



Weekly Legislative Report

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

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The Governor delivered his Budget Address on February 14. Of primary importance to ICCTA members, he called for shifting the cost of pensions for teachers and university/college employees away from the state. He also proposed eliminating state funding for the Teachers' Retirement Insurance Program (TRIP) and College Insurance Program (CIP). The response to the Governor's proposal was cool, but the budget presented will serve as a discussion point for the coming legislative session and elections.

The deadline to introduce new legislation this spring has passed. The House filed a total of 5,820 bills and the Senate filed 3,579 bills. Many of those are from last year, but they are still available for consideration this year. For the most part, the cards have been dealt and we have the hand we will be playing with for this session – meaning we have a good sense for the issues the General Assembly will consider in 2018. However, things can quickly change with an amendment. We will be watching amendments very closely.

Session has started off very slow, as members are increasingly focused on the March 20 primary elections. If they don't have a race of their own, they are helping colleagues in competitive races. Members have until April 13 to move the mounds of bills they have introduced out of committee.

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION

HB 3185 EDUCATION-TECH **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons; Sen. Scott M. 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 Removes outdated provisions.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 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
1/30/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading January 30, 2018

HB 4167 SCH CD-SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIC **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows a student enrolled in an educator preparation program at a regionally accredited

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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

institution of higher education to apply for a substitute teaching license if the student has earned at least 90 credit hours at that institution (rather than requiring all applicants to hold a bachelor's degree or higher). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	To Special Issues Subcommittee

HB 4169 HIGHER ED-SEX VIOLENCE TRANSCR **Sponsor** Rep. Jonathan Carroll

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act. Provides that certain higher education institutions shall note any violations of a comprehensive policy on any academic transcripts prepared for a student within 5 years following a finding of a violation. Provides that if a student transfers to another higher education institution, certain higher education institutions must also note the violation on any academic transcripts prepared within the 5 years following a finding of a violation. Limits the provisions to public universities and public community colleges.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4206 SCH CD-EDUCATOR LICENSE **Sponsor** Rep. Thomas M. Bennett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4242 FOIA-HARASSMENT SETTLEMENTS **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

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
3/1/2018	House	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading - Short Debate

HB 4246 LOCAL GOV CONVENTION EXPENSES **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a entered into before the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4247 CONVENTION SPACE APPROPRIATION **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, State appropriations may not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space for units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or other taxing bodies at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/24/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4248 CONVENTION EXPENSE LIMITATIONS **Sponsor** Rep. David McSweeney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of

the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date of the Act. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act by units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or local taxing bodies, State appropriations shall not be expended to rent or pay for access to physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4263 NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT

Sponsor Rep. David B. Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Ratifies and approves the Nurse Licensure Compact, which allows for the issuance of multistate licenses that allow nurses to practice in their home state and other compact states. Provides that the Compact does not supersede existing State labor laws.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4298 NOTICES-ELECTRONIC PUBLICATION

Sponsor Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Notice By Publication Act. Provides that if a governmental unit, community college district, or school district is required to provide notice by publication in a newspaper by law, order of court, or contract, the governmental unit may publish the notice on an official government website instead of in a newspaper. Provides conditions concerning the availability and format of the notice webpage. Repeals a Section concerning the placement of published notices on a statewide website and makes corresponding changes throughout the Act and in the Newspaper Legal Notice Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	House	To Analytics Subcommittee

HB 4300 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-TUITION CAP

Sponsor Rep. Joe Sosnowski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Removes a provision providing that the variable tuition rates and fees established by the board of trustees of a community college district for students attending a public community college shall not exceed 1/3 of the per capita cost of the college.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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1/30/2018

House

Assigned to Community College Access & Affordability Committee

HB 4326

ELEC CD-EQUIPMENT/AUDITS

Sponsor Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Illinois Election Integrity Act. Amends the Election Code. Requires that each election authority (i) conduct an election day audit of a random sample of 10% of votes cast and (ii) provide by contract or employment for the performance by one or more independent auditors of post-election parallel tabulations and audits. Provides for the scope of the audits and the resulting reports. Requires that optical scan technology and direct recording electronic voting systems meet certain federal and independent testing standards. Creates a voluntary tax checkoff for the Fund. With respect to early voting, requires that an election authority using only direct recording electronic voting systems have paper ballots available for voters wishing to use them. Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the Election Integrity Fund as a special fund in the State treasury.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4346

SCH CD/HIGHER ED-BLACK HISTORY

Sponsor Rep. Thaddeus Jones

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/26/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4371

BONDS-PENSION OBLIGATION

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance of an additional \$107,420,000,000 in State Serial Long Term Pension Obligation Bonds. 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 Serial Long Term Obligation Bond Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4375

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMAIL ACT

Sponsor Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Email Act. Provides that all emails that are in connection with the transaction of public business sent or received by a unit of local government or school district or an employee, staff member, trustee, board member, elected official, or officer of a unit of local government or school district are public records regardless if the emails are sent or received on a personal or unit-provided or district-provided email address. Requires a unit of local government or school district that provides an email address to one or more of its employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers to provide an email address for all employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, and officers of the unit of local government or school district. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers shall use unit-provided or district-provided email for all communications in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that employees, staff members, trustees, board members, elected officials, or officers shall promptly forward, print, or otherwise provide any email sent or received on his or her personal email address to his or her unit of local government or school district if the email is in connection with the transaction of public business. Provides that if an email received on a personal email was carbon copied to a unit-provided and controlled or district-provided and controlled email, a copy of the email does not need to be provided to the unit or district. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/12/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4376

TREASURER-COLLEGE SAVINGS

Sponsor Rep. Peter Breen

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Treasurer Act. In a Section concerning a college savings pool, provides that moneys may be used for qualified expenses allowed pursuant to Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Provides that, before January 1, 2026, the Treasurer shall allow a rollover of funds contained in a College Savings Pool account into an eligible ABLE account. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
3/1/2018	House	To Growth, Reform & Fairness Subcommittee

HB 4395

ETHICS-INTERNET BASED FILING

Sponsor Rep. Chad Hays

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
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

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
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 4413 PEN CD-BROADCAST MEETINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Personnel & Pensions Committee

HB 4414 PEN CD-EXEC DIR & CIO-APPTMNT **Sponsor** Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employees, State Universities, and Downstate Teachers Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director or chief investment officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Amends the Chicago Teachers Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, appointments to the position of executive director, chief investment officer, or chief legal officer must be made with the advice and consent of the Senate. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4421 E-VERIFY REQUIRE EMPLOYER **Sponsor** Rep. David B. Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Right to Privacy in the Workplace Act. Requires every employer, after hiring an employee, to verify the employment eligibility of the employee through the E-Verify program. Provides that, in addition to any other requirement for an employer to receive a grant, loan, or performance-based incentive from any government entity, the employer shall register with and participate in the E-Verify program. Provides that before receiving the economic development incentive, the employer shall provide proof to the government entity that the employer is registered with and is participating in the E-Verify program. Provides that the State, its political subdivisions, and units of local government, including home rule units, shall require each employer to use an Employment Eligibility Verification System as a condition of receiving a government contract or a business license. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4425 ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS **Sponsor** Rep. Tim Butler
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4426 ELEC CD-EARLY VOTING HOURS **Sponsor** Rep. Tim Butler
Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that on the day before election day, a permanent polling place for early voting must remain open no later than 5:00 p.m. Makes conforming and other changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4467 HIGHER ED-POLICE/FIRE GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Frances Ann Hurley
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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/31/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4495 VOCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY ACT **Sponsor** Rep. André Thapedi
Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Vocational Academy Opportunity Act. Creates 2 vocational academies, one located in Cook County and the other in St. Clair County, which shall be residential institutions. Provides that each academy shall be a State agency, funded by State appropriations, private contributions, and endowments. Provides that the academies shall be governed by a single Board of Trustees for the collective operation and oversight of the

academies. Provides for the membership of the Board. Specifies the duties and powers of the Board. Provides that each academy shall be empowered to lease or purchase real and personal property on commercially reasonable terms for the use by the academy.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4499 PUBLIC DUTY RULE CODIFICATION **Sponsor** Rep. Keith R. Wheeler

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Public Duty Rule Codification Act. Contains legislative findings and a statement of legislative purpose. Provides that a local governmental entity and its employees owe no duty of care to individual members of the general public to provide governmental services.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/2/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4533 OPEN MEETINGS/FOIA-TRAINING **Sponsor** Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that an elected or appointed member of a public body of a municipality may satisfy the training requirements under the Open Meetings Act and a Freedom of Information Officer may satisfy the training requirements under the Freedom of Information Act by participating in a course of training sponsored or conducted by the Illinois Municipal League. Provides content requirements for the training. Provides that if an organization representing municipalities provides training, it must provide a certificate of course completion to each elected or appointed member of a public body who successfully completes that course of training.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 4551 CHILD DAY CARE-FEE DISCLOSURE **Sponsor** Rep. Juliana Stratton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Child Care Act of 1969. Provides that a day care center or day care home must disclose its tuition and other applicable fee information on the day care facility's official website if the day care facility maintains such a website.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4558 ENVIRONMENTAL BARRIERS-STAIRS

Sponsor Rep. Margo McDermed

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Environmental Barriers Act. Provides that a public facility or multi-story housing shall have a detectable warning at the bottom step and top step of each stair run. Exempts stairs in dwelling units, stairs in enclosed stair towers, and stairs set to the side of the path of travel. Defines "detectable warning".

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Assigned to Special Needs Services

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4684 PEN CD-SURS-EMPLOYER CONTRIB

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

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
3/1/2018	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

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
2/21/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 4803 LOCAL GOVT TRANSPARENCY ACT **Sponsor** Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Local Government Transparency Act. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government, either appointed or elected, may not be appointed, elected, or otherwise serve as the treasurer of that unit of local government. Provides that a mayor, president, vice president, chairman, director, or chief administrator of a unit of local government who is also the treasurer of that unit of local government on the effective date of the Act must comply with the provisions of the Act no later than 90 days after the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	House	Assigned to Cities & Villages Committee

HB 4806 SCH CD-CAREER READY ASSESSMENT **Sponsor** Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With regard to State assessments, provides that the State Board of Education shall develop a process for the college and career ready assessment that allows a school board to apply to the State Board to utilize the nationally recognized and locally selected assessment option of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act. Requires that the State Board of Education adopt technical criteria under specified federal law and rule to evaluate the proposed assessment. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee
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HB 4808 ELECTIONS-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Rep. Mike Fortner

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
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4818 PROP TX-INITIAL LEVY **Sponsor** Rep. Al Riley

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that a municipality that has not extended property taxes for any purpose for a continuous 5-year period immediately preceding the tax year of the initial levy may establish an initial levy without resort to referendum, but not to exceed an aggregate rate of 0.25% and further subject to the Truth in Taxation Law. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4833 LOCAL GOV OFFICER COMPENSATION **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Local Government Officer Compensation Act. In provisions regarding compensation of elected officers of school districts and units of local government, defines "compensation" as wages, salaries, commissions, and any other form of remuneration. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4834 VEH CD-COLLEGE POLICE PLATE **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Beginning with the 2020 registration year, allows vehicles owned or operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department.

to be registered for a one-time fee of \$8.00. Requires registration plates for vehicles owned or operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department to contain the designation "university police" or "college police" and to be numbered and distributed as prescribed by the Secretary of State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4838 OPEN MEETINGS POSTING RECORDS **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Requires a unit of local government or school district with an operating budget of \$1 million or more to maintain an Internet website and post to that website, for the current calendar or fiscal year, the following information: (1) information about elected and appointed officials; (2) notice of and materials prepared for meetings; (3) procedures for requesting information from the unit of local government or school district; (4) annual budget; (5) ordinances; (6) procedures to apply for building permits and zoning variances; (7) financial reports and audits; (8) information concerning employee compensation; (9) contracts with lobbying firms; (10) taxes and fees imposed by the unit of local government or school district; (11) rules governing the award of contracts; (12) bids and contracts worth \$25,000 or more; (13) a debt disclosure report; and (14) public notices. Provides that any citizen who is a resident of the unit of local government or school district may bring a mandamus or injunction action to compel the unit of local government or school district to comply with the Internet posting requirements. Limits home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Provides for a statutory exemption for any electronic copy of a record or information maintained on specified websites. Amends the Department of Central Management Services Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4839 PENCD-STATE SYS-TIER 3 **Sponsor** Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. For the 5 State-funded Retirement Systems: Requires implementation of a Tier 3 plan that aggregates State and employee contributions in individual participant accounts. Provides that a person who becomes a participant on or after July 1, 2019 shall participate in the Tier 3 plan. Authorizes a Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant to elect to participate in the Tier 3 plan. Repeals provisions relating to a hybrid benefit plan and makes related changes. Requires Systems to offer an optional accelerated benefit payment to certain members in lieu of receiving a pension and authorizes the issuance of bonds for those payments. Authorizes a person to elect not to participate or to terminate participation in the Systems. Restricts participation in the General Assembly Retirement System to current participants. In Articles 7, 14, 15, and 16, for new participants, prohibits unused sick or vacation time from being used to calculate pensionable salary or establish service credit. In Articles 15 and 16, requires an employer to pay the projected costs of the increase in pension benefits associated with an increase in salary. In Article 16, prohibits an employer from making employee contributions on behalf of an employee, except as specified. Amends other Acts to prohibit collective bargaining over that prohibition and make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee
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HB 4841 LABOR AGREEMENT HEARINGS

Sponsor Rep. Jeanne M Ives

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act and the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. Provides that, once an agreement is reached between a public or educational employer and its employees regarding all of the terms of a collective bargaining agreement, the agreement shall be reduced to writing and published on the website of the public or educational employer. Requires the public or educational employer, not less than 14 days after publishing such an agreement, to hold an open public meeting on the ratification of that agreement. Provides that any contract between a public employer and an employee where the total compensation exceeds \$150,000 shall be published on the employer's website for a period of not less than 14 days prior to being signed by both the employer and the employee. Requires the public employer to hold an open public meeting on the contract in addition to posting it for 14 days if that contract is subject to board approval. Makes conforming changes in the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4876 ELECTIONS-ELECTRONIC FILING

Sponsor Rep. Tim Butler

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that electronic filing is required for all political committees, regardless of the amount of contributions, expenditures, or loans received by that political committee. Removes language allowing the State Board of Elections to provide by rule for the optional electronic filing of expenditure and contribution reports for political committees. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Elections & Campaign Finance Committee

HB 4894 UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE

Sponsor Rep. Jay 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
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 4956 SCH CD-TEACHERS-3-YEAR DEGREE **Sponsor** Rep. John Cavaletto

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
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5020 HGER ED-DIVERSE FACULTY GRANT **Sponsor** Rep. Dan Brady

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
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5062 SCH CD-TECHNICAL SKILLS PROGRM **Sponsor** Rep. Mary E. Flowers

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
2/14/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5109

COMMUNITY BEHAV HEALTH CARE

Sponsor Rep. Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program Act. Creates the Community Behavioral Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program to be administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that the Program shall provide loan assistance, subject to appropriation, to eligible mental health and substance use professionals practicing in a community mental health center in an underserved or rural federally designated Mental Health Professional Shortage Area. Provides that applicants must enter into a minimum 2-year contract. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that the Commission may extend the contract a third or fourth year to individual applicants upon completion of the initial 2-year obligation. Provides that Program participants who, for any reason, fail to begin or complete the required period of obligated service shall be liable to the Commission for an amount equal to the number of months of obligated service not completed multiplied by \$2,500 and interest on the amount at the maximum legal prevailing rate, as determined by the Treasurer of the United States from the date of breach.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/26/2018	House	Assigned to Mental Health Committee

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	House	Assigned to Appropriations-Higher Education Committee

HB 5138 PEN CD-SURS & TRS-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. In provisions of the State Universities and Downstate Teacher Articles that require a participant's employer to make an additional contribution if the participant's salary exceeds the amount of salary set for the Governor, removes a provision that specifies that the salary of the participant is determined on a full-time equivalent basis. In the Downstate Teacher Article, provides that for the purpose of calculating a refund under the Article, "accumulated contributions" does not include any contributions greater than those actually received by the System. Provides that any person (rather than any person, member, trustee, or employee of the Board) who knowingly makes any false statement or falsifies or permits to be falsified any record of the System in an attempt to defraud the System, any other retirement system or pension fund created under the Code, or the Illinois State Board of Investment (rather than the System) is guilty of a Class 3 felony (rather than a Class A misdemeanor). Provides that the violation shall be deemed to be relating to the person's service as a teacher for the purpose of the felony forfeiture provisions of the Article. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5204 SCH CD-COLLEGE APP REQUIRED

Sponsor Rep. Nicholas K Smith

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, each school district that maintains grades 9 through 12 shall require each student in grade 11 to file an application for admission to a public or private college, university, trade or vocational school, or internship or apprenticeship program or for entry into military service as a prerequisite to receiving a high school diploma; defines "military service".

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5247 SCH CD-REG APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Sponsor Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5268

FOIA-GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS

Sponsor Rep. Sam Yingling**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Defines "member-based organization" as any group, association, or organization that: (1) has a membership that includes one or more government taxing bodies; (2) lobbies on behalf of its governmental members; and (3) receives a majority of its funding from its governmental members. Provides that a member-based organization is a public body under the Act; however, only records relating to the member-based organization's receipt of public funds or its expenditures made in whole or in part with public funds are public records subject to inspection and copying by the public.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5402

\$FY19 ICCB OCE

Sponsor Rep. Jim Durkin**Synopsis As Introduced**

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Illinois Community College Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, as follows: General Funds \$202,715,100; Other State Funds \$116,825,000; Federal Funds \$43,000,000; Total \$362,540,100.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5404

\$FY19 SURS OCE

Sponsor Rep. Jim Durkin**Synopsis As Introduced**

Makes appropriations for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the State Universities Retirement System for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, as follows: General Funds \$1,414,498,000; Other State Funds \$140,000,000; Total \$1,554,498,000.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5458

HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsor Rep. Norine K. Hammond**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
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5460 HIGHER ED-COLLEGE SAVINGS **Sponsor** Rep. Norine K. Hammond

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Treasurer Act and Illinois Prepaid Tuition Act. Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2018, for a designated beneficiary or qualified beneficiary who is a State resident, no contributions toward the College Savings Pool or the purchase of an Illinois prepaid tuition contract may be considered in evaluating the financial situation of the beneficiary or be deemed a financial resource or form of financial aid or assistance to the beneficiary for purposes of determining the eligibility of the beneficiary for any scholarship, grant, or monetary assistance awarded by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Provides that contributions toward the College Savings Pool or the purchase of an Illinois prepaid tuition contract may not reduce the amount of any scholarship, grant, or monetary assistance that the beneficiary is eligible to be awarded by the Commission. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5461 CDB-CONTRACT ADMIN FEES **Sponsor** Rep. Chad Hays

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that certain administration fees do not apply to institutions of higher education, including public institutions of higher education.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5471 UNIV RETAIL SALES-INST DEFINED **Sponsor** Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the University Credit and Retail Sales Act. Changes the short title of the Act to the Higher Education Institution Credit and Retail Sales Act. Defines "State institution of higher learning" to mean a university, college, community college, or junior college in this State that is publicly supported by taxes levied and collected within the State on income, sales, or property. Provides that "State institution of higher learning" does not include a post-secondary educational institution as defined under the Private College Act. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5472 PEN CD-ACCEL BENEFIT PAYMENT

Sponsor Rep. Robert Martwick

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, and Downstate Teacher Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Requires each System to implement an accelerated pension benefit payment option for Tier 1 members who have submitted an application for a retirement annuity and meet other requirements. Requires each System to offer an eligible Tier 1 member the opportunity to irrevocably elect to have his or her automatic annual increases in retirement annuity calculated using the Tier 2 formula in exchange for an accelerated pension benefit payment equal to 70% of the difference of the present value of the automatic annual increases in the Tier 1 member's retirement annuity using the formula applicable to the Tier 1 member and the present value of the automatic annual increases in the Tier 1 member's retirement annuity using the Tier 2 formula. Contains provisions concerning definitions; return to active service; depositing the payments into other qualified retirement plans; qualified plan status; and rulemaking. Excludes the amendatory Act from the definition of "new benefit increase". Adds provisions defining "Tier 1 member" and repeals the definitions of "Tier 1 member" added by Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5514 HIGHER ED-1YR COLLEGE PROMISE

Sponsor Rep. Justin Slaughter

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act to create the First-Year College Promise Fund as a special fund in the State treasury. Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to implement and administer a program to award First-Year College Promise grants to low-income Illinois residents seeking an associate degree from a public community college or a bachelor's degree from a public university. Provides that a First-Year College Promise grant shall be equal to the cost of tuition and mandatory fees at the public institution for 2 semesters of enrollment. Sets forth the terms and conditions of the program.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5536 COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS

Sponsor Rep. Chad Hays

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5629 COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS **Sponsor** Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5731 PROP TX-PTELL **Sponsor** Rep. Jim Durkin

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that, for levy years 2018 through 2021, the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law applies to all taxing districts, including home rule units. Provides that, for levy years 2018 through 2021, the extension limitation under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law is 0% or the rate of increase approved by the voters. Provides that, for taxing districts that became subject to the Law as a result of the amendatory Act, "aggregate extension" does not include special purpose extensions made for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or other evidences of indebtedness issued by the taxing district prior to the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that taxing districts may provide for the continuation of the amendatory Act for up to 4 years upon referendum approval. Provides that the voters of the taxing district may require a reduction in the taxing district's aggregate extension base by referendum. Preempts home rule. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5736 INC TX-JOB TRAINING CREDIT **Sponsor** Rep. Tony McCombie

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that an employer may enter into an agreement with a community college in the State to establish a project. Provides that the term "project" means a program established by the community college to provide certain job training services. Provides that the employer is entitled to a credit against withholding tax payments in an amount equal to 1.5% of the wages paid by the employer to a participating employee during the first year of the employee's participation in the program. Provides that the employer shall remit the amount of the credit to the community college. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 5746 HIGHER ED-SEXUAL VIOLENCE STUDY **Sponsor** Rep. Michelle Mussman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, each public or private higher education institution shall require all entering freshmen to receive, during a period of orientation or in an introductory course offered by the institution, instruction aimed at increasing the awareness and prevention of sexual violence and hate crimes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

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
2/16/2018	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SB 863 SCH CD-TRAINED OTHER STATES **Sponsor** Sen. Bertino-Tarrant; Rep. Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that, for State Board of Education appointments made after the effective date of the amendatory Act, 3 of the members of the State Board must represent the educator community. Sets forth the qualifications for these members and makes other changes with regard to the qualifications of members of the State Board.

House Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Educator Licensure Article of the School Code. Allows for the issuance of a Professional Educator License endorsed in a teaching field or school support personnel area to an applicant who has not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education if he or she provides evidence of completing a comparable state-approved educator preparation program, as defined by the State Superintendent of Education, among other conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/6/2018	Senate	Sent to the Governor
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SB 888 COMMUNITY COLL-NURSING DEGREE **Sponsor** Sen. Andy Manar

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Public Community College Act. Allows a board of trustees of a community college district to establish and offer a baccalaureate-level nursing education program and confer a bachelor of science degree in nursing upon the meeting of specified conditions. Requires approval of both the Illinois Community College Board and Board of Higher Education. Limits the number of programs that may be approved to 20 until August 31, 2022. Requires the Illinois Community College Board to conduct a statewide evaluation of nursing programs established under the provisions and report on the results of the evaluation by July 1, 2022. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
8/4/2017	Senate	Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-9(b) / Referred to Assignments

SB 2234 HIGHER ED CENTERS EXCELLENCE **Sponsor** Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Requires the Board of Higher Education to establish a uniform admission process online, which must be used at all public institutions of higher education; sets forth what components this admission process must include. Requires the Board (i) to ensure that any high school student in this State with a 3.0 cumulative grade point average or better on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent on a 5.0 scale) receives access to the opportunity of higher education and (ii) to guarantee admission to a public university; requires cooperation by the State Board of Education, high schools, and public universities. Requires the Board to conduct a study of the academic programs offered at each public university campus. Sets forth the Board's duties concerning the study. Requires the Board to use the results of the study and other specified factors to determine which academic programs should be prioritized at campuses of public universities and to create and designate Higher Education Strategic Centers of Excellence. Requires the Board to work with the Illinois Community College Board to develop recommendations to integrate community colleges into this plan. Sets forth additional Board of Higher Education duties concerning evaluating programmatic expansions and new programs and studying student financial aid and multi-year budgeting. Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities to make conforming changes.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2018	Senate	Postponed - Higher Education

SB 2438 LABOR REL-FINANCIAL ABILITY **Sponsor** Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act. Provides that if a unit of local government, as an employer, and public employees provide for arbitration of impasses, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue. Modifies the factors by which an arbitration panel shall base its findings, opinions, and order on a new agreement or amendment upon. Provides that arbitration decisions regarding peace officers, fire fighters, and fire department or fire district paramedic

matters under the Act shall not include residency requirements. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act. With respect to collective bargaining between an educational employer (other than the Chicago school district) and an exclusive representative of its employees, provides that when making wage and benefit determinations during interest arbitration, the employer's financial ability to fund the proposals based on existing available resources shall be given primary consideration, provided that such ability is not predicated on an assumption that lines of credit or reserve funds are available or that the employer may or will receive or develop new sources of revenue or increase existing sources of revenue.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Labor

SB 2476 ELECTIONS-VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS **Sponsor** Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any campaign, party, or other organization or individual that engages in a vote by mail operation in which voters are sent applications for vote by mail ballots shall also provide the voter with a postage-paid return envelope addressed only to the appropriate local election authority for that registered voter. Provides that removing, tampering with, or otherwise knowingly making the postmark on the application unreadable by the election authority shall establish a rebuttable presumption of a violation.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

SB 2477 ELEC CD-WRITE-IN CANDIDATES **Sponsor** Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that when a person who intends to be a write-in candidate for an uncontested office has not timely filed nomination papers but has filed a written statement or notice of his or her intent, no primary ballot shall be printed (rather than requiring a primary ballot to be prepared and a primary election held). Removes language concerning requirements for the written statement or notice. Removes language providing that an election authority has no duty to conduct a primary and prepare a ballot for a uncontested office, unless the written statement or notice is filed in a timely manner. Provides that where no primary is held, a person intending to become a write-in candidate shall re-file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for the consolidated election with the appropriate election authority or authorities. Provides that a write-in candidate's notarized declaration of intent needs to be filed no more than 106 days before a primary or election for write-in votes for the candidate to be counted. Provides that a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate shall include specified information, otherwise, the declaration shall not be accepted. Provides that person intending to become write-in candidates for President and Vice President or Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall file a joint declaration of intent to be a write in candidate that identifies the candidate for each office. Provides that a vote cast for either candidate shall constitute a valid write-in vote for the team of candidates.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/8/2018	Senate	To Subcommittee on Election Law

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities Act. Provides that invoices submitted under the Act shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that each such invoice shall indicate which provision of the contract or subcontract has been submitted for payment and the amount due. Provides that, upon payment, the invoice number and the voucher number shall be posted on the State Comptroller's website. Provides that the State Comptroller may enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Chicago for the purpose of collecting and posting that information.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/7/2018	Senate	Assigned to State Government

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
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2/28/2018	Senate	Postponed - Government Reform
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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
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 2559 EDU LOAN INFO PILOT PROGRAM **Sponsor** Sen. Steve Stadelman

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 2597 HGER ED-ICCB&ISAC CONSOLIDATE **Sponsor** Sen. Chapin Rose

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act, the Public Community College Act, and the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Increases the membership of the Board of Higher Education and makes other changes to the Board's membership. Provides that all of the rights, powers, duties, and functions vested by law in the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission are transferred to the Board of Higher Education on January 1, 2019. Abolishes the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission and provides for the transfer of personnel and property on that date.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Further amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may require the elimination of any program of instruction, research, or public service at a public university that exhibits a trend of low performance. Provides that, in evaluating programmatic expansions and new programs at a public institution of higher education, the Board, prior to approving the expansions or programs, shall make certain findings about the region and the higher education infrastructure in this State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education
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SB 2612 ELEC CD-ELECTION AUTHORITIES **Sponsor** Sen. Melinda Bush

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Election Code. Provides that by January 31 of each year, each election authority shall submit a form with specified information to the State Board of Elections. Provides that the Board, in coordination with advocacy groups, shall develop the form an election authority shall use to submit the specified information. Provides that the Board shall provide a way for an election authority to submit the form online, by mail, or by facsimile. Provides that the Board shall make the information collected available to the public on request.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/14/2018	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 2845 HIGHER ED-EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT **Sponsor** Sen. Thomas Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities and community colleges in Illinois. With respect to employment contracts entered into with the president or all chancellors of a public university or an employee of a community college district, provides that severance under the contract may not exceed 6 months (rather than one year) of salary and applicable benefits.

Last Action

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

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 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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Human Services

SB 2847 COMM COLL-STAFF-BOARD MEMBER **Sponsor** Sen. Cristina Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that a faculty or staff member of a community college is ineligible to serve as a member, elected or otherwise, of the board of trustees of the community college district in which the faculty or staff member is employed. Effective immediately.

Last Action

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

SB 2905 COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT-VARIOUS **Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire

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.

Last Action

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

SB 2927 HIGHER ED-VETERAN ACT-REPORT **Sponsor** Sen. Pat McGuire

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
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

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
3/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 13, 2018

SB 2968

COMMUNITY COLLEGE-CONTRACTS

Sponsor Sen. Pamela J. Althoff**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
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

SB 2969

HIGHER ED-GRAD GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsor Sen. Paul Schimpf**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
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

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
3/1/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 13, 2018

Committee Hearing: Higher Education Hearing Feb 27 2018 3:15PM 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
2/27/2018	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 28, 2018

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
2/21/2018	Senate	Assigned to Licensed Activities and Pensions

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.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Judiciary

SB 3176 HGER ED-BOARD OF REGENTS**Sponsor** Sen. Dan McConchie**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that, beginning with the fiscal year 2020 budget, the budget submitted by the Governor shall include one or more line items appropriating moneys to the Board of Regents. Provides that all appropriations for public universities shall be made to the Board of Regents. Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Creates the Board of Regents to allocate funds to public universities based on a funding formula recommended by the Board of Higher Education. Provides for the membership of the Board. Provides that the boards of trustees of public universities shall submit to the Board of Regents no later than the 15th day of November of each year their budget proposals for the operation and capital needs of the institutions under their governance or supervision for the ensuing fiscal year. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may require the elimination of any program of instruction, research, or public service at a public university that exhibits a trend of low performance or low enrollment. Provides that the Board of Higher Education shall prepare a comprehensive statewide plan to increase efficiency and enrollment in public institutions of higher education. Specifies the plan requirements. Prohibits the Board of Regents from providing any funds to a public university that does not adhere to the plan.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

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
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Education

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

SB 3288 UNIVERSITY-SURPLUS REAL ESTATE

Sponsor Sen. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

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
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3566

BD HIGHER ED-UNIFORM ADMISSION

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Requires the Board of Higher Education to establish a uniform admission process online, which must be used at all public institutions of higher education; sets forth what components this admission process must include. Effective July 1, 2018.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3567

MAP GRANT-FRESHMAN PREFERENCE

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. With regard to the Monetary Award Program, provides that a student who otherwise meets the award renewal requirements under the Program is not required to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid to obtain the renewal of an award. Provides that, beginning with the 2020-2021 academic year, a grant awarded to a first-time, full-time freshman of an institution of higher learning shall be guaranteed for renewal until the grant recipient completes a baccalaureate degree or the equivalent of 135 credit hours if the recipient otherwise meets the grant renewal requirements and remains enrolled at the same institution of higher learning until the degree or credit hours are completed.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 3569

HIGHER ED-TUITION WAIVER LIMIT

Sponsor Sen. Chapin Rose**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the Board of Higher Education may not limit the amount of tuition revenue that a public university may waive. Repeals provisions regarding tuition waiver limitations in various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/27/2018	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

HR 27

EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT

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Synopsis As Introduced

States the opinion of the Illinois House of Representatives that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
9/28/2017	House	Rule 19(b) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

SR 1411 MARCH-DUAL CREDIT WEEK

Sponsor Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Recognizes March 18, 2018 through March 24, 2018 as Dual Credit Week at the State Capitol.

Last Action

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

SR 1413 EDUCATION PENSION COST SHIFT

Sponsor Sen. Thomas Cullerton

Synopsis As Introduced

States the opinion of the Illinois Senate that the proposed educational pension cost shift from the State of Illinois to local school districts, community colleges, and institutions of higher education is financially wrong.

Last Action

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