

Amendments Filed - Week of March 27-31

The following amendments relevant to counties were filed during the week of March 27-31.

House Amendments

HB 1368 (HCA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the introduced bill with the following changes. In provisions concerning the advisory committee for the Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Assistance Program, provides that one person from the Illinois Public Defender Association (instead of one person from an office of an Illinois Public Defender) shall be on the advisory committee. Provides that if a participant in the Public Interest Attorney Loan Repayment Assistance Program has been an assistant Public Defender for at least 4 years in one or more offices of an Illinois Public Defender (instead of for at least 6 years in an office of an Illinois Public Defender, other than the Office of the Cook County Public Defender), then the maximum amount of loan repayment assistance shall be equal to the full tuition cost charged the participant while attending law school or \$30,000, whichever is greater.

Senate Amendments

SB 0836 (SFA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Creates the Paint Stewardship Act. Provides that each manufacturer of architectural paint sold or offered for sale at retail in the State shall submit to the Environmental Protection Agency a plan for the establishment of a postconsumer paint stewardship program. Requires the Agency to make a determination regarding whether to approve or disapprove the plan within 60 days of the plan being submitted. Prohibits a person from incinerating architectural paint collected pursuant to a paint stewardship plan. Requires the plan to be submitted no later than 12 months after the effective date of the Act. Restricts a manufacturer or retailer from selling or offering to sell architectural paint to any person in the State unless the manufacturer of the paint brand or the manufacturer's representative organization is implementing a paint stewardship plan. Provides that a manufacturer or representative organization participating in a postconsumer paint stewardship program shall not be liable for any claim of a violation of antitrust, restraint of trade, unfair trade practice, or other anticompetitive conduct arising from conduct undertaken in accordance with the program. Provides that by July 1, 2026, and each July 1 thereafter, a manufacturer or representative organization shall submit a report to the Agency that details the implementation of the manufacturer's or representative organization's program during the prior calendar year. Provides that financial, production, or sales data reported to the Agency by a manufacturer, retailer, or representative organization is confidential business information and is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. Requires a manufacturer or representative organization submitting a program plan to pay an administrative fee of \$10,000 to the Agency at the time of submission. Provides that by July 1, 2026, and each July 1 thereafter, a manufacturer or representative organization operating a stewardship program shall remit to the Agency a \$40,000 administration fee. Provides that on or before January 1, 2025, a manufacturer or representative organization shall implement a postconsumer paint collection plan. Provides that collection sites shall accept architectural paint from households and very small quantity generators to the extent provided in the postconsumer paint stewardship program. Sets forth penalties for violation of the Act, including a \$7,000 civil penalty per violation. States legislative findings. Defines terms. Makes a conforming change in the Freedom of Information Act.

SB 0836 (SFA 0002)

Provides that it is in the best interest of the State for paint manufacturers to, among other things, collect, transport, and process leftover paint for end-of-life management, including reuse, recycling, and disposal (rather than reuse, recycling, energy recovery, and disposal). Provides that a plan for the establishment of a postconsumer paint stewardship program shall, among other requirements, describe how postconsumer paint will be managed using the following strategies: reuse, recycling, and disposal (rather than reuse, recycling, energy recovery, and disposal).

SB 0850 (SFA 0002)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Creates the Grocery Initiative Act. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall study food insecurity in urban and rural food deserts. Provides that the Department shall establish a Grocery Initiative to expand access to healthy foods in food deserts in Illinois by providing assistance to independently owned for-profit grocery stores, as well as grocery stores owned and operated by local governmental units. Provides that the Department may enter into contracts, grants, or other agreements to administer grants and other financial support. Provides that the Department shall provide technical assistance. Provides the Department with rulemaking powers. Defines terms. Amends the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. Provides that a business that is a grocery store and receives financial support under the Grocery Initiative Act during a specified period is eligible to be a High Impact Business.

SB 0895 (SFA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that a county, road district, or municipality shall not construct, reconstruct, improve, widen, relocate, repair, alter, or maintain a highway, road, street, alley, bridge, culvert, drainage structure, sidewalk, or any other transportation-related facility that is outside of its county's boundaries unless such construction, reconstruction, improvement, widening, relocation, repair, alteration, or maintenance is provided as necessary relief services following the occurrence of a disaster as defined by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. Provides that the term "maintain" or "maintenance" does not include snow removal or the application of salt, sand, or any other substance applied for the purpose of improving the safety of vehicular or pedestrian traffic in response to the presence of prediction of ice or snow.

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SB 1213 (SFA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that "non-highway vehicle" includes a large non-highway vehicle, as defined in the Recreational Trails of Illinois Act. Requires a non-highway vehicle to have a slow moving emblem affixed to its rear if it was manufactured not to exceed 40 miles per hour. Prohibits a slow moving emblem from being affixed to any non-highway vehicle that is manufactured to exceed 40 miles per hour. Provides that a 2-wheeled non-highway vehicle shall be subject to the same safety requirements as a motorcycle. Provides that all non-highway vehicles must possess the same amount of liability insurance coverage as all other on-road vehicles. Provides that a county board shall not be deemed liable for for crashes involving the use of a non-highway vehicle on the county's roadways. Requires that 2-wheeled non-highway vehicle are subject to the same safety requirements as a motorcycle. Provides that a non-highway vehicles must possess the same amount of liability insurance coverage as all other on-road vehicles.

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SB 1438 (SFA 0002)

Provides that whenever a public utility makes an application for a grant or easement in, over, or upon real property of the State for purposes of locating and maintaining such utility, or such utility's wire, pipe, cable, fiber conduit, or other facility or equipment, the Administrator, with the consent of the agency having jurisdiction over the real property, may grant such an easement.

SB 1653 (SFA 0002)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause with provisions of the Senate Amendment No. 1, and makes the following changes: Allows the Department of Transportation to work with the University of Illinois on the pilot program. Provides that the fine shall not exceed \$1,000 (rather than the cost to repair the device).

SB 1769 (SFA 0005)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Creates the Government Zero-Emission Vehicle Act. Provides that, beginning on January 1, 2030, all passenger vehicles, except for law enforcement vehicles, purchased or leased by a governmental unit must be either a manufactured zero-emission vehicle or a converted zero-emission vehicle. Defines terms. Amends the State Mandates Act. Provides that no reimbursement by the State is required for the implementation of any mandate created by the Government Zero-Emission Vehicle Act.

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SB 1960 (SFA 0003)

Provides that the restrictions regarding low-speed electric scooters also applies to a forest preserve district and conservation district. Establishes that any authorization or regulation by a park district, forest preserve district, or conservation district applies only on property owned, managed, or leased by the park district, forest preserve district, or conservation district. Provides that every low-speed electric scooter shall be well-maintained and in good operating condition.

SB 1997 (SFA 0001)

Removes language stating that the provisions are notwithstanding any other provision of law.

SB 2212 (SFA 0002)

Provides that except as provided under specified provisions, county health departments and municipalities may regulate but shall not prohibit (rather than shall not prohibit) the ability of a retailer or restaurant to fill or refill consumer-owned containers with specified types of food. Changes references from local health department to county health department.

SB 2226 (SFA 0002)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Department of Natural Resources (Conservation) Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Reinserts the provisions of Senate Amendment No. 1. Provides that notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a Conservation Opportunity Area designation by the Department shall not be used by the Illinois Power Agency beginning with the Long-Term Renewable Resources Procurement Plan outlined in the Public Utilities Act developed in calendar year 2023 (rather than shall not be used by any State, county, or local government) as a basis to deny or withhold any: (1) regulatory action; (2) permitting; (3) licensure; and (4) funding.

SB 2277 (SFA 0003)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that the interest penalty for the delinquent payment of taxes shall be waived if the county treasurer determines that: (i) the delinquency occurred because the subject tax bill was mailed to an incorrect address or e-mailed to an e-mail address other than the e-mail address provided to the county treasurer by the taxpayer or property owner by January 1 of the applicable tax year; (ii) the mistake was not the fault of the property owner or any other entity liable for the payment of the tax; and (iii) the amount of delinquent taxes is paid in full before the annual tax sale at which the delinquent taxes would be sold. Effective immediately.

SB 2278 (SFA 0002)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that the State or any unit of local government shall not be required to design or construct a new non-designated highway to accommodate truck tractor-semitrailer combinations. Provides that each unit of local government shall (rather than may) report to the Department of Transportation, and the Department shall post on its official website, any limitations prohibiting the operation of vehicles imposed by ordinance or resolution in the unit of local government's non-designated highway system and any non-designated highway that is not designed and constructed after January 1, 2023 to the overall length dimension of vehicles permitted under the Code.