergency response protocols. It also requires school personnel who work with pupils to receive training every two years.

Public Act: 99-0843

Effective Date: August 19, 2016

PRESS Materials:

5:100, Staff Development Program

7:270-AP1, Dispensing Medication

SB 2906 Public Aid-Students Employability

Sponsors:

Senate: Stadelman-Collins-Harris
House: Wallace-Ammons-Jackson-Harper

Chapter Reference:

305 ILCS 5/9A-8

Summary: Under the Illinois Public Aid Code's employability plan, the act allows the Department to treat participation in high school and high school equivalency programs as a core activity and count participation in high school and high school equivalency programs toward the first 20 hours per week of participation.

Public Act: 99-0746

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

STUDENTS

HB 4327 Guardianship of Minors – Military

Sponsors:

House: Bellock
Senate: Althoff-Lightford

Chapter Reference:

755 ILCS 5/11-5.4
755 ILCS 45/1A-4 new

Summary: The act provides that members of the armed forces may appoint a short-term guardian for no longer than 365 days if on active duty or the term of active duty plus 30 days.

Public Act: 99-0599

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

HB 4330 Biliteracy State Seal

Sponsors:

House: Wheeler-Soto-Chapa LaVia-Batinick-Sente
Senate: Martinez-Althoff

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.159

Summary: The act requires state colleges and universities to accept the “State Seal of Biliteracy” as equivalent to two years of foreign language coursework taken during high school and establishes a process for the creation of course content for students seeking the designation.

Public Act: 99-0600

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

HB 4432 Excused Absence – TAPS

Sponsors:

House: Moffitt-Costello-Anthony-Meier-Frese
Senate: Weaver-Cullerton, T.-McConchie-Steans

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/26-1

Summary: The act allows a child in any of grades 6-12 to be absent from a public school on a particular day for the purpose of sounding “Taps” at a military honors.

Public Act: 99-0804

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

PRESS Materials:

7:70, Attendance and Truancy

HB 4983 Global Scholar Certification

Sponsors:

House: Soto-Chapa LaVia-Sente-Currie
Senate: Lightford-Bennett-Martinez-Holmes-Harmon

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.167 new

Summary: The act establishes the State Global Scholar Certification Program to recognize public high school graduates who have attained global competence, sufficient for meaningful use in college and a career.

Public Act: 99-0780

Effective Date: August 12, 2016

HB 5902 Student Journalists

Sponsors:

House: Guzzardi-Andersson-Martwick-Breen
Senate: Biss-Stadelman-Collins-Harris

Chapter Reference:

New Act

Summary: The act provides that a student journalist has the right to exercise freedom of speech and of the press in school-sponsored media, regardless of whether the media is supported financially by the school district or by use of school facilities or produced in conjunction with a class in which the student is enrolled. School officials, defined as the school principal or designee, shall determine and notify students of any limitation of student expression under this Act.

Public Act: 99-0678

Effective Date: July 29, 2016

PRESS Materials:

7:310, Restrictions on Publications

*7:310-AP, Guidelines for Student Distribution
of Non-School Sponsored Publications*

7:315, Restrictions on Publications; High Schools

HB 6044 Balanced Accountability

Sponsors:

House: Chapa LaVia
Senate: Rezin

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.25a
105 ILCS 5/7-2a
105 ILCS 5/7-14A
105 ILCS 5/10-22.22b
105 ILCS 5/10-22.22c

105 ILCS 5/10-22.22d
105 ILCS 5/11E-110
105 ILCS 5/18-12
105 ILCS 5/21B-30
105 ILCS 5/125/9

Summary: The act delays beginning implementation of the Balanced Accountability Model until 2017-2018 and full implementation by 2022-2023.

Public Act: 99-0657

Effective Date: July 28, 2016

PRESS Materials:

6:15, School Accountability

HB 6086

Prioritization of Needs

Sponsors:

House: Kifowit-Wallace-Scherer-Mussman-Cloonen
Senate: Cullerton, T.-Morrison-Holmes-Murphy, L.

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.163

Summary: The act requires the Department of Human Services to consider the length of time spent on the prioritization of Urgency of Need waiting list when selecting individuals on the list for services. It also requires the Illinois State Board of Education to inform patients and guardians about this consideration.

Public Act: 99-0716

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

HB 6136

At-Risk Students Advisory Council

Sponsors:

House: Wallace-Davis, W.-Welch
Senate: Lightford-Collins-Hunter

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.167 new

Summary: The act creates the Advisory Council on At-Risk Students within the Illinois State Board of Education.

Public Act: 99-0721

Effective Date: August 5, 2016

HB 6167

Voting Rights

Sponsors:

House: Sente-Sullivan-Costello-Franks-Soto
Senate: Link-McConchie-Bush

Chapter Reference:

10 ILCS 5/3-6
10 ILCS 5/4-8.5 new
10 ILCS 5/5-8.5 new
10 ILCS 5/6-35.5 new

Summary: The act allows a person who is 17 years old on the date of a caucus or consolidated primary election, and who is otherwise qualified, to vote at that consolidated primary if that person will be 18 years old on the date of the immediately following consolidated election for which candidates are nominated at that primary.

Public Act: 99-0722

Effective Date: August 5, 2016

SB 1582

Transportation of Students

Sponsors:

Senate: Nybo-Murphy, M.-Mulroe
House: Durkin

Chapter Reference:

625 ILCS 5/11-1414.1

Summary: The act allows students with Individualized Education Programs who attend certain private day schools, to be transported in a multi-functional school activity bus.

Public Act: 99-0888

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

SB 2505

International Baccalaureate Diploma

Sponsor:

Senate: Steans-Harris
House: Ammons-Welch

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 302/30

Summary: The act provides that scores of four or higher on International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme examinations shall be accepted for credit to satisfy degree requirements by all public institutions of higher education.

Public Act: 99-0624

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

SB 2777

Juvenile Justice Act

Sponsors:

Senate: Raoul-Righter-Lightford-Althoff-Van Pelt
House: Nekritz-Sandack-Turner-Tryon-Wheeler

Chapter Reference:

20 ILCS 4026/17
705 ILCS 405/5-710
705 ILCS 405/5-740
705 ILCS 405/5-745
720 ILCS 570/509 from Ch. 56 1/2, par. 1509
725 ILCS 120/4.5
725 ILCS 120/5 from Ch. 38, par. 1405
725 ILCS 207/15
730 ILCS 5/3-2-3.1 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-2-3.1
730 ILCS 5/3-2-5 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-2-5
730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-20

730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-70
730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-80
730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-85 new
730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-90 new
730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-95 new
730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-100 new
730 ILCS 5/3-3-1 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-1
730 ILCS 5/3-3-2 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-2
730 ILCS 5/3-3-3 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-3
730 ILCS 5/3-3-4 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-4
730 ILCS 5/3-3-5 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-5
730 ILCS 5/3-3-7 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-7
730 ILCS 5/3-3-8 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-8
730 ILCS 5/3-3-9 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-9
730 ILCS 5/3-3-9.5 new
730 ILCS 5/3-3-10 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-3-10
730 ILCS 5/3-10-7 from Ch. 38, par. 1003-10-7
730 ILCS 5/5-8-6 from Ch. 38, par. 1005-8-6
730 ILCS 5/5-8A-3 from Ch. 38, par. 1005-8A-3
730 ILCS 5/5-8A-7
730 ILCS 105/5 from Ch. 38, par. 1655
730 ILCS 105/10 from Ch. 38, par. 1660
730 ILCS 105/15 from Ch. 38, par. 1665
730 ILCS 105/20 from Ch. 38, par. 1670

Summary: The act makes numerous changes to the Juvenile Justice Act including a provision that disallows commitment of a guilty minor for a Class 4 felony of criminal trespass to a residence, criminal damage to property, criminal damage

to government supported property, criminal defacement of property, disorderly conduct, or obstructing justice.

Public Act: 99-0628

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

SB 2840 High School Equivalency

Sponsors:

Senate: Silverstein-Morrison-Delgado

House: Franks-Wallace-Jackson-Harper-Ammons

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/3-15.12

Summary: The act requires a regional superintendent of schools to waive required fees for GED testing for an applicant who qualifies as a homeless person, child, or youth as defined in the Education for Homeless Children Act, has not attained 25 years of age as of the date of the scheduled test, and can verify his or her status as a homeless person, child, or youth.

Public Act: 99-0742

Effective Date: January 1, 2017

TAXATION

HB 4423 TIF Oak Forest

Sponsors:

House: Davis, W.-Rita-Riley

Senate: Harris-Hastings

Chapter Reference:

65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-3.5

Summary: The act creates a tax increment allocation financing extension for an ordinance adopted on June 11, 2002 by the City of Oak Forest.

Public Act: 99-0508

Effective Date: June 28, 2017

SB 2427 Homestead Exemption Errors

Sponsors:

Senate: Jones

House: Riley-Rita

Chapter Reference:

35 ILCS 200/9-275

35 ILCS 200/15-175

Summary: The act requires residential property owners in Cook County who are no longer living in the residence to notify the assessment officer by April 1 so as not to be fined for the purposes of erroneous homestead exemptions applied.

Public Act: 99-0851

Effective Date: August 19, 2016

SB 2517 Assessment Books

Sponsors:

Senate: Manar

House: Sullivan

Chapter Reference:

35 ILCS 200/9-245

Summary: The act requires chief county assessment officers to return assessment books to the board of review before the 3rd Monday in June of the assessment year or before the 90th day following the certification of the final township assessment.

Public Act: 99-0573

Effective Date: July 15, 2016

SB 2593
Property Tax Appeal Board

Sponsors:

Senate: McConnaughay
House: Andersson

Chapter Reference:

35 ILCS 200/16-180
35 ILCS 200/16-185

Summary: Regarding property tax appeals, the act allows a copy of the appellant's petition to the board of review whose decision is being appealed to be sent by electronic means (currently, by mail only).

Public Act: 99-0626

Effective Date: July 22, 2016

SB 2612
Wind Farms

Sponsors:

Senate: Koehler-Althoff
House: Demmer-Skoog-Smidly-Anthony-Ammons

Chapter Reference:

35 ILCS 200/10-610

Summary: The act extends the sunset date for the assessment of wind energy.

Public Act: 99-0825

Effective Date: August 16, 2016

SB 2889
Property Tax Electronic Service

Sponsors:

Senate: McGuire
House: Fortner

Chapter Reference:

35 ILCS 200/16-55

Summary: Regarding serving a copy of a petition on all taxing districts when a change in assessed valuation of \$100,000 or more is sought, the act provides that the service may be by electronic means if the taxing district consents to electronic service and provides the board of review with a valid email address for the purpose of receiving service.

Public Act: 99-0579

Effective Date: July 15, 2016

SB 3149
Public Private Venture Lease

Sponsors:

Senate: Clayborne-Althoff-Hastings
House: Hoffman-Jackson

Chapter Reference:

35 ILCS 200/10-385 new

Summary: The act provides that a taxable Public Private Venture lease that (i) encumbers exempt real property located within a county of less than 600,000 inhabitants and (ii) is related to taxable real property used for military housing purposes may be assessed and valued pursuant to the terms of a real property tax assessment settlement agreement executed between the local county assessment officials and the taxpayer.

Public Act: 99-0818

Effective Date: August 15, 2016

LATE ADDITIONS

SB 0550

Testing Water Sources for Lead

Sponsors:

Senate: Steans

House: Harper

Chapter Reference:

65 ILCS 5/Art. 11 Div. 150

65 ILCS 5/11-150.1-1 new

105 ILCS 5/17-2.11

105 ILCS 5/17-2A

220 ILCS 5/9-246 new

225 ILCS 320/35.5 new

225 ILCS 10/5.9 new

415 ILCS 5/17.11 new

415 ILCS 5/19.3

745 ILCS 10/9-107

Summary: Requires the testing of source of potable water in school buildings where grades Pre-K through 5th are housed. Creates a tiered testing system where schools built prior to 1987 must test for lead in water by December 31st, 2017 and schools built between 1987 and 2000 must test for lead in water by December 31st, 2018. Sets requirements for notice and sampling procedures.

Public Act: 99-0922

Effective Date: January 17, 2017

SB 2912

Teacher Licensure Modifications

Sponsors:

Senate: Luechtefeld-McConnaughay-

Manar-Bertino-Tarrant-Bush

House:

Crespo-Pritchard-Hammond-Bryant-Ammons

Chapter Reference:

105 ILCS 5/21B-20

105 ILCS 5/21B-25

105 ILCS 5/21B-30

105 ILCS 5/21B-35

105 ILCS 5/21B-40

105 ILCS 5/21B-45

Summary: The act makes changes to teacher licensure laws addressing provisional in-state educator endorsements, provisional career and technical educator endorsements, substitute teacher licenses (by removing the provision that requires a test of basic skills for renewal), teacher leader endorsements, and minimum requirements for educators trained in other states.

Public Act: 99-0920

Effective Date: January 6, 2017

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