Public Acts Report

Legislation of Interest to Counties Enacted in 2022

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This report includes bills approved by both chambers in 2022 that either affect county operations or that may be of interest to county officials. County officials are encouraged to share this report with their staffs to facilitate awareness of the issues contained herein. This report will be updated with any additional bills approved by the General Assembly during 2022 and the final days of the 102nd General Assembly in January 2023. The summaries within this report are not intended to substitute for a review of the actual text of the legislation available at www.ilga.gov.

COUNTY AUTHORITY

Creates the County Design-Build Authorization Division in the Counties Code. Provides that a county may enter into design-build contracts. Provides that nothing in the Division shall prevent a county from using a qualification-based selection process for design professionals or construction managers for design-build projects. (Support)

Amends the Disaster Relief Act. Provides that the term "disaster", for purposes of the Act, shall have the same meaning as provided in the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. Makes conforming changes. (No Position)

Amends the Eminent Domain Act. Provides that quick-take powers may be used for a period of no more than 2 years after the effective date by Cook County and the Village of Forest View for the acquisition of certain described property for the purpose of installing a traffic signal at the intersection of 49th Street and Central Avenue. Repeals the new provisions 3 years after the effective date. Effective immediately. (Support)

SB 3838 (P.A. 102-0862) (Sen. Koehler; Rep. Bennett) – FARMERS’ MARKET RETAIL PERMIT
Amends the Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act. In provisions regarding farmers' markets, removes language regarding administrative rules. Provides that a farmer who engages in the sale of specified products shall obtain a Farmers' Market Permit from each local health department of any unit of local government in which a sale takes place and that chooses to require a Farmers’ Market Permit. Contains specified requirements that may apply to the permit. Provides that a Farmers' Market Permit shall be valid for one year. Provides that a fee for a limited egg Farmers' Market Permit shall not exceed $75 and a fee for a full Farmers' Market Permit shall not exceed $175. Provides that the fee limits shall be raised by 10% at specified times. Contains procedural requirements for creating, setting, or amending the fee required for a Farmers’ Market Permit. Preempts home rule. Removes language listing produce and food products coming within the scope of the provisions. Makes other changes. (No Position)
SB 2565 (P.A. 102-1041) (Sen. Connor; Rep. LaPointe) – TREATMENT COURT STATUTES
Amends the Drug Court Treatment Act. Provides permissive authority for the Chief Judge of a judicial circuit to establish a drug court program in compliance with Problem-Solving Court Standards. Includes a provision amending the law regarding the consolidation of drug courts among two or more counties within the same judicial circuit. Includes qualifications for judges presiding over drug courts. Provides that the court shall consider the least restrictive treatment option when ordering mental health or substance use disorder treatment for participants and the results of clinical and risk assessments in accordance with the Illinois Supreme Court Problem-Solving Court Standards. Allows State’s Attorneys, a participant or defense attorney to move to vacate convictions eligible for sealing under the Criminal Identification Act. (No Position)

Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Provides that in a prosecution for a criminal offense defined in the Sex Offense Article of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012 or for criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual assault, predatory criminal sexual assault of a child, criminal sexual abuse, or aggravated criminal sexual abuse when the alleged victim of the offense was under 18 years of age at the time of the offense, the court may exclude from the proceedings while the victim is testifying, regardless of the alleged victim's age at the time of the victim's courtroom testimony, all persons, who, in the opinion of the court, do not have a direct interest in the case, except the media. Effective immediately. (No Position)

SB 3737 (P.A. 102-1021) (Sen. Holmes; Rep. Wheeler) – COUNTY JUDICIAL FACILITIES FEE
Amends the Counties Code. Provides that the county boards of Kane County, Kendall County, and Will County (currently, Kane County and Will County) may by ordinance impose a judicial facilities fee to be used for the building of new judicial facilities. Provides that in setting a judicial facilities fee and in the design and construction of the facilities, the county board shall set the fee and design and construct the facilities with the concurrence of the Chief Judge of the applicable judicial circuit or the presiding judge of the county in a multi-county judicial circuit. Effective July 1, 2022. (Support)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY

HB 260 (P.A. 102-1042) (Rep. Moeller; Sen. Gillespie) – EXPRESSWAY CAMERAS
Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that until July 1, 2023, images from cameras are exempt from disclosure. Amends the Expressway Camera Act. Provides that the program conducted by the Illinois State Police, the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority to increase the amount of cameras along the expressways in Cook County shall also increase cameras along Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive. Requires details about the program objectives, counties where the program is operational, and policies under which the program operates to be made publicly available and posted online within 90 days of the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that a law enforcement agency may use images from an expressway camera to investigate vehicular hijacking, aggravated vehicular hijacking, terrorism, motor vehicle theft, or any forcible felony, including, but not limited to, offenses involving the use of a firearm (instead of only an offense involving the use of a firearm) and to detect highway
conditions and facilitate highway safety and incident management. Adds provisions concerning retention of images from cameras, reporting requirements, and prosecutorial jurisdiction. Relocates the definition of "expressway" and defines terms. Changes the Act repeal date to July 1, 2025 (instead of July 1, 2023). Makes other changes. Effective immediately. (Support)

Amends the SAFE-T Act to make changes concerning the transition from cash bail to alternatives, changes to the timetable for court hearings, makes clarification of trespassing arrests, includes clarification of crimes eligible for detention, makes clarification regarding the issuance of arrest warrants and changes to the definition of willful flight. Makes other changes. Effective January 1, 2022, except that some provisions became effective immediately. (No Position)

Creates the Illinois Integrity, Notification, and Fairness in Online Retail Marketplaces for Consumers (INFORM Consumers) Act. Requires online marketplaces to collect and disclose to consumers contact and other information about high-volume third-party sellers. Provides exceptions. Provides that if the Attorney General has reason to believe that any person has violated the Act, the Attorney General may bring an action to restrain by preliminary or permanent injunction the use of such a method, act, or practice. Creates the Organized Retail Crime Enforcement Fund in the State treasury. Provides that subject to appropriation, moneys in the Organized Retail Crime Enforcement Fund shall be used by the Office of the Attorney General to award grants to State's Attorneys' offices and law enforcement agencies to investigate, indict, and prosecute violations of organized retail crime. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Creates the offense of organized retail crime. Defines the offense and establishes penalties. Provides that a retail mercantile establishment that is a victim of a violation of retail theft, organized retail crime, financial institution fraud or related offenses, or looting shall have certain rights. Provides that an issuer shall not provide a debit or credit cardholder or a person who utilizes an account number or code the value in any manner of any item purchased with intent to defraud the issuer or a person providing an item of value. Amends the Statewide Grand Jury Act. Provides that a Statewide Grand Jury may investigate, indict, and prosecute violations of organized retail crime. Amends the State Finance Act to make conforming changes. Effective immediately, except that the Illinois Integrity, Notification, and Fairness in Online Retail Marketplaces for Consumers (INFORM Consumers) Act takes effect January 1, 2023. (Support)

Amends the Law Enforcement Intern Training Act to require the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board to collaborate with the Illinois Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education to create a report with recommendations to the General Assembly for establishing minimum requirements for credits that may transfer from public institutions of higher education to satisfy the requirements of law enforcement and correctional intern courses. The bill also includes provisions amending the Department of Revenue Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the Counties Code, the Illinois Gambling Act, the Unified Code of Corrections, and the Probation and Probation Officers Act requiring programs to be established for specified officers, investigators, agents, and employees who are retiring in good standing to purchase specified badges or service firearms. Effective immediately, except that Section 15 takes effect January 1, 2023. (No Position)
HB 3512 (P.A. 102-0694) (Rep. Slaughter; Sen. Sims, Jr.) – SAFE-T ACT TRAILER BILL
Creates a Review Committee for specified purposes and duties within the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board. Modifies provisions concerning the membership of the Illinois Law Enforcement Certification Review Panel. Adds requirements concerning the discretionary decertification of full-time and part-time law enforcement officers. Modifies provisions concerning emergency orders of suspension for law enforcement officers. Provides further requirements concerning the officer professional conduct database, transparency, and criminal background investigations. Provides for the use of the terms "law enforcement agency" and "local law enforcement agency" throughout the Act (rather than "government agency" and "local government agency"). Amends the Law Enforcement Officer-Worn Body Camera Act. Provides that nothing in the Act prohibits police agencies from labeling officer-worn body camera video within the recording medium; provided that the labeling does not alter the actual recording of the incident captured on the officer-worn body camera. Provides that the labels, titles, and tags shall not be construed as altering the body camera video in any way. Amends the Illinois State Police Act. Provides for the disclosure of specified public records in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Provides requirements concerning the right to communicate with an attorney and family when in police custody. Amends the Pretrial Services Act. Provides that the Supreme Court is encouraged to establish a framework that facilitates the hiring and training of new State-employed pretrial services personnel to serve in jurisdictions without an established and functioning circuit-based pretrial services agency. Defines terms. Makes conforming and other changes. Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Provides that the mandatory supervised release term for a Class 3 or 4 felony is 12 months, except for certain specified offenses. Provides that no later than 30 days after the onset of the term of mandatory supervised release and at the halfway point into the term of mandatory supervised release, the Prisoner Review Board shall conduct a discretionary discharge review, which shall include the results of a standardized risk and needs assessment tool administered by the Department of Corrections. Provides that nothing in this provision shall be construed to prevent the Prisoner Review Board from performing the discretionary discharge review and issuing a determination prior to the onset of the term of mandatory supervised release. Amends the Freedom of Information Act to make a conforming change. Effective January 1, 2022. (No Position)

Provides grants and financial support to assist in the identification, apprehension and prosecution of hijackers and the recovery of hijacked and stolen motor vehicles. (No Position)

Provides protection for persons victimized by carjackings who receive red light or speed camera violations subsequent to the vehicle being stolen. (No Position)

Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the Law Enforcement Recruitment and Retention Fund. Provides that moneys in the Fund shall be used by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards
Board to award grants to units of local government, public institutions of higher education, and qualified nonprofit entities for the purpose of hiring and retaining law enforcement officers. Effective immediately. (Support)

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Changes the sunset of the provision that exempts from an eavesdropping violation, with prior request to and written or verbal approval of the State's Attorney of the county in which the conversation is anticipated to occur, recording or listening with the aid of an eavesdropping device to a conversation in which a law enforcement officer, or any person acting at the direction of a law enforcement officer, is a party to the conversation and has consented to the conversation being intercepted or recorded in the course of an investigation of a qualified offense from January 1, 2023 to January 1, 2027. Extends the sunset of the RICO Article of the Code from June 11, 2022 to June 11, 2023. Effective immediately. (No Position)

The bill provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly sell, offer to sell or transfer an unserialized unfinished frame or receiver or unserialized firearm, including those produced using a three-dimensional printer, unless the party purchasing or receiving the unfinished frame or receiver or unserialized firearm is a federal firearms importer, federal firearms manufacturer or federal firearms dealer.

Amends the Criminal Identification Act. Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the court shall not deny a petition for expungement or sealing because the petitioner has submitted a drug test taken within 30 days before the filing of the petition for expungement or sealing that indicates a positive test for the presence of cannabis within the petitioner's body. Defines "cannabis". (No Position)

HB 4481 (P.A. 102-1043) (Rep. Greenwood; Sen. Murphy) – ADDITIONAL EXPRESSWAY CAMERAS
Amends the Expressway Camera Act. Provides that the Illinois State Police, the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority shall work together to conduct a program to increase the amount of cameras along expressways and the State highway system in the counties of Boone, Bureau, Champaign, Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Henry, Kane, Kendall, Lake, LaSalle, Macon, Madison, McHenry, Morgan, Peoria, Rock Island, Sangamon, St. Clair, Will, and Winnebago (instead of only Cook County). (No Position)

Amends the Overdose Prevention and Harm Reduction Act. Provides that a pharmacist, physician, advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant or designees, may dispense drug adulterant testing supplies. Provides that no employee or volunteer of or participant in a program established under the Act or any employee or customer of a pharmacy, hospital, clinic, or other health care facility or medical office dispensing drug adulterant testing supplies in accordance with the Act shall be charged with or prosecuted for possession of specified materials. Provides that a law enforcement officer who, acting on good faith, arrests or charges a person who is thereafter
determined to be entitled to immunity from prosecution shall not be subject to civil liability for the arrest or filing of charges. (Support)


Creating the Crime Reduction Task Force and instructs the Task Force to develop and process policies and procedures to reduce crime in Illinois. The bill requires the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) to establish a grant program for organizations and units of local government to create an anonymous tip hotline. (No Position)


Provides that the disposal by incineration of any toxic release, perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substance, including, but not limited to, aqueous film forming foam, is prohibited. Provides that nothing in the amendatory provisions applies to (i) the combustion of landfill gas from the decomposition of waste that may contain PFAS at a permitted sanitary landfill or (ii) the combustion of landfill gas in a landfill gas recovery facility that is located at a sanitary landfill. The prohibition on the disposal of TRI-PFAS by incineration does not apply to the incineration of waste at a permitted hospital, medical, and infectious waste incinerator that meets the requirements of specified federal provisions or the Board-adopted State Plan requirements for hospital, medical, and infectious waste incinerators, as applicable, or to the incineration of sludges, biosolids, or other solids or by-products generated at or by a municipal wastewater treatment plant or facility. (No Position)

**HB 5471 (P.A. 102-1116) (Speaker Welch; President Harmon) – ASSAULT WEAPONS BAN**

Amends the Illinois State Police Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Division of Criminal Investigation of the Illinois State Police shall conduct other investigations as provided by law, including, but not limited to, investigations of human trafficking, illegal drug trafficking, and illegal firearms trafficking. Provides that the Division of Criminal Investigation shall provide statewide coordination and strategy pertaining to firearm-related intelligence, firearms trafficking interdiction, and investigations. Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Provides that a petitioner may request a plenary firearms restraining order of up to one-year, but not less than 6 months (rather than 6 months). Provides that the order may be renewed for an additional period of up to one year. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that beginning January 1, 2024, it is unlawful for any person within the State to knowingly possess an assault weapon, assault weapon attachment, .50 caliber rifle, or .50 caliber cartridge, with exemptions, and provides penalties. Provides that it is unlawful for any person within the State to knowingly manufacture, deliver, sell, purchase, or cause to be manufactured, delivered, sold, or purchased a large capacity ammunition feeding device, with specified exemptions, and provides penalties. Contains a severability provision. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Exempts from disclosure under the Act certain information concerning endorsements received by the Illinois State Police. Effective immediately. (No Position)


Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Amends the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986. Requires the Illinois National Guard to file a certified copy of any military order of protection with the clerk of the court in a judicial circuit in which the person entitled to protection
resides or if the person entitled to protection is not a State resident, in a judicial circuit in which it is believed that enforcement may be necessary. (No Position)

**SB 3127 (P.A. 102-1006) (Sen. Anderson; Rep. Swanson) – EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCHERS**
Amends various laws to include emergency medical dispatchers in references to first responders. (No Position)

**SB 3157 (P.A. 102-0831) (Sen. Bennett; Rep. Windhorst) – NO CONTACT/PROTECTION ORDERS**
Amends the Stalking No Contact Order Act. Provides that when a petition for an emergency stalking no contact order is filed, the petition and file shall not be public and shall only be accessible to the court, law enforcement, petitioner, victim advocate, counsel of record for either party, and the State's Attorney for the county until the petition is served on the respondent. Provides that when a petition for an emergency stalking no contact order is granted, the petition, order, and file shall not be public and shall only be accessible to the court, law enforcement, petitioner, victim advocate, counsel of record for either party, and the State's Attorney for the county until the order is served on the respondent. Amends the Civil No Contact Order Act. Provides that when a petition for an emergency civil no contact order is filed, the petition and file shall not be public and shall only be accessible to the court, law enforcement, petitioner, rape crisis advocate, counsel of record for either party, and the State's Attorney for the county until the petition is served on the respondent. Provides that when a petition for an emergency civil no contact order is granted, the petition and file shall not be public and shall only be accessible to the court, law enforcement, petitioner, rape crisis advocate, counsel of record for either party, and the State's Attorney for the county until the petition is served on the respondent. Amends the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986. Provides that when a petition for an emergency order of protection is granted, the order and file shall not be public and shall only be accessible to the court, petitioner, law enforcement, domestic violence advocate or counselor, counsel of record for either party, and the State's Attorney for the county until the petition is served on the respondent. Effective immediately. (No Position)

**SB 3667 (P.A. 102-0853) (Sen. Stadelman; Rep. West, II) – ELECTRONIC PROTECTIVE ORDERS**
Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, the Stalking No Contact Order Act, the Civil No Contact Order Act, and the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986. Permits a court in a county with a population above 250,000 to offer the option of a remote hearing to a petitioner for a protective order, stalking no contact order, civil no contact order, or order of protection. (No Position)

Amends the Missing Persons Identification Act. Provides that a coroner or medical examiner with custody of human remains that are not identified within 72 hours of discovery shall promptly notify the Federal Bureau of Investigation of the location of those remains and the failure to identify the remains. (No Position)
Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Permits the disclosure of juvenile law enforcement records to the appropriate school official only if the agency or officer believes that there is an imminent threat of physical harm to students, school personnel, or others. (No Position)

ELECTIONS

HB 625 (P.A. 102-0908) (Rep. Keicher; Sen. Cunningham) – CONFIDENTIAL VOTING INFORMATION
Amends the Address Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking Act. Changes the name of the Act to the Address Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human Trafficking, or Stalking Act. Provides instead that a program participant who is otherwise qualified to vote may register to vote by submitting an Illinois Address Confidentiality Program Voter Registration Application created by the State Board of Elections to the appropriate election authority. Provides that the State Board of Elections (rather than the Attorney General) shall adopt rules to ensure the integrity of the voting process and the confidentiality of the program participant. In a provision regarding when disclosure of an address is prohibited, removes the exception requirement that a certification has been canceled. Exempts a program participant's address and phone number on file with the Attorney General from being disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes corresponding changes in the Freedom of Information Act and the Election Code. (No Position)

Amends the Election Code. Creates the Public Financing of Judicial Elections Task Force. Sets forth the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the Task Force shall study the feasibility of implementing a system of campaign finance that would allow public funds to be used to subsidize campaigns for candidates for judicial office in exchange for voluntary adherence by those campaigns to specified expenditure limitations. Provides that a political committee that is self-funding and is established to support or oppose a candidate for the Supreme Court, the Appellate Court, or the Circuit Court may not accept contributions from any single person, other than the judicial candidate or the candidate's immediate family, in a cumulative amount that exceeds $500,000 in any election cycle. Provides that an independent expenditure committee established to support or oppose a candidate for the Supreme Court, the Appellate Court, or the Circuit Court may not accept contributions from any single source that exceed $500,000 in any election cycle. Provides that certain contributions to political committees from committees, associations, or other entities that are not required to disclose their contributors are considered anonymous donations, unless the political committee reports to the State Board of Elections all persons who have contributed in excess of $500 during the same election cycle to the committee, association, or other organization or group making the contribution. (No Position)

HB 1953 (P.A. 102-0692) (Rep. Stuart; Sen. Morrison) – VOTE BY MAIL
Amends the Election Code. Provides that, notwithstanding any other provisions relating to voting by mail, for the 2022 general primary election, electors may request vote by mail ballots for the general primary election beginning on March 30, 2022, but no later than June 23, 2022. In
provisions relating to petitions for nominations, for the 2022 general primary election only, the petition circulator shall certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of January 13, 2022 through March 14, 2022 or certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of January 13, 2022, through the date on which this Statement was sworn or affirmed to. (No Position)

The bill establishes judicial subcircuit boundaries for the Cook County Judicial Subcircuit, the 16th (Kane) and 19th (Lake) Circuits, as well as the proposed creation of subcircuits in the 3rd (Madison and Bond), 7th (Sangamon, Morgan, Scott, Greene, Jersey and Macoupin), 17th (Winnebago and Boone) and 18th (DuPage) Circuits. Redrawn subcircuits for the 12th and 22nd Circuits are expected in the near future. The proposed drawing of subcircuits will not impact the tenure of current circuit court judges. (No Position)

SB 829 (P.A. 102-0819) (Sen. Morrison; Rep. Stuart) – ELECTION – VOTE BY MAIL SYSTEM
Amends the Election Code. Provides that the State Board of Elections shall provide a certified remote accessible vote by mail system for the General Election of November 8, 2022, and all subsequent elections, through which a vote by mail ballot can be delivered by electronic transmission to voters with print disabilities and through which voters with print disabilities are able to mark and verify their ballots using assistive technology. Provides that election authorities shall permit voters with a print disability to receive and mark their vote by mail ballots (i) through that certified remote accessible vote by mail system or (ii) through a certified remote accessible vote by mail system provided by the election authority. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately. (No Position)

ENVIRONMENT

Amends the Environmental Protection Act to require public water supply operators to notify specified healthcare facilities and their water supply operator not more than 30 days, but no fewer than 15 days before any known, planned or anticipated disruption event and within two hours after being aware of an unplanned disruption event. (No Position)

SB 3178 (P.A. 102-1008) (Sen. Bennett; Rep. Halpin) – RIVERS OF IL COORDINATING COUNCIL ACT
Creates the Rivers of Illinois Coordinating Council Act. Provides for the codification of the Rivers of Illinois Coordinating Council. Provides that the Council is the successor to: (i) the Illinois River Coordinating Council; (ii) the Mississippi River Coordinating Council; and (iii) the Wabash and Ohio River Coordinating Council. Provides for the consolidation and transfer of powers to the Council. Establishes the Rivers of Illinois Coordinating Council as consisting of 20 voting members to be appointed by the Governor. Specifies the membership of the Council. Provides for membership terms and meetings. Provides that the Office of the Lieutenant Governor shall be responsible for the operations of the Council, including, without limitation, funding and oversight of the Council's activities. Provides that members of the Council shall serve without compensation, but the Office of the Lieutenant Governor may reimburse members of the Council for travel

**SB 3613 (P.A. 102-1086) (Sen. Ellman; Rep. Costa Howard) – HYDROGEN ECONOMY TASK FORCE**


Amends the Solid Waste Site Operator Certification Law. Creates a Solid Waste Site Operator Certification. Provides that a landfill site that accepts non-hazardous solid waste shall have a Solid Waste Site Operator Certification. Provides that a landfill site which accepts special waste shall have a Solid Waste Site Operator certified by the Environmental Protection Agency. Provides that solid waste site operators shall be certified based on level of competency determined by examination and in accordance with educational and experience level. (No Position)


Amends the Counties Code. Provides that counties and municipalities must maintain documentation submitted by a contractor on the disposal of specified demolition debris, clean or general, or uncontaminated soil. The documentation required by the provisions do not apply to a permitted pollution control facility that transfers or accepts construction or demolition debris, clean or general, or uncontaminated soil for final disposal, recycling, or treatment. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately. (No Position)

**LABOR AND PERSONNEL**


Amends the Workers' Compensation Act. Replaces language regarding the qualifications of Commissioners of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission with language requiring each Commissioner appointed on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act to be authorized to practice law in this State. Provides that the performance of arbitrators shall be reviewed by the Chairman every other year, or more often at the discretion of the Chairman (rather than on an annual basis). Provides that no arbitrator shall hear cases in any county, other than Cook County, for more than 4 years consecutively (rather than 2 years in each 3-year term). Provides for the dissolution of the Self-Insurers Administration Fund and for the transfer of the moneys in that fund to the Self-Insurers Security Fund. Authorizes expenditures from the Self-Insurers Security Fund for the purposes that were authorized for the Self-Insurers Administration Fund. Effective immediately. (No Position)

**HB 1321 (P.A. 102-0911) (Rep. LaPointe; Sen. Hastings) – FIRST RESPONDER MENTAL HEALTH GRANT ACT**

Creates the First Responder Mental Health Grant Program Act. Provides that, subject to appropriation, there is created within the Department of Human Services a First Responder
Behavioral Health Grant Program to provide grants to the following recipients: (1) units of local government; (2) law enforcement agencies; (3) fire protection districts; (4) school districts; (5) public or private hospitals; or (6) ambulance services that employ first responders. (No Position)

Amends the Department of Human Services Act. Provides that the amendatory Act may be referred to as the First Responders Child Care Act. Provides that subject to appropriation, the Department of Human Services shall establish and administer an Off-Hours Child Care Program to help first responders and other workers identify and access off-hours, night, or sleep time child care. (No Position)

HB 4209 (P.A. 102-1061) (Rep. Stuart; Sen. Crowe) – TRANSFER POLICE PENSION SERVICE
Reinserts the provisions of the engrossed bill with the following changes. Further amends the Downstate Police and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on and after July 1, 2022, but no later than December 1, 2022, a participating employee who is actively employed as a sheriff's law enforcement employee under IMRF may make a written election to transfer up to 10 years of creditable service from a fund established under the Downstate Police Article to IMRF. Provides that to establish that service, the participating employee must either elect to pay a specified amount to IMRF or have the amount of his or her creditable service established reduced by a specified amount. Provides that in no event shall the service credit established under the provisions exceed the lesser of 10 years or the actual amount of service credit that had been earned in the police pension fund. Provides that if the amount transferred to IMRF is greater than a specified amount, the additional amount shall be credited to the account of the sheriff's law enforcement employee’s employer. Effective immediately, except that certain provisions are effective January 1, 2023. (No Position)

HB 4271 (P.A. 102-0731) (Rep. Kifowit; Sen. Fine) – INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BREAST REDUCTION SURGERY
Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued, or renewed on or after January 1, 2024 shall provide coverage for medically necessary breast reduction surgery. Makes conforming changes in the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, the Counties Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, the School Code, the Health Maintenance Organization, the Limited Health Service Organization Act, and the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act. (No Position)

Amends the Occupational Safety and Health Act. Provides that citations and notice of violations may be sent to an employer by email to an email address previously designated by the employer for purposes of receiving notice. Provides that a public employer that intentionally violates specified provisions may be assessed a civil penalty of not more than $10,000 per violation (rather than $10,000). Provides that a person may not discharge or in any way discriminate against an employee because the employee has reported potential violations of the Act to a member of management with authority to address the concerns. (No Position)

Amends the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that each participating municipality or instrumentality that employs an employee who is an elected trustee shall make available to the elected trustee at least 20 days of paid leave of absence per year for the purpose of attending meetings of the Board of Trustees, committee meetings of the Board of Trustees, and seminars regarding issues for which the Board of Trustees is responsible. Provides that the Fund may reimburse affected participating municipalities and instrumentalities for the actual cost of hiring a substitute employee during such leaves of absence. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. (No Position)

**HB 4667 (P.A. 102-0779) (Rep. Yednock; Sen. Cunningham) – QUALIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

Amends the Unified Code of Corrections and the County Jail Act. Provides that deputies, county correctional officers, and correctional officers of the Department of Corrections shall be deemed to be qualified law enforcement officers or, if retired, shall be deemed qualified retired or separated law enforcement officers in Illinois for purposes of coverage under the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004 and shall have all rights and privileges granted by that Act if they are otherwise compliant with the applicable laws of this State governing the implementation and administration of the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004 in the State of Illinois. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012 to make conforming changes. (No Position)


Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or a managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued, or renewed on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act shall provide coverage for hormone therapy treatment to treat menopause that has been induced by a hysterectomy. Makes conforming changes in The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, the Counties Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, the School Code, the Health Maintenance Organization Act, the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act, and the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. (No Position)

**HB 5585 (P.A. 102-0816) (Rep. Lily; Sen. Harris, III) – HOME HEALTH COVERAGE**

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or a managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued, or renewed on or after January 1, 2024 shall provide coverage for access to home health services for the duration of medically necessary care. Makes conforming changes in the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, the Counties Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, the School Code, the Health Maintenance Organization Act, the Limited Health Service Organization Act, the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act, and the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. (No Position)

**SB 2969 (P.A. 102-1093) (Sen. Turner; Rep. Cassidy) –GLUCOSE MONITOR COVERAGE**

Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or a managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued, or renewed on or after January 1, 2024 (rather than 2023) shall provide coverage for medically necessary continuous glucose monitors for individuals who are diagnosed with type 1 or type 2 diabetes and require insulin for the management of their diabetes. (No Position)
SB 3120 (P.A. 102-1050) (Sen. Bush; Rep. Moeller) – FAMILY BEREAVEMENT LEAVE ACT
Amends the Child Bereavement Leave Act. Changes the name of the Act to the Family Bereavement Leave Act. Provides that all employees shall be entitled to use a maximum of 2 weeks (10 work days) of unpaid bereavement leave to be absent from work due to (i) a miscarriage; (ii) an unsuccessful round of intrauterine insemination or of an assisted reproductive technology procedure; (iii) a failed adoption match or an adoption that is not finalized because it is contested by another party; (iv) a failed surrogacy agreement; (v) a diagnosis that negatively impacts pregnancy or fertility; or (vi) a stillbirth. Provides that the employer may not require that the employee identify which category of event the leave pertains to as a condition of exercising rights under the Act. Changes references from "child" to "covered family members". Defines terms. (No Position)

SB 3146 (P.A. 102-0828) (Sen. Villanueva; Rep. Collins) – ONE DAY REST IN SEVEN ACT – PENALTIES
Amends the One Day Rest In Seven Act. Provides that any employer who violates any of the provisions of the Act, shall be guilty of a civil offense, and shall be subject to a civil penalty. Provides that for an employer with fewer than 25 employees, the civil penalty shall not exceed $250 per offense, payable to the Department of Labor, and damages of up to $250 per offense, payable to the employee or employees affected. Provides that for an employer with 25 or more employees, the civil penalty shall not exceed $500 per offense, payable to the Department, and damages of up to $500 per offense, payable to the employee or employees affected. Provides that an offense under the Act shall be determined on an individual basis for each employee whose rights are violated. (No Position)

SB 3416 (P.A. 102-1012) (Sen. Jones, Ill; Rep. Evans, Jr.) – ONE DAY REST IN SEVEN ACT – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
Amends the One Day Rest In Seven Act. Provides that specified provisions of the Act do not apply to employees for whom work hours, days of work, and rest periods are established through the collective bargaining process. (No Position)

Amends the Illinois Human Rights Act. Provides that the amendatory Act may be referred to as the CROWN (Create a Respectful and Open Workplace for Natural Hair) Act. Provides that "race" includes traits associated with race, including, but not limited to, hair texture and protective hairstyles such as braids, locks, and twists. Provides that, with respect to places of public accommodation, the Department of Human Rights has jurisdiction over the denial or refusal of the full and equal enjoyment of (rather than the denial of access to) facilities, goods, or services. (No Position)

SB 3651 (P.A. 102-0849) (Sen. Villa; Rep. Hirschauer) – IMRF CONTRIBUTIONS
Amends the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that when assessing payment for any amount due under a provision requiring an additional employer contribution for certain earnings increases, IMRF shall exclude reportable earnings increases resulting from periods where the member was paid through workers' compensation. Effective immediately. (No Position)
SB 3652 (P.A. 102-0850) (Sen. Villa; Rep. Hirschauer) – IMRF EARLY RETIREMENT
Amends the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In a provision authorizing a participating employer to create an early retirement incentive program if the participating employer adopts a specified resolution or ordinance, provides that the resolution or ordinance must contain language specifying that a person who retires under the early retirement incentive program shall lose those incentives if he or she later accepts employment with or enters into a personal services contract with any IMRF employer (instead of any IMRF employer in a position for which participation in IMRF is required or is elected by the employee). Effective immediately. (No Position)

SB 3785 (P.A. 102-0857) (Sen. Curran; Rep. Batinick) – IMRF TO ARTICLE 3 – TRANSFER
Amends the Downstate Police and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that within 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, a person may transfer to a fund established under the Downstate Police Article creditable service accumulated under IMRF for service as a county correctional officer upon payment to the police pension fund of a specified amount to be determined by the board. (No Position)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATION

SB 3789 (P.A. 102-1088) (Sen. Morrison; Rep. Carroll) – DECENTRICAL COMMITTEES ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY ACT
Creates the Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency Act. Provides that, within one year after the effective date of the Act and at least once every 10 years thereafter, each unit of local government that may levy any tax (except municipalities and counties) must form a committee to: study local efficiencies and create a report with recommendations regarding efficiencies, increased accountability and consolidation. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately. (No Position)

MISCELLANEOUS

HB 3205 (P.A. 102-1056) (Rep. LaPointe; Sen. Feigenholtz) – FAIR FOOD AND RETAIL DELIVERY ACT
Creates the Fair Food and Retail Delivery Act. Prohibits a third-party delivery service from using the likeness, registered trademark, or intellectual property belonging to a merchant, and from taking or arranging for the pickup or delivery of an order from a merchant through the digital network, without first obtaining written consent from the merchant. Provides that a merchant whose likeness is used, or pickup or delivery is arranged through a third-party delivery service in violation of the Act, may bring an action in the circuit court in the county in which the merchant conducts business to recover actual damages or up to $5,000, whichever is greater. Provides that the court may, in its discretion, award punitive damages and other equitable relief it deems appropriate. (No Position)

HB 4366 (P.A. 102-0770) (Rep. Harris, III; Sen. Davis) – GUARDIAN APPOINTMENT – TRAINING
The bill amends the Guardians For Adults With Disabilities Article of the Probate Act of 1975. Extends the requirement to complete a training program created under the Guardianship and
Advocacy Act to Cook County. (No Position)

Amends the State Commemorative Dates Act. Provides that August 1 of each year is designated as Sweet Corn Appreciation Day, to be observed throughout the State as a day to celebrate the importance of sweet corn to Illinois agriculture, and in recognition of family farmers. (No Position)

HB 4811 (P.A. 102-0701) (Rep. Butler; Sen. Murphy) – COMMEMORATIVE DATES ACT – REPUBLIC OF IRELAND DAY
Amends the State Commemorative Dates Act. Provides that April 18 of each year is designated as Republic of Ireland Day to be observed throughout the State as a day in recognition of the anniversary of April 18, 1949, the day in which the Republic of Ireland officially declared itself independent from Great Britain, in recognition of the Republic of Ireland and its people, and in recognition of the many Illinoisans of Irish descent who have made a lasting impact upon our State. (No Position)

Amends the Local Journalism Task Force Act. Adds additional members to be appointed by the Governor to the Local Journalism Task Force. (No Position)

SB 3179 (P.A.102-1009) (Sen. Bennett; Rep. Ammons) – CENTER FOR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ACT
Creates the Illinois Center for Geographic Information Act. Creates the Illinois Center for Geographic Information within the Prairie Research Institute at the University of Illinois. Provides that the Center shall evaluate proposals, in consultation with an Intergovernmental Advisory Committee, and make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on the efficient development, use, and funding of geographic information management technology for State, regional, local, and academic agencies and institutions. Provides that the Prairie Research Institute shall form an Intergovernmental Advisory Committee that shall serve in an advisory capacity for the Center. Provides that the Center shall engage with interested stakeholders throughout the State. Provides that the Center shall have the authority to initiate and enter into intergovernmental data sharing agreements on behalf of the State for the benefit of geographic information coordination. Repeals the Illinois Geographic Information Council Act. Effective immediately. (No Position)

Amends the Counties Code. Provides that a physical or electronic image of the recorder's stamp satisfies the signature requirement for recorded instruments prior to, on, and after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Makes corresponding changes. Effective immediately. (Support)

Requires the Secretary of Innovation and Technology to establish a cybersecurity liaison program to advise and assist units of local government concerning specified cybersecurity issues. Provides for
cybersecurity training for employees of counties and municipalities. Makes conforming changes. (Support)

PUBLIC HEALTH, HOSPITAL FACILITIES AND NURSING HOMES

Creates the Latex Glove Ban Act. Prohibits the use of latex gloves by (1) EMS personnel on and after January 1, 2023, and (2) health care facility personnel on and after January 1, 2024. Provides that, if a crisis exists that interrupts their ability to reliably source nonlatex gloves, EMS personnel and health care facility personnel may use latex gloves upon a patient, but shall prioritize, to the extent possible, using nonlatex gloves for the treatment of specified patients. (No Position)

HB 246 (P.A. 102-1035) (Rep. Moeller; Sen. Gillespie) – NURSING SERVICE REIMBURSEMENTS
Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. In the Medical Assistance Article, provides that notwithstanding any other provisions of the Code, the methodologies for reimbursement of nursing services shall no longer be applicable for bills payable for nursing services rendered on or after a new reimbursement system based on the Patient Driven Payment Model (PDPM) has been fully operationalized, which shall take effect for services provided on or after the implementation of the PDPM reimbursement system begins. Establishes an implementation date for the PDPM reimbursement system if certain conditions are met. Contains provisions concerning the establishment of a variable per diem staffing add-on for nursing facilities with specified staffing levels; utilization of the Staff Time and Resource Intensity Verification study; the PDPM nursing component per diem for nursing facilities for certain dates of services; a Medicaid Access Adjustment; incentive payments determined by facility performance on specified quality measures; payments based on CNA tenure, promotion, and CNA training for the purpose of increasing CNA compensation; and other matters. In the Long-Term Care Provider Funding Article, provides that for the privilege of engaging in the occupation of long-term care provider for each occupied non-Medicare bed day, beginning July 1, 2022, an assessment is imposed upon each long-term care provider in an amount varying with the number of paid Medicaid resident days per annum in the facility with the following schedule of occupied bed tax amounts. Makes changes concerning reporting requirements, the Long-Term Care Provider Fund, and other matters. In the Nursing Home License Fee Article, provides that a specified provision imposing licensing fees on nursing home providers is repealed on July 1, 2024. Amends the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. Grants the Department of Healthcare and Family Services emergency rulemaking authority to implement certain provisions of the amendatory Act. Effective immediately. (No Position)

The bill extends and expands the Hospital Assessment Program through 2026. The new law helps ensure cash-flow predictability for hospitals, tying greater funding to higher Medicaid use to protect safety net hospitals. Also, certain hospitals are re-classified, and some tax exemptions and waivers are enacted to help hospitals recover from the effects of COVID-19. (No Position)

Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code
of Illinois. Defines "homeless service provider" to mean a person or entity who provides services to homeless persons under any of the programs of or identified by the Department of Human Services. Requires the Department of Public Health to consider all homeless service providers in the State to be essential critical infrastructure workers under specified guidance from the federal Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. Provides that during a federally-designated public health emergency or a public health disaster declared by a proclamation issued by the Governor under specified provisions of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, the Department and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency shall offer recommendations to their local counterparts encouraging them to consider homeless service providers when making determinations about providing assistance. (No Position)

**HB 4369 (P.A. 102-0771) (Rep. Collins; Sen. Simmons) – LEAD POISONING PREVENTION**
Amends the Lead Poisoning Prevention Act. Provides that the Department of Public Health or its delegate agency shall (rather than may) conduct a follow-up inspection of any dwelling unit for which a mitigation notice was issued. (No Position)

**HB 4645 (P.A. 102-0942) (Rep. Greenwood; Sen. Hunter) – EQUITY IN HEALTH CARE ACT**
Creates the Equity and Representation in Health Care Act. Contains the findings of the General Assembly. Creates the Equity and Representation in Health Care Workforce Repayment Program and the Equity and Representation in Health Care Workforce Scholarship Program to be administered by the Department of Public Health. Provides that a health care professional, medical facility, or behavioral health provider may apply to the Department for loan repayment assistance under the Program. (No Position)

Amends the Medical Patient Rights Act. Removes language providing that nothing in the Act shall restrict the ability of a health care facility to regulate the hours of visitation, the number of visitors per patient or the movement of visitors within the facility. Authorizes a skilled nursing home, extended care facility, or intermediate care facility to prohibit an individual from visiting a resident or patient of the nursing home or facility if specific facts demonstrate that the individual would endanger his or her physical health or safety or the health or safety of a resident, patient, or health care worker of the nursing home or facility. Requires the nursing homes and facilities to ensure that all visitors enjoy full and equal visitation privileges, consistent with the residents' preferences. (No Position)

**SB 1633 (P.A. 102-1080) (Sen. Villa; Rep. Mason) – NURSING HOMES – RESIDENT RIGHTS**
Provides that residents shall have the right to be treated with courtesy and respect for their individuality by employees or persons providing medical services or care and shall have their human and civil rights maintained in all aspects of medical care. Provides that residents shall not perform labor or services for a facility unless those activities are included for therapeutic purposes and appropriately goal-related in the resident's individual medical record. Provides that every facility shall have a written internal grievance procedure that, at a minimum: (1) sets forth the process to be followed; (2) specifies time limits, including time limits for facility response; (3) informs residents of their right to have the assistance of an advocate; (4) provides for a timely response by an impartial decision maker if the grievance is not otherwise resolved; (5) requires the facility to follow applicable State and federal requirements for responding to and reporting any
grievance alleging potential abuse, neglect, misappropriation of resident property, or exploitation; and (6) requires the facility to keep a copy of all grievances, responses, and outcomes for 3 years and provide the information to the Department of Public Health upon request. Requires a facility to post specified information concerning rights protection services and where complaints may be lodged. Provides that a facility shall include a link to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program's website on the home page of the facility's website. Makes other changes. (No Position)

Amends the University of Illinois Hospital Act, the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act, and the Hospital Licensing Act. In provisions regarding surgical smoke plume evacuation, provides that "surgical smoke plume evacuation system" means a dedicated device that is designed to capture, transport, and filter (rather than capture, transport, filter, and neutralize) surgical smoke plume at the site of origin and before it can diffuse and pose a risk to the occupants of the operating or treatment room (rather than before surgical smoke plume can make ocular contact, or contact with the respiratory tract, of an employee). Corrects a typographical error. Effective immediately. (No Position)

The bill amends the Loan Repayment Assistance for Physicians Act to address the shortage of healthcare providers (especially obstetrical services) in rural committees. (No Position)

SB 3023 (P.A. 102-1097) (Sen. Morrison; Rep. Cassidy) – SEXUAL ASSAULT – ACCESS TO MEDICAL FORENSIC EXAMINER AND MEDICAL STAFF
Amends the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Changes the definition of "follow-up healthcare" to mean specified healthcare services within 180 (instead of 90) days of the initial visit for medical forensic services. Makes corresponding changes. If medical forensic services are not available on-site during an approved federally qualified health center's hours of operation, the federally qualified health center must notify the Department of Public Health within 24 hours of the date and time services became unavailable and the reason why services are unavailable in a form and manner prescribed by the Department. Provides that, if a federally qualified health center's treatment plan is terminated, the federally qualified health center must submit to the Department for approval, before providing medical forensic services, a new treatment plan and a list of qualified medical providers to ensure coverage for the days and hours of operation. Provides that a federally qualified health center must employ a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Coordinator who is a qualified medical provider and a Medical Director who is a qualified medical provider. Provides that each approved federally qualified health center shall ensure that specified physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice registered nurses, and registered professional nurses receive specified sexual assault training and continuing education. Provides that sexual assault training pro. (No Position)

Amends the University of Illinois Hospital Act, the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act, the Community Living Facilities Licensing Act, the Life Care Facilities Act, the Nursing Home Care Act, the MC/DD Act, the ID/DD Community Care Act, and the Hospital Licensing Act. Provides
that hospitals, establishments, or facilities organized or licensed under the Acts shall ensure that specified employees of the hospital, establishment, or facility are made aware of employee assistance programs or other like programs available for the physical and mental well-being of the employees. Requires hospitals, establishments, or facilities to provide information on these programs, no less than at the time of employment and during any benefit open enrollment period, by an information form about the respective programs that an employee must sign during onboarding at the hospital. Contains other provisions. (No Position)

**SB 3617 (P.A. 102-1053) (Sen. Fine; Rep. Conroy) – INCREASED ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

Creates the Ensuring a More Qualified, Competent, and Diverse Community Behavioral Health Workforce Act. Requires the Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health, to award grants or contracts to licensed community mental health centers or behavioral health clinics to establish or enhance training and supervision of interns and behavioral health providers-in-training pursuing licensure as a licensed clinical social worker, licensed clinical professional counselor, and licensed marriage and family therapist. Creates the Mental Health Assessment Reform Act to remove barriers to care in the Medicaid mental health assessment and treatment planning process. Creates the Recovery and Mental Health Tax Credit Act. (No Position)


Creates the Reducing Cervical Cancer and Saving Lives Act. Provides that hospitals, outpatient departments, clinics, mobile units, or other entities that provide a cervical cancer screening service shall prepare a written report of the results of any cervical cancer screening service provided to a patient. Requires a summary of the written report to be sent directly to the patient in terms easily understood by a lay person. (No Position)

**PUBLIC MEETINGS AND INFORMATION**

**SB 1411 (P.A. 102-0739) (Sen. Plummer; Rep. Friess) – DEATH CERTIFICATES – SERVICE MEMBER**

Amends the Vital Records Act. Provides that upon receipt of a written request from any applicant entitled to such a search, a local registrar or county clerk shall search available files for the death certificate of an active duty or retired service member of the United States military. Provides that if the death certificate requested by the applicant is found, the local registrar or county clerk shall furnish the applicant with one certified copy of the death certificate, under the seal of the local registrar's or county clerk's office, at no cost to the applicant. Provides that a local registrar or county clerk shall not require a fee from the applicant of more than $6 for any subsequent copy of the service member's death certificate or certification attesting that the death certificate of the service member was not found. Contains other provisions. (No Position)

**SB 3024 (P.A. 102-0751) (Sen. Bush; Rep. Willis) – ACCESS TO PRESCRIPTION MONITORING SYSTEM DATA**

Amends the Illinois Controlled Substances Act. Provides that, in accordance with a confidentiality agreement entered into with the Department of Human Services, a medical director, or a public health administrator and their delegated analysts, of a county or municipal health department or the Department of Public Health shall have access to data from the prescription monitoring system for any of the following purposes: (1) developing education programs or public health interventions
relating to prescribing trends and controlled substance use; or (2) conducting analyses and publish reports on prescribing trends in their respective jurisdictions. Provides that, at a minimum, the confidentiality agreement entered into with the Department shall: (i) prohibit analysis and reports produced under subparagraph (2) from including information that identifies, by name, license, or address, any practitioner, dispenser, ultimate user, or other person administering a controlled substance; and (ii) specify the appropriate technical and physical safeguards that the county or municipal health department must implement to ensure the privacy and security of data obtained from the system. Provides that the data from the system shall not be admissible as evidence, nor discoverable in any action of any kind in any court or before any tribunal, board, agency, or person. Provides that the disclosure of any such information or data, whether proper or improper, shall not waive or have any effect upon its confidentiality, non-discoverability, or non-admissibility. Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of the Act, neither the Prescription Monitoring Program nor any other person shall disclose any information in violation of the restrictions and requirements implemented under Public Act 102-527 concerning opioid treatment programs licensed or certified by the Department of Human Services' Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery that are authorized by the federal Drug Enforcement Administration to prescribe Schedule II, III, IV, or V controlled substances for the treatment of opioid use disorders. (No Position)

REVENUE

Amends the State Comptroller Act. Authorizes the Comptroller to establish and maintain an interactive map on the Comptroller's Internet website that provides the location and annual financial information of taxing bodies as reported to the Comptroller's office. (No Position)

HB 900 (P.A. 102-0698) (Speaker Welch; Sen. Sims) – SFY 2023 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
Appropriates spending for the SFY 2023 state budget. (No Position)

Provides that the Parking Excise Tax does not apply to: (1) a parking area or garage operated by the State, a State university, or a unit of local government; (2) the purchase of a parking space by the State, a State university, or a unit of local government for use by employees of the State, State university, or unit of local government; (3) a parking space leased to a governmental entity for use by the public; or (4) a parking area or garage owned and operated by a person engaged in the business of renting real estate and used by the lessee to park motor vehicles, recreational vehicles, or self-propelled vehicles for the lessee's own use. Effective immediately. (Support)

HB 4326 (P.A. 102-1062) (Rep. Stuart; Sen. Belt) – SCHOOL FACILITY OCCUPATION TAX REVENUE
Provides that 50% of the 2% deducted from the amounts collected for the school facility occupation tax shall be deposited into the Tax Compliance and Administration Fund and 50% shall be distributed to the regional superintendent of schools to cover the costs in administering and enforcing the provisions of this Section. (No Position)
Amends the Illinois Department of Revenue Sunshine Act. Provides that the Department of Revenue shall submit for publication (currently, publish) quarterly in the Illinois Register an index of any informal rulings, opinions or letters issued by the Department of Revenue during the quarter and required to be made available. Effective January 1, 2023. (Support)

Amends the Community Mental Health Act. Changes the form of the proposition regarding an annual tax for providing mental health facilities and services. Effective immediately. (No Position)

Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Provides that the requirements established under the Act do not apply to awards, including capital appropriated funds, made by the Department of Transportation to units of local government for the purposes of transportation projects utilizing State, or State and federal funds. (Support)

Creates the FY2023 Budget Implementation Act. Makes the changes necessary to implement the State budget for fiscal year 2023. Effective immediately, except that (i) some specified provisions take effect on July 1, 2022 and (ii) other specified provisions take effect upon becoming law or on the date Senate Bill 3023 of the 102nd General Assembly takes effect, whichever is later. (No Position)

Amends the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act. Provides that all general taxes levied by the board of any forest preserve district shall be levied by general categories after the first Monday in October and by the first Monday in December annually for all fiscal years in the same manner as taxes are levied for city and village purposes. Effective immediately. (Support)

Amends the Counties Code. Provides that the Cook County Treasurer shall maintain a special fund known as the Cook County Housing Trust Fund for which the Housing Authority of Cook County shall be the sole beneficiary. Provides that the Fund may receive moneys from appropriations from the State for use by the Housing Authority of Cook County, as well as loan repayments, cash distributions from equity investments, and similar cash payments generated by a funded project that may be redeposited into the Fund and used for additional projects. Specifies the use of moneys in the Fund. Requires the Cook County Treasurer, in consultation with the Housing Authority of Cook County, to make accounting annually to the Cook County Board of Commissioners through the County Clerk of the use of moneys maintained in the Fund. (No Position)

HB 5184 (P.A. 102-0732) (Rep. Kifowit; Sen. Wilcox) – VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
In a provision permitting a county with a Veterans Assistance Commission to impose a tax on all taxable property for the purpose of providing assistance to military veterans and their families,
provides that the tax shall be separate from all other taxes which the county is authorized to levy. Provides that in counties where a Veterans Assistance Commission has been properly created, those County Veterans Assistance Commissions shall be in charge of the administration of the assistance provided under certain provisions of the Illinois Public Aid Code. Further amends the Military Veterans Assistance Act. Makes changes to the definition of "veteran service organization". Provides that it shall be the duty of the commander, quartermaster, or commandant (rather than the commander) of each veteran service organization to send the commander, quartermaster, or commandant (rather than the commander) of every other organization a written list of the names of all persons to whom assistance has been granted during the preceding month. Provides that in a county having 2 or more veteran service organizations, the Veterans Assistance Commission of such county may (rather than shall) act as the central service office for all veterans and their families and for the families of deceased veterans. Makes other changes. (No Position)

HB 5502 (P.A. 102-0983) (Rep. Willis; Sen. Cunningham) – EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEMS ACT – VARIOUS  
Amends the Emergency Telephone System Act. Modifies provisions relating to private residential switch services to indicate that such services and multi-line telephone system (MLTS) 9-1-1 services installed, managed, or operated before February 16, 2020 shall ensure that the system is connected to the public switched telephone network such that calls to 9-1-1 route to the appropriate 9-1-1 jurisdiction and makes other changes. (No Position)

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that with the exception of a county or taxing district acquiring tax certificates to property, all purchasers or assignees of a property at a tax sale shall pay the clerk postage plus the sum of $10 dollars (currently, the purchaser or assignee). Provides that not less than 1 month (currently, 3 months) nor more than 6 months prior to the expiration of the period of redemption, the purchaser or his or her assignee shall prepare and deliver to the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which the property is located, the notice provided for, together with the statutory costs for mailing the notice by certified mail, return receipt requested. Provides that notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, all properties owned and held for future development by specified entities are exempt from property taxes. Provides requirements to claim the exemption. Specifies the County of Cook d/b/a Cook County Land Bank, South Suburban Land Bank and Development Authority and Northern Illinois Land Bank Authority as entities exempt from property taxes. Provides that when property is owned and held by a specified entity, then excludes them from needing to file an application with the county board of review or board of appeals. Provides that the decision of the board of review is final with regards to exemptions to the specified entities. Effective immediately. Adds the South Suburban Land Bank and Development Authority and the Northern Illinois Land Bank Authority to the list of entities whose property is exempt if it is held for future development. Makes a conforming change concerning final decisions of the board of review. Effective immediately. (Support)

Revenue omnibus package that includes the following tax relief provisions, none of which will negatively impact local tax collections: (1) temporary, six-month suspension (July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022) of the state’s scheduled inflationary increase of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT); (2)
sales tax holiday on school supplies (August 5, 2022, through August 14, 2022); (3) temporary, one-year suspension of the sales tax on groceries, but not pharmaceuticals. The bill includes reimbursements for local units of government from the newly-created Grocery Tax Replacement Fund; and (4) one-time property tax rebate of up to $300 for specified taxpayers and a one-time income tax rebate of $50 for single filers, $100 for joint filers, with an additional $100 for each dependent (up to three dependents) for certain taxpayers based on their adjusted gross income. (No Position)

Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for levy years 2022 and later, the taxing district's aggregate extension base is the greater of (A) the district's last preceding aggregate extension limit or (B) the district's last preceding aggregate extension, subject to certain adjustments. Provides that the term "aggregate extension limit" means the district's last preceding aggregate extension if the taxing district had utilized the maximum limiting rate permitted without referendum for each of the 5 immediately preceding levy years. Provides that the maximum reduction under the General Homestead Exemption is $10,000 in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, $8,000 in counties that are contiguous to a county of 3,000,000 or more inhabitants and $6,000 in all other counties. Provides that the maximum reduction under the senior citizens homestead exemption is $8,000 in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants and counties that are contiguous to a county of 3,000,000 or more inhabitants and $5,000 in all other counties (currently, $8,000 in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants and $5,000 in all other counties). In provisions concerning the homestead exemption for veterans with disabilities, makes changes concerning the surviving spouse. Provides that the interest rate under the Senior Citizens Real Estate Tax Deferral Act is reduced from 6% to 4%. Amends the School Code. Contains provisions concerning interfund transfers and disclosure of cash reserve balances. Amends the Department of Revenue Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to require the Department of Revenue to conduct a study concerning the homestead exemption for veterans with disabilities. Effective immediately. (No Position)

Amends the Property Tax Code. In provisions concerning the scavenger sale, repeals provisions added by Public Act 102-528 that require the county clerk to mail notice of the expiration of the period of redemption within 30 days from the date of the filing of addresses with the clerk. Requires the purchaser of the certificate of purchase to prepare the notice of the expiration of the period of redemption and deliver it to the clerk of the Circuit Court not more than 6 months and not less than 111 days prior to the expiration of the period of redemption. Requires the clerk to mail the notices not less than 3 months prior to the expiration of the period of redemption. Effective immediately. (No Position)

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that certain property located in Bloom, Bremen, Calumet, Rich, Thornton or Worth Township may be certified as southland reactivation property. Provides that, beginning with the first tax year after the property is certified as southland reactivation property and continuing through the twelfth tax year after the property is certified as southland reactivation property, the property shall be valued at 50% of the base year equalized
assessed value. Provides that the base year is the last tax year prior to the date of the application for southland reactivation designation during which the property was occupied and assessed and had an equalized assessed value. Sets forth the maximum aggregate tax liability for property that has been certified as southland reactivation property. Effective immediately.  

Amends the Property Tax Code, the Community Care for Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act, the Counties Code, and the Community Mental Health Act. Contains provisions validating certain tax levies for community mental health boards. In provisions validating certain boards and levies, provides that those provisions apply on and after January 1, 1994 and on or before the effective date of the amendatory Act. Effective immediately.  

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that courses and training for the Certified Illinois Assessing Officer certificate shall be held in a manner and format deemed appropriate by the Department of Revenue. Removes a requirement that the hearing concerning the tentative equalization factor shall be held in either Chicago or Springfield. Effective January 1, 2023.  

Amends the Property Tax Code. Modifies "assessed value for the residential real property in the base year" to mean the assessed value used to calculate the tax bill, as certified by the Board of Review, for the tax year immediately prior to the tax year in which the building permit is issued; for property assessed as other than residential property, the "assessed value for the residential real property in the base year" means the assessed value that would have been obtained had the property been classified as residential as derived from the Board of Review's certified market value. Modifies "maximum income limits" to include when a property may be deemed to have satisfied the maximum income limits with a weighted average if municipal, state, or federal laws, ordinances, rules or regulations requires the use of a weighted average of no more than 60% of area median income for that property. Modifies "maximum rent" to include that a property may be deemed to have satisfied the maximum rent with a weighted average if municipal, state, or federal laws, ordinances, rules or regulations requires the use of a weighted average of no more than 60% of area median income for that property.  

**TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that special speed limits while passing schools apply to local, county or State roadways.  

Amends the Water Commission Act of 1985. Defines "territorial municipality." Provides that the chairperson of a water commission shall be a resident of the home county for chairperson
appointments made after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that, upon receipt of water by any territorial municipality, one commissioner from a territorial municipality shall be appointed by the chairperson of the county board of the home county with the advice and consent of the county board and one commissioner from a territorial municipality shall be appointed by the majority vote of the mayors of those territorial municipalities. Makes conforming changes. (Support)

Creates the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Transportation Infrastructure and Policy. Provides for the membership of the Commission. (No Position)