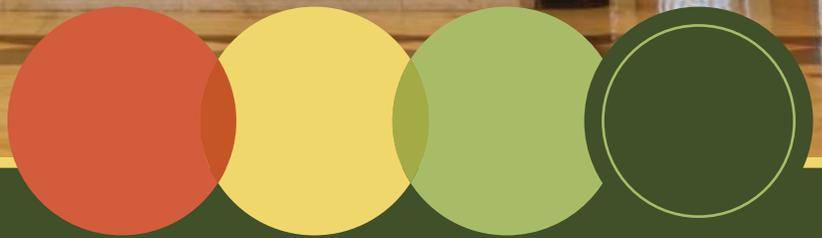
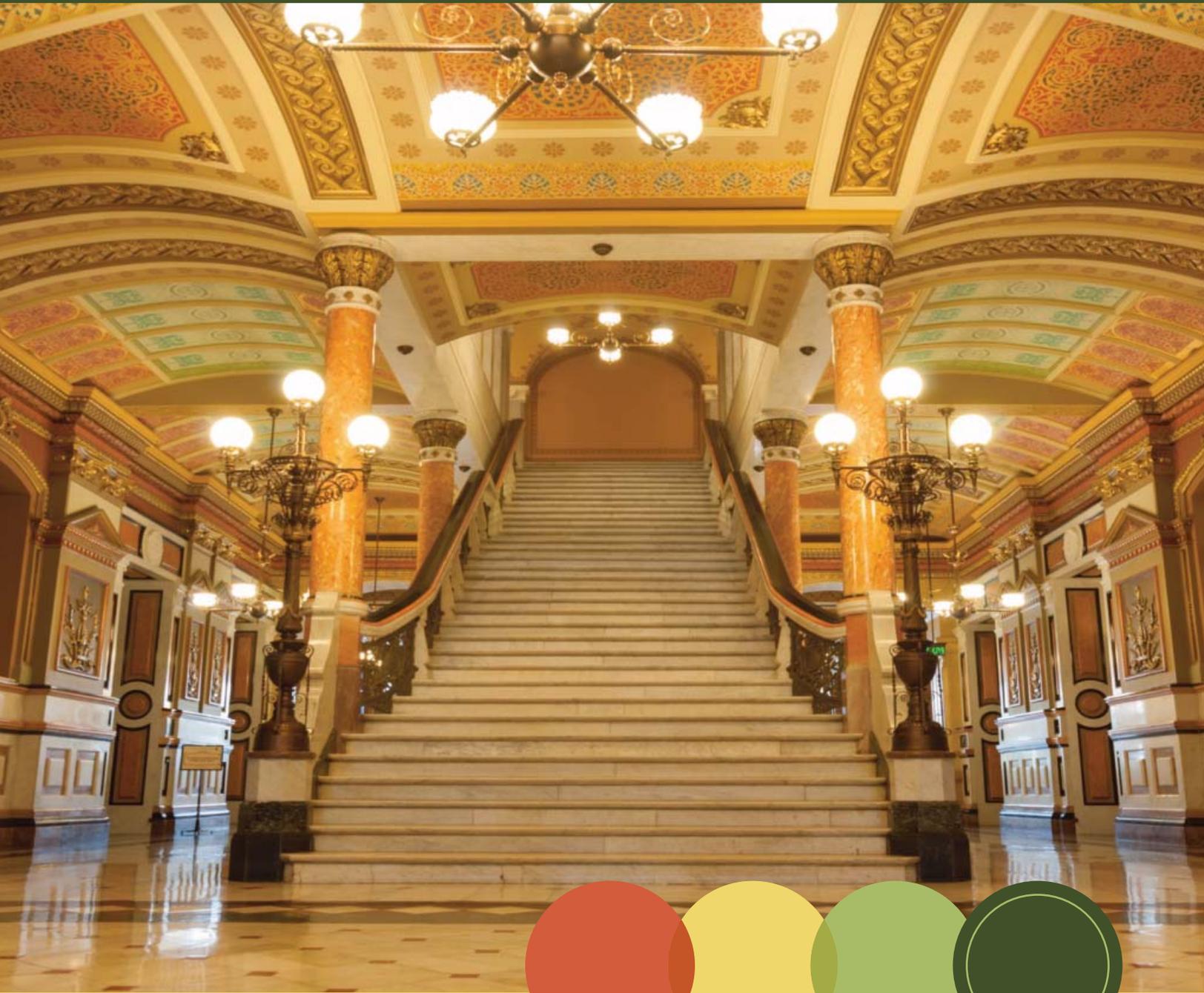


# NEW LAWS SUMMARY

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In the first year of the 102nd Illinois General Assembly, lawmakers officially passed 664 bills through both houses for eventual consideration by the governor. Veto session was held over five days in October to allow the General Assembly to take action on bills the governor amendatorily vetoed in addition to other measures. As of this writing, 667 new laws have been enacted this year in the State of Illinois.

This summary report includes bills that were approved by the General Assembly that either affect, or are of interest, to county governments. The list is not all-inclusive. The synopsis of each bill is extremely brief and may not encompass the full content or impact of the legislation. For full meaning, you can obtain “enrolled” bill text on the Illinois Legislative Information System website at [www.ilga.gov](http://www.ilga.gov).

Special thanks to the IACBM Legislative Committee and all of our members who stayed involved with these important issues and who took the time to testify in committees and share their views with state lawmakers. Remember, as county officials you play an essential role in legislative and administrative state functions. Broadening and establishing a relationship with your legislators is critical to advancing the needs and initiatives of your county and its residents. We are here to assist you and will continue to keep you informed of relative executive orders and legislative actions that may impact county government.

*If you have questions about any legislation please contact the IACBM office. We welcome your comments and suggestions.*

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# Agriculture



# Business, Commerce and Consumers



## HB 3650 (P.A. 102-0492) AG EXPERIENCES

Prohibits county governments from requiring a special use permit or variance for agricultural experiences on a farm when an activity to promote or educate about agriculture is open to the public. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 1245 (P.A. 102-0314) WINTER DEER HARVESTING

Requires the Department of Natural Resources to publicly announce which counties will have hunting season. The statewide press release shall include the season dates, shooting hours, and sites open to hunting for the reason of taking surplus deer. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 1656 (P.A. 102-0216) LIVESTOCK CULLING

Allows the Director of Agriculture to declare a mass animal mortality event through the Dept. of Emergency Management. **NOTE:** During the pandemic when the livestock supply chain resulted in a major backup of livestock ready to go to market, Illinois law had no provisions to deal with a mass culling event. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 2245 (P.A. 102-0548) PESTICIDE USE

Restricts the use of pesticides on or within 500 feet of a school property during normal hours. Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m., excluding days when classes are not in session. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# Animals

## HB 168 (P.A. 102-0114) ANIMALS FORFEITURE

Prohibits the possession of an animal if a person or persons who reside in the same household have been convicted of 2 or more animal abuse offenses. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## HB 572 (P.A. 102-0128) PET LOANS

A sales finance agency shall not finance, enter into a retail installment contract, or make a loan for the purchase of a canine or feline. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## HB 1711 (P.A. 102-0586) PET SHOPS

Prohibits pet stores in the state from selling cats and dogs from breeders. A pet shop operator may offer for sale a dog or cat only if the animal is obtained from an animal control facility or shelter. *Effective February 23, 2022.*

## HB 132 (P.A. 102-0585) STATE AGENCY CERTIFICATION

Allows all state agencies to recognize and accept the certifications of minority-owned and women-owned businesses certified by the City of Chicago, Cook County or other entities approved by the Business Enterprise Councils. *Effective June 1, 2022.*

## HB 588 (P.A. 102-0131) HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE NOTICE ACT

Certain businesses and establishments must post the notice required by the Act in all restrooms open to the public. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## HB 2620 (P.A. 102-0442) LIQUOR OMNIBUS

Allows local craft breweries and wineries to distribute their products to local bars, grocery stores, and liquor stores directly rather than through a third party. *Effective August 20, 2021; some provisions Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 134 (P.A. 102-0569) LOCAL JOURNALISM TASK FORCE

Administered by DCEO, will study aspects of local journalism to improve the sustainability of local press business models. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 294 (P.A. 102-0286) WIPES LABELING ACT

Requires manufacturers of household disposable wipes for sale in the state to clearly label "Do Not Flush" on wipes that should not be flushed down the toilet. **NOTE:** Cities and counties have authority to enforce the Act and collect civil penalties for violations. *Effective July 1, 2022.*

## SB 1847 (P.A. 102-0036) EQUAL PAY COMPLIANCE APPLICATION

Requires businesses with 100 or more employees to submit an application to Dept. of Labor for compliance with equal pay. *Effective June 25, 2021.*

## SB 1878 (P.A. 102-0368) PROTECTED FISH

Adds bowfin and paddlefish to the list of protected species in Illinois and adds penalties for hunting those species. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 1879 (P.A. 102-0369) FISHING EQUIPMENT

Makes it unlawful for any person to take aquatic life by means of a pitchfork, underwater spear gun, or bow and arrow, including a sling shot bow, spear, or gig along, upon, across, or from any public right-of-way or highway. *Effective January 1, 2022.*



# Behavioral and Mental Health



## HB 2784 (P.A. 102-0580)

### COMMUNITY EMERGENCY SERVICES

Each 9-1-1 call center and provider of emergency services dispatched through a 9-1-1 system must coordinate with the 9-8-8 mobile mental and behavioral health services established by the IDHS Division of Mental Health, for the purpose of interacting with individuals seeking emergency mental and behavioral health care, and for provision of mobile care when appropriate. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 693 (P.A. 102-0623)

### EMS SYSTEMS TRANSPORT

Authorizes Emergency Medical Services to request bypass or diversion of an emergency department and request transport to the closest or appropriate mental health facility. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

## SB 1575 (P.A. 102-0337)

### ONLINE RESOURCES

IDHS must create an online resource page on its website geared toward first responders to connect those people with resources related to: crisis services, wellness, trauma information, nutrition, stress reduction, anxiety, depression, violence prevention, suicide prevention and substance abuse. *Effective August 12, 2021.*

## SB 1966 (P.A. 102-0371)

### INTERSTATE CONTRACTS

Authorizes Illinois and Wisconsin to reciprocate the exchange of out-of-state mental health or substance use disorder services for persons subject to involuntary admission. *Effective January 1, 2022.*



## CANNABIS LICENSING EXPANSION

The Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act (410 ILCS 705) legalized the use of marijuana in Illinois for non-medicinal purposes, effective January 1, 2020. **HB 1443 (P.A. 102-0098)** cleared the way for the issuance for 75 adult-use cannabis dispensaries that were delayed because of the COVID pandemic.

Under new provisions, two marijuana dispensary lotteries offering 55 licenses were created. The first of 55 licenses are being offered through a "Qualifying Applicant Lottery" (only open to applicants who scored 85% or higher on submissions for the first 75 licenses). The second of 55 licenses are being offered through a "Social Equity Justice Involved Lottery."

*A firm in either of these lotteries cannot win more than 2 licenses. Those in the original lottery can still win up to 10 dispensary licenses. Effective July 15, 2021.*



## Children

## HB 4 (P.A. 102-0584)

### POLLING PLACES

Permits student instruction to be received electronically under the school districts program for e-learning days when students are not present due to the school being used as a polling place. *Effective June 1, 2022.*

## SB 654 (P.A. 102-0357)

### STUDENT PLAY TIME

Requires public schools to provide 30 minutes of daily play time for all students in kindergarten through grade 5. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

## SB 673 (P.A. 102-0241)

### BULLYING PREVENTION

Expands the definition of 'restorative measures' in the School Code to help students find common ground when dealing with bullies rather than missing school. *Effective August 3, 2021.*

## SB 817 (P.A. 102-0360)

### SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Prevents Illinois schools from enacting dress code policies that prohibit hairstyles historically associated with race, ethnicity or texture, including braids, locks and twists. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 1892 (P.A. 102-0531)

### CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Makes possession of child pornography where the child is a household or family member of the defendant non-probationable. *Effective January 1, 2022.*



# County Government

## **HB 56 (P.A. 102-0048)** **COUNTY OFFICIAL STIPENDS**

Requires compensation of county elected officers to be fixed by ordinance or resolution by the county board or board of commissioners. Such ordinance must separately list each stipend as well as compensation for each elected officer. *Effective July 9, 2021.*

## **HB 2415 (P.A. 102-0002)** **COUNTY CANNABIS REVENUE**

If a county passed an ordinance imposing a recreational cannabis sales tax on or before Oct. 1, 2020, and filed a certified copy with the Dept. of Revenue on or before Nov. 1, 2020, the Dept. of Revenue will begin to collect the tax on May 1, 2021. *Effective April 2, 2021.*

## **HB 2449 (P.A. 102-0434)** **COUNTY BOARD SPECIAL MEETINGS**

Allows the County Board Chair to hold special meetings regardless of whether they are elected as Chair by voters at large, or elected Chair internally by the County Board Members. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

## **HB 2454 (P.A. 102-0435)** **PERMIT FEE RELIEF**

Allows county boards to waive permit cost, fees or registration costs to businesses who demonstrate via application a need based on financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

## **HB 2590 (P.A. 102-0169)** **MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES**

For a person married in any county in Illinois, the county clerk shall issue a new marriage certificate when they receive legal documentation indicating that one of the parties listed on the certificate has legally changed names. *Effective July 27, 2021.*

## **HB 3289 (P.A. 102-0136)** **HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS**

Allows chief county assessment officers to automatically renew homestead exemptions in 2021 if the properties had exemptions in 2020. *Effective July 23, 2021.*



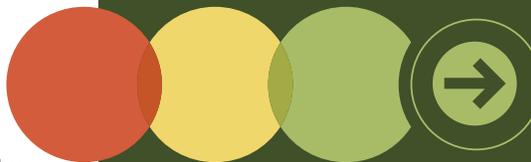
## **SB 139 (P.A. 102-0171)** **MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES**

Upon completion of an affidavit provided by the county clerk, allows a person to change or remove gender identifying language on a marriage certificate. The person may request a change from terms such as “bride” and “groom” to a non-gendered term such as “spouse” or a variant. When a clerk issues a nongendered marriage certificate, it shall not include any language indicating it has been amended nor that it is not



## *Motor Fuel Tax Expansion*

**HB 2950 (P.A. 102-000)** expands the use of county motor fuel tax (MFT) funds for pedestrian use. Provides that in the counties of DuPage, Kane, Lake, Will and McHenry, proceeds from the county MFT funds may also be used for operating, constructing, improving, and acquiring land for shared-use paths for non-vehicular public travel, sidewalks, and bike paths within the county.



This bill was effective immediately upon approval by the Governor on August 20, 2021.

a true and accurate record of the facts stated herein. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 499 (P.A. 102-0030)** **COUNTIES CODE – HEALTH INSURANCE**

Mandates coverage for the treatment of temporomandibular joint disorder and craniomandibular disorder. Coverage will be optional and provided for at an additional premium. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 968 (P.A. 102-0306)** **COUNTIES CODE – HEALTH COVERAGE**

Mandates coverage for the medically necessary screening of pancreatic cancer. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 1667 (P.A. 102-0625)** **LEVY CERTIFICATION**

Allows certification of the levy by the county clerk to be done electronically. Materials submitted may include any supplemental or supportive documentation. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 1845 (P.A. 102-0528)** **PROPERTY TAX NOTICE**

An owner of a certificate of purchase must file with the county clerk the names and addresses of the owners of the property and those persons entitled to service of notice at their last known addresses. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 2278 (P.A. 102-0379)** **TAX USE OVERSIGHT**

Requires that a county that is authorized to impose a Special County Retailers' Occupation Tax for Public Safety, Public Facilities, Mental Health, Substance Abuse, or Transportation to establish a seven-member board, which shall oversee the use of funds received from the tax. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# Clerks of the Circuit Court



## HB 574 (P.A. 102-0130)

### NOT-FOR-PROFIT DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER

Changes the dispute resolution fund fee charged and collected by the clerks of the circuit court to \$2 (currently, \$1). In no event shall the disbursement to a dispute resolution center in one year exceed \$300,000 (rather than \$200,000). *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## HB 3956 (P.A. 102-0619)

### REGULATION

Allows a clerk or deputy clerk of a circuit court to prepare or draft any document if such documents as such clerks are by statute or supreme court order required or authorized to draft or prepare (rather than "by law required, or by some statute authorized to draft or prepare"). *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 481 (P.A. 102-0145)

### COURT FEES

Requires circuit court clerks to submit specified assessment reports no later than March 1, 2022, and March 1 of every year thereafter. Repeals the Criminal and Traffic Assessment Act and the Clerks of Courts Act pertaining to court fees on January 1, 2024 (rather than January 1, 2026). *Effective July 23, 2021.*



## SB 583 (P.A. 102-0356)

### PAYMENT OF FINES

Among other provisions, allows the clerk of court to accept payment of fines, penalties, or costs by certified check. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 595 (P.A. 102-0156)

### CIVIL PROCEDURE

In mortgage foreclosure actions, the plaintiff or their attorney (rather than the clerk of the court) shall send a copy of the publication to each defendant. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 2339 (P.A. 102-0651)

### PRIVACY OF CHILD VICTIMS

Allows the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County to prevent the disclosure of identities of child sex crime victims. Clarifies that the responsibility of restricting the information in case files falls on the clerks of circuit courts in the state. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 2340 (P.A. 102-0652)

### ADULT VICTIM PRIVACY

Restricts the disclosure of the identity of an adult victim of criminal sexual assault. Pertains to inspection and copying of law enforcement records or records maintained by any circuit clerk relating to an investigation or proceeding of a criminal sexual offense. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# Criminal Law and Justice Reform



## HB 3443 (P.A. 102-0028)

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

Trailor legislation to the SAFE-T Act criminal justice reform omnibus package signed into law by Governor Pritzker in February. *Effective June 25, 2021.*

- clarifies provisions of the Criminal Code pertaining to a police officer's use of force in making arrests including prohibited use of force (e.g. chokeholds);
- clarifies that resisting arrest and obstructing a police officer are distinct criminal acts;
- allows an officer, with a supervisor's approval, to file a supplementary report for which they can access body camera footage;
- delays the effective date for mandated and increased officer training to January 1, 2022.

**Most portions of the original law remain intact. This trailer bill clarifies certain provisions police officers found impractical to implement.**

## HB 3587

(P.A. 102-0099)

### TASK FORCE

Creates the Resentencing Task Force Act to study ways to reduce Illinois' prison population via resentencing motions. *Effective July 15, 2021.*

## SB 64 (102-0100)

### RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

Encourages the use of restorative justice practices by providing that participation in such practices and anything said or done during the practice is privileged and may not be used in any future proceeding unless the privilege is waived by the informed consent of the party or parties covered by the privilege. *Effective July 15, 2021.*

## SB 2129 (P.A. 102-0102)

### RESENTENCING MOTION

Allows the State's Attorney of a county in which a defendant was sentenced to petition for resentencing of the offender if the original sentence no longer advances the interests of justice. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## Courts



### **HB 3575 (P.A. 102-0486) CLOSED CIRCUIT**

Allows the Illinois Supreme Court or any circuit court to adopt rules permitting the use of video-conferencing at a hearing at which no witness testimony will be taken concerning the defendant's fitness to stand trial. Also creates a pilot program in two counties that would demonstrate tele-hearings in forensic mental health matters. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

### **SB 72 (P.A. 102-0006) PREJUDGMENT INTEREST**

Mandates a six percent annual prejudgment interest rate on defendants in personal injury and wrongful death cases. *Effective July 1, 2021.*

### **SB 626 (P.A. 102-0620) TRAFFIC ASSESSMENT CREDIT**

Provides that one hour of community service is equivalent to the value of one hour of work at the state minimum wage, rather than the current equivalent of \$4, and allows individuals who earn a certain income to apply for a reduction of fees assessed to a traffic violation. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

### **SB 1566 (P.A. 102-0211) MITIGATION FACTORS**

Adds whether a person is pregnant or the parent or an infant to factors that should be considered when withholding or minimizing an imprisonment sentence. Mitigation includes the likelihood that the child will be declared a ward of the court. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## Judiciary

### **HB 410 (P.A. 102-0065) ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER**

A person who has served as a judge in Illinois is not required to complete specified formal training requirements in order to be an administrative hearing officer. *Effective July 9, 2021.*

### **SB 225 (P.A. 102-0354) FACIAL RECOGNITION**

The Illinois Secretary of State shall not provide facial recognition search services or photographs obtained in the process of issuing an identification card or a driver's license or permit to any federal, state, or local law enforcement agency or other governmental entity for the purpose of enforcing federal immigration laws. NOTE: Does not apply to requests from law enforcement agencies for facial recognition search services or photographs when the purpose of the request relates to criminal activity. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

### **HB 1739 (P.A. 102-0022) SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE**

Requires law enforcement officials to inform the victims of sexual assault about the Illinois State Police sexual assault evidence tracking system. Expands processes to safeguard crime victims, imposing additional obligations on State's Attorneys. *Effective June 25, 2021.*

### **HB 3587 (P.A. 102-0099) RESENTENCING TASK FORCE**

Will study ways to reduce the prison population in Illinois from initiations of resentencing motions filed by incarcerated individuals, State's Attorneys, IDOC and the Judicial Branch. *Effective July 15, 2021.*

### **SB 2520 (P.A. 102-0657) COUNTY BOARD / STATE'S ATTORNEY CONFLICT**

If a majority of the county board, by resolution, declares there to be a conflict of interest between the State's Attorney and the county board, the county board may petition the circuit court to authorize the county board to hire outside legal counsel to represent the board. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

### **SB 1861 (P.A. 102-0629) – IMPACT INCARCERATION**

Modernizes various aspects of the Department of Correction's Impact Incarceration Program. The Department may identify candidates for participation in the program that were not previously recommended and formally submit the names to the State's Attorney of the committing county. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

### **SB 2136 (P.A. 102-0639) EXPUNGEMENT PROSTITUTION**

Allows for the expungement of criminal records for felony prostitution convictions. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

### **SB 337 (P.A. 102-0094) COURT SECURITY**

Allows the Office of Marshall for the Supreme Court to also employ court security officers. They will have the same arrest powers as a court security officer hired by a county sheriff. *Effective July 9, 2021.*

### **SB 1611 (P.A. 102-0213) ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES**

Allows the Secretary of State to accept electronic signatures via administrative rules. Such signatures shall be admissible in all administrative, quasi-judicial, and proceedings. *Effective January 1, 2022.*



## Education



## Elections, Primary Date and Voting



### **HB 1725 (P.A. 102-0346)** **CLASS II SCHOOL UNITS**

Requires the trustees of schools in Class II county school units (Cook County) to publicize additional information about district governance on its website. Township school treasurers must submit to each district that they serve, an investments report that includes specified information within 30 days after the end of each calendar year. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

### **HB 1785 (P.A. 102-0204)** **SCHOOL CLOSURE HEARING**

Prior to closing a school building and unless a building is unsafe, unsanitary, or unfit for occupancy and notice of condemnation has been served or provided by a licensed entity able to determine the safety of a school building, the school board must hold at least three public hearings. The sole purpose of the hearings shall be to discuss the decision and receive input from the community. *Effective July 30, 2021.*

### **HB 1934 (P.A. 102-0025)** **ROE FINANCIAL AUDITS**

Allows a regional office of education to utilize a cash basis, modified cash basis, or generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements relative to the Illinois Auditor General's annual financial audits of a regional superintendent. Requires audit reports to be published on the Auditor General's website and distributed in accordance with the Illinois State Auditing Act. *Effective June 25, 2021.*

### **SB 564 (P.A. 102-0411)** **SCHOOL CODE HOLIDAY**

Adds January 17 (birthday of Muhammad Ali) to the list of commemorative holidays. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

### **SB 805 (P.A. 102-0359)** **UNUSED FOOD PROGRAM**

Requires school districts to establish a food sharing plan for unused food with a focus on needy students. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

### **SB 1989 (P.A. 102-0537)** **RETURN TO WORK**

Amends the Downstate Teacher Article of the Pension Code to provide that through June 30, 2023 an annuitant may accept employment as a teacher without impairing his/her retirement status if that employment is not within the school year during which service was terminated and does not exceed 120 paid days or 600 paid hours in each school year. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

### **HB 1871 (P.A. 102-0001)** **VOTING ACCESS**

Establishes permanent ballot drop box sites where voters can submit mail-in ballots without postage. Election officials must collect and process all ballots at the close of each business day and voters can return vote by mail ballots at any collection site through the close of polls on Election Day. Permits local election authorities to establish curbside voting for individuals to cast a ballot during early voting on Election Day. *Effective April 2, 2021.*

### **SB 536 (P.A. 102-0668)** **ELECTIONS OMNIBUS**

Makes adjustments to various dates relating to the 2022 election cycle to align with the modified timeline of the 2022 general primary, creates the Access to Voting for Persons with Disabilities Advisory Task Force, and makes changes to make voting more accessible. *Effective Nov. 15, 2021.*

### **SB 825 (P.A. 102-0015)** **ELECTIONS OMNIBUS**

#### **Amends the Election Code making several changes:**

- moves the 2022 General Primary to June 28 (from March 15);
- includes "vote-by-mail" language that will allow jails (outside of Cook County) to set up polling places in their facilities;
- allows election authorities to create permanent vote-by-mail lists that voters may opt into, as well as accessible vote-by-mail procedures to enable a voter with a disability to independently mark their ballot;
- makes Election Day (Nov. 8, 2022) a state holiday for schools and universities and makes schools available for use as polling places;
- requires high schools to permit voter registration on premises;
- every county "must" have at least one universal voting center for the 2022 Primary and General elections.

**Extends the county deadline for redistricting to Dec. 31, 2021 (from July 1).** *Effective June 17, 2021; some provisions Effective July 1, 2023.*

## Employees

### **HB 53 (P.A. 102-0047)** **VIDEO INTERVIEW DEMOGRAPHICS**

Requires employers who solely rely on artificial intelligence for analysis of a video interview to report the race and ethnicity of the people interviewed and hired to DCEO. The state agency will analyze and report the data by July 1 of every year. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

### **HB 117 (P.A. 102-0179)** **EMPLOYER MANDATE**

Expands the Secure Choice Savings Program to include employers with five or more employees. *Effective January 1, 2022.*



# Energy



## **HB 414 (P.A. 102-0262)** **WATER ASSISTANCE**

Creates all new water assistance fees and programs for low-income families in Illinois. Adds a 20-cents per-month fee on water systems in the state. Eligibility for assistance is 200% of federal poverty line. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## **HB 3113 (P.A. 102-0457)** **ICC EMERGENCY POWERS**

The Illinois Commerce Commission may issue an interim order to authorize or require any public utility to curtail or discontinue service and otherwise regulate the furnishing of service in specified emergency circumstances, effective for a period not exceeding 45 days (rather than 15 days), if the circumstances do not reasonably permit the holding of a hearing. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **HB 3404 (P.A. 102-0609)** **NATURAL GAS PIPELINES**

Creates a new pilot program for the distribution of grants for the construction of new natural gas pipelines and infrastructure. Also, creates a new NICOR gas line in Kankakee County Township that now uses propane. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

## **SB 265 (P.A. 102-0176)** **LIHEAP ENERGY ASSISTANCE**

Doubles fees on utility bills for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) energy assistance program from 48 cents to 96 cents per month. States that the program cannot reject families based on immigration status. *Effective June 1, 2022.*

## **SB 515 (P.A. 102-0149)** **LARGE PUBLIC UTILITY**

Concerning valuation of water and sewer utilities, provides that to be included within the definition of "large public utility" an investor-owned public utility must provide water or sewer service to more than 15,000 customer connections (rather than 30,000 customer connections). *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 2530 (P.A. 102-0565)** **WIRELESS SERVICE CALL LOCATION**

Requires wireless service providers to provide call location information concerning the telecommunications device of a user to a law enforcement agency when it involves an emergency. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 2663 (P.A. 102-0041)** **WATER DISTRICT – CHAMPAIGN**

Provides that specified areas in Champaign County are annexed into the territory of the Sangamon Valley Public Water District. *Effective June 25, 2021.*

# Environment



## **HB 3739 (P.A. 102-0613)** **LEAD SERVICE LINES**

Known as the Lead Service Line Notification and Replacement Act, would require all water utilities to compile an inventory of all known lead water service lines and submit a plan for removal and replacement of the lines to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 561 (P.A. 102-0290)** **PFAS REDUCTION**

Prohibits persons, local governments, fire departments or state agencies from discharging or otherwise using for training or testing purposes any class B firefighting foam containing intentionally-added polyfluoroalkyl substances, which are man-made chemicals. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## *Clean Energy Omnibus*

**Puts the State of Illinois on a path toward 100% clean energy by 2050. SB 2408 (P.A. 102-0662) brought together policies from a diverse range of stakeholders. Major provisions include:**

- All utility-scale wind and solar projects are built with project labor agreements and prevailing wage applies;
- Private coal-fired and oil-fired electric generating units must reach zero emissions by January 1, 2030;
- Requires municipal coal, including Prairie State and CWLP Dallman, to be 100% carbon-free by December 31, 2045;
- Creates a coal to solar program to support the transition of coal plants to renewable energy facilities;
- Invests in workforce development and allocates funding from ratepayers to support \$180 million in state clean energy programs;

**Allows local governments to engage in community energy and climate planning. *Effective September 15, 2021.***

## **SB 692 (P.A. 102-0242)** **COAL TAR SEALANT DISCLOSURE**

Requires public schools and state agencies to disclose the use of coal tar-based pavement sealants. Does not apply to sealants used for roofing applications. *Effective January 1, 2023.*

## **SB 1089 (P.A. 102-0310)** **CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION**

Requires a 40% rate of construction and demolition debris that must be recycled. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## **SB 2515 (P.A. 102-0381)** **MAHOMET AQUIFER COUNCIL**

Creates the Mahomet Aquifer Council to protect east central Illinois' primary water source, from underground natural gas leaks. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

# Firearms



# Government Ethics Reform



## HB 562 (P.A. 102-0237) FOID MODERNIZATION

Makes sweeping modernizations to the Firearm Owners Identification (FOID) card system. Expands background checks on all gun sales in Illinois starting in 2024 and provides mental health funding for communities most impacted by gun violence. Among other measures creates a stolen gun database, stronger identification factors (fingerprints), and requires the Illinois State Police (ISP) to remove guns from people with revoked FOID cards who have not surrendered their weapon. Also, streamlines the FOID card system by allowing ISP to create electronic records, creating a combined FOID and concealed carry license *Effective January 1, 2022; some provisions Effective January 01, 2024.*

## HB 1092 (P.A. 102-0345) FIREARMS RESTRAINING ORDERS ACT

Establishes new training standards for law enforcement officers, instructs the Illinois State Police to create a commission to study the Act's implementation, and directs IDPH to conduct a program to promote awareness of firearm restraining orders. *Effective June 1, 2022.*

## SB 2249 (P.A. 102-0645) FOID – MENTAL HEALTH

Clarifies that the Department of Corrections cannot fire an employee solely because the employee had their FOID card revoked due to the employee being enrolled at a mental health facility. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 539 (P.A. 102-0664) ETHICS OMNIBUS PACKAGE

**Lawmakers passed a sweeping bi-partisan ethics package which makes several reforms:**

- prohibits elected officials from lobbying other units of government;
- establishes a six-month revolving door ban;
- applies the Lobbyist Registration Act to municipalities, counties and officials thereof;
- prohibits all political fundraisers during legislative sessions;
- prohibits salaried appointees from serving as an officer for a political committee;
- pro-rates the salaries of General Assembly members who leave office prior to the end of their term.

**Changes the Statement of Economic Interests that some local officials are required to complete (deadline is May 1 of each calendar year). *Effective January 1, 2022.***

- Requires candidates to disclose all personal assets and debts totaling over \$10,000 held individually or jointly with a spouse or minor child; all sources of income over \$7,500 per year, and all campaign donations including gifts over \$500.

**Assets include:** Stocks; bonds; mutual funds; exchange traded funds; commodity futures; trusts; real estate investments and business interests.

**Exclusions include:** Personal savings or checking accounts; residences; vehicles; government bonds, notes or securities; Medicare benefits; annuities; diversified funds; inheritances; pensions or retirement accounts; college savings plans; qualified tax-advantaged savings programs for disability-related expenses; and tangible personal property.

# Gaming

## SB 1360 (P.A. 102-0013) CASINO PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS

To expand workers' rights protections and economic opportunity for communities, casino applicants will be required to use union labor when seeking a new or renewed casino license. **Required contents of project labor agreements include:**

- goals for apprenticeship hours to be performed by underrepresented minorities and women;
- procedures for resolving jurisdiction labor disputes and grievances;
- ensuring a reliable source of skilled and experienced labor;
- guarantees against strikes and lockouts;
- allowing the selection of the lowest qualified responsible bidder, without regard to union or non-union status at other construction sites;
- binding all contractors and subcontractors on the project through appropriate bid specifications in all relevant bid documents.

*Any pending new casino application before the Illinois Gaming Board must provide evidence of the project labor agreement within 30 days after the effective date. Effective June 10, 2021.*

# Health Care

**SB 1169 (P.A. 102-0667) clarifies the legislative intent of the Health Care Right of Conscience Act so that it cannot be abused or misinterpreted to jeopardize workplace safety. It ensures vaccine requirements by employers can continue with regard to the COVID-19 vaccine. Also, reiterates federal protections of sincerely held religious objections. *Effective June 1, 2022.***

# Immigration



## **HB 2790 (P.A. 102-0410)** **PUBLIC DEFENDER**

In Cook County, the public defender, without fee or appointment and with concurrence of the county board, may act as attorney to noncitizens in immigration cases. Representation shall be limited to those cases arising in immigration courts located within the geographical boundaries of the county unless the board authorizes otherwise. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 1596 (P.A. 102-0235)** **CRIMINAL CODE**

Includes, as a hate crime, commission of specified criminal acts against a person because of the actual or perceived citizenship or immigration status of the person. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# Juveniles



## **HB 3277 (P.A. 102-0607)** **SPECIAL ADVOCATES**

Allows the court to appoint special advocates when a petition is filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 or at any point during a proceeding. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **HB 3513 (P.A. 102-0350)** **JUVENILE COURT ACT – POLICE REPORTS**

If a minor is committed to the Dept. of Juvenile Justice the clerk of the court shall forward to the Department all police reports for sex offenses allegedly committed or committed by the minor. Makes other conforming changes. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

## **SB 651 (P.A. 102-0164)** **JUVENILE TRANSFERS**

Sets timeframes and procedures for transferring and receiving juvenile court cases between counties. *Effective July 26, 2021.*

## **SB 1552 (P.A. 102-0320)** **JUVENILE COURT INFORMATION**

Allows Juvenile Detention Centers to submit written requests to the Illinois Dept. of Juvenile Justice's Chief of Records for records they have a specific need for. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## **SB 1904 (P.A. 102-0532)** **STATE'S ATTORNEY AUTHORITY**

Expands the authority for State's Attorneys to receive unfounded reports under the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act and the Juvenile Court Act. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

## **SB 2122 (P.A. 102-0101)** **MINOR STATEMENT**

If during an interrogation, a law enforcement officer intentionally engages in deception of a minor under the age of 18, any statements provided by the minor would be inadmissible as evidence in court. Illinois is the first state to ban police using deceptive tactics while interrogating minors *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# Labor



## **HB 118 (P.A. 102-0050)** **WAGE UNDERPAYMENT**

Amends the Illinois Wage Payment and Collection Act. Changes the penalty for underpayment of wages from 2% to 5%. *Effective July 9, 2021.*

## **HB 2521 (P.A. 102-0596)** **UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICES**

Permits public-sector workers to indicate interest in a representation petition electronically. Creates additional unfair labor practices: to threaten or take action to permanently replace an employee who participates in a lawful strike; to discriminate against an employee who is working or has unconditionally offered to return to work for the employer because the employee supported or participated in a lawful strike; and to lockout, suspend, or otherwise withhold employment from employees in order to influence the position of the employees or such representatives of employees in collective bargaining prior to a lawful strike. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

## **HB 3662 (P.A. 102-0493)** **WORKPLACE-RELATED INFECTION**

Amends the Workers' Compensation Act. With respect to firefighters and EMT's, a contagious staph infection, including MRSA, is rebuttably presumed to arise out of and in the course of employment. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

## **SB 525 (P.A. 102-0151)** **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

Modifies the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act regarding which positions can be included in a bargaining unit and changes when collective bargaining agreements expire. *Effective July 23, 2021*

## **SB 2486 (P.A. 102-0562)** **PERSONNEL RECORD REVIEW**

Makes it unlawful for an employer or former employer to disclose an employee's disciplinary report, letter of reprimand, or other disciplinary action to any third party, with some exceptions. An individual may file a complaint or commence action within three years should there be a violation. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# LGBTQ+



## **HB 3709 (P.A. 102-0170)** **INFERTILITY COVERAGE**

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Expands insurance coverage for infertility treatments to include same-sex couples, women over 35, single persons, and those who cannot get pregnant naturally due to a medical reason. Therefore, granting discrimination protections for individuals accessing fertility treatments. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# Local Government



## **HB 453 (P.A. 102-0265) PROPERTY TAX VENDORS**

Requires taxing districts with an aggregate property tax levy of more than \$5 million to make a good-faith effort to collect and publish data from all vendors and subcontractors doing business with the taxing district on whether: the vendors are minority-owned, women-owned, or veteran-owned businesses; or the vendors or subcontractors are certified as such or if they are self-certifying as a small business. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## **HB 633 (P.A. 102-0180) VEGETABLE GARDENS**

Pre-empts Home Rule and creates a new Garden Act that states that any person may cultivate vegetable gardens on their own property in any municipality or county. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **HB 1760 (P.A. 102-0200) PARKS AND RECREATION GRANTS**

Under the Open Space Lands Acquisition Act, an advance payment of a minimum of 50% of a grant must be made to the local government at the time the grant is awarded. *Effective July 30, 2021.*

## **HB 1932 (P.A. 102-0024) BUILDING FEES**

Counties, municipalities and townships may waive fees for building, inspection and construction work that is taking place after a disaster, in the interests of welfare, recovery and public safety of the community. *Effective June 25, 2021.*

## **SB 2356 (P.A. 102-0653) CLOSED MEETING MINUTES**

Requires each unit of local government to review the minutes of all closed meetings once every six months. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **HB 2412 (P.A. 102-0592) NOTICES – MINORITY GROUPS**

If a notice is required to be published in a newspaper where the city, town, or county consists of more than 45% of a single minority group, the notice shall also be published in a local newspaper of that minority group in the official language of the minority group's country of origin. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **HB 2454 (P.A. 102-0435) PERMIT FEES**

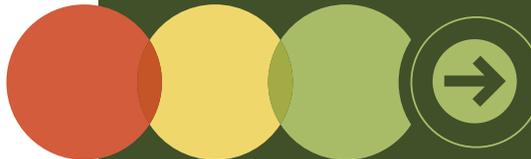
Allows counties and cities to either waive or provide credit for any application/permit costs, fees, or other business regulation costs to an application/review process. Requires demonstration of need based on financial or logistical hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

## **HB 2806 (P.A. 102-0602) VOLUNTEER BOARDS**

Provides for the removal of volunteer board officials for misconduct. Excludes from the definition of "member" an individual

## *GATA Exemption*

**SB 1697 (P.A. 102-0626) exempts county pass through revenues from provisions of the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA). Specifically, revenues from the Local Government Distributive Fund, Personal Property Replacement Tax, Motor Fuel Tax, and the Transportation Renewal Fund are not subject to GATA reporting.**



**The IACBM successfully advocated for the exemption from GATA, effective August 27, 2021.**

who is appointed to fill a vacancy on an elected board of a unit of local government. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

## **HB 3743 (P.A. 102-0009) TELECOMMUNICATIONS OMNIBUS**

Of particular interest to counties, the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act is extended to Dec. 31, 2024. Allows a local authority to propose the small wireless facility be collocated on an existing utility pole or wireless support structure within 200 feet of the proposed collocation (rather than 100 feet). Adds "acoustic regulations" to the accepted standards a local authority may require a wireless provider to comply. Broadens the definition of "public work" to make more telecommunication contractors subject to prevailing wage. Also, every 9-1-1 system must be able to accept text to 9-1-1 by January 1, 2023. *Effective June 3, 2021.*

## **SB 119 (P.A. 102-0078) LEMONADE STANDS**

Also known as "Hayli's Law" allows a lemonade stand to be operated by a person under 16 years old without regulation and without the need to apply for a temporary food permit with the local health department. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 215 (P.A. 102-0085) OPIOID LITIGATION**

Limits the ability of a unit of local government to file or become a party to opioid litigation against an opioid defendant if that defendant has an on-going intrastate opioid litigation unless authorized by the Attorney General. *Effective July 9, 2021.*

## **SB 317 (P.A. 102-0287) TOURISM PROMOTION**

Includes units of local government to the list of entities that DCEO can award grants to, from the Tourism Promotion Fund (specifies local parks). *Effective August 6, 2021.*

# Law Enforcement and Public Safety



## **HB 1765 (P.A. 102-0348)**

### **OPEN MEETINGS – BACKGROUND CHECK**

Prohibits a law enforcement agency or an officer from conducting a background check of a person for the sole reason of that person speaking at an open meeting of a public body. Makes exceptions for reasonable suspicion of criminal conduct or a threat to security at the meeting. Does not apply when the person speaking is under consideration for appointment to a government position by that public body. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

## **HB 2553 (P.A. 102-0597)**

### **PROTECTING HOUSEHOLD PRIVACY ACT**

Prohibits law enforcement agencies from obtaining household electronic data from a private third party unless the agency has a warrant or meets specific exceptions. *Effective Jan. 1, 2022.*

## **HB 3762 (P.A. 102-0499)**

### **DRUG ASSET FORFEITURE PROCEDURE ACT**

Eliminates requirement to notify the Secretary of State when seizing a vehicle under the Act. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 667 (P.A. 102-0234)**

### **ILLINOIS WAY FORWARD ACT**

Amends the Illinois TRUST Act. Strengthens legal protections

for immigrants and requires

the closure of all immigrant detention centers in the state by Jan. 1, 2022. Prevents state and local law enforcement agencies from collaborating with federal agencies such as Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), or from inquiring about an individual's immigration status unless presented with a federal warrant. Counties would be prohibited from entering into contracts with ICE to detain or house immigrants in ICE custody at local jails. Prior to this bill, ICE had contracts with three Illinois counties – Kankakee, McHenry and Pulaski. *Effective August 2, 2021.*

## **SB 1650 (P.A. 102-0215)**

### **LINE OF DUTY COMPENSATION ACT**

Provides that a claim for a death benefit for a death occurring after December 31, 2016 and before January 1, 2021 may be filed no later than December 31, 2022. *Effective July 30, 2021.*

## **SB 1681 (P.A. 102-0221)**

### **LINE OF DUTY PROBATION ACT**

Includes probation officers within the scope of the Act. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **SB 2530 (P.A. 102-0565)**

### **WIRELESS SERVICE CALL LOCATION**

Upon request of a law enforcement agency or a public safety answering point on behalf of a law enforcement agency, a wireless service provider shall provide call location information concerning the telecommunications device of a user to the requesting law enforcement agency. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## Redistricting

## **HB 2777 (P.A. 102-0010)**

### **LEGISLATIVE MAPS**

Creates the General Assembly Redistricting Act of 2021. Reapportions the House of Representatives and Senate districts in Illinois. *Effective June 4, 2021.*

## **SB 642 (P.A. 102-0011)**

### **ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT**

Creates the Judicial Districts Act of 2021. Redistricts the Illinois Supreme Court into 5 new Districts. *Effective June 4, 2021.*

## **SB 2406 (P.A. 102-0380)**

### **JUDICIAL CIRCUITS**

Reorganizes the counties (other than Cook County) into 24 (previously 23) judicial circuits. *Effective August 13, 2021.*

## **SB 2661 (P.A. 102-0012)**

### **COOK COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW**

Redraws the boundaries of the Cook County Board of Review which includes three districts. *Effective June 4, 2021.*

## Pensions and IMRF

## **HB 126 (P.A. 102-00113)**

### **PENSION SERVICE TRANSFER**

A police officer may transfer pension service credit from the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund to the Police Officers' Pension Fund. *Effective July 23, 2021.*

## **HB 3004 (P.A. 102-0603)**

### **REVOLVING DOOR PROHIBITION**

Prevents members of pension boards from being employed by the respective fund, investment board, or retirement system for 12 months after ceasing to be a board member. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## **HB 3474 (P.A. 102-0479)**

### **IMRF BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

A person who meets criteria to be an executive trustee may not serve as an employee trustee. *Effective Aug. 20, 2021.*

## **SB 460 (P.A. 102-0097)**

### **RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

Requires all state and local retirement systems and pension funds to award investment services contracts through a competitive process. *Effective January 1, 2022.*



# State Government

## HB 34 (P.A. 102-0108)

### ENTERPRISE ZONES

Strengthens the Illinois Enterprise Zone program process and redefines what constitutes a DIA map, along with other technical modifications. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## HB 355 (P.A. 102-0018)

### PROCUREMENT LEASES

Permits the state to amend property leases to reduce its leased square footage if operational requirements no longer require the full space. *Effective June 25, 2021.*

## HB 1755 (P.A. 102-0347)

### KASKASKIA PORT DISTRICT

The Kaskaskia Regional Port District has power to apply for and accept grants, appropriations, or loans from the federal and State government to be used for any purposes of the District. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## HB 3523 (P.A. 102-0485)

### IEMA CYBER ATTACK

Expands the definition of disaster in the Illinois Emergency Management Act to include "cyber incidents." *Effective August 20, 2021.*



## HB 3922 (P.A. 102-0014) / SB 1965 (P.A. 102-0334)

### JUNETEENTH STATE HOLIDAY

Creates Juneteenth National Freedom Day on June 19, which will be a paid day off holiday for all state employees and a school holiday if the day falls on a weekday. Honors the end to slavery in the United States. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 60 (P.A. 102-0280)

### SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Allows the state to sell surplus properties at less than their fair-market value under certain circumstances. In no event shall the real property be sold for less than 75% of fair market value and before such property has been offered to an interested unit of local government or made available at public auction. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## SB 581 (P.A. 102-0291)

### COMPTROLLER REPORTING EXPANSION

Replaces the Governor with the Comptroller to perform specified duties concerning the designation of organizations qualified to receive payroll deductions. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## SB 919 (P.A. 102-0247)

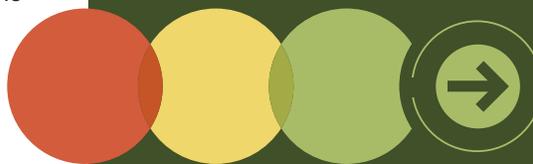
### BROADBAND ADVISORY COUNCIL

Adds four members to the Broadband Advisory Council to represent ethnically diverse communities that are appointed by the Governor. *Effective January 1, 2022.*



## Budget Fiscal Year 2022

Illinois' Fiscal Year 2022 budget plan for both operations and capital is contained in SB 2800 (P.A. 102-0017), along with SB 2017 (P.A. 102-0016), the budget implementation bill. The FY22 budget is balanced with expected revenues totaling \$42.3 billion and spending totaling \$42.2 billion. As part of the FY22 Capital Budget, makes new appropriations and re-appropriates \$51.2 billion for capital projects.



The FY2022 budget also directs federal aid from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to local governments.

## SB 1765 (P.A. 102-0225)

### INTERVIEW DIVERSITY

Requires every state agency to establish the goal of increasing diversity on interview panels in order to increase employment opportunities provided to women, members of minority groups, and people with disabilities. State agencies must submit an annual report to the Governor's office and General Assembly detailing their progress. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 1767 (P.A. 102-0332)

### PREVAILING WAGE DATA

Beginning Jan. 1, 2022, the Illinois Dept. of Labor shall make accessible to the public certain information from payroll records. Removes the requirement that the worker's name is included in the searchable database. *Effective August 6, 2021.*

## SB 1976 (P.A. 102-0535)

### CORRECTIONS POINT OF CONTACT

Authorizes the Illinois Dept. of Corrections to appoint a person to receive suggestions, complaints and requests from visitors at its facilities and the general public. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 2089 (P.A. 102-0388)

### STATE PARK FLAGS

Requires the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to fly a U.S. flag, an Illinois flag, and a POW/MIA flag at all State parks. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 2290 (P.A. 102-0648)

### BROADBAND ADOPTION FUND ACT

Provides financial assistance programs to residents for broadband internet services who qualify for TANF, SNAP, Medicaid, or have a child suitable for free or reduced lunch. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

## Taxes & Fees



### **HB 571 (P.A. 102-0127)** **TIF REPORTING**

Adds additional reporting requirements for Tax Increment Financing Districts to include on their annual report to the Comptroller. *Effective July 23, 2021.*

### **SB 508 (P.A. 102-0519)** **PTELL EXTENSIONS**

Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) to allow taxing districts to increase their extensions in an amount equal to the refunds from assessment reductions granted in the prior 12-month period. The additional extension amount will be the result of a supplemental or refund recapture levy applied automatically by the county clerk. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

### **SB 1721 (P.A. 102-0363)** **DELINQUENT PROPERTY (TAX SALES)**

Creates mechanisms for local governments to retrieve abandoned property. Allows local governments to work with land banks to purchase properties, rehab and sell them. Reduces the interest penalty for properties at tax sales from 12% to 9%. Expands the type of properties that can be acquired by the local government to include vacant lots. Additionally, the standard for which the local government can acquire the property is being changed from the property is dangerous or unsafe to the property's condition impairs public health, safety, or welfare. Allows the county to petition the circuit court for the deed of the property or they can petition for the deed for "another governmental body" designated in the petition, such as a land bank. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

### **SB 2244 (P.A. 102-0644)** **SENIOR CITIZEN ASSESSMENT FREEZE**

Increases opportunities for tax relief to senior citizens by allowing them to defer all or part of their property tax and special assessment payments. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

### **HB 270 (P.A. 102-0660)** **PROJECT FUNDING**

Requires IDOT to fund bicycle and pedestrian ways, in or within one mile of a municipality with a population of more than 1,000 people, in conjunction with the construction or other change to a State transportation facility. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

### **HB 396 (P.A. 102-0124)** **TRUCK REGULATIONS**

Updates truck weight and length regulations to better reflect federal laws. *Effective July 23, 2021.*

### **HB 1769 (P.A. 102-0669)** **REIMAGINING VEHICLES IN ILLINOIS ACT**

Sets out to make Illinois a hub for Electric Vehicle (EV) and auto battery production. More specifically, includes tax credits for income tax withholding, training costs, tax exemptions, and

## Townships



### **HB 3404 (P.A. 102-0609)** **NATURAL GAS PROGRAM**

Creates the Pembroke Township Natural Gas Investment Pilot Program for a duration of 5 years. DCEO shall distribute grants, subject to appropriation, from the fund to convert appliances to be compatible with natural gas. *Effective August 27, 2021.*

### **SB 501 (P.A. 102-0148)** **SAME TOWNSHIP NAMES**

Requires the Secretary of State to inform the county clerk if he/she finds two or more townships in a county with the same name. The county board must then adopt a different name for one of the townships. No longer requires the Secretary of State to address situations where different township names are the same among difference counties. *Effective July 23, 2021.*

### **SB 1799 (P.A. 102-0231)** **TOWNSHIP ACCUMULATION OF FUNDS**

General assistance funds are included in provisions prohibiting accumulation of township funds that exceed an amount equal to or greater than 2.5 times the annual average expenditure of the previous three fiscal years. *Effective July 30, 2021.*

### **SB 2390 (P.A. 102-0554)** **ANNUAL MEETING CONFLICTS**

Allows the township board to postpone the annual township meeting when the meeting conflicts with the celebration of Ramadan. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

### **SB 2522 (P.A. 102-0564)** **MOULTRIE COUNTY QUICK TAKE**

Amends the Eminent Domain Act for Moultrie County to allow the acquisition of certain property for the purpose of replacing a structure and constructing a roadway on a township road. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

## Transportation

investment credits, as well as allowing local jurisdictions to abate property taxes for EV projects. *Effective November 16, 2021.*

### **HB 2863 (P.A. 102-0449)** **CONSTRUCTION CONSENT**

In the case of township roads, the county superintendent of highways may either grant consent for construction or deny the application. The county superintendent shall provide written confirmation, citing the basis of the decision, to both the highway commissioner and the applicant. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

### **SB 58 (P.A. 102-0353)** **TRAILER FEES REDUCTION**

Lowers small trailer license fees from \$118 to \$36 along with removing a \$10,000 cap on sales tax credits on vehicle trade-ins. In turn, the bill raises the certificate title fee by \$5, from \$150 to \$155, to replace the revenues lost. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

# Veterans



## HB 282 (P.A. 102-0056)

### LEGAL OPINION

Upon receipt of a written request by the superintendent of the county Veterans Assistance Commission (VAC), the State's Attorney shall have the discretionary authority to render an opinion, without fee or reward, upon any question of law relating to a matter in which the county VAC may be concerned. **NOTE:** Applies to counties with less than 2,000,000 inhabitants and the State's Attorney shall have the discretion to grant or decline such a request. *Effective July 9, 2021.*

## HB 3515 (P.A. 102-0484)

### VETERANS ASSISTANCE

Creates provisions not currently defined in statute that address delegates and alternates for Veteran's Organizations serving more than one county. *Effective August 20, 2021.*

## HB 3716 (P.A. 102-0498)

### IDOT SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT

Veterans shall be preferred for employment with IDOT for the position of snow removal operator and winter salaried highway maintainer under the Department's Winter Seasonal Employment Program. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## HB 3865 (P.A. 102-0386)

### DECEPTIVE PRACTICES

Prevents deceptive practices from organizations "servicing" veterans obtaining benefits by requiring disclosure on voice and typed messaging that veterans' benefit services are free of charge at county veteran service offices. Makes it unlawful to violate the fiduciary responsibility of the veteran. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

## SB 2250 (P.A. 102-0549)

### VETERAN BENEFIT FUND REPORTING

Each administrator of an Illinois Veterans Home who has an established locally-held member's benefit fund shall prepare and submit to the Department of Veteran's Affairs a monthly report of all donations received, including those of non-monetary nature. The Department shall publish the report on its website. *Effective January 1, 2022.*

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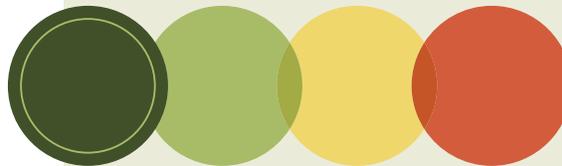
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