



# Weekly Legislative Report

## ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

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As we near the half way mark for the spring session, several bills in the House have failed to advance beyond the third reading deadline. The Senate decided to go home a day early last week since the House will not return to Springfield until May 8th. This gives the Senate more time to hear their bills on third reading, extending their deadline by a week. The Senate returns Tuesday.

The legislative to-do list for the remainder of session focuses on gun control, sexual harassment, veterans' affairs reform in the wake of the Legionnaires outbreak, and a budget / capital bill. It does not appear that there is an appetite to tackle a lot of major bills this spring due to the hyper-partisan nature of the upcoming election season.

# ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

**HB 1940** ICCB-VARIOUS **Sponsor** Rep. Hays

## House Floor Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

## Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 109-000-000

**HB 3185** EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsors** Rep. Ammons; Sen. Bennett

## House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Universities Civil Service Act. Removes references to the abolished State Community College of East St. Louis. Removes outdated provisions. Removes a requirement that vacancies be filled by promotion whenever practicable. Allows the Merit Board to issue subpoenas in the course of any investigation or hearing conducted pursuant to the Act. Removes the power of the Merit Board to set probationary periods of employment. Changes various references from "Director" to "Executive Director". Provides for the appointment of Designated Employer Representatives. Provides that the enumeration of specific duties and powers that the Merit Board may delegate to the Executive Director does not preclude the Merit Board from delegating other duties and powers. Allows the Merit Board to authorize the creation and use of pilot programs to further the goals of the Act. Allows examinations under the Act to be in various forms. Requires examinations in the same

## KEY

## LEGISLATION

- HB 4242 - FOIA-Harassment Settlements
- HB 4246 - HB 4248: Trustee Convention Expense Prohibition
- HB 4300 - Community College-Tuition Cap
- HB 4371 - Bonds-Pension Obligation
- HB 4495 - Vocational Opportunity Act
- HB 5536 - Community College Act - Various
- HB 5629 - Community College Contracts
- SB 2597 - Higher Ed - ICCB & ISAC Consolidate
- SB 2845 - Higher Ed – Employment Contract
- SB 2847 - Community College Staff / Board Member
- SB 2905 - Community College Act – Various
- SB 2968 - Community College Contracts
- SB 3046 - State Insurance (CIP) Enrollment

classification to be uniform, and provides for the waiver of examination requirements in specified circumstances. Makes changes to provisions concerning veteran preferences and active military service. Moves certain provisions concerning employees promoted in the promotional line and seniority. Makes changes concerning hearings on demotion, removal, or discharge. Expands nondiscrimination protections to include ancestry, age, marital status, order of protection status, disability, military status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or unfavorable discharge from the military.

**House Floor Amendment No. 2**

With respect to the University Civil Service Merit Board, changes a reference from "chairman" to "chairperson". Removes duplicate language concerning examinations. Allows for the waiver of examination requirements for additional positions, entry level only (instead of just additional positions). Restores language that provides that employees in positions covered by the State Universities Civil Service Act who, while in good standing, leave to engage in military service during a period of hostility shall be given credit for seniority purposes for time served in the armed forces. Makes technical corrections.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
3/13/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading March 14, 2018

**HB 4242**

FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS

Sponsors Rep. McSweeney; Sen. T. Cullerton

**Committee Hearing:** Judiciary Hearing May 1 2018 4:15PM Capitol 400 Springfield, IL

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall provide notice to the public if the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters into a severance agreement with an employee or contractor accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination. Provides that no more than 72 hours after the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body makes a payment under the severance agreement, the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall publish on its Internet website and cause to be published, for a period of not less than 7 days, in the newspaper of general circulation having the largest circulation within the jurisdiction of the unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body the following information: (1) the name of the person receiving the payment; (2) the amount of the payment; and (3) the fact that the person receiving the payment has been accused of sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, as the case may be. Effective immediately.

**House Floor Amendment No. 2**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Records Act. Provides that when a unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body enters a severance agreement with an employee or contractor because the employee or contractor was found to have engaged in sexual harassment or sexual discrimination, the public body shall publish specified information on its Internet website, if one is maintained, and make available such information to the news media for inspection and copying within 72 hours of the taxing body's approval of the severance agreement. Provides exceptions to disclosure of specified information. Provides that no unit of local government, school district, community college district, or other local taxing body shall incur liability as a result of its compliance with required disclosures, except for willful or wanton misconduct. Provides that disclosure requirements do not supersede the confidentiality provisions of a severance agreement. Provides that nothing in the applicable provisions shall limit disclosure of public records required to be disclosed under the Act or the Freedom of Information Act. Defines terms. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Judiciary

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**HB 4346** SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY**Sponsor** Rep. Jones; Sen. Harris, III**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code and various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to the requirement that the events of Black History be taught in every public elementary school and high school, provides that a student may not complete the 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying this material and that a school may meet this requirement through an online program or course. Requires every public institution of higher education and community college to offer a course studying the events of Black History. Allows public institutions of higher education and community colleges to meet the requirement by offering an online course.

**House Committee Amendment No. 1**

Removes a provision providing that a student may not complete 8th grade or graduate from high school without studying material on the events of Black History.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

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**HB 4395** ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING**Sponsor** Rep. Hays; Sen. Barickman**Committee Hearing:** Executive Hearing May 2 2018 3:45PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Removes the prohibition on a candidate for elective office who is required to file a statement of economic interests in relation to his or her candidacy from using the Internet to file his or her statement of economic interests.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Executive

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**HB 4412** PEN CD-SURS-SENIOR ADMIN STAFF**Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the Board shall make best efforts to ensure that the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's senior administrative staff represents the racial and ethnic makeup of the System's membership. Provides that "senior administrative staff" includes, but is not limited to, the Executive Director, the Chief Investment Officer, the General Counsel and Freedom of Information Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Member Services, the Director of Outreach, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Internal Audit, the Director of Operations, and the Director of Application Development and Research. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 070-026-005

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**HB 4413** PEN CD-BROADCAST MEETINGS

Sponsor Rep. Ammons; Sen. Manar

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that any open meeting of the board of trustees of a retirement system or pension fund or any committee established by a retirement system or pension fund must be broadcast to the public and maintained in real-time on the retirement system's or pension fund's website using a high-speed Internet connection. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

**House Committee Amendment No. 1**

Provides that a retirement system or pension fund must make audio and video available for an open meeting broadcast to the public and maintained on the retirement system or pension fund's website. Changes the effective date to January 31, 2019 (rather than upon becoming law).

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/19/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

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**HB 4467** HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT

Sponsor Rep. Hurley; Sen. Raoul

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning a police officer or fire officer survivor grant, provides that, with respect to disabled police and fire officers, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant. Effective immediately.

**House Committee Amendment No. 1**

Further amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. In a Section concerning grants for dependents of Department of Corrections employees who are killed or who become a person with a permanent disability in the line of duty, provides that, with respect to disabled employees of the Department of Corrections, natural children need not be born before the disability occurred in order to receive the grant.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

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**HB 4583** OPEN MEETINGS-SPECIAL MEETINGS

Sponsor Rep. Brad Halbrook

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that certain notice provisions that currently apply to regular meetings of a public body shall also apply to special meetings of a public body. Requires a public body that has a website maintained by a full-time staff to post the agenda and notice of meetings for both the governing body and all subsidiary bodies of the public body. Removes a provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting. Requires a public body that has a website to post the minutes of a regular, special, or emergency meeting of its governing body (currently, only regular meeting). Allows a court to declare null and void any final action taken at a meeting in violation of the Act, regardless of whether or not the meeting was a closed meeting. Provides that a court shall (rather than may) assess against any party, except a State's Attorney, reasonable attorney's fees and other litigation costs reasonably incurred by any other party who substantially prevails in any action brought under specified provisions of the Act.

**House Floor Amendment No. 1**

Reinserts a stricken provision stating that the failure of a public body to post on its website notice of any meeting or the agenda of any meeting shall not invalidate any meeting or any actions taken at a meeting, and provides that such provision shall apply unless the failure to post notice was the result of bad faith on the part of the public body. Adds a provision requiring a court to consider the degree to which the relief obtained relates to the relief sought when determining reasonable attorney's fees.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading April 26, 2018

**HB 4684**

PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB

Sponsor Rep. Martwick; Sen. Aquino

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading April 26, 2018

**HB 4710**

HIGHER ED-CREDITCARD MARKETING

Sponsor Rep. Sue Scherer

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. Provides that the Board of Trustees of a public university or community college district in this State may not enter into an agreement or allow any person or group affiliated with the university or district to enter into an agreement with a credit card issuer to allow the credit card issuer to market credit cards to students. Defines terms. Repeals the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act.

**House Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009. Creates the College Student Credit Card Marketing and Debt Task Force. Provides legislative findings. Provides for the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall provide technical and administrative support and any other necessary assistance to the Task Force and shall be responsible for administering its operations and ensuring that the requirements of the provisions are met. Provides that the Task Force shall conduct a study on student credit card debt; specifies study requirements. Provides that the Task Force shall report the findings of the study conducted and any recommendations to the General Assembly on or before December 14, 2018, at which time the Task Force shall be dissolved. Repeals these provisions on November 1, 2019. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

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4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Standard Debate - Passed 062-042-000
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**HB 4781** HIGHER ED-VETERANS SERVICE ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Kelly M. Burke

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Requires a public college or university to use its best efforts to hire a veteran of the armed services as the Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 105-000-000

**HB 4808** ELECTIONS-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Fortner; Sen. Link

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Election Code. Provides that write-in votes shall be counted only for persons who have filed notarized declarations of intent to be write-in candidates with the proper election authority, authorities, or State Board of Elections no earlier than 120 days prior to the primary or general election, but no later than 70 (rather than 61) days prior to the primary or general election. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information. Provides that declarations of intent to be a write-in candidate that do not include the specified information shall not be accepted. Provides that persons intending to become write-in candidates for the Offices of President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file one joint declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate with the State Board of Elections. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/13/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

**HB 4858** INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Syverson

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

**House Floor Amendment No. 1**

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

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**HB 4882** EDUCATION-TECH

Sponsor Rep. Rita Mayfield

**House Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes to the definition of "cohort", "eligible school", and "hard-to-staff school". In provisions concerning selection of grantees, removes the language providing that the consortium shall consider whether a candidate has experienced an interruption in his or her college education when recruiting potential candidates for the program. Provides that, subject to the requirements under the Dual Credit Quality Act, an institution of higher education may offer a high school student a dual credit course under the program; defines "dual credit course". Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not adopt rules regarding candidate eligibility that are more restrictive than those in the Act. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Third Reading - Standard Debate - Passed 063-047-000

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**HB 4956** SCH CD-TEACHERS-3-YEAR DEGREE

Sponsor Rep. Cavaletto; Sen. Cunningham

**Committee Hearing:** Education Hearing May 1 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, every public university in this State that offers an educator preparation program must offer to those students enrolled in the educator preparation program a 3-year degree completion program. Provides that prior to implementation of the program, a public university shall submit to the Board of Higher Education the curriculum and requirements of its program for approval. Provides that upon completion of the program, a student shall receive a bachelor's degree and qualify for entitlement for licensure. Requires the Board of Higher Education, in consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board and the State Board of Education, to adopt rules to implement the program. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

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**HB 5020** HGER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT

Sponsor Rep. Brady; Sen. Bennett

**Committee Hearing:** Higher Education Hearing May 1 2018 4:15PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Diversifying Higher Education Faculty in Illinois Act. Provides that the Program Board created to administer the grant program authorized by the Act shall be comprised of 11 (rather than 21) members. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education



**HB 5021** IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

**House Committee Amendment No. 2**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that if an institution of higher education proposes to discontinue its operations, the chief administrative officer of the institution shall submit a plan to the Board of Higher Education for permanent retention of all academic records of the institution; defines "academic records" and "institution of higher education". Requires the plan to be approved by the Executive Director of the Board before it is executed. Provides that if it appears to the Board that the academic records may become lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading April 24, 2018

**HB 5062** SCH CD-TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRM

Sponsor Rep. Flowers; Sen. Aquino

**Committee Hearing:** Education Hearing May 1 2018 3:00PM Capitol 212 Springfield, IL

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, the State Board of Education shall develop and maintain a program aimed at facilitating education in advanced manufacturing technical skills. Provides that the program shall be implemented in no less than 12 public high schools, over the span of 3 years, where the youth unemployment rate is at least twice the national average. Specifies program requirements. Provides that the State Board shall ensure that each high school participating in the program has adequate funding for at least one industry coordinator, tutoring, pre-employment and on-the-job mentoring, professional and leadership development, and life and financial management instruction. Provides that the State Board shall use a program provider to help design, build, and accredit the training program. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

**HB 5122** DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

Sponsor Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private

guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to a student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

**House Floor Amendment No. 1**

Provides that qualifying youth shall receive a tuition and fee waiver to assist them in attending and completing their post-secondary education (rather than a waiver of all tuition and fees to attend and complete their post-secondary education). In provisions requiring an applicant to meet certain academic and age requirements, provides that the applicant must also apply for federal and State grant assistance by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Provides that the community college or public university that an applicant attends must waive any tuition and fee amounts that exceed the amounts paid to the applicant under the federal Pell Grant Program or the State's Monetary Award Program.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

**HB 5137**    PENCD-TRS-DEFINED CONTRIBUTION

Sponsor Rep. Martwick

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Downstate Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

**House Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: Further amends the Illinois Pension Code. In the State Universities Article, provides that the System shall offer a defined contribution benefit to active members of the System. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall collect optional employee and optional employer contributions into an account and shall offer investment options to the participant. Provides that the defined contribution benefit shall be operated in full compliance with any applicable State and federal laws, and the System shall utilize generally accepted practices in creating and maintaining the benefit for the best interest of the participants. Authorizes the System to use funds from the employee and employer contributions to defray any and all costs of creating and maintaining the benefit. Requires the System to produce an annual report on the participation in the benefit and to make that report public. Excludes any benefit increase resulting from the change made by the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 094-000-000

**HB 5247** SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM **Sponsor** Rep. Pritchard; Sen. Weaver

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

**House Committee Amendment No. 1**

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

**House Committee Amendment No. 2**

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Referred to Assignments

**HB 5758** DUAL CREDIT ACT-STATE CAMPUS **Sponsor** Rep. Monica Bristow

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Provides that an institution may not offer a dual credit program with a high school in this State if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Prohibits the Illinois Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education from approving an institution's offer of dual credit courses if the institution's main campus is not located in this State. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

**SB 351** PUBLIC AID-TECH **Sponsor** Sen. Morrison; Rep. Wallace

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. In regard to SNAP eligibility for part-time students, provides that an educational program offered at a community college under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006 that could be a component of a SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) program, as identified by the Department of Human Services, shall be considered an employment and training program under a specified federal regulation concerning SNAP work requirements, unless prohibited by federal law. Provides that the Department of Human Services, in consultation with representatives of the Illinois Community College Board, ISAC, the Illinois Workforce Investment Board, and

advocates for students and SNAP recipients, shall establish a protocol to identify and verify all potential exemptions to an eligibility rule described in a specified federal regulation and to identify and verify a student's participation in educational programs. Requires the Department to adopt any rules necessary to implement specified provisions on or before January 1, 2018.

**House Floor Amendment No. 1**

In a provision granting the Department of Human Services rulemaking authority, removes language requiring the Department to adopt rules on or before January 1, 2018.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Third Reading - Short Debate - Passed 101-000-000

**SB 482** PTELL-EXTENSION LIMITATION

**Sponsor** Sen. J. Cullerton; Rep. Zalewski

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, the term "taxing district" includes all taxing districts in the State other than the City of Chicago and school districts that were not subject to the Law in the 2016 levy year. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, except with respect to school districts that were subject to the Law in the 2016 levy year, the extension limitation is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Provides that, for levy years 2017 and 2018, only special purpose extensions (i) made for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the taxing district or (ii) made for contributions to a pension fund are exempt from taxing districts' aggregate extensions. Preempts home rule. Effective immediately.

**House Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Makes a technical change in a Section authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt rules.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
3/6/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

**SB 779** PEN CD-INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE

**Sponsor** Sen. Daniel Biss; Rep. Bob Martwick

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the General Provisions Article of the Illinois Pension Code in relation to investment transparency. Defines terms. Provides that within 90 days after entering into a new agreement to invest in an alternative investment fund, a public retirement system must disclose certain specified provisions of the agreement. Provides that a public retirement system shall require its alternative investment fund external managers and general partners to make certain annual disclosures concerning certain fees and expenses, in regard to each alternative investment fund. Provides that supplying a public retirement system with a completed reporting template developed by the Institutional Limited Partners Association constitutes compliance with certain reporting requirements. Declares the disclosures to be public records and requires their publication on the public retirement system's website. Amends the Freedom of Information Act to make a conforming change. Effective immediately.

**House Committee Amendment No. 2**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the General Provisions, State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. In the General Provisions Article, repeals a provision added by Public Act 100-23 that establishes a hybrid benefit plan for persons who first

become members under the State Universities or Downstate Articles and noncovered employees under the State Employee Article after the implementation date of those benefits and makes related changes. In the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Article, incorporates the hybrid benefit plan added by Public Act 100-23 into each Article and makes conforming and related changes. Adds provisions specifying the method of calculating annuities and other defined benefits under the hybrid benefit plan. Adds provisions concerning the defined contribution component of the hybrid benefit plan. Makes changes to employee and employer contribution rates. In the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles, repeals a provision establishing individual employer accounts for the purposes of paying certain pension costs. Makes changes to provisions requiring the actual employer to pay specified pension costs. In the State Universities Article, provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller or the county treasurer the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer; adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Repeals certain provisions added by Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Makes other changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

**SB 888**      COMMUNITY COLL-NURSING DEGREE      **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 5**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Provides for a common name for a baccalaureate-level nursing education program, and makes changes to specified conditions. Removes the limit on the number of programs that may be approved by the Illinois Community College Board and Board of Higher Education. Requires the Illinois Community College Board to report on the results of its evaluation by July 1, 2023 (instead of July 1, 2022). Removes the effective date provision.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 24, 2018

**SB 2527**      SCH CD-DUAL CREDIT-ONLINE      **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school board from limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of credits a student may receive from dual credit courses. Provides that if a school district establishes an online learning program for students (with exceptions), the school board may not limit (i) which students may participate in the program, (ii) the number of online courses a student may enroll in, or (iii) the number of credits a student may receive from online courses.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall not adopt a policy limiting the number of dual credit courses a student may enroll in or the number of academic credits a student may receive from dual credit courses provided that the course is taught by an instructor under the Dual Credit Quality Act or by a licensed teacher or community college professor or instructor in the State of Illinois. Provides that a school board must award high school course credit to a student for dual credit coursework, unless evidence about the course's rigor and content shows that it does not address the relevant Illinois Learning Standard at the level appropriate for the high school grade during which the course is usually taken, and that

credit shall satisfy certain requirements under Code for that course. Provides that a superintendent may limit the number of academic credits a student may earn from dual credit courses if certain requirements under the Code are not being met.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/18/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 19, 2018

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**SB 2540** GOVT ETHICS-STOP PAYMENT ORDER      **Sponsor** Sen. Jason A. Barickman

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that during the period beginning September 1 of the year of a general election and ending the day after the general election, the proper name or image of any executive branch constitutional officer or member of the General Assembly shall not be included in a public announcement on behalf of an executive branch constitutional officer, member of the General Assembly, or State agency related to any contract or grant awarded by a State agency. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that appropriated funds may only be expended during the fiscal year for which they were appropriated. Provides that if any State agency receives a grant or contract from itself from appropriated funds, the recipient agency shall be restricted in the expenditure of these funds to the period during which the grantor agency was so restricted. Amends the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. Provides that the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall convene a subcommittee of the Illinois Single Audit Commission to provide recommendations to the General Assembly regarding the adoption of legislation. Amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act. Sets forth provisions concerning the stop payment system. Modifies a Section concerning the adoption of supplemental rules by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Modifies a Section concerning the annual report submitted by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Provides requirements for awarded grants. Sets forth provisions concerning the travel costs incurred by the employees of the recipient or subrecipient of an awarded grant. Requires nonprofit organizations to maintain State grant funds in an account which is separate from non-grant funds. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 24, 2018

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**SB 2545** EDUCATION-OPEN MEETINGS      **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that the Open Meetings Act does not apply to meetings of a joint committee formed under certain provisions of the Code. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that negotiating team strategy sessions are included in an exception to the Open Meetings Act.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 26, 2018

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**SB 2559** EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM      **Sponsor** Sen. Stadelman; Rep. Wallace

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the

Board of Higher Education shall develop a 3-year education loan information pilot program for use by each public institution of higher education that enrolls students who are eligible to receive financial aid. Defines "education loan". Provides that the program shall require that each public institution of higher education that receives education loan information for a student enrolled at the institution provide annually to the student or the parent or guardian of the student certain information relating to the education loans. Provides that a public institution of higher education is not liable for any representations made during the pilot program. Repeals the provision on June 1, 2023.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following change. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to develop the pilot program rather than the Board of Higher Education.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/24/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

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**SB 2822** HIGHR ED-RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION

**Sponsor** Sen. McConchie; Rep. Sauer

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act of 2012, the Private College Act, and the Academic Degree Act. Defines "religious institution" in these Acts. Provides that any religious institution (instead of any institution devoted entirely to the teaching of religion or theology) shall not be considered to be a private business and vocational school; makes related changes. Provides that no religious institution shall be subject to the educational requirements, standards, or demands contained in the Private College Act or the Academic Degree Act or in those Acts' administrative rules, and requires a religious institution to notify each of its students in writing that the religious degree being earned or course work earned at a religious, non-accredited, post-secondary educational institution may not transfer to other institutions.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Private College Act and the Academic Degree Act. Provides that a religious institution may file an annual application with the Board of Higher Education to become exempt from the educational requirements, standards, or demands under the Acts or those Acts' administrative rules and the Board may annually grant the exemption; defines "religious institution". Specifies application requirements.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

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**SB 2846** DCFS-TUITION & FEE WAIVERS

**Sponsor** Sen. Cristina Castro

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Makes post-secondary education tuition and fee waivers available to youth for whom the Department of Children and Family Services has court-ordered legal responsibility, youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or youth formerly under care who have been adopted and were the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who have been placed in private guardianship and were the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Requires applicants to have earned a high school diploma from an accredited institution or a high school equivalency certificate or have met the State criteria for high school graduation before the start of the school year for which they are applying for the waivers. Limits the tuition and fee waivers to persons under the age of 26 and provides that waivers shall be available to

student for at least the first 5 years the student is enrolled in a community college, university, or college maintained by the State. Provides that the age requirement and 5-year cap on tuition and fee waivers shall be waived and eligibility extended for applicants or students who were unable to enroll in a qualifying post-secondary school or complete an academic term because the student: (i) was called into active duty with the United States Armed Forces; (ii) was deployed for service in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps; or (iii) volunteered in the Peace Corps or the AmeriCorps. Permits the Department to provide the student with a stipend to cover maintenance and school expenses during the academic years to supplement the student's earnings. Requires the Department to develop outreach programs to ensure qualifying youths are aware of the availability of the tuition and fee waivers.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to receive and consider applications for grants for high risk students formerly in the care of the Department of Children and Family Services. Provides that an applicant is eligible for a grant if, among other conditions, he or she is a youth for whom the Department has court-ordered legal responsibility, a youth who aged out of care at age 18 or older, or a youth formerly under care who has been adopted and was the subject of an adoption assistance agreement or who has been placed in private guardianship and was the subject of a subsidized guardianship agreement. Sets forth provisions concerning the amount and payment of grant assistance, the automatic renewal of grants, administration, and rulemaking.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

**SB 2905**

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS

**Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire; Rep. G. Harris

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may, in collaboration with community colleges, furnish information for State and federal accountability purposes, promote student and institutional improvement, and meet research needs. Provides that the Board may review and approve or disapprove (rather than participate in and recommend approval or disapproval of) any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services and may monitor the performance under any contract. Requires the board of trustees of each community college district to file a written or electronic copy of its annual budget with the Board. Provides that any graduate from a recognized high school or student otherwise qualified to attend a public community college and residing outside a community college district may attend any recognized public community college in this State at the tuition rate of a student residing in the district; requires the Board to pay the community college the difference between the in-district and out-of-district tuition amounts. Provides that, for tuition purposes, a student shall be classified as a resident of a community college district after establishing the 30-day residency requirement of the district. Repeals provisions governing indemnification, deferred maintenance grants, the College and Career Readiness Pilot Program, a directory of graduating vocational and technical school students, and other items. Makes other changes. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Provides that the Illinois Community College Board may review and approve or disapprove any contract or agreement that community colleges enter into with any organization, association, educational institution, or government agency to provide educational services for academic credit (instead of any educational services). Makes a conforming change. Corrects grammatical errors.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee



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**SB 2927** HIGHER ED-VETERAN ACT-REPORT**Sponsor** Sen. McGuire; Rep. K. Burke**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Veterans Service Act. Provides that each public college or university that is required to have a Coordinator of Veterans and Military Personnel Student Services shall report to the Board of Higher Education information on the its efforts in attracting, recruiting, and retaining veterans and military personnel at the institution. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/24/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

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**SB 2954** PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB**Sponsor** Sen. Omar Aquino**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that if an employer fails to transmit required contributions to the System for more than 120 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Board may certify to the State Comptroller the amount of those delinquent employer contributions and the State Comptroller shall deduct the certified amount from State funds to the employer and remit the amount deducted to the System. Provides that if State funds from which those deductions may be made are not available or if deductions are delayed for longer than 120 days after the date of the certification to the Comptroller, the Board may proceed against the employer to recover the amounts of such delinquent payments in the appropriate circuit court. Adds similar provisions if the employer is a community college district. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/10/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 11, 2018

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**SB 2968** COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS**Sponsor** Sen. Althoff; Rep. Spain**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a community college district may enter into a contract for goods or services procured from a competitively bid group purchase contract without adhering to the competitively bid contract requirements under the Act.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

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**SB 2969** HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM**Sponsor** Sen. Schimpf; Rep. Bryant**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General

Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

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**SB 3033**    INDUSTRY DEVELOPMNT ASSISTANCE    **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Industrial Development Assistance Law. Allows local school districts and community colleges to apply for and receive grants under the Act for the acquisition of land, construction of facilities, and purchase of equipment, dedicated solely to the instruction of occupations in manufacturing. Provides additional eligibility requirements for local school districts and community colleges applying for grants under the Act. Modifies the term "industrial development agency" to include local school districts and community colleges.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 2**

Makes changes to the introduced bill to provide that a community college is eligible for a grant if it provides instruction leading to industry-based certificates or degrees, or both, and its application is supported in writing by not less than 25 (in the introduced bill, 100) manufacturing employers.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/23/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 24, 2018

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**SB 3046**    STATE INSURANCE-ENROLLMENT    **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Employee Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act, eligible TRS benefit recipients, TRS dependent beneficiaries, community college benefit recipients, and community college dependent beneficiaries may elect not to participate in the program of health benefits under the Act. Provides that the election must be made during the benefit recipient's annual open enrollment period, subject to specified conditions. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/24/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 25, 2018

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**SB 3047**    GROW STEM TEACHERS ACT    **Sponsor** Sen. Manar; Rep. John Connor

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Act. Requires a public university to waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus housing costs of a student who agrees to pursue a minimum of a bachelor's degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics for a teaching occupation that includes, but is not limited to, mathematics, natural sciences, or career and vocational education in the areas of technology teacher, industrial arts teacher, trade teacher, health care teacher, or information technology teacher and maintains a 3.0 cumulative grade point average. Provides that the student shall agree to fully reimburse the public

university if the student fails to teach at least 3 years at an Illinois high school or at least 5 years at an Illinois public institution of higher education. Provides for funding. Requires the Board of Higher Education to adopt rules it determines are necessary for the administration of the Act. Effective July 1, 2020.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Provides that funding for the Act shall be subject to appropriation, rather than subject to ongoing appropriation.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 3**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill as amended by House Amendment No. 1 with the following change. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition and fees for a student who is a licensed Illinois teacher with a master's degree and who (i) agrees to pursue up to a maximum of 18 graduate hours necessary to qualify the student to teach dual credit consistent with applicable accreditation and State standards for dual credit faculty, and (ii) agrees to fully reimburse the public institution of higher education for any waived tuition or fees if the student fails to teach at least 3 years at a high school located in this State after the completion of the graduate hours. Effective July 1, 2020.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 4**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 3 with the following changes. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus costs of a student who agrees to pursue a minimum of a bachelor's degree in agriculture for a teaching occupation in the area of agriculture education. For the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Program, adds a requirement that a student must teach at a hard-to-staff school, as determined by the Board of Higher Education. Requires a public institution of higher education to waive any tuition and fees for a student who is a licensed Illinois teacher with a master's degree and who (i) agrees to pursue up to a maximum of 18 graduate hours necessary to qualify the student to teach dual credit consistent with applicable accreditation and State standards for dual credit faculty and (ii) agrees to fully reimburse the public institution of higher education for any waived tuition or fees if the student fails to teach at least 5 years at a high school located in this State after the completion of the graduate hours. Changes the effective date from July 1, 2020 to July 1, 2019.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 5**

Adds a provision providing that a public institution of higher education shall waive any tuition, fees, and on-campus housing costs for a student in the Grow Your Own STEM and Vocational Education Teachers Program and waive any tuition and fees for a student in the Grow Your Own Dual Credit Teachers Program only if funds are appropriated to the Board of Higher Education under the Act.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/27/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

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**SB 3073** PEN CD-ACCEL BENEFIT PAYMENT

**Sponsor** Sen. Paul Schimpf

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires those Systems to offer certain inactive members the opportunity to elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the net present value of their pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. Provides that if a person elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment, his or her credits and creditable service under that Article shall be terminated upon receipt of the accelerated pension benefit payment; except that the terminated service credit shall be used for the purposes of determining participation and benefits under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Provides that a person who receives an accelerated pension benefit payment must direct the System to pay all of that payment as a rollover into another qualified retirement plan or account. Contains provisions concerning return to active service; rulemaking; and qualified plan status. Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 to make related changes. Requires the Authority to issue bonds if the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payments

exceed the amount appropriated to each System for those payments. Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes \$250,000,000 in State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds to be sold to pay for accelerated pension benefit payments to eligible persons. Amends the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act to create a continuing appropriation for payments on those Bonds. Amends the State Finance Act to create the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/19/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Special Issues (LA)

**SB 3090**

IBHE-PUBLIC COLLEGE-CLOSING

**Sponsor** Sen. Jim Oberweis

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that when a public institution of higher education proposes to discontinue operations, it shall file with the Board the original or legible true copies of all academic records of the institution. Provides for the specific contents of the records required to be filed. Provides that where it appears to the Board that any such records are in danger of being lost, hidden, destroyed, or otherwise made unavailable to the Board, the Board may seize and take possession of the records, on its own motion and without order of a court. Requires the Board to maintain a permanent file of all such records coming into its possession. Provides that, as an alternative to the deposit of records with the Board, the public institution of higher education may propose a different means for permanent retention of the records, subject to the approval of the Board. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

**SB 3138**

HGHR ED-STUDNT IDENTIY-PRIVATE

**Sponsor** Sen. Scott M. Bennett

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or financial assistance applicant or recipient under the Act is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a program administered by the Commission is private information and is exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that the provision does not apply to the identity of a student recognized through the State Scholar program, Merit Recognition Scholarship program, Golden Apple Scholars of Illinois Program, or any other program created on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act that is administered by the Commission with the purpose of providing a recipient public recognition of achievement. Makes conforming changes in the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 2**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Provides that the personal identity and address of a scholarship, grant, or other financial assistance applicant or recipient under a non-discretionary program administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, where eligibility data is obtained from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or is protected from disclosure under federal or State law or under rules and regulations implementing federal or State law, is information that is

intended to remain private and shall be exempt from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

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**SB 3190** DUAL CREDIT-INITIATIVE COURSE

**Sponsor** Sen. Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Dual Credit Quality Act. Requires a public university or community college, jointly with a high school, to grant dual credit to a student who completes a course under the Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum package adopted by the public university or community college under the Illinois Articulation Initiative Act. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 26, 2018

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**SB 3209** CDB-HIGHER EDUCATION

**Sponsor** Sen. Antonio Muñoz

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that the Capital Development Board has the power to construct and repair, or to contract for and supervise the construction and repair of, buildings under the control or for the use of any public institution of higher education when non-appropriated funds are used and both the Capital Development Board and the public institution of higher education mutually agree to that construction or supervision. Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Appropriations II

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**SB 3226** SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM

**Sponsor** Sen. Weaver; Rep. Breen

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that, no later than 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act, the State Board of Education shall adopt rules as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in registered apprenticeship programs; defines "registered apprenticeship program". Provides that the rules shall include the waiver of all non-academic requirements mandated for graduation from a high school under the Code that would otherwise prohibit or prevent a student from participating in a registered apprenticeship program. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Provides that the State Board of Education shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to adopt rules (rather than adopt rules) as may be necessary to allow students of any high school in this State who are 16 years of age or older to participate in the registered apprenticeship programs.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 2**

Changes the definition of "registered apprenticeship program" to provide that apprentices in the program may earn postsecondary credit toward a certificate or degree, as applicable.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

**SB 3288** UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE **Sponsor** Sen. Sims, Jr.; Rep. Hoffman

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Property Control Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of any public institution of higher education in this State is authorized to dispose of surplus real estate of that public institution of higher education. Specifies the manner in which a Board of Trustees may dispose of surplus real estate. Provides that a Board of Trustees may retain the proceeds from the sale, lease, or other transfer of all or any part of the real estate deemed surplus real estate in a separate account in the treasury of the institution for the purpose of deferred maintenance and emergency repair of institution property. Requires the Auditor General to examine the separate account to ensure the use or deposit of the proceeds in a manner consistent with the stated purpose. Defines "public institution of higher education". Effective immediately.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

**SB 3404** CRIMINAL LAW-TECH **Sponsor** Sen. Raoul; Rep. C. Mitchell

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that a statement of the higher education institution's obligation to include an amnesty provision that provides immunity to any student who reports, in good faith, an alleged violation of the higher education institution's comprehensive policy to a responsible employee shall include possession or use of a controlled substance. Amends the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Provides that every hospital providing hospital emergency services and forensic services to sexual assault survivors shall provide after a medical evidentiary or physical examination, access to a shower at no cost, unless showering facilities are unavailable. Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. Provides that upon the request of the victim, the law enforcement agency having jurisdiction shall provide a free copy of the police report concerning the incident, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 5 business days from the request. Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934 and the Illinois Controlled substances Act limiting prosecution for certain offenses if the person is reporting the commission of a sexual assault if certain perquisites are met. Amends the Criminal Code of 2012. Provides that reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act. Amends the Sexual Assault Incident Procedure Act. Provides that law enforcement shall give notice that the sexual assault forensic evidence collected will not be used to prosecute the victim for any offense related to the use of alcohol, cannabis, or a controlled substance. Makes other changes.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 2**

Provides that if the victim consented to the collection of evidence using an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act, it shall constitute reporting for purposes of the provision (in Senate Amendment No. 1, reporting to law enforcement authorities includes consenting to an Illinois State Police Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit under the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act).

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 3**

Deletes language providing that the victim's attorney may be present during any stage of a medical examination.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

**SB 3604** GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE PAY ACT

Sponsor Sen. T. Cullerton

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Government Severance Pay Act. Provides that a unit of government that enters into a contract or employment agreement, or renewal or renegotiation of an existing contract or employment agreement, that contains a provision for severance pay with an officer, agent, employee, or contractor must include specified provisions in the contract. Provides that nothing in the Act creates an entitlement to severance pay in the absence of its contractual authorization or as otherwise authorized by law. Defines terms.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/25/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading April 26, 2018

**HR 902** ACT COLLEGE STANDARDS

Sponsor Rep. Rita Mayfield

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Urges Illinois to adopt the ACT College and Career Readiness Standards for high school English language arts, math, and science courses to ensure Illinois high school students are adequately prepared for higher education, to enter the workforce, or whatever path they may choose.

**Last Action**

Date	Chamber	Action
4/3/2018	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education: School Curriculum & Policies Committee