

Amendments Filed - Week of April 24-28

The following amendments relevant to counties were filed during the week of April 24-28.

House Amendments

HB 2447 (HFA 0002)

Provides that a member of a public body can attend an open meeting by other means if the member is prevented from physically attending because of unexpected childcare obligations. **Support**

HB 2518 (HFA 0002)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill, but provides that the changes take effect on January 1, 2024, and makes formatting changes. Effective immediately. **Oppose**

HB 2847 (HFA 0002)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes. Creates the Mental Health and Wellness Act (rather than the Mental Health Equity Access and Prevention Act). In provisions concerning coverage of no-cost mental health prevention and wellness visits, provides that a mental health prevention and wellness visit shall be in addition to an annual physical examination. Provides that the Department of Insurance shall update current procedural terminology codes through adoption of rules if the codes listed in the provisions are altered, amended, changed, deleted, or supplemented. Provides that a mental health prevention and wellness visit may be incorporated into and reimbursed within any type of integrated primary care service delivery method. Provides that the Department shall adopt any rules necessary to implement the provisions by no later than October 31, 2024 (rather than 2023). Removes provisions concerning coverage of out-of-network mental health care, provisions concerning coverage of medically necessary mental health care for individuals not diagnosed with a mental health disorder, and provisions concerning analysis of mental health care coverage on insurance premiums. Makes conforming changes in the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, the Counties Code, the Illinois Municipal Code and the School Code. Makes other changes. Effective immediately. **No Position**

HB 3716 (HFA 0003)

Provides that the Nursing Home Resident Care Task Force shall include one representative of a statewide organization advocating on behalf of seniors. Provides that specified members of the Nursing Home Resident Care Task Force shall be appointed by the Governor or by specified members of the General Assembly. Further amends the Nursing Home Care Act. In provisions concerning whistleblower protection, provides that a facility shall not take any retaliatory action against a resident of the facility for specified activities. Provides that the resident of the facility may be awarded all remedies necessary to make the resident whole and prevent future violations of the provisions. Provides that a claim of retaliation under the

provisions may be filed in any court of competent jurisdiction or any administrative hearing process operated by or through the State of Illinois and its State departments. **No Position**

SB 1670 (HCA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that, for a public body that is a HIPAA-covered entity, "private information" includes electronic medical records and all information, including demographic information, contained within or extracted from an electronic medical records system operated or maintained by the public body in compliance with State and federal medical privacy laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and its regulations. Exempts from disclosure under the Act all information that is protected health information that may be contained within or extracted from any record held by a public body that is a HIPAA-covered entity. Defines "HIPAA-covered entity" and "protected health information." **No Position**

SB 1710 (HCA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause with provisions of the engrossed bill, and makes the following changes: Provides that "paved bicycle trails" includes trails accommodating bicycle traffic composed of aggregate, asphalt, bituminous treatment, concrete, crushed limestone, or any combination thereof. Provides that the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned paved bicycle trails in the State shall erect permanent regulatory or warning signage alerting pedestrians or cyclists of highway (rather than vehicle) crossings. Establishes that if the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned paved bicycle trails has actual knowledge of an emergency or safety hazard that creates a dangerous condition on a publicly owned paved bicycle trail, the authority shall take reasonable steps to erect temporary signage alerting pedestrians or cyclist of the dangerous condition (rather than damage to the trail, maintenance being performed on the trail, or other temporary hazards along the trail). Provides that the permanent signage erected shall conform with the State manual and permanent advanced warning signage shall be located at least 150 feet in advance of the crossing. Provides that paved bicycle trail signage is not required on a primitive trail that is not intended to accommodate bicycles or pedestrians. **Oppose**

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SB 1960 (HCA 0002)

Removes language providing that unless specifically stated otherwise in an ordinance or resolution by a municipality, county, or park district authorizing the use of low-speed electric scooters within its jurisdiction, the use of low-speed electric scooter is not an intended use of a public right-of-way under the Local Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act. **No Position**

SB 1999 (HFA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the engrossed bill with the following changes: Further amends the Abandoned Newborn Infant Protection Act. In a provision concerning a relinquished newborn infant under the temporary custody of a hospital, provides that the

hospital shall provide all available medical records and information to the Department of Children and Family Services and the child welfare agency that has accepted the referral of the infant. Removes a provision making relinquished infants presumptively eligible for medical assistance under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that if the person who relinquished or a person claiming to be the parent of a newborn infant (rather than the parent of a newborn infant) returns to reclaim the infant (rather than child) within 30 days after the infant was relinquished to a fire station, emergency medical facility, or police station, then the fire station, emergency medical facility, or police station must inform such person (rather than the parent) of the name and location of the hospital to which the infant was transported. Requires a hospital, police station, fire station, or emergency medical facility that accepts a relinquished infant to offer the relinquishing person information about the relinquishment process and other information. Provides that the failure to provide such information or the failure of the relinquishing person to accept such information shall not invalidate the relinquishment under the Act. In a provision concerning relinquished infants eligibility for medical assistance under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code, requires a hospital to complete and submit an application for medical assistance on behalf of a relinquished infant and permits the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to adopt rules. Makes changes concerning searches of the Illinois Putative Father Registry, petitions for return of custody, and other matters. Defines "parent", "biological parent", and "birth parent". Removes amendatory changes made to the Medical Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code concerning presumptive eligibility under the medical assistance program for relinquished infants. No Position

Senate Amendments

HB 0475 (SCA 0002)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the engrossed bill with the following changes: In provisions concerning membership on a community mental health board, provides that only one board member shall be a member of the governmental unit's governing body, with the term of membership on the board to run concurrently with the elected term of the member. Provides that ff a majority of all the votes cast upon the proposition at any referendum imposing an annual tax on or after July 1, 2022, are for the levy of such tax, the governing body of such governmental unit shall thereafter annually levy a tax, as deemed necessary by the community mental health board. Makes conforming changes. **No Position**

HB 3351 (SCA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the engrossed bill with changes. Provides that the prevailing wage requirements set forth in the Prevailing Wage Act apply to each Illinois Solar for All Program project for which a project application is submitted to the program after the effective date of the amendatory Act, except (i) projects that serve single-family or multi-family residential buildings and (ii) projects with an aggregate capacity of less than 100 kilowatts that serve houses of worship. Requires the Illinois Power Agency to verify that all construction performed on a project by the renewable energy credit delivery contract holder, its contractors, or its subcontractors relating to the construction of the facility is performed by workers receiving an amount for that work that is greater than or equal to the general prevailing rate of wages as that term is defined in the Prevailing Wage Act. Authorizes the Illinois Power Agency to adjust renewable energy credit prices to account for increased labor costs. Effective immediately. **No Position**

HB 3940 (SFA 0002)

In the Emergency Telephone System Act and the Criminal Code of 2012, restores provisions requiring a prohibited call or text to 9-1-1 or other transmission to a public safety agency to be made for the purpose of making or transmitting a false alarm or complaint and reporting information, and restores in those same provisions a requirements that the individual further knows that the call, text, or transmission (adding text) could result in the emergency response of any public safety agency. In the Emergency Telephone System Act, makes stylistic changes to provisions relating to how specified surplus moneys may be used. **Support**

SB 895 (SFA 0003)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that a county shall not construct, reconstruct, improve, widen, relocate, repair, alter, or maintain a highway, road, street, alley, bridge, culvert, drainage structure, sidewalk, bicycle path, parking lot, driveway, 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. Provides that a road district shall not construct, reconstruct, improve, widen, relocate, repair, alter, or maintain a highway, road, street, alley, bridge, culvert, drainage structure, sidewalk, bike path, parking lot, driveway, or any other transportationrelated facility that is outside of its road district's boundaries unless such construction, reconstruction, improvement, widening, relocation, repair, alteration, or maintenance is in an adjacent road district, is jointly performed with another road district through the sharing of road equipment pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement, or provided as necessary relief services following the occurrence of a disaster. Provides that a municipality shall not construct, reconstruct, improve, widen, relocate, repair, alter, or maintain a highway, road, street, alley, bridge, culvert, drainage structure, sidewalk, bike path, parking lot, driveway, or any other transportation-related facility that is outside of its municipality's boundaries unless such construction, reconstruction, improvement, widening, relocation, repair, alteration, or maintenance is within its corporate limits, in an adjacent municipality, or provided as necessary relief services following the occurrence of a disaster. 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 or prediction of ice or snow. No Position

SB 1555 (SFA 0001)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Creates the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment and Postconsumer Recycled Content Act. Requires the Environmental Protection Agency to approve a single producer responsibility organization to represent the interests of producers, including implementing an application and review process to select a single producer responsibility organization, if more than one organization proposes to be designated. Creates the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment Advisory Council to provide advice and recommendations to the Agency and the producer responsibility organization in the drafting, amendment, and finalization of the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment. Requires the Agency to issue a Request for Proposal to select a qualified consultant to conduct a statewide needs assessment to assess recycling needs in the State for packaging and paper products, which shall be provided to the Advisory Council on or before December 31, 2025. Provides that each producer shall achieve a postconsumer recycled content requirement of 15% by 2028, 25% by 2031, and 50% by 2034 in the rigid plastics it produces. Provides that any person who violates the Act is liable for a civil penalty of \$7,000 per violation per day. Sets forth findings and purpose. Defines terms. Makes a corresponding change in the Environmental Protection Act. Effective immediately. **Under Review**

SB 1769 (SFA 0006)

Replaces everything after the enacting clause with the provisions of Senate Amendment No. 5, and makes the following change: Removes the changes made to the States Mandates Act. **No Position**