Governmental Relations Committee of the Whole
Wednesday, April 18, 2007
4:00 p.m.
This meeting will begin immediately following the previous session.

Board Conference Room, 4th Floor
Public Conference Call Access Number: 1-800-640-5128  (listen only)
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AGENDA

1. Roll Call

2. Board Member Participation by Other Means

3. Public Participation

4. Minutes of the March Governmental Relations Committee Meeting (pp. 2-5)

5. Legislative Update (Nicole Wills, Kristi Kenney, Sumantra Lahiri) (pp. 6-134)

6. Committee Agenda Planning/Additional Items

7. Adjourn

* Items listed with an asterisk (*) will be discussed in committee and action may be taken in the plenary session.
1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:
There was no public participation.

2. INFORMATION ITEM:
The February Governmental Relations committee notes were made a part of the record. The motion was made by Chairman Jesse Ruiz and seconded by Dr. Chris Ward.

3. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:
   - HB 115 (HPV vaccine) – Bill was amended and passed out of committee. It is on second reading in the House.
   - HB 146 (Diabetes management care plan) – Several groups testified expressing concerns about this legislation. The sponsor has indicated a willingness to discuss the bill with interested parties, but did not promise to hold the it if a compromise could not be reached.
   - HB 193 (HIV testing/school health examinations) – This bill is similar to HB 1340 and HB 1341. The sponsor amended HB 193 to address concerns committee members expressed in the Health Care Availability and Access committee and the bill passed out of committee and moved onto second reading.
   - HB 232 (Virtual Schools) – A fourth amendment was added to this bill that would create an advisory committee whose purpose will be to develop a framework for virtual education. There would be no elimination or prohibition of any virtual school or classrooms under the bill as amended. With amendment 4, ISBE removed its opposition and the bill moved to the House floor. 
   - HB 412 (Tax equivalent grants) – Allows, subject to appropriation, any school district with state owned property to receive a tax equivalent grant.
   - HB 750 (“tax swap”) – A hearing was held with many individuals coming to testify, both in support and opposition. A vote was not taken before the end of the committee, so it is assumed the sponsor will seek a deadline extension so that the bill can be voted on at a later date.
   - HB 877 (School construction/grant indexes) – This bill was recently amended to prohibit any of the twenty three districts on the FY 02 construction list from having any grant indexes recalculated.
• HB 1007 (Type 73 certificate professional development) – This bill would require professional development hours for renewal of the Type 73 certificate. ISBE worked with the sponsor, teachers unions and other interested parties to make renewal requirements for this certificate similar to requirements for other certificates. In addition, the bill will not be effective until July 1, 2008, giving ISBE staff and ROEs time to implement such requirements. The bill passed out of committee as originally introduced but will be amended on the House floor to address these changes.

• HB 1030 (Special education expenditure/reimbursement tracking) – Requires ISBE to collect data on special education expenditures and reimbursement from federal and state resources. ISBE staff has met with the sponsor and interested parties and are working together to find away to address this need while placing as few new mandates on school districts and the agency as possible.

• HB 1141 (Stipends for teachers in hard to staff schools) – Requires ISBE to develop a list of hard-to-staff schools and establishes a stipend program for individuals teaching in that school.

• HB 1142 (TAOEP formula) – This bill would change the formula for distributing truants alternative and optional education grant funds. ISBE opposed the bill as introduced because it would put smaller school districts at a huge disadvantage. Committee members expressed similar concerns when the sponsor tried to move the bill out of committee and members asked the sponsor to try to work out a compromise with the State Board. Staff has engaged in conversations with the bill sponsor’s staff, but no amendment has been forthcoming.

• HB 1466 (Academic Oversight Panels) – This bill would give the State the ability to go into consistently failing school districts and make the appropriate changes needed to rectify the situation through an Academic Oversight Panel. Staff is engaged in conversations with the sponsor about this bill.

• HB 1648 (P-20 Council) – This bill creates a P-20 council comprised of members of the K-12 and higher education community. ISBE has expressed support of the legislation, but indicated we would like to sit on the council (current language does not have an ISBE employee or board member sitting on the council) and also expressed concerns with some of the wording of the Council’s duties. The sponsor indicated that he intended to amend the bill to expand the membership and work on any areas of concern.

• HB 1652 (ISAT test results) – This bill would require test results with written reports to be distributed to districts by August 1. State Board has expressed support for getting reports and test results in district’s hands as soon as possible and has engaged in a discussion with the sponsor.

• HB 1653 (H/L/S outside of P-TELL with referendum approval) – Legislation would allow expenditures to fix violations of health/life/safety to go outside of P-TELL if approved at referendum by the voters of the school district. The bill passed out of the House Committee unanimously and is on second reading in the House.

• HB 1663 (I-Connect) – This initiative is spearheaded by the Lt. Governor’s Office and would create the I-Connect computer program that would be administered by the Math and Science Academy.

• HB 1680 (Regional Inspector General of Schools) – Creates a regional inspector general of schools for each Regional Office of Education. This bill is an initiative of the Cook County State’s Attorney’s office and numerous concerns were expressed by education groups and committee members. The bill did not pass out committee when called for a vote.
• HB 1771 (Prohibition on full year calendar schools) – ISBE expressed opposition to this legislation because it would limit school district flexibility. The bill was held in committee.

• HB 1825 (Autism voucher study) – The introduced legislation would create a voucher program for students who have been identified with autism. ISBE expressed a number of concerns about the programmatic and practical implications of the bill as introduced. The sponsor passed the bill out of committee with a promise that the bill would be amended on the House floor that would only require ISBE to study a voucher program in Ohio and make recommendations to the General Assembly about the feasibility of such a program in Illinois.

• HB 1964 (Summer food service program) – This bill would mandate school districts operate a Summer Food Service Program if more than 40% of the population is eligible for free or reduced lunch. The sponsor has had discussions with several interested parties and it is anticipated the bill will be amended further.

• HB 2787 (Civic Education grants) – ISBE has worked with the Regional Offices of Education and the Lt. Governor’s office to amend this legislation to create a grant for purposes of civics education that would be administered entirely by the ROEs. ISBE would act only as a flow through for any appropriation.

• SB 10 (HPV vaccine) – This bill does a number of things, but would require an HPV vaccination as part of the requirements for girls during school health examinations. The bill is on 3rd reading in the Senate.

• SB 79 (IEP) – This bill would put into statute certain items that must be considered when evaluating a student identified with autism for special education services. ISBE opposed the legislation.

• SB 118 (Seat belts on school buses) – Bill would require seatbelts on all school buses beginning July 1, 2007.

• SB 172 (Graduated Driver’s License Taskforce recommendations) – Legislation incorporates recommendations from the Secretary of State’s Graduated Driver’s License Task Force and passed out of the Senate Transportation Committee unanimously.

• SB 194 (Supplemental General State Aid Payments) – This bill is special legislation for one school district and would provide the district with a supplemental general state aid payment of around $800,000. ISBE is opposed to the legislation because it is special legislation for one district so it receives money it was not entitled to.

• SB 306 (Alternative teaching certificate) – This is an initiative of Teach for America. Although it passed out of the Senate Education committee, another amendment is expected.

• SB 424 – The sponsor’s intent for this legislation is to allow students who take high school courses while in middle school to have those courses counted towards state graduation requirements. ISBE discussed the legislation with the sponsor and helped to write an amendment that meets the sponsor’s intent.

• SB 543 (Mandatory Kindergarten) – This bill makes kindergarten mandatory, but does not lower the compulsory attendance age.

• SB 641 (Eye examinations) – Bill would require vision examinations as apart of the school health exam.

• SB 750 – Twin bill to HB 750.

• SB 1165 (ROE clean-up bill) – This bill is an initiative of the Regional Superintendents and would clean up parts of the School Code and eliminate
potential or current audit findings. This bill passed out of the Senate Education committee with leave.

- SB 1557 (Driver’s education) – Requires driver’s education courses to contain information on distracted driving as a safety hazard.
- HB 1559 and SB 1720 (Biometric data collection) – These bills require districts to develop policies for collecting and destroying any biometric data information collected.

5. COMMITTEE AGENDA PLANNING/ADDITIONAL ITEMS
The Committee asked to receive a simple chart of all bills with bill numbers, sponsor and status as an interim update.

The April Governmental Relations Committee will include an update on ISBE initiatives and other education-related legislation introduced by the General Assembly.

6. ADJOURNMENT
Committee member Chris Ward made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Chairman Jesse Ruiz.
TO: Governmental Relations Committee

FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D., State Superintendent (Interim)

Agenda Topic: Legislative Update

Materials: List of all ISBE Legislative Initiatives
List of Supported & Opposed Legislation
Abbreviated List of Active Legislation
Synopsis of Active Legislation

Staff Contacts: Nicole Wills, Liaison, Governmental Relations Division
Kristi Kenney, Liaison, Governmental Relations Division

Purpose (s) of Agenda Item
To provide the Committee with a synopsis and status update of education-related legislation that ISBE is tracking. “Active” bills are those that are not in rules or re-referred to the rules committee in the chamber of origin.

Legislation the agency is tracking as been broken down into four categories for easier understanding:

1. ISBE Initiatives: These are ISBE legislative proposals that were approved by the Board and submitted to the General Assembly for consideration.

2. List of Supported and Opposed Legislation: A list of active bills that ISBE has come out in support or opposition of as of March 30th (ISBE initiatives are not included on this list although we are supportive).

3. Abbreviated List of Active Legislation: This list includes all priority legislation ISBE is tracking that is considered active. This list is abbreviated and contains only a short title, bill number, sponsor and status.

4. Synopsis of Active Legislation for 2007: This list represents all the active bills ISBE is tracking, with a full synopsis of the introduced bill and any amendments.

Expected Outcome(s) of Agenda Item
This information is for discussion purposes.
HB 1910

Short Description: SCH CD-STATE AID-PARTIAL DAY

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard-David Reis

Senate Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. For State aid purposes, provides that if, during a school day, a school district has provided at least one clock hour of instruction but must dismiss students from one or more recognized school buildings due to a condition beyond the control of the school district, then the partial day of attendance may be counted as a full day of attendance. Effective July 1, 2007.

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3/29/2007  | Senate  | Placed on Calendar Order of First Reading March 30, 2007

HB 1999

Short Description: SCH CD-FINANC OVERSIGHT PANEL

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Financial Oversight Panel Law of the School Code. Allows a school district (other than the Chicago school district) to petition the State Board of Education for the establishment of a Financial Oversight Panel for the district. Allows the State Board to establish a Financial Oversight Panel without a petition from a district. Contains provisions concerning duties of the district; members and meetings of a Panel; powers of a Panel; officers of a Panel; collective bargaining agreements; deposits and investments; cash and bank accounts; the financial, management, and budgetary structure; the School District Emergency Financial Assistance Fund; grants and loans; the issuance of bonds; a tax levy; a debt service fund; a debt service reserve fund; bond anticipation notes; tax anticipation warrants; reports; a Panel audit; Panel property being exempt from taxation; sanctions; and abolition of a Panel. Makes related changes in the School Code and other Acts. Effective immediately.

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3/21/2007  | House  | Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 2003

Short Description: SCH CD-TEACHER CERT-TESTS-CEU

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Removes a provision that provides that a person who holds a valid and comparable out-of-state certificate is not required to take the tests of basic skills and subject matter knowledge. Removes a provision that requires a provisional certificate holder to pass the examinations set forth by the State Board of Education within 9 months. Removes a provision that provides that a failure to pass the tests of basic skills and subject matter knowledge shall result in cancellation of a provisional certificate. With respect to Standard Teaching Certificates, removes a provision that provides that continuing professional development activities may include continuing education units; makes related changes.

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**HB 2006**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-PAR/TEACHR CONF-HOLIDAY

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning the compilation of average daily attendance under the State aid formula and allowing a session of 3 or more clock hours but less than 5 clock hours to be counted as a day of attendance, makes changes with respect to days that are used for parent-teacher conferences. Authorizes a school board to hold school or schedule teachers' institutes, parent-teacher conferences, or staff development on certain school holidays if (1) the person or persons honored by the holiday are recognized through instructional activities conducted on that day or, if the day is not used for student attendance, on the first school day preceding or following that day; and (2) the school board first holds a public hearing about the proposal to exercise this authority. Makes other changes.

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**HB 2007**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-ALT CERT-RES TEACHER

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Michael K. Smith

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Repeals provisions concerning the Alternative Teacher Certification Program and the Alternative Route to Teacher Certification Program. Provides instead that the State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Teacher Certification Board, shall establish and implement an Alternative Route to Teacher Certification program under which persons who meet the requirements of and successfully complete the program shall be issued an initial teaching certificate for teaching in the schools. Includes provisions concerning who may offer the program, the program course of study, the phases of the program, the issuance of a provisional alternative teaching certificate and an initial teaching certificate, and an annual report to the State Board. Repeals provisions concerning resident teacher certificates and the Illinois Teacher Corps. Provides instead that the State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Teacher Certification Board, shall
establish and implement a Resident Teacher Certification program under which persons who meet the requirements of and successfully complete the program and serve as a resident teacher for 4 years shall be issued a standard teaching certificate for teaching in the schools. Includes provisions concerning who may offer the program, the phases of the program, the issuance of a resident teacher certificate and an initial and standard teaching certificate, completion of an internship in lieu of professional experience, preparation for the teaching profession, master's degree completion, the hiring of program candidates, school district support to candidates, and an annual report to the State Board. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2008

Short Description: SCH CD-READING IMPROVIMNT GRANT

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. With respect to the Reading Improvement Block Grant Program, makes changes concerning (i) the power and duty of the State Board of Education to improve reading and study skills, (ii) the purposes for which the State Board may distribute 2% or less of the moneys appropriated for the program, (iii) when program funds are distributed to school districts, (iv) how program funds are used by school districts, and (v) what an application for funds must include. Removes a provision concerning a school district's report of performance of progress results and a district not being eligible for additional funding until performance progress is established. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2009

Short Description: SCH CD-TEXTBK-ELECTRONIC FILE

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education shall require a publisher of a textbook to furnish an accessible electronic file set of contracted print material to the National Instructional Materials Access Center, which shall then be available to the State Board of Education or its authorized user for the purpose of conversion to an accessible format for use by a child with a disability and for distribution to local education agencies (instead of requiring a publisher to furnish to the State Board computer diskettes from which Braille versions of the textbook can be produced and a copy of the textbook to duplicate into Braille, large print, or tape). Provides that the publisher shall provide each local education agency with a confirmation that the accessible electronic file set has been furnished to the National Instructional Materials Access Center. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2010

Short Description: SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAMS

House Sponsors
Rep. Susana A Mendoza

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Breakfast and Lunch Program Act and the Childhood Hunger Relief Act. Makes changes concerning the breakfast incentive program with respect to the maximum percentage of appropriated funds that a school district may receive, prorating claims if there are insufficient funds, the reimbursement of sponsors and school boards, and grants to school boards and welfare centers. Makes changes concerning the information contained in the annual report that the State Board of Education provides to the Governor and the General Assembly with respect to school breakfast and lunch programs. Makes changes concerning the school breakfast program with respect to how the number of students that are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches is determined, allowing a school (not just a school district) to opt out of the school breakfast program requirement, the timeline of the exemption process, and requiring regional superintendents of schools to send notification to the State Board of Education's Nutrition Programs and Support Services Division detailing which schools requested an exemption and the results. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2011

Short Description: COMMON SCH FUND-TRNSFRS-CLAIMS

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Finance Act and the School Code. Provides that on or before the 11th and 21st days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund and Education Assistance Fund 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for distribution to all school districts from those Funds. With respect to payments from the Common School Fund, provides that as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Comptroller shall draw his or her warrants upon the State Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education in an amount equal to 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the total amount to be distributed to school districts for the fiscal year. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2012

Short Description: SCH CD-TEACHER SUPPLY/DEMAND

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education’s teacher supply and demand report shall be made every 2 years on or before February 1 (instead of annually on or before January 1). Effective immediately.

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HB 2013

Short Description: SCH CD-SPEC ED-REIMBURSEMENT

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. In a Section concerning personnel reimbursement, provides that when a school district operates a school or program for a number of days in excess of the adopted school calendar but not to exceed 235 school days, reimbursement shall be increased by 1/180 (instead of 1/185) of the amount or rate paid under the reimbursement provisions for each day the school is operated in excess of 180 (instead of 185) days per calendar year. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2017

Short Description: SCH CD-CONVERT/FORM DISTRICTS

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes changes in the Conversion and Formation of School Districts Article with respect to voting on a bond issuance, information in the petition filing notice, the presentation of evidence at a hearing, approval or denial of an amended petition, supplementary State aid reimbursement after the deactivation of a school facility or following formation of a new unit district, and references to a school district conversion. Makes changes to the State aid formula provisions concerning the calculation of local property tax revenues per pupil for partial elementary unit districts. Makes changes concerning free transportation for pupils in optional elementary unit districts, combined high school - unit districts, and newly created elementary or high school districts resulting from a high school - unit conversion, a unit to dual conversion, or a multi-unit conversion and the calculation of State reimbursement for transportation costs for optional elementary unit districts and combined high school - unit districts. Makes technical changes. Effective July 1, 2007.

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Totals: 12 - (House Bills: 12) (Senate Bills: 0) (Other Bills: 0)
Agency staff has also made determinations of a neutral position on a number of other bills listed in the synopsis report. However, for your convenience, in addition to the synopsis report, Governmental Relations staff has included a quick list of bills the agency is supporting or opposing. Although these bills will still be found in numerical order in the synopsis report, this list will enable Board members to have a concise list of supported/opposed legislation that will be current as of the printing of the Board materials. This list only contains bills that ISBE is supporting or opposing that we consider still active, which means that they are not in the Rules Committee of the chamber of origin.

**HB 357 (Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia) – Support**
Synopsis: Extends the time period during which a school district other than the Chicago school district may transfer moneys from specified funds for any purpose from June 30, 2007 to June 30, 2010. Effective immediately.

**HB 464 (Rep. Marlow Colvin) – Support**
Synopsis: Prohibits residency within the school district from being considered in determining the employment of a teacher. Also, prohibits residency within the district from being considered in determining a teacher's compensation or whether to retain, promote, assign, or transfer that teacher (now, this prohibition applies only if residency within the district was not required at the time of employment as a qualification of employment).

**HB 817 (Rep. Elizabeth Coulson) – Support**
Synopsis: In the definition of "children with disabilities", provides that an eligible student who requires continued public school educational experience to facilitate his or her successful transition and integration into adult life is eligible for special education services through age 21, inclusive, which, for purposes of the Article, means the day before the student's 22nd birthday.

NOTE - Identical to SB 397.

**HB 1142 (Rep. Charles Jefferson) – Oppose**
Synopsis: Provides that in the awarding of grants for truants' alternative and optional education programs, the chronic truant and dropout rates of the areas served by the projects as compared to State averages must be taken into consideration first, and the population of the areas served, striving to serve as many students as possible with the funds available, must be taken into consideration second.

**HB 1648 (Rep. Jerry Mitchell) – Support concept**
Synopsis: Provides that the State Board of Education shall create a P-20 Council that shall (1) coordinate prekindergarten through grade 20 education in this State; (2) begin the process of aligning educational programs; (3) articulate a framework for systemic educational improvement that will enable every student to meet or exceed Illinois learning standards and be well-prepared to succeed in the workforce and community; (4) coordinate and leverage strategies, actions, legislation, and resources of all stakeholders to support fundamental and lasting improvement in this State’s public schools, community colleges, and universities; (5) meet to discuss issues that are vital to educational reform in this State; (6) provide recommendations on subjects related to
education; (7) make recommendations for improving academic standards; (8) develop consensus on educational policy reforms and innovations; and (9) align university teaching programs with the needs of Illinois schools. Abolishes the Joint Education Committee on the effective date of the amendatory Act; makes related changes.

SB 79 (Sen. Susan Garrett) – Oppose
Synopsis: Provides that, in the development of the individualized education program for a student who has a disability on the autism spectrum, the IEP team shall consider certain factors. Provides that consideration of these factors shall result in the clarification of a school district's responsibility to deliver appropriate educational services for children with disabilities on the autism spectrum, but shall not be construed to require or mandate any specific services.

NOTE: Amendment one, which was drafted per the IEA, removes language that requires the IEP team to specifically address certain factors in the development of the individualized education program for a student who has a disability on the autism spectrum. Removes language providing that consideration of these factors shall result in the clarification of a school district's responsibility to deliver appropriate educational services for children with disabilities on the autism spectrum, but must not be construed to require or mandate any specific services. This amendment does not remove our opposition.

SB 194 (Sen. Todd Sieben) – Oppose
Synopsis: With respect to transitional assistance payments, provides that the State Board of Education shall adjust prior year information for the transitional assistance calculations in the event of the creation or reorganization of a school district, the dissolution of an entire district and the annexation of all of its territory to one or more other districts, or a boundary change whereby the enrollment of the annexing district increases by 90% or more as a result of annexing territory detached from another district. Provides that those districts whose enrollment increases by 90% or more as a result of annexing territory detached from another district are eligible for certain supplementary State aid payments. Provides that the changes made by the amendatory Act are intended to be retroactive and applicable to any annexation taking effect on or after July 1, 2004.

NOTE: Although we are working to stop this piece of legislation, we drafted amendment one as a safety measure in the case that this bill becomes law. This amendment would allow the payments to be distributed amongst four payments and it changes the effective date of the bill.

SB 397 (Sen. Deanna Demuzio) – Support
Synopsis: Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. In the definition of "children with disabilities", provides that an eligible student who requires continued public school educational experience to facilitate his or her successful transition and integration into adult life is eligible for special education services through age 21, inclusive, which, for purposes of the Article, means the day before the student's 22nd birthday.

NOTE: Identical to HB 817.

SB 398 (Sen. Deanna Demuzio)-Support
Synopsis: Amends the School Code with respect to special education classes for children from orphanages, foster family homes, children's homes, or in-State housing units. In a provision that allows reimbursement for the costs of educating a disabled student who is placed residitionally by a State agency or the courts for care or custody, welfare, medical or mental health treatment, rehabilitation, and protection, provides that it is the intent of that provision that school districts be reimbursed for the eligible costs of educating all disabled students residentially placed by a State agency or the courts or placed and paid for by a State agency for any of the reasons listed. Provides that reimbursements under the provision shall first be provided for claims made for the 2007-2008 school year payable in fiscal year 2008.

NOTE: Amendment one makes the bill subject to appropriation.

SB 424 (Sen. William Delgado)-Support
Amends the School Code. Provides that the school board of a school district that maintains any of grades 9 through 12 is authorized to adopt a policy under which a student enrolled in grade 7 or 8 who is enrolled in the unit school district or would be enrolled in the high school district upon completion of elementary school, whichever is applicable, may enroll in a high school course required to receive a high school diploma under certain conditions. Provides that a school board that adopts such a policy must grant academic credit to an elementary school student who successfully completes the high school course, and that credit shall satisfy the high school graduation requirements. Contains provisions concerning transferring students. Provides that a student's grade in any course successfully completed under these provisions must be included in his or her grade point average in accordance with the school board's policy for making that calculation.

NOTE: ISBE staff was involved in drafting this piece of legislation for technical reasons.

SB 446 (Sen. Iris Martinez) – Support
Synopsis: Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act by making changes concerning the Act's purpose, the definition of "hard-to-staff school" and certain references from target schools to eligible schools. In addition, the legislation provides that in any fiscal year in which an appropriation for the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Initiative is made, the consortium shall guarantee that support will be available to an admitted cohort for the cohort's training for that fiscal year (instead of providing that the consortium shall guarantee that support will be available to an admitted cohort through the cohort's full period of training). Additionally changes are made concerning expenditures under the Initiative with regard to requests for waivers or deferrals of the teaching obligation, the way grants are awarded to provide the required support for a cohort of candidates, and what a program budget must include. Grant funds may be used by any member of a consortium to offset the costs of child care and other indirect expenses that are necessary to permit candidates to maintain their class schedules.

SB 841 (Sen. Tony Munoz)-Oppose
Synopsis: Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to create a program in public schools where at least 40% of students qualify for free or reduced-price lunches whereby fees charged by the College Board for Advanced Placement exams are waived by the school, but paid for by the State, for those students who do not qualify for a fee waiver provided by federal funds or the College Board.
NOTE: We are working with the College Board to amend the bill in the House. The way the bill was drafted was not the intent of the College Board. We will continue to work with the College Board and the House sponsor to create appropriate language. We are not opposed to the concept, it is just drafted incorrectly and not subject to appropriation.

SB 1165 (Sen. Deanna Demuzio) – Support

Synopsis: Repeals sections in relation to the examination of a school treasurer’s books, accounts, and vouchers; furnishing a township treasurer with a list of school districts; the posting of maps of congressional townships and educational service regions at polling places; the report of certain employment information by a teacher to the regional superintendent; and State reimbursement for the installation of passenger seat backs of a certain height in school buses. Requires the State Board of Education to annually assemble data reported to the State Board of Education by district superintendents relating to the number of high school students in the educational service region who are enrolled in accredited courses at a community college. Makes changes concerning not requiring an annual fiscal statement to be published and certified before a school treasurer may receive State or other school funding, a regional superintendent of schools' duty to report to the Secretary of State with respect to township fund lands, when the regional superintendent has to examine evidences of indebtedness that a treasurer holds, the requirement for special equalization and supplementary State aid, the payment of State aid claims, and a school district's State aid payment being withheld until the number of students in compliance with the health examination and immunization requirements is at least a certain percentage. Repeals Sections concerning a regional superintendent's duties with respect to university scholarship applicants, visiting public schools, community college enrollments, and the apportionment of the county fund; a regional superintendent's power to take a census for special education; and reporting on pupils no longer enrolled in school.

NOTE: This is a Regional Superintendent’s initiative. This is a clean-up of obsolete and duplicative language in the School Code that affects the Regional Offices of Education.
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HB 18

Comment: Neutral

Short Description: SCH CD-REQUIRE BULLYING POLICY

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning 180 days after the effective date of the amendatory Act, each school district shall create and maintain a policy on bullying, which policy must be filed with the State Board of Education. Provides that the policy must be updated every 2 years and filed with the State Board after being updated. Provides that the State Board shall monitor the implementation of these policies. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Requires each school district to communicate its policy on bullying to its students and their parent or guardian on an annual basis.

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Date    Chamber    Action
3/30/2007 Senate    Assigned to Education

HB 38

Comment: Neutral Divisions Assigned: ACC and LEGAL

Short Description: SCH CD-INTRNT THREAT-DISCIPLIN

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Linda Holmes-Matt Murphy-A. J. Wilhelm)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board may, in accordance with certain administrative procedures, authorize the suspension of a student or expel a student if (i) that student has
been determined to have made an explicit threat on an Internet web site against a school employee, a student, or any school-related personnel, (ii) the Internet web site through which the threat was made is a site that was accessible within the school at the time the threat was made or was available to third parties who worked or studied within the school grounds at the time the threat was made, and (iii) the threat could be reasonably interpreted as bearing a reasonable relationship to the safety and security of the threatened individual because of his or her duties or educational status inside the school.

House Amendment No. 1

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Provides that the gross disobedience or misconduct for which a school board may expel pupils includes that perpetrated by electronic means. Provides that the board may suspend or by regulation authorize the superintendent of the district or the principal, assistant principal, or dean of students of any school to suspend a student (now, the board may by regulation authorize the specified officials to suspend a student) for a certain period of time or may expel a student for a definite period of time if (i) that student has been determined to have made an explicit threat on an Internet web site against a school employee, a student, or any school-related personnel, (ii) the Internet web site through which the threat was made is a site that was accessible within the school at the time the threat was made or was available to third parties who worked or studied within the school grounds at the time the threat was made, or (instead of and) (iii) the threat could be reasonably interpreted as bearing a reasonable relationship to the safety and security of the threatened individual because of his or her duties or employment status or status as a student (instead of educational status) inside the school.

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HB 115

Comment:
Neutral - Bill only requires additional data collection for ISBE. We will not become involved in the philosophical discussion as to whether or not this takes place. Divisions Assigned: DATA, LEGAL, and ACC

Short Description: HPV PREVENTION

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the School Code, and the Communicable Disease Prevention Act. Requires that the Cervical Cancer Elimination Task Force identify strategies that are effective in reducing the number of women who are unscreened and under-screened for cervical cancer; increase awareness about human papillomavirus (HPV) and its link to cervical cancer and cervical dysplasia, the availability and efficacy of the HPV vaccine in the prevention of the disease, and the importance of providing it to young females; and assist in the development and implementation of a plan to provide HPV vaccines to the maximum extent possible throughout the State. Requires that, beginning with the 2008-2009 school year, the parent or legal guardian of a female child entering the sixth grade for the first time must submit a statement signed by a physician to the effect that the parent or guardian received information on the connection between HPV and cervical cancer and verifying that the child received the HPV vaccine or that the parent or guardian, having received the information, elected not to have the child receive the HPV vaccine and that the child did not receive the HPV vaccine. Requires a school to include the number of HPV-vaccinated children in its report to the State Board of Education. Requires that the Department of Public Health develop and disseminate information about HPV and the HPV vaccine to physicians, local public health departments, health clinics, and other appropriate healthcare professionals. Provides that the
Department may pay for health insurance coverage with funds appropriated for this purpose on behalf of persons who are not otherwise covered by a public or private plan for the cost of acquisition and administration of the HPV vaccine.

House Amendment No. 1
Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Changes from sixth to fifth grade the time when the parent or guardian of a female child must submit a statement signed by a physician to the effect that the parent or guardian received information on the connection between human papillomavirus (HPV) and cervical cancer and verifying that the child received the HPV vaccine or that the parent or guardian, having received the information, elected not to have the child receive the vaccine and the child did not receive the HPV vaccine. Makes a related change. Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971, the Counties Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, the School Code, the Illinois Insurance Code, the Health Maintenance Organization Act, the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act, and the Illinois Public Aid Code to provide coverage for a federally approved HPV vaccine.

Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 1 (State Board of Education)
This bill will have minimal fiscal impact on the State Board of Education.

State Mandates Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 1 (State Board of Education)
Local school districts will be required to collect and retain more records and will have additional reporting requirements to the State Board of Education.

Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 1 (Financial & Professional Regulation)
There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the Department resulting from this legislation. However, this legislation may subject other State agencies to additional fiscal responsibilities.

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HB 146

Comment:
Staff is currently reviewing a proposed amendment to this legislation. Divisions Assigend: LEGAL and SPEC. ED.

Short Description: CARE OF STUDENTS WITH DIABETES

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Care of Students with Diabetes Act. Requires a diabetes management and treatment plan to be developed for each student with diabetes who seeks assistance with the routine diabetes care needed in daycare, at school, or at school-related activities and events. Provides that upon receipt of a student's diabetes management and treatment plan, the school principal and school nurse shall develop an individualized care plan with the student's parent or guardian. Provides that at each school in which a student with diabetes is enrolled, the principal shall seek school employees to serve as unlicensed diabetes care aides. Provides that for each school in which a student with diabetes seeks assistance, the school must ensure that every day and at all activities at which the student is present there is either a
school nurse or an unlicensed diabetes care aide to provide care. Contains additional provisions concerning requirements for the diabetes management and treatment plan and the individualized care plan, training for unlicensed diabetes care aides, required care of students with diabetes, independent monitoring and treatment of students with diabetes, and school employee immunity. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Creates the Care of Students with Diabetes Act. Requires a diabetes medical management plan to be submitted for any student with diabetes who seeks assistance with diabetes care in the school setting (whether a public or a private school) by the student's parent or guardian. Provides that a school nurse and a volunteer aide shall provide diabetes care for a student only after a student's parent or guardian requests assistance and signs and submits a diabetes medical management plan to the school. Provides for volunteer aides and their training. Sets forth what a student with diabetes must be permitted to do. Requires a school to provide an information sheet to certain school employees concerning a student with diabetes. Provides that a school district may not restrict the assignment of a student with diabetes to a particular school on the basis that the school does not have a full-time school nurse or the required volunteer aides, nor may a school deny access to a student on the basis that a student has been diagnosed with diabetes. Provides for civil immunity, a prohibition on disciplinary proceedings, and rights under federal law. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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HB 153
Comment:
Neutral - special legislation

Short Description: QUICKTAKE INDIAN PR SCHL DIST

House Sponsors
Rep. Joe Dunn

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Randall M. Hultgren)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Eminent Domain Act. Grants quick-take eminent domain powers for a period of one year to the Indian Prairie Community Unit School District No. 204 for school construction. Effective immediately.

Land Conveyance Appraisal Note (Whitt Law LLC)
(1) The Fair Cash Market Value of the Property, whole property before the taking: $43,750,000 (2) The Fair Cash Market Value of the part taken, as part of the whole: $13,750,000 (3) The Fair Cash Market Value of the remainder, before the taking: $30,000,000 (4) The Fair Cash Market Value of the remainder, after the taking: $30,500,000 (5) Damages to the remainder caused by the fee taking, if any: $0 (6) Total Compensation: $13,750,000.

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HB 165

Comment:
Recommend speaking with the sponsor because of the impact on districts setting the school calendar and having to close only one building. Division Given To: FUND

Short Description:  ELECTIONS-SCHOOL POLLING PLACE

House Sponsors
Rep. JoAnn D. Osmond

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Election Code. When a school is chosen for use as a polling place, requires that the school district close that school to students on election day (now, may choose to keep the school open).

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HB 193

Comment:
Neutral - This bill was hear before the committee once and did not receive enough votes to move the legislation. ISBE has been asked to provide information on AIDS/HIV education and is currently gathering that information.

Short Description:  HIV TESTING

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers-Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code and the Communicable Disease Prevention Act. In a Section of the School Code involving health examinations for children, provides that the Department of Public Health shall adopt rules specifying that testing for the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) be included in health examinations. Requires that the parent or guardian of the child be informed that such testing will be undertaken during the health examination unless the parent or guardian declines for his or her child to be tested for HIV. Also requires that the parent or guardian of the child be provided with clear and concise information about HIV testing, including an explanation about HIV infection and the meanings of positive and negative test results. Provides that HIV testing must be incorporated into the child's general health examination procedures and forms, the record of the health examination submitted to the school must indicate only that the child was tested for HIV or not, and that no HIV test result may be indicated in the record of the health examination submitted to the school. Sets forth the revised recommendations of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for HIV testing. Declares to be the public policy of the State that HIV screening be conducted in accordance with the CDC recommendations and that the Department of Public Health develop and administer compliant policies and procedures as soon as possible. Makes other changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

House Amendment No. 1
Provides that the Department of Public Health may establish a separate and distinct schedule for the conduct of health examinations involving tests for the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) to adjust for higher risk school age groups, including, but not limited to, older teenage youths.

House Amendment No. 2
Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Provides that the Department of Public Health shall adopt rules specifying that testing
for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) be included as a required part of the health examination required under the provision, taking into consideration the recommendations of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (instead of requiring HIV testing as a part of health examinations under the provision, unless the parent or guardian of the child declines for his or her child to be tested for HIV). Deletes provisions providing that: (1) the parent or guardian of the child must be informed by the school that such testing must be undertaken during the health examination, unless the parent or guardian declines for his or her child to be tested for HIV; (2) the parent or guardian of the child must be provided with clear and concise information about HIV testing, including an explanation about HIV infection and the meanings of positive and negative test results; (3) informational material must be provided in the languages of the population served by the school; and (4) at the health examination, the parent or guardian and child must have the opportunity to ask questions about and decline the HIV testing. Deletes provisions relating to school health examination records and HIV testing. Provides that the Department of Public Health develop and administer policies and procedures to control and prevent HIV and AIDS, taking into consideration the recommendations of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (instead of administer compliant policies and procedures as soon as possible).

**Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 3 (Dept. of Healthcare & Family Services)**

Cost projection to State administered plans = $90,000 up to $427,500.

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**HB 200**

**Comment:**
Neutral - Will talk to the sponsor about lack of a provision in the bill to deal with situations of when the school district needs to close a school for safety reasons. Division Given To: FUND, DATA, SS, LEGAL

**Short Description:** SCH CD-CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Provides that a Chicago school is eligible for closure only if closure is necessary to best serve the school-age children of that community and the Chicago Board of Education (i) adopts and relies upon measurable criteria for closings developed in conjunction with local school councils throughout the school district; (ii) applies the criteria consistently throughout the district; and (iii) fully and timely discloses to stakeholders and the public all information relevant to the criteria. Sets forth provisions concerning public hearings and voting procedures, alternative school enrollment, transitional services, and an annual report. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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**HB 232**

**Comment:**
OPPOSED
Short Description: SCH CD-PROHIBIT VIRTUAL SCH/CL

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis-Annazette Collins-Kevin Joyce-LaShawn K. Ford and Esther Golar

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Prohibits the State Board of Education and school boards from establishing, maintaining, or in any way supporting any virtual schools or virtual classes for elementary or secondary students in this State.

House Amendment No. 1
Provides that a charter school may not establish, maintain, or in any way support any virtual schools or virtual classes for elementary or secondary students in this State, unless there are extenuating circumstances, such as for students with autism.

House Amendment No. 2
Prohibits the State Board of Education and school boards from establishing any virtual schools for elementary or secondary students in this State on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act (instead of prohibiting the State Board of Education and school boards from establishing, maintaining, or in any way supporting any virtual schools or virtual classes for elementary or secondary students in this State).

House Amendment No. 3
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by House Amendments Nos. 1 and 2, with the following changes. Prohibits charter schools from establishing any virtual schools for elementary or secondary students in this State on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act (instead of prohibiting charter schools from establishing, maintaining, or in any way supporting any virtual schools or virtual classes for elementary or secondary students in this State). Creates the Virtual Education Advisory Committee to monitor curriculum and assess test results with respect to virtual schools during the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school years. Sets forth the membership of the Committee, to be appointed by the Governor. Provides that the Committee shall report its findings to the Governor and the State Board of Education on or before December 31, 2010.

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HB 258

Comment:
Discuss with sponsor

Short Description: ST BD ED-GRANTS-TRAIN CPR/AED

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. David Koehler)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act. Requires the State Board of Education to establish and administer a matching grant program to pay for half of the cost that a school district incurs in training those teachers and other school personnel who express an interest in becoming qualified to administer emergency cardiopulmonary resuscitation or in learning how to use an
HB 261

Comment:  
NEUTRAL. Division Assigned: SS

Short Description: SCH CD-CONTRACTS

House Sponsors  
Rep. Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. With respect to school districts other than Chicago, requires that certain contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $25,000 or a lower amount as required by local policy (rather than $10,000) be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Makes changes concerning the exceptions to this requirement, including an exception for contracts for services of corporations possessing a high degree of professional skill where ability and fitness play an important part, contracts for food services, contracts for utilities and related services when the cost is less than that offered by a local distribution company, and contracts for repair, maintenance, remodeling, renovation, or construction involving an expenditure not to exceed $50,000 (rather than $20,000). Effective immediately.

HB 262

Comment:  
Neutral Division Assigned: Fund

Short Description: VEH CD-LEARN PERMIT-DRUG TEST

House Sponsors  
Rep. Roger L. Eddy-Jim Watson

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that an applicant for an instruction permit who is under the age of 18 must undergo testing for controlled substances and cannabis and must be found to be free of controlled substances and cannabis before he or she may receive an instruction permit. Provides that the Secretary of State shall adopt rules for implementing the new provision and shall prescribe an additional fee, to be added to the fees charged for the issuance of a first-time driver's license, to cover the cost of the testing.

House Amendment No. 1  
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that the Secretary of State may conduct random drug testing of applicants for instruction permits who are under the age of 18. Provides that the Secretary may not issue a permit to an applicant who tested positive for the presence of any controlled substance or cannabis. Provides that a person who tests positive for any controlled substance or cannabis must be found to be free of controlled substances and cannabis before he or she may receive an instruction permit. Provides that the Secretary of State shall adopt rules for
implementing the new provision and shall prescribe an additional fee, to be added to the fees charged for the issuance of a first-time driver’s license, to cover the cost of the testing.

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HB 305

Comment:
NEUTRAL Division Assigned: ACC

Short Description: SCH CD-SUSPEND/EXPEL-NEAR SCH

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that suspension or expulsion of a student may include a prohibition from being present on school grounds and within 100 feet of school grounds (instead of just a prohibition from being present on school grounds).

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HB 337

Comment:
Do not take positions on individual appropriations bills. Divisions Given To: SS

Short Description: $ISBE-WOMEN’S SELF-PRESERV

House Sponsors
Rep. Patricia Reid Lindner-Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Appropriates $75,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for a pilot program to make women’s self-preservation classes part of the high school curriculum. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 357

Comment:
SUPPORT. Divisions Assigned: SS
Short Description: SCH CD-INTERFUND TRANSFERS

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Michael Noland-Linda Holmes)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Extends the time period during which a school district other than the Chicago school district may transfer moneys from specified funds for any purpose from June 30, 2007 to June 30, 2010. Effective immediately.

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HB 381

Comment:
Divisions Given To: FUND

Short Description: VEH CD-SEAT BELTS-SCHOOL BUS

House Sponsors
Rep. Elizabeth Coulson-David E. Miller-Paul D. Froehlich-Sidney H. Mathias

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that, beginning July 1, 2008, each school bus that is purchased new shall be equipped with seat safety belts for each passenger. Provides that the State Board of Education shall adopt rules to ensure that school districts require all passengers on those buses to wear seat safety belts. Provides that a school bus driver may not be held personally liable for the failure of passengers to wear seat safety belts. Denies home rule powers. Makes a corresponding change in the Illinois Municipal Code. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Provides that, except for willful or wanton misconduct, a school bus driver may not be held personally liable for the failure of passengers to wear seat safety belts (rather than providing that a school bus driver may not be held personally liable for that failure under any circumstances).

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HB 390

Comment:
Ties a districts hands and reduces flexibility. Also perpetuates the idea that if a school is not meeting AYP that the entire school is failing. Division Given To: DATA
**Short Description:** SCH CD-TRANSFER STU-WATCH LIST

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Mary E. Flowers-David E. Miller-LaShawn K. Ford

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Provides that if a student must be transferred from one attendance center to another within a school district because the attendance center the student is currently attending exceeds its attendance capacity, then the attendance center the student is to be transferred to must not be an attendance center that is on the academic watch list. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective July 1, 2007.

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**HB 410**

**Comment:**
ISBE staff providing technical assistance to the legislator to meet the intent of the legislation. Division Given To: SS

**Short Description:** CNTY CD-USE/OCC TAXES

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Counties Code. Authorizes counties to impose, after referendum approval, a retailers' occupation tax and service occupation tax to be used exclusively for grants to school districts in the county for building or improving school facilities. Sets forth procedures for imposing and collecting the tax and for the distribution of the proceeds by the Department of Revenue. Effective immediately.

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**HB 412**

**Comment:**
Potential state fiscal impact indeterminable. Contacting CDB and IDOR to see if either agency can provide any assistance. Division Given To: FUND and BUDGET

**Short Description:** SCH CD-TAX EQUIVALENT GRANTS

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Raymond Poe-Lisa M. Dugan

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Requires a tax-equivalent grant to be paid to any school district where a State-owned institution is located (now, a school district is entitled to a grant only if the State owns 45% or more of the total land area of the district). Effective immediately.
House Amendment No. 1

Provides that the requirement that the State Superintendent of Education annually direct the State Comptroller to pay the amount of the tax-equivalent grants and the State Comptroller draw his or her warrant upon the State Treasurer for the payment of the grants is subject to appropriation.

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HB 425

Comment:
Neutral; Being Amended per IDPH

Short Description:  STRUCT PEST CONTROL-MNGMT PROG

House Sponsors
Rep. Elizabeth Coulson-Karen May-Patricia R. Bellock

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Jeffrey M. Schoenberg)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Structural Pest Control Act. Makes changes to the definition of "school" and adds a definition of "designated person". Makes changes to a provision concerning economic feasibility of integrated pest management guidelines. Provides that the written notification provided to parents and guardians of students and employees who have registered to receive such notification prior to the application of pesticides to school or day care center property must be given at least 2 and no more than 30 (now, at least 2) business days before application of the pesticide. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Removes the provisions concerning definitions and notification before the application of pesticides. Provides that the notification required to be provided to the Department of Public Health of the development and implementation of an integrated pest management program or that the adoption of such program is not economically feasible must be provided within one year after the effective date of the amendatory Act and every 5 years thereafter (instead of on an annual basis). Provides that the Department may request copies of a school's or day care center's integrated pest management program plan and notification (instead of inspect schools and day care centers during normal business hours to review integrated pest management program plans and notifications) and offer assistance and training to schools and day care centers on integrated pest management programs (instead of integrated pest management practices). Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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HB 438

Comment:
Neutral because the bill says that ISBE "may" develop materials. Divisions Assigned: CURR and ACC

Short Description:  SCH CD-GANG RESISTANCE ED
House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. J. Bradley Burzynski)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In a Section concerning bullying prevention education, provides that, in addition to providing for instruction in bullying prevention, each school district may make suitable provisions for instruction in gang resistance education and training in all grades and include such instruction in the courses of study regularly taught therein. Provides that, for purposes of gang resistance education and training, a school board must collaborate with State and local law enforcement agencies. Allows the State Board of Education to assist in the development of instructional materials and teacher training in relation to gang resistance education and training.

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HB 466

Comment:
Neutral Division Given To: ACC and LEGAL

Short Description: SCH CD-CHARTER SCH CAMPUSES

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Provides that a charter school may not have more campuses than the number of campuses it has on the effective date of the amendatory Act, except that if a charter school has more than one campus and a campus closes on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, then the number of campuses that the charter school may have shall be reduced by the number of campuses that have closed.

Fiscal Note (State Board of Education)
HB 466 has no fiscal impact on the State Board of Education.

State Mandates Fiscal Note (State Board of Education)
This legislation does not create an unfunded mandate on local school districts.

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HB 511

Comment:
Neutral
Short Description: FOIA-SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Redefines a public record to include a settlement agreement entered into by or on behalf of a public body. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Redefines a "public record" to include the portion of a settlement agreement entered into by or on behalf of a public body that shows the total amount of any moneys or total financial value of other agreements that resulted in a financial payment to or by the public body and the amount expended by or on behalf of the public body for the prosecution, defense, or settlement of any litigation. Effective immediately.

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HB 573

Comment:
Neutral Division Assigned: LEGAL and CERT

Short Description: IDENTITY PROTECTION ACT

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Christine Radogno-Pamela J. Althoff)

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Identity Protection Act. Prohibits a State or local government agency from using an individual's social security number in certain ways, subject to various exceptions. Requires each State or local government agency to develop and implement an identity protection plan. Provides that any employee of a State or local government agency who intentionally violates the provisions of the Act is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor. Preempts the concurrent exercise of home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill. Removes a Section from the introduced bill that prohibits the filing of certain documents with a recorder of deeds or circuit court clerk if the document contains a social security number.

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Short Description: PROP TX-PTELL ADJUSTMENTS

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael Tryon-Jack D. Franks

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Property Tax Code. Sets forth procedures for calculating certain adjustments with respect to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law.

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HB 606

Short Description: CIVICS EDUCATION TRUST FUND

House Sponsors
Rep. William Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Finance Act to add a special fund, the Civics Education Trust Fund.

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HB 616

Comment:
Neutral

Short Description: CHILD ABUSE-INJURY-DCFS REPORT

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. James F. Clayborne, Jr.)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to investigate and report on cases involving a serious life-threatening injury of a child (as well as cases involving the death of a child). Makes changes concerning the information that must be contained in the Department's reports. Provides that in any case involving the death or near death of a child, when a person responsible for the child has been charged with committing a crime that results in the child's death or near death, there shall be a presumption that the best interest of the public will be served by public disclosure of certain information concerning the circumstances of the investigations of the death or near death of the child and any other investigations concerning that child or other children.
living in the same household. Makes other changes concerning the release of such information.

**House Amendment No. 1**

Amends the Child Death Review Team Act. Provides that with respect to each recommendation made by a child death review team concerning the prevention of child deaths due to abuse or neglect and the establishment of protocols for investigating child deaths, the Director of Children and Family Services shall submit his or her reply both to the chairperson of that team and to the chairperson of the Executive Council. Provides that the Director's reply to each recommendation must include a statement as to whether the Director intends to implement the recommendation. Provides that within 90 days after the Director submits a reply to a recommendation, the Director must submit an additional report that sets forth in detail the way in which the Director will implement the recommendation and the schedule for implementing the recommendation. Provides that within 180 days after the Director submits that report, the Director shall submit a further report that sets forth the specific changes in the Department's policies and procedures that have been made in response to the recommendation. Provides that at each quarterly meeting of the Executive Council, the Executive Council shall review all such replies and reports received from the Director since the Executive Council's previous meeting. Requires the Executive Council to send an annual report to the Governor, legislators, and child death review team members.

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**HB 628**

Comment:  
Sent to School Support as an FYI

**Short Description:** $CDB-COOPERATIV HIGH SCH GRANT

**House Sponsors**

Rep. William B. Black

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. With respect to reimbursement for qualified transportation expenses of a custodian of a qualifying pupil, provides that a public school pupil qualifies if, among other requirements,
conditions are such that walking constitutes a serious hazard to the safety of the pupil, including without limitation a serious safety hazard due to gangs, violent activity, or vehicular traffic (now the serious safety hazard must be due to vehicular traffic, which requirement still applies to nonpublic school pupils). Provides that the State Board of Education makes the determination as to what constitutes a serious safety hazard, except for serious safety hazards due to vehicular traffic, which the Department of Transportation determines. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 671

Comment:
Neutral - although suggest a slight amendment to the sponsor so as to make the language as clear as possible and not confuse it with other areas of the Code. Division Assigned: CURR

Short Description: HEALTH ED-TEEN DATING VIOLENCE

House Sponsors
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia-Elizabeth Hernandez, Harry Osterman, Jack D. Franks and Annazette Collins

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act. Provides that the Comprehensive Health Education Program shall include instruction in grades 8 through 12 on teen dating violence.

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HB 689

Comment:
Neutral. Sponsor has tabled the legislation.

Short Description: SCH CD-CONTRACT-BID-GAS/ELEC

House Sponsors
Rep. Suzanne Bassi

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that school board contracts for the purchase of natural gas or electric service involving an expenditure in excess of $10,000 must be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder (now, contracts for the purchase of natural gas are exempted from the bidding requirement when the cost is less than that offered by a public utility). Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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HB 693

Comment:
NEUTRAL. There will be further discussions on this legislation and another possible amendment.

Short Description: SCH CD-DISTRICT RESIDENCY

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Section of the School Code concerning district residency. Makes a change to a provision defining legal custody with respect to an adult who demonstrates that he or she has assumed and exercises legal responsibility for the pupil. Provides that a school district must require an adult claiming this type of custody to complete and sign an Attestation of Enrollment and Residency. Provides that a person who establishes custody is authorized and agrees to act in the place of the parent of the pupil with respect to the pupil's education decisions and to be the person the school contacts for certain reasons. Provides that once custody is established, a school district shall make a reasonable attempt to communicate with the pupil's parents. Provides that a hearing regarding residency must be conducted by a hearing officer appointed by the regional superintendent of schools or, in Chicago, the State Superintendent of Education (now, the school board or a hearing officer designated by the board conducts the hearing); makes related changes. Provides that a decision of the school board may be appealed to the State Superintendent of Education (now, the board's decision is final); makes related changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Section of the School Code concerning district residency. In a provision defining legal custody as custody established by an adult who demonstrates that he or she has assumed and exercises legal responsibility for the pupil and provides the pupil with a regular, fixed, night-time abode, provides that a court order of guardianship is not required to establish the legal custody. Provides that a school district must require an adult claiming this type of legal custody to complete and sign an Attestation of Enrollment and Residency prior to enrollment of the pupil. Provides that nothing in the Section precludes a school district from conducting a reasonable and appropriate investigation and evaluation of facts relevant to the issue of residency of a pupil for school attendance purposes. Provides that, with respect to a hearing regarding residency, the regional superintendent of schools or, in Chicago, the State Board of Education shall compile and make available to the school board a list of hearing officers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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HB 724

Comment:
Division Given To: ACC

Short Description: PRIV BUS/VOC SCHOOL-EXEMPTION

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act. Removes the dates on which an educational institution must have enrolled a majority of its students in degree programs and maintained an accredited status in order to not be considered to be a private business and vocational school under the Act. Effective immediately.

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HB 730

Comment:
Neutral Division Assigned: LEGAL

Short Description: AUTO EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR

House Sponsors
Rep. JoAnn D. Osmond

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Physical Fitness Facility Medical Emergency Preparedness Act, the Automated External Defibrillator Act, and the Good Samaritan Act. Deletes a provision requiring a person, unit of state or local government, or school district operating a physical fitness facility to adopt a medical emergency plan, to have an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at the facility, and maintain the AED in accordance with certain standards in order to avoid civil liability. Deletes provisions requiring a person who acquires an AED to take reasonable measures to ensure that the AED is used by only trained AED users and that the AED is registered with the EMS system hospital in the vicinity of where the AED will primarily be located. Adds a provision requiring that a person who acquires an AED take reasonable measures to ensure that any person considered to be an anticipated rescuer or user will have successfully completed a course of instruction in accordance with the standards of a nationally recognized organization or a course of instruction in accordance with the rules adopted under the Act to use an AED and to perform cardiovascular resuscitation (CPR). In a Section involving exemption from civil liability, deletes provisions mandating the requirements of the Act to be met in order for certain persons to avoid civil liability in relation to an act or omission involving an AED. Provides that any person who in good faith, not for compensation, renders emergency medical care involving the use of an AED in accordance with his or her training is not liable for any civil damages as a result of any act or omission, except for willful and wanton misconduct, by that person in rendering that care (now, any person who has successfully completed the training requirements of a course in basic emergency care of a person in cardiac arrest that included training in the operation and use of an AED and was conducted in accordance with the standards of the American Heart Association). Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the short title.

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HB 742

Comment:
Neutral

Short Description: WHISTLEBLOWER-DISCLOSE INFO
House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Whistleblower Act. Provides that "employer" includes the State or any political subdivision of the State, and a unit of local government, school district, or authority including a department, division, bureau, board, commission, or other agency of these entities; any person acting within the scope of his or her authority express or implied on behalf of those entities in dealing with its employers: a school district, combination of school districts, or governing body of a joint agreement of any type formed by two or more school districts; a community college district, State college or university, and any State agency whose major function is providing educational services (at present, the definition excludes any governmental entity). Provides that the State is preempting home rule units from the exercise of power in this area. Amends the Whistleblower Reward and Protection Act. Provides that "State" includes any unit of local government, school district, community college district, State college or university, or any entity created by an intergovernmental cooperation agreement (at present, the State, any State agency, and other governmental entities that adopted provisions of the Act). In both Acts, provides that it is unlawful for an employer to knowingly take an adverse action against an employee for disclosing information in a court or administrative hearing, legislative proceeding, or other type of proceeding if the employee has reasonable cause to believe the information discloses a violation of State or federal law or regulation.

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HB 750

Short Description: PROP TX-SCHOOL DIST

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the School District Property Tax Relief Fund. Requires annual appropriations from the education appropriation minimum to the School District Property Tax Relief Fund. Requires the Department of Revenue to annually certify the amounts of property tax relief grants that school districts will receive from the Fund. Sets forth procedures for appropriating these grants. Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Increases the tax rate for individuals, trusts, and estates from 3% to 5% and increased the tax rate for corporations from 4.8% to 8%. Includes retirement income within the definition of "base income" for certain individuals. Eliminates certain corporate exemptions. Creates the Family Tax Credit, which is a refundable tax credit. Amends the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, and the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Eliminates exemptions concerning newsprint and ink and concerning manufacturing and assembling machinery. Includes certain arts, entertainment, and recreation services within the definition of "sale at retail" in the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Amends the Property Tax Code. Requires county clerks to abate the extensions for educational purposes by the amount of the property tax relief grants. Amends the Motor Fuel Tax Law. Deletes provisions concerning discounts for timely filing and paying the taxes. Amends the School Code. In the State aid formula provisions, increases the foundation level of support and grant amount for supplemental general State aid. Provides for an education appropriation minimum and supplemental State aid for rapidly expanding school districts.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Finance Act, the Illinois Income Tax
Act, and the Property Tax Code. Increases the income tax rates for individuals, trusts, and estates from 3% to 5% of the taxpayer's net income and increases the rate of income tax for corporations from 4.8% to 8% of the taxpayer's net income. Creates the School District Property Tax Relief Fund, and requires the General Assembly appropriate certain amount into the Fund. Provides that grants must be made from the Fund to school districts. Requires that property taxes be abated in school districts by the amount of the grants from the Fund. Creates the Higher Education Operating Assistance Fund, and requires the General Assembly appropriate certain amount into the Fund. Requires certain distributions from that Fund. Creates the Family Tax Credit, which is a refundable income tax credit available to taxpayers with certain income amounts. Exempts certain special funds from the State Finance Act's administrative charge-back provisions. Amends the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Includes the sale of certain services within the definition of "sale at retail". Repeals Sections concerning tax exemptions for high impact businesses. Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning block grants, creates the Early Childhood Fund to be used for certain early childhood education purposes, and requires certain amounts be appropriated or transferred to the Fund. Specifies amounts of reimbursements concerning special education. In the State aid formula provisions, increases the foundation level of support and grant amount for supplemental general State aid. Provides for an education appropriation minimum and supplemental State aid for rapidly expanding school districts. Contains various continuing appropriation provisions. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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HB 754

Comment: Neutral

Short Description: CONNECT ILLINOIS ACT

House Sponsors
Rep. Constance A. Howard-Julie Hamos

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Connect Illinois Act. Establishes the Illinois Broadband Development Authority to coordinate the spread of broadband telecommunications technology in Illinois in order to achieve competition, affordability, and universal broadband service and to secure the State's telecommunications and economic future. Repeals the Act and dissolves the Authority on January 1, 2012.

House Amendment No. 1

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Creates the High Speed Internet Services and Information Technology Act and amends the State Finance Act. Provides that the Lieutenant Governor, with the advice of the Broadband Deployment Council, shall enlist a nonprofit corporation to implement a comprehensive, statewide high speed Internet deployment strategy and adoption initiative. Specifies the duties of the nonprofit organization. Provides that nothing in the High Speed Internet Services and Information Technology Act shall be construed as giving the Lieutenant Governor, the Broadband Deployment Council, the nonprofit organization, or other entities any additional authority, regulatory or otherwise, over providers of telecommunications, broadband, and information technology. Creates the High Speed Internet Services and Information Technology Fund as a special fund in the State treasury, to be used, subject to appropriation, by the Lieutenant Governor for purposes of providing grants to the nonprofit organization enlisted under the Act. Provides that on June 30, 2007, all moneys in the Digital Divide Elimination Infrastructure Fund which have not already been distributed or ordered distributed by the Illinois Commerce Commission shall be transferred to the High Speed Internet Services and Information Technology Fund. Repeals the Act on January 1, 2012. Effective immediately.

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HB 791

Comment:
Providing information to sponsor. Analysis says this effects only Chicago Public Schools, but the bill is amended in such a way that all school districts are affected.

Short Description:  SCH CD-CHICAGO-DISCIPLINE

House Sponsors
Rep. Annazette Collins-LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code in relation to Chicago schools. Sets forth criteria and procedures for expulsion of pupils of the age of 16 or older who are guilty of gross disobedience or misconduct. Authorizes suspension of pupils guilty of gross disobedience or misconduct on school buses. Sets forth provisions governing in-school suspension. Provides for establishment of an in-school and intensive district supervision center for pupils under age 16, sets forth procedures for placing children in the center, sets forth components of the program of instruction in the center, and requires parents of pupils to attend certain meetings.

Last Action
3/14/2007 House Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Standard Debate

HB 816

Comment:
Neutral with amendment

Short Description:  SCH CD-SPEC ED-CHILD 18-TRNSFR

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Provides that when a child who is eligible for special education reaches the majority age of 18 years, rights accorded to the child's parents transfer to the child. Provides that rights shall not transfer from the parents to the child if the child has been determined to be incompetent under State law or the child has not been determined to be incompetent, but does not have the ability to provide informed consent with respect to the child's educational program. Requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules establishing criteria for school districts to determine if a child lacks the ability to provide informed consent and uniform procedures for allowing the parents of the child, another adult caregiver, or another responsible adult to exercise rights on behalf of the child. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Changes references from "child" to "student" and "educational program" to
"individualized education program". Provides that the school district must notify the student and the student's parents of the transfer of rights in writing at a meeting convened to review the student's individualized education program during the school year in which the student turns 17 years of age. Requires the district to also explain to the student and the student's parents the significance of the transfer of parental rights at the majority age of 18. Provides that at that time, the district must provide the student with a copy of the Delegation of Rights form. Provides that rights shall not transfer from the parents to the student if the student has been adjudged (instead of determined to be) incompetent under State law or the student has not been adjudged (instead of determined to be) incompetent, but the student has executed a Delegation of Rights to make educational decisions for the purpose of appointing the student's parent or other adult to represent the educational interests of the student (instead of but the student does not have the ability to provide informed consent with respect to the child's educational program). Allows a student to terminate the Delegation of Rights at any time and assume the right to make decisions regarding his or her education. Sets forth requirements for the Delegation of Rights, including the form. Deletes the provision requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules establishing criteria for school districts to determine if a child lacks the ability to provide informed consent and uniform procedures for allowing the parents of the child, another adult caregiver, or another responsible adult to exercise rights on behalf of the child. Removes the immediate effective date.

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**HB 817**

Comment: 
Support

Short Description: SCH CD-CHILD WITH DISABILITIES

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. In the definition of "children with disabilities", provides that an eligible student who requires continued public school educational experience to facilitate his or her successful transition and integration into adult life is eligible for special education services through age 21, inclusive, which, for purposes of the Article, means the day before the student's 22nd birthday. Effective immediately.

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**HB 877**

Comment: 
Opposed as written. Legislation would make changes to the priority list. Sponsor intends to amend the bill, as that was not her intention.

Short Description: SCH CONSTRUCTION-DISBURS FUNDS
House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Construction Law. Requires the Capital Development Board to establish a written procedure for disbursement of school construction project grant funds, which shall incorporate the requirement that school construction projects of school districts that do not receive a school construction project grant award in a fiscal year due to lack of adequate appropriations shall be placed ahead of any new school construction projects that are approved for grant awards in following fiscal years. Provides that the Capital Development Board may not, under any circumstances, deviate from this procedure for disbursement. Makes a related change in a provision concerning carry-over projects.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Construction Law. Prohibits a grant index from being recalculated when a school district has received its entitlement, but the State has failed to appropriate sufficient funding. Provides that the prohibition applies to those entitlements obtained in fiscal year 2002 or thereafter. Effective immediately.

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HB 895

Comment:
Neutral Division Given To: SS

Short Description: SCHOOLS-GREEN CLEANING

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Iris Y. Martinez)

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Green Cleaning Schools Act. Requires the Illinois Green Government Coordinating Council (IGGCC), in consultation with other agencies, to establish and amend on an annual basis guidelines and specifications for environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products for use in school facilities. Provides that by no later than 90 days after implementation of the guidelines and specifications, all elementary and secondary public and non-public schools shall establish a green cleaning policy and exclusively purchase and use environmentally-sensitive cleaning products pursuant to the guidelines and specifications, except that a school may deplete its existing cleaning and maintenance
supply stocks and implement the new requirements in the procurement cycle for the following school year. Provides for dissemination of the guidelines and specifications to schools. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

**House Amendment No. 1**

Makes changes concerning whom the IGGCC must consult with regarding its guidelines and specifications for environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products, including requiring the IGGCC to consult with a panel of interested stakeholders. Removes references to the Chicago Department of Environment.

**House Amendment No. 2**

Requires a school to establish a green cleaning policy and purchase and use environmentally-sensitive cleaning products only when it is economically feasible. Provides that adopting a green cleaning policy is not economically feasible if such adoption would result in an increase in the cleaning costs of the school. Provides that if adopting a green cleaning policy is not economically feasible, then the school must provide annual written notification to the Illinois Green Government Coordinating Council (IGGCC) that the development and implementation of a green cleaning policy is not economically feasible until such time that it is economically feasible. Requires the IGGCC to provide multiple avenues by which cleaning products may be determined to be environmentally-sensitive under its guidelines.

**House Amendment No. 3**

Provides that only elementary and secondary non-public schools with 50 or more students (instead of all elementary and secondary non-public schools) shall establish a green cleaning policy and exclusively purchase and use environmentally-sensitive cleaning products; makes related changes.

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**HB 913**

**Comment:**
Division Assigned: LEGAL and ACC

**Short Description:** PROBATE-SHORT TRM GUARD MINOR

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Jacqueline Y. Collins and John J. Cullerton)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Provides that the residence of a person who has legal custody of a pupil is deemed to be the pupil's residence when the person exercises custody under a short-term guardianship, provided that a court order is entered that establishes the person as the pupil's permanent guardian within 365 days (at present, 60 days) of the pupil's enrollment in the school district. Amends the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that a person may be appointed as and exercise the duties of a short-term guardian for a minor for up to 365 days (at present, 60 days).

**House Amendment No. 1**

With respect to school district residency under the School Code, provides that "legal custody" includes custody exercised under a statutory short-term guardianship for reasons other than to have access to the educational programs of the district, provided that within 365 days of the pupil's enrollment a court order is entered that establishes a permanent guardianship and grants custody to a person with whom the pupil resides (instead of custody exercised under a statutory short-term guardianship, provided that within 60 days of the pupil's enrollment a court order is entered that establishes a permanent guardianship and grants custody to a person with whom the pupil resides for reasons other than to have access to the
educational programs of the district).

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**HB 943**

**Short Description:** MERCURY ADDED PRODUCTS BAN

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Mattie Hunter)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Mercury Fever Thermometer Prohibition Act. Changes the title of the Act to the Mercury-added Product Prohibition Act. Defines "mercury-added product". Provides that on and after July 1, 2008, no person shall sell, offer to sell, or distribute certain mercury-added products in this State. Sets out exceptions to the prohibition. Provides that on and after July 1, 2008, no person may sell, offer for sale, or distribute for promotional purposes a mercury-containing manometer of the type used in milking machines on dairy farms in the State. Provides that the Environmental Protection Agency may participate in the establishment and implementation of a regional, multistate clearinghouse to assist in carrying out the requirements of this Act. Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Provides that beginning July 1, 2008, no person shall accept for use as a teaching aid in a primary or secondary school classroom measuring devices containing mercury added during manufacture including, but not limited to, barometers, manometers, and thermometers. Sets out an exemption for devices containing a button cell battery. Provides that beginning July 1, 2008, no person shall install, sell, or offer to sell or distribute for promotional purposes a mercury-added thermostat. Contains other provisions. Effective immediately.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the substantive provisions of the bill with changes. Changes the title of the Act to the Mercury-added Product Prohibition Act. Defines "mercury-added product". Provides that on and after July 1, 2008, no person shall sell, offer to sell, or distribute certain mercury-added products in this State. Makes changes to the exemptions to the prohibition. Provides that the Environmental Protection Agency may consult with other states to promote consistency in the regulation of the product for which the exemption is requested (instead of to promote consistency in the way mercury-added products are regulated). Authorizes the Agency to publish notice of its receipt of petitions for an exemption under the Act. Provides that the Agency may participate in the establishment and implementation of a regional, multistate clearinghouse to assist in carrying out the requirements of this Act. Deletes provisions of the bill amending the Environmental Protection Act. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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**HB 983**
Short Description:  PTELL-RECOVERED VALUE

House Sponsors
Rep. Elizabeth Coulson and Elaine Nekritz

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that the definition of "recovered tax value" includes the equalized assessed values recovered upon the termination of a redevelopment project that was established under the Economic Development Project Area Tax Increment Act of 1995.

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HB 1007

Comment:
Working with interested parties to reduce burden on ISBE, make consistent with teachers professional development and delay implementation for a year to provide ISBE and ROEs with time to implement changes to data control systems.

Short Description:  SCH CD-SCH SERV PERSONNEL CERT

House Sponsors
Rep. Frank J. Mautino-Paul D. Froehlich-Elizabeth Coulson-William B. Black

Senate Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that upon completion of at least 80 hours of continuing professional development approved by the State Board of Education, a person who holds a valid school service personnel certificate shall have his or her certificate renewed for a period of 5 years. Provides that a person who holds an active State license or has national certification shall be deemed to have satisfied the continuing professional development requirements established by the State Board of Education and the State Teacher Certification Board to renew a school service personnel certificate. Effective July 1, 2007.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that school service personnel certificates are renewable every 5 years. Sets forth the requirements and procedures for renewal, including requiring the completion of at least 80 hours of continuing professional development (with exceptions). Effective July 1, 2008.

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HB 1030

Comment:
Working with sponsor and interested parties to discover what school districts already submit and what ISBE already collects that can be used for these purposes.
Short Description: SCH CD-SPEC ED EXPENSES-REPORT

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Susan Garrett)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education's annual report to the General Assembly and Governor shall include the total expenditures made by school districts on special education services, including a breakdown of State and federally reimbursed expenditures and non-reimbursed expenditures as reported by school districts. Provides that a board of education shall file as an attachment to its annual budget a report that contains the total amount spent on special education services, including the expenditures reimbursed by the State and the expenditures not reimbursed by the State. Requires this report to be filed with the State Board. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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HB 1058

Comment:
No bill reviews needed

Short Description: HEARTSAVER AED FUND-GRANTS

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Martin A. Sandoval)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Public Health has the power to make matching grants from the Heartsaver AED Fund to (i) any school, college, or university (instead of any public school, college, or university); (ii) any public park district; or (iii) any municipal recreation department, to assist in the purchase of an Automated External Defibrillator. Removes the requirement that the entity be "required to have" an AED to be eligible for the grant. Provides that any entity applying for a grant shall not receive more than one grant from the Heartsaver AED Fund each fiscal year (instead of per facility). Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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HB 1140
**Short Description:** $TRUANT ALT & OPTIONAL ED PROG

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Charles E. Jefferson

**Synopsis AsIntroduced**
Appropriates $22,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for truants' alternative and optional education programs. Effective July 1, 2007.

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**HB 1141**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-STIPEND-HARD TO STAFF

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Charles E. Jefferson

**Synopsis AsIntroduced**
Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to establish and administer a program that provides stipends to teachers who choose to teach at hard-to-staff public schools in this State. Provides that under the program, if a teacher agrees to teach at a hard-to-staff school for 5 years, the teacher is entitled to a $20,000 stipend each year for those 5 years. Provides that the stipend may be paid out each year that the teacher teaches at a hard-to-staff school or may be paid as a lump sum after the teacher has completed 5 years of teaching at a hard-to-staff school.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Defines "hard-to-staff school". Provides that a teacher must have at least 2 years of experience at a recognized school. Provides that the $20,000 stipend shall be a total $20,000 stipend over 5 years (instead of a $20,000 stipend each year for 5 years). Provides that the State Board of Education may adopt any rules necessary for the implementation of the stipend provisions (instead of any rules necessary to carry out its responsibilities under the stipend provisions).

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**HB 1143**

**Comment:**
Neutral

**Short Description:** SCH CD-ELECTION DAY INSTITUTES

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Charles E. Jefferson

**Synopsis AsIntroduced**
Amends the School Code. In scheduling teachers' institute days, requires that election and primary election days must be used before other days.
House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Election Code and the School Code. Provides that if a school is designated as a polling place, then the school board shall close that school on the day of the election, and the school district may close any other schools that same day. Removes the prohibition on a school board designating or observing as a special holiday on which teachers or other school employees are not required to work the days on which general elections for members of the Illinois House of Representatives are held.

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HB 1238

Short Description: VEH CD-SCHOOL BUS STROBE LAMP

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that a strobe lamp on a school bus may be lighted at any time when the bus is being used as a school bus and is bearing one or more pupils (rather than only when the bus is stopped or moving very slowly under those circumstances). Effective immediately.

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HB 1280

Comment:
Assigned to Budget

Short Description: PROP TX-ASSESSMENT AND EXEMPTS

House Sponsors
Rep. Kevin Joyce-Thomas Holbrook and John A. Fritchey

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that, in Cook County, homestead property must be valued at 100% of its fair cash value. Requires the Cook County Clerk to abate the property taxes levied on homestead property in an amount equal to: (1) the amount of the aggregate extension of all taxing districts against the property; less (2) an amount equal to 1% of the equalized assessed value of the property. Sets forth procedures to apply this abatement to the aggregate extensions of each taxing district. Creates the Cook County general homestead exemption to limit the assessment increases if homestead property to the lesser of: (i) 2%; or (ii) the increase in the CPI. Sets forth the taxable years in which this general homestead exemption applies. Amends the State aid provisions of the School Code to provide that, if the general homestead exemption is determined under the Cook County general homestead exemption provisions, then the available local resources are not effected. In provisions concerning the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code, defines "extension limitation", for the 2007 taxable year and thereafter, as (a) the lesser of 2% (now, 5%) or the percentage
increase in the Consumer Price Index during the 12-month calendar year preceding the levy year or (b) the rate of increase approved by voters. Amends various Acts to include a cross reference to the Cook County general homestead exemption provision in the Property Tax Code. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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**HB 1330**

**Comment:**
Assigned to Acct, Legal, Spec Ed, Fund

**Short Description:** ENSURING SUCCESS IN SCHOOL

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Iris Y. Martinez)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Creates the Ensuring Success in School Law to (1) ensure that youth who are parents, expectant parents, or the victims of domestic or sexual violence are identified by schools in a manner respectful of their privacy and safety, treated with dignity and regard, and provided the protection, instruction, and related support services necessary to enable them to meet State educational standards and successfully attain a high school diploma; (2) ensure that Illinois school-level staff and policymakers understand and are sensitive to the needs and characteristics of such youth; (3) afford protections in a school setting to a population of youth who have historically been stigmatized and discriminated against; and (4) promote best practices in Illinois' schools. Contains provisions concerning confidentiality; the right to attend school; review and revision of policies; and specially trained personnel. Makes other changes in the School Code with respect to parents, expectant parents, and victims of domestic or sexual violence in provisions concerning the suspension and expulsion of pupils, home instruction, in-service training programs, alternative schools within Chicago, an individualized education program for a child with a disability, truants, and charter schools. Provides that the provisions of the Act are severable. Effective immediately.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Makes changes concerning definitions added by the amendatory Act, including the definition of “parent”. Defines "serious health condition" in the Section concerning the provision of courses of instruction for pupils who are unable to attend school. Provides that school districts shall review all existing policies to determine which ones may act as a barrier to the enrollment, reenrollment, attendance, and success in school of any youth who is a parent, expectant parent, or victim of domestic or sexual violence and shall revise those policies so that they no longer act as a barrier to the enrollment, reenrollment, attendance, and success in school of any youth who is a parent, expectant parent, or victim of domestic or sexual violence (instead of requiring school districts to review and revise any existing policies that may act as barriers to the enrollment, reenrollment, attendance, and success in school of any youth who is a parent, expectant parent, or victim of domestic or sexual violence).

**House Amendment No. 2**
In the provisions concerning specially trained personnel, provides for the naming of these persons as "specially trained personnel" and removes certain references to the designation and appointment of specially trained personnel. In the provisions concerning the identification, evaluation, and placement of children with disabilities and the provisions concerning compulsory attendance, provides that a school district may require a student or youth to provide verification that he or she is or has been a victim of domestic or sexual violence only when that person asserts rights on the basis of domestic or sexual violence; sets forth what is acceptable verification. Provides that a student or youth who has provided acceptable verification that he or she is or has been a victim of domestic or sexual violence must not be required to provide any additional verification if the person's efforts to assert rights stem from a claim involving the same perpetrator.

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### HB 1334

**Short Description:** SCH CD-CHICAGO-YOUTH PROGRAM

**House Sponsors**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Requires the Chicago Board of Education to develop a plan for implementing a program that seeks to establish common bonds between youth of various backgrounds and ethnicities, which must be similar to that of the Challenge Day organization.

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### HB 1335

**Comment:**

Assigned to Acct & Fund

**Short Description:** SCH CD-ELEM SCH-RECESS REQ

**House Sponsors**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall require that schools provide recess for all students in kindergarten through grade 6. Provides that recess must be at least 10 minutes in length and must occur once in the middle of each morning and once in the middle of each afternoon during which school is in session. Provides that if the principal determines that the weather is inclement, the principal shall direct that a recess be held indoors. Requires the principal to ensure that students are given the opportunity to engage in physical exercise during each recess. Provides that the time required for recesses is included in the minimum number of hours necessary to constitute a full day of attendance under the State aid formula provisions.

**House Amendment No. 1**

Requires recess to be provided for all students in kindergarten through grade 8 (instead of 6). Removes the requirement that a recess must occur once in the middle of each morning and once in the middle of each afternoon during which school is in session.
HB 1338

Short Description:  SCH CD-FIRE ALARM-BUILDING CAP

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Requires a school board, in each school building in the school district, to post the date of the last fire alarm inspection at the building and the capacity of the building. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

HB 1347

Comment:
Assigned to Legal

Short Description:  SCH CD-NONINSTRUCTIONAL SERVIC

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a board of education may enter into a contract with a third party for non-instructional services currently performed by an employee or bargaining unit member or lay off those educational support personnel employees upon 90 (instead of 30) days written notice. Adds conditions on the entering of such a contract, including providing that: (1) a contract must not be entered into during the term of a collective bargaining agreement; (2) any third party that submits a bid to perform the services shall provide comparable liability insurance, a comparable benefits package, a list of the number of employees who will provide the services and the wages the third party will pay those employees, a minimum 3-year cost projection, and information about the criminal and disciplinary records of the employees; (3) a contract must not be entered into unless the school board provides a cost comparison; (4) a minimum of 2 public hearings to discuss the school board's proposal to contract with a third party must be held; (5) a contract shall contain provisions requiring the contractor to offer available employee positions pursuant to the contract to qualified school district employees whose employment is terminated because of the contract; and (6) a contract shall contain provisions requiring the contractor to comply with a policy of nondiscrimination and equal employment opportunity. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.
HB 1362

Comment:
Drafted amendment to clarify that "certification" refers to national certification and not a certificate issued through the State Board.

Short Description:  HIGHER ED ASSIST-BEHAV ANALYST

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Subject to appropriation, requires the Illinois Student Assistance Commission to create a pilot program to provide incentives for teachers and other support staff such as school counselors to earn the certification of Behavioral Analyst under the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code.

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HB 1424

Comment:
Approp Bill

Short Description:  $ISBE-REGIONAL OFFICE OF ED

House Sponsors
Rep. Daniel V. Beiser

Synopsis As Introduced
Appropriates $9,137,325 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for regional office of education salaries. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 1466

Short Description:  SCH CD-ACADEMIC DIFFICULTIES

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education shall have the necessary powers to promote sound academic management and to continue operation of the public schools. Provides that the State Board, after proper investigation of the school or school district's academic condition, may certify that a school or district is in academic difficulty if (i) the school or district has been
placed on academic early warning status and has failed to make adequate yearly progress for a third consecutive year; (ii) the school or district has been placed on academic watch status; (iii) the district has failed to produce an acceptable school improvement plan following placement of the school or district on academic early warning status or academic watch status; (iv) the school or district has failed to provide the required percentage of highly qualified teachers to its students for 2 consecutive years and is determined to be in need of intervention by the State Board; or (v) the school or district has been engaged in documented and substantiated acts of mismanagement in regard to hiring practices that has placed the academic integrity of the school or district in question or has placed students in physical danger and that is determined to be in need of intervention by the State Board. Under certain circumstances, provides for the development of an academic improvement plan, the appointment of an academic oversight panel, and the establishment of a school or district academic authority panel. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

House Amendment No. 1

Provides that nothing in the provisions concerning the powers of the State Board of Education in assisting schools and districts deemed in academic difficulties shall be construed to alter or otherwise affect the rights, remedies, and procedures afforded school district or school employees under federal, State, or local law (including applicable rules, regulations, or court orders) or under the terms of any collective bargaining agreements, memoranda of understanding, or other agreements between school employees and their employers.

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HB 1559

Comment:
Sent to Legal for Review - recommends Neutral. Identical to SB 1702.

Short Description: SCH CD-STUDENT BIOMETRIC INFO

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that if a public school or school district collects biometric information from students, it may do so only with, at a minimum, written permission from (i) the individual who legally enrolled the student or (ii) the student, if he or she has reached the age of 18. Prohibits the school or school district from refusing any services otherwise available to the student for withholding permission. Sets forth conditions for collecting and using the information. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective August 1, 2007.

House Amendment No. 1

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Sets forth policy requirements for school districts that collect biometric information, including providing for written permission; the discontinuation of use of the information; the destruction of the information following the discontinuation of use; allowed use of the information; a prohibition on the sale, lease, or other disclosure of the information; and the storage, transmittal, and protection of the information. Provides that the failure to provide written consent for the collection of biometric information shall not be the basis for refusal of any services otherwise available to the student. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective August 1, 2007.

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HB 1562

Comment: Assigned to School Support

Short Description: SCH DIST/LOC GOV-TAX-ENVIRON

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Terry Link)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code and the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act. Provides that the tort immunity tax that school boards and local public entities are authorized to levy may also be for the purpose of paying judgments and settlements under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 and the Environmental Protection Act.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Provides that the tort immunity tax that school boards and local public entities are authorized to levy for the purpose of paying judgments and settlements under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 and the Environmental Protection Act applies only until December 31, 2010. Adds an immediate effective date.

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HB 1647

Comment: Assigned to Legal

Short Description: SCH CD-CONFIDENTIALITY-COUNSEL

House Sponsors
Rep. Sandra M. Pihos-Linda Chapa LaVia-Robert W. Pritchard-Jerry L. Mitchell

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that any information of a personal nature disclosed by a pupil 12 years of age or older in the process of receiving (i) school counseling services from a school counselor or school counselor intern, (ii) school psychological services from a school psychologist or school psychologist intern, or (iii) school social work services from a school social worker or school social worker intern is confidential, and provides that any information of a personal nature disclosed to a school counselor or school counselor intern, a school psychologist or school psychologist intern, or a school social worker or school social worker intern by a parent or guardian of such a pupil is confidential. Provides that the information must not become part of the pupil's record without the written consent of the person who disclosed the confidential information. Provides that the information must not be revealed, released, discussed, or referred to, with exceptions. Provides that no person required to keep the information confidential may incur any civil or criminal liability as a result of keeping that information confidential. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

House Amendment No. 1
Provides that the provision granting civil and criminal immunity to persons required to keep information
discussed confidential does not include cases of willful or wanton misconduct.

### HB 1648

**Comment:**
Support concept. Requested ISBE have representation on the Council and suggested language adjustments for clarification of duties.

**Short Description:** SCH CD-P-20 COUNCIL

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code and the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that the State Board of Education shall create a P-20 Council. Sets forth the membership of the Council. Provides that the Council shall (1) coordinate prekindergarten through grade 20 education in this State; (2) begin the process of aligning educational programs; (3) articulate a framework for systemic educational improvement that will enable every student to meet or exceed Illinois learning standards and be well-prepared to succeed in the workforce and community; (4) coordinate and leverage strategies, actions, legislation, and resources of all stakeholders to support fundamental and lasting improvement in this State's public schools, community colleges, and universities; (5) meet to discuss issues that are vital to educational reform in this State; (6) provide recommendations on subjects related to education; (7) make recommendations for improving academic standards; (8) develop consensus on educational policy reforms and innovations; and (9) align university teaching programs with the needs of Illinois schools. Abolishes the Joint Education Committee on the effective date of the amendatory Act; makes related changes. Effective immediately.

### HB 1649

**Comment:**
Approp Bill

**Short Description:** $ISBE-WIND TURBINE ENERGY-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Jim Watson

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Appropriates $2 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for the wind turbine energy program. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 1651

Comment:  
Assigned to Legal & School Support

Short Description:  SCH CD-DEACTIVATE SCH-REG SUP

House Sponsors  
Rep. Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. With respect to deactivation and reactivation of a school facility, removes references to the regional superintendent of schools from the notice of referendum form.

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HB 1652

Comment:  
Discussing with sponsor. ISBE is in support of getting test results out as soon as possible.

Short Description:  SCH CD-RPRT STATE TEST RESULTS

House Sponsors  
Rep. Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. In the Section concerning State goals and assessment, requires that State test results or scores be reported to a school district on or before August 1 of the same year the test is given. Effective immediately.

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HB 1653

Comment:  
Assigned to SS

Short Description:  PTELL-SCHOOL SAFETY LEVIES

House Sponsors  

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides that a school board may, with referendum approval, elect to provide that the aggregate extension of the school district does not include any extension made: (i) for fire prevention and safety purposes under the School Code;
and (ii) to pay the principle and interest on fire prevention and safety bonds issued under the School Code or on bonds issued to refund any fire prevention and safety bonds. Sets forth requirements for the referendum. Effective immediately.

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**HB 1663**

**Comment:**
Assigned to Curriculum & Legal

**Short Description:** MATH/SCI ACADEMY-I-CONNECT

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Jacqueline Y. Collins-Kirk W. Dillard)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy Law. Requires the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy to establish the I-Connect Computer Technology Program to provide 6th grade students and select teachers of participating schools with personal portable computers with age-appropriate and subject-appropriate learning software, professional development, and repair and warranty services. Creates an I-Connect Computer Technology Board. Provides for a report to the Governor and the General Assembly. Amends the State Finance Act to create the I-Connect Computer Technology Fund. Effective immediately.

**Fiscal Note (Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy)**
The I-Connect program will require an annual expenditure of $800 per participant for each of the three years, plus one-time, up-front hardware and installed software costs of $1300 per participant.

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**HB 1718**

**Short Description:** OPEN MEET-3 MEMBER MAJORITY

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Open Meetings Act. When the majority of a quorum of a public body numbers fewer than 3 members, redefines that public body's "meeting" as a gathering of a quorum for the purpose of communications pertaining to public business. Effective immediately.

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HB 1784

Comment:
Assigned to Budget & Funding

Short Description: SCH CD-FIN DIF-ST AID PAYMENTS

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a school district must not be certified by the State Board of Education to be in financial difficulty as a result of the failure of the Comptroller to disburse certain School Code reimbursements for receipt by the school district no later than June 30th of each year. Provides that if moneys are available in the Common School Fund for State aid payments, then, as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of each of the months of July (instead of August) through the following June (instead of July), the State Comptroller shall draw his or her warrants upon the State Treasurer. Effective July 1, 2007.

House Amendment No. 1
Removes the provisions concerning the payment of State aid claims.

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HB 1825

Comment:
Working with sponsor to clarify intent of the program.

Short Description: SCH CD-AUTISM SCHOLARSHIP PROG

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education shall establish and administer an Autism Scholarship Program. Provides that in the 2007-2008 school year and the 2008-2009 school year, upon receipt of an application from the parent or guardian of an eligible autistic child, the State Board shall award a scholarship to the child, which may be used only to pay tuition for the child to attend a special education program that implements the child's individualized education program and that is operated by (i) a school district other than the school district that the child has been attending or in which the child resides, (ii) another public entity, or (iii) a private provider approved by the State Board. Provides that the amount of the scholarship shall be $15,000 or the actual tuition charged by the special education program, whichever is less. Limits the number of scholarships that may be awarded through the Program in a school year to 200. Provides that the State Board shall annually decrease a school district's general State aid payment by an amount equal to the aggregate amount of scholarships awarded through the Program to pupils included in the school district's attendance calculation, which is the district where the student resides. Makes related changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.
HB 1836

Comment:
Twin to SB 1720

Short Description: SCH CD-NO LONGER ENROLLED LIST

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In a Section requiring a school district to furnish the regional superintendent of schools and the Secretary of State with a list of pupils who have been expelled or have withdrawn or who have left school and have been removed from the regular attendance rolls, removes provisions (i) requiring the list to include the names of pupils whose withdrawal is due to extraordinary circumstances, pupils who have re-enrolled, pupils certified to be chronic or habitual truants, and chronic or habitual truants who have resumed attendance and (ii) requiring a pupil who re-enrolls to obtain and forward to the Secretary of State verification of his or her re-enrollment. Provides that the list may include the names of pupils who have been adjudicated as truant by the school district.

HB 1839

Comment:
Assigned to Legal

Short Description: SCH CD-LIMIT PE MANDATE WAIVER

House Sponsors
Rep. Kevin Joyce-Patricia R. Bellock and Esther Golar

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning the waiver or modification of mandates within the School Code and administrative rules, provides that an approved waiver from or modification to a physical education mandate may remain in effect for a period not to exceed 2 (instead of 5) school years and may be renewed no more than 2 times upon application by the eligible applicant (now there is no limit on the number of renewals).

HB 1847
Comment:
Staff is working on amendment to clarify intent of the legislation. Union initiative.

Short Description: SCH CD-EDUC SUPPORT PERSONNEL

House Sponsors
Rep. Brandon W. Phelps-Lisa M. Dugan

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that if a new school district is formed through the consolidation of pre-existing school districts or a school district is annexed to another school district, then the educational support personnel of the pre-existing school districts or of the annexed school district must be transferred to and shall become employees of the new or annexing district, as the case may be, and these employees must be credited with the length of their continuous service that they held prior to their transfer. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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HB 1849

Comment:
Assigned to SS

Short Description: SCH CD-CONTRACTS-LOCAL BIDDER

House Sponsors
Rep. Brandon W. Phelps and Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Exempts contracts awarded to a local contractor who is not the lowest responsible bidder, but who is a qualified bidder who has submitted a bid that does not exceed 2% over the lowest responsible bid received by the school board, from a school board's duty to award all contracts for purchase of supplies, materials, or work or contracts with private carriers for transportation of pupils involving an expenditure in excess of $10,000 to the lowest responsible bidder. Effective immediately.

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HB 1872

Comment:
Sent to Legal as FYI

Short Description: SCH CD-CANVASS OF ELECTIONS

House Sponsors
Rep. Elaine Nekritz

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code to repeal a Section concerning the canvass of elections. Effective
immediately.

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HB 1877

Comment: NEUTRAL

Short Description: SCH CD-SICK LEAVE-BIRTH-ADOPT

House Sponsors
Rep. Keith P. Sommer

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In school districts other than the Chicago school district, allows sick leave for birth, adoption, or placement for adoption. Allows the school board to require a certificate from a physician or other health care provider as a basis for pay during this leave after an absence of 30 days. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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HB 1890

Comment: Neutral

Short Description: CHICAGO TEACHERS-EVALUATION

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Open Meetings Act and the School Code. Provides that the term "public body" under the Open Meetings Act does not include a teacher peer assistance board or peer evaluation governing board established by a school district and the exclusive representative of its teachers under the Chicago School District Article of the School Code or a professional personnel leadership committee organized under the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Authorizes the Chicago Board of Education and the exclusive representative of the school district's teachers to enter into an agreement to establish alternative procedures for teacher evaluation, remediation, and removal for cause after remediation, including an alternative system for peer evaluation and recommendations, for teachers who have completed their probationary period. Makes related changes. Makes technical changes having a revisory function. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Removes provisions amending the Open Meetings Act.

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HB 1910

Comment:  ISBE Initiative

Short Description: SCH CD-STATE AID-PARTIAL DAY

House Sponsors  
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard-David Reis

Senate Sponsors  

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. For State aid purposes, provides that if, during a school day, a school district has provided at least one clock hour of instruction but must dismiss students from one or more recognized school buildings due to a condition beyond the control of the school district, then the partial day of attendance may be counted as a full day of attendance. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 1917

Comment:  Assigned to Legal

Short Description: SCH CD-ADVISORY REFERENDA

House Sponsors  

Senate Sponsors  

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. Authorizes a school board to place an advisory question on the ballot by a majority vote of the board.

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HB 1922

Comment:  Working with sponsor to clarify language and make subject to appropriation.
**Short Description:** SCH CD-AG ED TEACHER EDUCATION

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. John M. Sullivan)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to develop an agricultural education teacher training continuum and to provide incentive funding grants to the agriculture education teacher education programs located at Illinois State University, Southern Illinois University, the University of Illinois, and Western Illinois University. Provides that public community colleges in this State that provide an articulated agriculture education teacher education course of study are also eligible for funding. Sets forth the types of activities for which funds may be used.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Changes references from "agriculture education" to "agriculture science". Provides that the agricultural science (instead of agricultural education) teacher education training continuum required to be developed by the State Board of Education shall begin at the secondary level.

**House Amendment No. 2**
Provides that the requirement that the State Board of Education develop an agricultural science teacher education training continuum and provide incentive funding grants to agriculture science teacher education programs is subject to appropriation.

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**HB 1925**

**Comment:**
Assigned to Certification

**Short Description:** SCH CD-PROVIS VOCATIONAL CERT

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Roger L. Eddy-Jim Watson

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Provides that an individual who meets the requirements of a part-time provisional teaching certificate for vocational courses is eligible to receive a provisional vocational teacher aide certificate.

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**HB 1926**

**Comment:**
Opposed in current form due to fiscal impact. Sponsor is making subject to appropriation.
Short Description: SCH CD-WEAPONS SAFETY PROGRAM

House Sponsors
Rep. Ron Stephens-Roger L. Eddy-David Reis-Brandon W. Phelps-David E. Miller, Monique D. Davis,
Robert F. Flider, Jerry L. Mitchell, Linda Chapa LaVia, Lisa M. Dugan, William B. Black and Patricia R.
Bellock

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. William R. Haine-John O. Jones)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education, in cooperation with the Department
of State Police, to develop a weapons safety program designed to protect children from the risk of gun-
related death and injury. Provides that the program must be designed to teach children to follow an
effective safety procedure when they are exposed to a gun and shall specifically warn children that
contact with guns can result in serious injury or death. Provides that a school district may incorporate
the weapons safety program into its curriculum. Requires the State Board of Education to submit a report to
the Governor and the General Assembly as to the status of the program no later than January 1, 2009.

House Amendment No. 1
Provides that the development of the weapons safety program is subject to appropriation. Requires
the State Board of Education to seek the guidance of a national organization offering gun safety courses
and materials in developing the weapons safety program.

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HB 1940

Comment:
Assigned to Curriculum

Short Description: SCH CD-INSTRUCTION-GOVERNMENT

House Sponsors
Rep. Suzanne Bassi-William Davis-Paul D. Froehlich-Linda Chapa LaVia-Sandra M. Pihos, Al Riley,
Esther Golar, Joseph M. Lyons and Patricia R. Bellock

Senate Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In a Section requiring patriotism and the principles of representative
government to be taught, provides that instruction shall have a primary focus on how government
functions and the impact government has on the daily lives of U.S. citizens and residents. Amends the
State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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HB 1964
Comment:
Neutral on bill. Talking to sponsor about needed clarification.

Short Description: SCH-SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROG

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Childhood Hunger Relief Act. Requires the State Board of Education to promulgate a State plan for summer food service programs by June 1, 2007 (instead of by January 15, 2006). Provides that on or before April 15, 2008, a school district must promulgate a plan to have a summer food service program for each school in which at least 50% of the students are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals, and provides that the plan must be implemented during the summer of 2008 (now, certain boards of education are strongly encouraged to operate a summer food service program or identify a non-profit or private agency to sponsor a summer food service program). Provides that if the school district has one or more elementary schools that qualify, the summer food service program must be operated within 5 miles of at least one of the elementary schools and within 10 miles of the other elementary schools, if any. Provides that if a school is not open during the summer months, the school district may identify a not-for-profit entity that is willing to sponsor a summer food service program serving school-aged children in the surrounding school area and may provide assistance to the entity in documenting the number of children in the area who are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals. Provides that summer food service programs shall be supported by federal funds and commodities and other available State and local resources. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
 Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Provides that each summer food service program must operate for a minimum of 35 consecutive days. Provides that if a school is not open during the summer months, the school district shall identify a not-for-profit entity that is willing to sponsor a summer food service program and shall provide assistance to the entity in documenting the number of children in the area who are eligible for free or reduced-price school meals. Requires the State Board of Education to provide to each school district a list of local organizations that have filed letters of intent to participate in the summer food service program so that the school board is able to determine how many sites are needed to serve the children and where to place each site. Provides that a school district shall be allowed to opt out of the summer food service program requirement if it is determined that, due to circumstances specific to that school district, the expense reimbursement would not fully cover the costs of implementing and operating a summer food service program. Sets forth provisions concerning the opt-out procedure. Provides that a school district may not attempt to opt out of the summer food service program requirement by requesting a waiver under the School Code. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 2
 Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by House Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Makes changes concerning dates with respect to the State Board of Education and school districts promulgating summer food service program plans and allowing school districts to opt out of the summer food service program requirement. Provides for a summer breakfast or lunch (or both) food service program (instead of just a summer food service program). Provides that a school district has one or more elementary schools that qualify or if a school is not open during the summer months, and a list of local organizations willing to participate in a program. Removes a provision concerning requesting a School Code waiver. Effective immediately.

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HB 1977

Comment: Assigned to Certification

Short Description: SCH CD-SCH COUNSELOR RATIO-PRG

House Sponsors
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia-Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to establish a 4-year pilot program in Aurora West Unit School District 129 and Aurora East Unit School District 131 to achieve a ratio of high school students to certified school counselors of 250 to 1. Allows the State Board to extend this pilot program to a school district in central or southern Illinois. Requires the State Board to work with the Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling and local counseling directors to compile statistics on the pilot program. Provides that the State Board shall report the statistics it has compiled and the State Board's findings and recommendations concerning the pilot program to the General Assembly 2 years after the pilot program has been established and 4 years after the pilot program has been established.

House Amendment No. 1
Adds Limestone Walters Community Consolidated School District 316 as one of the school districts where the State Board of Education is required to establish the pilot program. Removes the provision that allows the State Board to extend the pilot program to a school district in central or southern Illinois. Changes the maximum amount to be appropriated for the pilot program from $500,000 to $750,000.

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HB 1999

Comment: ISBE Bill

Short Description: SCH CD-FINANC OVERSIGHT PANEL

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Financial Oversight Panel Law of the School Code. Allows a school district (other than the Chicago school district) to petition the State Board of Education for the establishment of a Financial Oversight Panel for the district. Allows the State Board to establish a Financial Oversight Panel without a petition from a district. Contains provisions concerning duties of the district; members and meetings of a Panel; powers of a Panel; officers of a Panel; collective bargaining agreements; deposits and investments; cash and bank accounts; the financial, management, and budgetary structure; the School District Emergency Financial Assistance Fund; grants and loans; the issuance of bonds; a tax levy; a debt service fund; a debt service reserve fund; bond anticipation notes; tax anticipation warrants; reports; a Panel audit; Panel property being exempt from taxation; sanctions; and abolition of a Panel. Makes related changes in the School Code and other Acts. Effective immediately.

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HB 2003

Comment: ISBE Bill

Short Description: SCH CD-TEACHER CERT-TESTS-CEU

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Removes a provision that provides that a person who holds a valid and comparable out-of-state certificate is not required to take the tests of basic skills and subject matter knowledge. Removes a provision that requires a provisional certificate holder to pass the examinations set forth by the State Board of Education within 9 months. Removes a provision that provides that a failure to pass the tests of basic skills and subject matter knowledge shall result in cancellation of a provisional certificate. With respect to Standard Teaching Certificates, removes a provision that provides that continuing professional development activities may include continuing education units; makes related changes.

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HB 2006

Comment: ISBE Bill

Short Description: SCH CD-PAR/TEACHR CONF-HOLIDAY

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning the compilation of average daily attendance under the State aid formula and allowing a session of 3 or more clock hours but less than 5 clock hours to be counted as a day of attendance, makes changes with respect to days that are used for parent-teacher conferences. Authorizes a school board to hold school or schedule teachers' institutes, parent-teacher conferences, or staff development on certain school holidays if (1) the person or persons honored by the holiday are recognized through instructional activities conducted on that day or, if the day is not used for student attendance, on the first school day preceding or following that day; and (2) the school board first holds a public hearing about the proposal to exercise this authority. Makes other changes.

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HB 2007

Comment:
**Short Description:** SCH CD-ALT CERT-RES TEACHER

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Michael K. Smith

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Repeals provisions concerning the Alternative Teacher Certification Program and the Alternative Route to Teacher Certification Program. Provides instead that the State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Teacher Certification Board, shall establish and implement an Alternative Route to Teacher Certification program under which persons who meet the requirements of and successfully complete the program shall be issued an initial teaching certificate for teaching in the schools. Includes provisions concerning who may offer the program, the program course of study, the phases of the program, the issuance of a provisional alternative teaching certificate and an initial teaching certificate, and an annual report to the State Board. Repeals provisions concerning resident teacher certificates and the Illinois Teacher Corps. Provides instead that the State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Teacher Certification Board, shall establish and implement a Resident Teacher Certification program under which persons who meet the requirements of and successfully complete the program and serve as a resident teacher for 4 years shall be issued a standard teaching certificate for teaching in the schools. Includes provisions concerning who may offer the program, the phases of the program, the issuance of a resident teacher certificate and an initial and standard teaching certificate, completion of an internship in lieu of professional experience, preparation for the teaching profession, master's degree completion, the hiring of program candidates, school district support to candidates, and an annual report to the State Board. Effective July 1, 2007.

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**HB 2008**

**Comment:**
ISBE Bill

**Short Description:** SCH CD-READING IMPROVMNT GRANT

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Michael K. Smith

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. With respect to the Reading Improvement Block Grant Program, makes changes concerning (i) the power and duty of the State Board of Education to improve reading and study skills, (ii) the purposes for which the State Board may distribute 2% or less of the moneys appropriated for the program, (iii) when program funds are distributed to school districts, (iv) how program funds are used by school districts, and (v) what an application for funds must include. Removes a provision concerning a school district's report of performance of progress results and a district not being eligible for additional funding until performance progress is established. Effective July 1, 2007.

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**HB 2009**
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education shall require a publisher of a textbook to furnish an accessible electronic file set of contracted print material to the National Instructional Materials Access Center, which shall then be available to the State Board of Education or its authorized user for the purpose of conversion to an accessible format for use by a child with a disability and for distribution to local education agencies (instead of requiring a publisher to furnish to the State Board computer diskettes from which Braille versions of the textbook can be produced and a copy of the textbook to duplicate into Braille, large print, or tape). Provides that the publisher shall provide each local education agency with a confirmation that the accessible electronic file set has been furnished to the National Instructional Materials Access Center. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2012

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Finance Act and the School Code. Provides that on or before the 11th and 21st days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund and Education Assistance Fund 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for distribution to all school districts from those Funds. With respect to payments from the Common School Fund, provides that as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Comptroller shall draw his or her warrants upon the State Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education in an amount equal to 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the total amount to be distributed to school districts for the fiscal year. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2011

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that on or before the 11th and 21st days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund and Education Assistance Fund 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for distribution to all school districts from those Funds. With respect to payments from the Common School Fund, provides that as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Comptroller shall draw his or her warrants upon the State Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education in an amount equal to 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the total amount to be distributed to school districts for the fiscal year. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2012

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Finance Act and the School Code. Provides that on or before the 11th and 21st days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund and Education Assistance Fund 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for distribution to all school districts from those Funds. With respect to payments from the Common School Fund, provides that as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Comptroller shall draw his or her warrants upon the State Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education in an amount equal to 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the total amount to be distributed to school districts for the fiscal year. Effective July 1, 2007.
Short Description: SCH CD-TEACHER SUPPLY/DEMAND

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education's teacher supply and demand report shall be made every 2 years on or before February 1 (instead of annually on or before January 1). Effective immediately.

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HB 2013

Comment:
ISBE Bill

Short Description: SCH CD-SPEC ED-REIMBURSEMENT

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. In a Section concerning personnel reimbursement, provides that when a school district operates a school or program for a number of days in excess of the adopted school calendar but not to exceed 235 school days, reimbursement shall be increased by 1/180 (instead of 1/185) of the amount or rate paid under the reimbursement provisions for each day the school is operated in excess of 180 (instead of 185) days per calendar year. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2017

Comment:
ISBE Bill

Short Description: SCH CD-CONVERT/FORM DISTRICTS

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes changes in the Conversion and Formation of School Districts Article with respect to voting on a bond issuance, information in the petition filing notice, the presentation of evidence at a hearing, approval or denial of an amended petition, supplementary State aid reimbursement after the deactivation of a school facility or following formation of a new unit district, and references to a school district conversion. Makes changes to the State aid formula provisions concerning the calculation of local property tax revenues per pupil for partial elementary unit districts. Makes changes concerning free transportation for pupils in optional elementary unit districts, combined high school - unit
districts, and newly created elementary or high school districts resulting from a high school-unit conversion, a unit to dual conversion, or a multi-unit conversion and the calculation of State reimbursement for transportation costs for optional elementary unit districts and combined high school-unit districts. Makes technical changes. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 2198

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael J. Madigan-Barbara Flynn Currie-Kevin A. McCarthy

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the short title.

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HB 2207

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a school building code.

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HB 2208

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. LaShawn K. Ford-Barbara Flynn Currie-Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning downstate school finance authorities.

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HB 2209

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning block grants for school districts other than the Chicago school district.

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HB 2210

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school district financial oversight panels.

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HB 2211

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the State Board of Education.

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HB 2212
Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the members of the State Board of Education.

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HB 2213

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the School Code's construction.

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HB 2214

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the application of the Article and definitions.

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HB 2215

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning instructional materials.

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**HB 2216**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the transportation of pupils.

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**HB 2217**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning charter schools.

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**HB 2218**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning instruction.
HB 2219

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the compulsory school age.

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HB 2220

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher tenure.

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HB 2221

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher certification.

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HB 2222

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning working cash funds.

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HB 2223

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Common School Fund Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning Tax Equivalent Grants.

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HB 2224

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning definitions.

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HB 2225

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning alternative public schools.

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HB 2226

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the length of a school term.

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HB 2227

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning boards of education.

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HB 2228

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school elections.

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HB 2229

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH
House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning boundary changes.

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HB 2230

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning regional superintendents of schools.

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HB 2231

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning grants for preschool education programs.

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HB 2232

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning State goals and assessment.
HB 2233

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning waivers of School Code mandates.

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HB 2234

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the State aid formula.

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HB 2456

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning truants' alternative and optional education programs.

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HB 2782
Short Description: LIBRARIES-ANNEXATION

House Sponsors
Rep. Timothy L. Schmitz

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Randall M. Hultgren)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Public Library District Act of 1991. Provides that, prior to adopting an ordinance indicating the district's intention to annex uninhabited private property or certain territory within a municipality or school district, the district shall send notice to the president of the board of trustees of each public library located within one mile of the territory to be annexed. Provides that the district may also provide notice of the proposed annexation on the district's website. Provides for public comments on the proposed annexation.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes a provision requiring the district to send a copy of the text of the publication notice to the president of the board of trustees of each public library district located within one mile of the territory to be annexed.

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HB 2787

Comment:
Working with interested parties to amend language.

Short Description: SCH CD-CIVIC EDUC ADVANCEMENT

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code and the State Finance Act. Authorizes regional superintendents of schools to make grants from the Civic Education Trust Fund, a special fund created in the State treasury, to any public school that enrolls 9th, 10th, 11th, or 12th grade students and that has completed and submitted a Civic Audit for the school, for the purpose of professional development for the school's staff. Provides that grants may be awarded to eligible schools only once every 3 years and that a grant must be no less than $250 and no more than $3,000, unless otherwise authorized. Provides that the State Treasurer shall accept and deposit into the Fund all gifts, grants, transfers, donations, appropriations, and other amounts, from any legal source, public or private, that are designated for deposit into the Fund. Effective immediately.

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HB 3170
**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Dan Brady

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the length of a school term.

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**HB 3195**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Tom Cross

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Continuing Appropriation for Education Act. Contains only a short title provision.

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**HB 3196**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Roger L. Eddy

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the length of a school term.

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**HB 3197**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Tom Cross

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a school building code.

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**HB 3198**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Tom Cross

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning debt limitations of school districts.

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**HB 3199**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Tom Cross

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Continuing Appropriation for Education Act. Contains only a short title provision.

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**HB 3203**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Tom Cross

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a school building code.

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HB 3319

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced

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HB 3320

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning alternative teacher certification.

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HB 3321

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the State aid formula.

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HB 3322

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the State aid formula.

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HB 3323

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
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HB 3324

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a financial oversight panel's powers.

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HB 3325

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school district financial oversight panels.

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Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher tenure.

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HB 3327

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross-Roger L. Eddy-Sandra M. Pihos-Brent Hassert

Synopsis As Introduced
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HB 3331

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House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

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HB 3337

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH
House Sponsors  
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Construction Law. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning carry over projects.

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HB 3338

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors  
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning implementing the provisions of Public Act 87-559.

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HB 3339

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors  
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a school building code.

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HB 3341

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors  
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the conversion and formation of school districts.
HB 3342

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Construction Law. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning carry over projects.

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HB 3343

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

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Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

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HB 3345

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning regional superintendents of schools.

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HB 3346

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Rep. Tom Cross

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HB 3347

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school bus driver permits.

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HB 3348

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

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Rep. Tom Cross
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House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

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HB 3350

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
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HB 3351

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the powers of the board.

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House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Chicago school district.

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HB 3353

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning waivers of School Code mandates.

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HB 3354

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

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HB 3355
Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning State goals and assessment.

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HB 3356

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Makes technical changes in a provision concerning the validity period of teaching certificates.

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HB 3357

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
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HB 3358

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher certification.
HB 3359

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher certification.

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HB 3360

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning charter schools.

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HB 3361

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

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Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning charter schools.

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HB 3362
Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the application of the Article and definitions.

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HB 3363

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

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HB 3364

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Chicago school district.

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HB 3365

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning State goals and assessment.

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HB 3366

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

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HB 3367

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning an early childhood education block grant.

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HB 3368

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the members of the State Board of Education.

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HB 3369

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning definitions.

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HB 3370

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning children with disabilities.

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HB 3371

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

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Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning children with disabilities.

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HB 3372
Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the school lunch program.

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HB 3373

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House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning bonds.

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HB 3399

Comment:
Neutral.

Short Description: CRIM CD-CHILD SEX OFFENDER

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. In provisions that a child sex offender may not reside or loiter within 500 feet of a school, park, daycare center or other child facility, provides that the 500 feet is measured from the edge of the property of the school, park, daycare center, or other child facility property to the edge of the property of the sex offender’s residence or where he or she is loitering.

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HB 3406

Comment:
Clarifying information with sponsor.

**Short Description:** SCH CONSTRUCTION-RANK-NOTIFY

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Construction Law. Provides that the State Board of Education shall rank school districts based on certain school construction priorities and notify each school district of its rank. Provides that the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability may take whatever actions are necessary to determine whether the State Board of Education is complying with this amendatory Act. Effective immediately.

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**HB 3454**

**Short Description:** POLICE TRAINING-AUTISM

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Patricia R. Bellock-Paul D. Froehlich-Mike Boland-Kevin Joyce-Sandra M. Pihos, Angelo Saviano, Karen May, Kurt M. Granberg, Mary E. Flowers, Esther Golar, Elizabeth Coulson, Dennis M. Reboletti, Kathleen A. Ryg, Jim Durkin and Naomi D. Jakobsson

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. John J. Millner)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Illinois Police Training Act. Provides that the curriculum for probationary police officers in all certified schools shall include a block of instruction aimed at identifying and interacting with persons with autism and other developmental disabilities, reducing barriers to reporting crimes against persons with autism, and addressing the unique challenges presented by cases involving victims or witnesses with autism and other developmental disabilities.

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**HB 3476**

**Comment:** Neutral.

**Short Description:** SCH CD-GA SCHOLARSHIP-COM COL

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Provides that a General Assembly scholarship may be used at a public
community college, not just a State university. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective July 1, 2007.

House Amendment No. 1

Provides that the General Assembly scholarship must be used at a public community college located in the legislative district of the legislator making the scholarship nomination (rather than any public community college in this State). With respect to a scholarship nominee changing his or her residence to a location outside of the legislative district from which he or she was nominated, adds a reference to a non-community college residence (rather than just a nonuniversity residence).

House Amendment No. 2

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by House Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Provides that in the case of a scholarship for a community college, the designated community college must be within the community college district where the nominee resides or the designated community college must have a reciprocal tuition agreement for in-district rates with the community college district where the nominee resides (instead of requiring the scholarship to be used at a community college located in the legislative district of the legislator making the scholarship nomination); makes related changes. Provides that if the nominee changes his or her residence to a location outside of the community college district where he or she was residing and the designated community college does not have a reciprocal tuition agreement for in-district rates with the community college district where the nominee now resides, then the nominating member may terminate the scholarship at the conclusion of the college year in which the nominee is then enrolled. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 3491

Comment:
Neutral.

Short Description: HEALTH ED-EMPLOYEES-CPR REQ

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act. Provides that the school board of each public elementary and secondary school in the State shall require (instead of encourage) all teachers and other school personnel to acquire, develop, and maintain the knowledge and skills necessary to properly administer cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Makes related changes.

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HB 3512

Short Description: PRIVACY CHILD VICT SEX OFFENSE

House Sponsors
Rep. Dan Brady
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Privacy of Child Victims of Criminal Sexual Offenses Act. Provides that when a criminal sexual offense is committed or alleged to have been committed by a school district employee or any individual contractually employed by a school district (rather than the offense being committed or alleged to have been committed by a school district employee on the premises under the jurisdiction of a public school district or during an official school sponsored activity), a copy of the law enforcement records maintained by any law enforcement agency or circuit court records maintained by any circuit clerk relating to the investigation of the offense or alleged offense shall be transmitted to (rather than shall be made available for inspection and copying by) the superintendent of schools of the district.

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HB 3567

Short Description:  VEH CD-EDUCATION PLATES-FUND

House Sponsors
Rep. Mike Bost

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code provision regarding Education license plates. Provides that 5% of the moneys in the Illinois Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund shall be appropriated to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission (rather than to the State Board of Education) for grants to the Golden Apple Foundation for Excellence in Teaching. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 3583

Short Description:  VEH CD-SCHL BUS-ALCOHOL TEST

House Sponsors
Rep. Lisa M. Dugan

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that, if the employer of a school bus driver reporting to work has a substantiated reason to suspect that the driver is under the influence of alcohol, the employer may require the driver to submit to testing for alcohol at a licensed testing facility before he or she is allowed to drive a school bus. Provides that the employer shall immediately notify the Secretary of State if the school bus driver refuses to submit to the testing or submits to testing that reveals the presence of alcohol or other drugs or intoxicating compounds.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that, if an employer has reasonable suspicion to believe that a school bus driver is under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or intoxicating compounds, the employer may require the driver to undergo testing at a licensed testing facility before driving a school bus. Requires that the employer's reasonable suspicion be based on specific, contemporaneous observations of the appearance, behavior, speech, or body odors of the driver. Provides that the employer shall report the driver to the Secretary of State if the driver refuses testing or submits to testing that reveals the presence of alcohol, drugs, or intoxicating compounds. Provides that the Secretary shall cancel the school bus driver permit of a driver who refuses testing or
tests positive for the presence of alcohol drugs or intoxicating compounds. Provides that a driver whose school bus driver permit has been cancelled under the provision may not reapply for a permit until 3 years later. Sets reporting requirements for the employer.

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HB 3620

**Short Description:** BILLBOARD REGULATION-ADULT ENT

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Dennis M. Reboletti

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Adult Entertainment Message Regulation Act. Provides that no message or other outdoor communication advertising an adult cabaret or a sexually-oriented business may be located within the boundaries of a municipality or within one mile of a municipal boundary, Interstate highway, school, or place of worship, unless that business is located within one mile of a municipal boundary, Interstate highway, school, or place of worship, in which case that business may display one message giving notice that the premises are off limits to minors and one message of identification of no more than 40 square feet in size that contains only the business' name, street address, telephone number, and operating hours. Provides that non-conforming messages in use at the time of the effective date of the Act may continue in use for the term of the contract, up to one year after the Act's effective date. Provides that any adult cabaret or sexually-oriented business owner who violates the provisions of the Act is guilty of a Class C misdemeanor and that each day that a violation of the Act continues in existence constitutes a separate offense. Preempts home rule. Provides that the Act shall not apply within a municipality with a population over 500,000. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 3632

**Short Description:** DHS-TECH-BASED DAY PROGRAM

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Technology-Based Young Adult Day Program Act. Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a technology-based day program for young adults aged 18-30 who have a developmental disability. Provides for a 3-year phase-in of the program: (1) for FY2009, requires a pilot program in DuPage County; (2) in addition, for FY2010, requires the Department to make training and technology resources available to the State Superintendent of Education to provide secondary school students statewide with skills they need for higher education and employment; and (3) in addition, for FY2011, requires the Department to develop a community-integrated living arrangement (CILA) pilot program that emphasizes the use of technology. Requires reports to the General Assembly concerning the operation of the pilot programs, and authorizes the Department to expand the pilot programs to other areas of the State. Makes implementation of the program subject to appropriations.

**Last Action**
HB 3677

Short Description: EDUC-SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act, various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois, and the Public Community College Act. Provides that a comprehensive health education program shall include sexual assault awareness in secondary schools. Requires each public university and community college to provide some form of sexual assault awareness education to all incoming students, whether through a seminar, online training, or some other way of informing students. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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HB 3730

Comment:
Neutral

Short Description: SCH CD-TEACHR-CONDUCT SEARCHES

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that teachers (not just school authorities) may inspect and search places and areas owned or controlled by the school, as well as personal effects left in those places and areas by students, without notice to or the consent of the student and without a search warrant. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Provides that school authorities and teachers must be acting on a reasonable suspicion based on professional experience and judgment in performing inspections and searches. Provides that school authorities and teachers have the authority to perform an inspection or search if the inspection or search is conducted to ensure that classrooms, school buildings, school property, and students remain free from the threat of illegal drugs, weapons, or other illegal or dangerous substances or materials. Provides that the measures used to conduct an inspection or search must be reasonably related to the inspection's or search's objectives, without being excessively intrusive in light of the student's age, sex, and the nature of the offense. Makes a change concerning a reference to these provisions. Effective immediately.

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SB 1

Comment:
Neutral TECH

Short Description: EDUCATION FUNDING REFORM-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Education Funding Reform Act of 2007. Contains only a short title provision.

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SB 2

Comment:
TECH

Short Description: SCHOOL BONDS-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Provides that the bill may be referred to as the School Construction Act of 2007. Decreases by $1 the amount authorized for school construction bonds. Effective immediately.

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SB 10

Comment:
Neutral - Bill only requires additional data collection for ISBE. We will not become involved in the philosophical discussion as to whether or not this takes place.

Short Description: CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson-Mattie Hunter-Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code and the Communicable Disease Prevention Act. Provides that beginning
August 1, 2009 a female student who is 11 or 12 years of age may not enter any grade of a public, private, or parochial school unless the child presents to the school proof of having received a human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination or, after having received HPV information required to be provided by the Department of Public Health, the student's parent or legal guardian presents to the school a signed statement that the parent or legal guardian has elected for the student not to receive the vaccination. Requires a school to include the number of HPV-vaccinated children in its health exam and immunization report to the State Board of Education. Provides that beginning August 1, 2007, prior to entering a grade in a public or private school in this State, the Department of Public Health must provide all female students who are 11 or 12 years of age and their parents or legal guardians written information about the link between human papillomavirus and cervical cancer and the availability of a human papillomavirus vaccine. Provides that the Director of Public Health shall prescribe the content of the information about HPV. Requires the Department of Public Health to adopt emergency rules to the extent necessary to administer the Department's responsibilities under these provisions. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Provides that all children in Illinois shall have a health examination upon entering the sixth grade of any public, private, parochial school. Provides that beginning August 1, 2011 (instead of August 1, 2009) a female student enrolled in 6th grade (instead of 11 or 12 years of age) may not attend a public, private, or parochial school unless the child presents to the school proof of having received a human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination or, after having received HPV information required to be provided by the Department of Public Health, the student's parent or legal guardian presents to the school a signed statement that the parent or legal guardian has elected for the student not to receive the vaccination.

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SB 27

Comment:
Division Assigned: SS

Short Description: PROP TX-REFUNDS

Senate Sponsors
Sen. M. Maggie Crotty

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Property Tax Code concerning the payment of refunds. Provides that, upon the request of a school district whose revenues are affected by the refund, the collector shall not, within any single 12-month period, make refunds in excess of $100,000 due from taxes that were collected for that school district for any particular parcel if the refunds are attributable to more than one taxable year, but, instead, the collector must divide the refunds due to any final orders of the Property Tax Appeal Board or a court into at least as many 12-month periods as the number of taxable years for which the refunds are due.

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SB 108

Comment:
Division Assigned: LEGAL

Short Description: CHILD NEGLECT-NO RETURN HOME
**Senate Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act and the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Provides that a "neglected child" includes a child who has been provided with interim crisis intervention services under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and whose parent, guardian, or custodian refuses to permit the child to return home. Requires the DCFS Child Protective Service Unit to begin an investigation of a report concerning such a child within 24 hours after receiving the report and determine whether to take the child into temporary protective custody and whether to file a petition alleging neglect or abuse. Provides that no minor shall be sheltered in a temporary living arrangement for more than 48 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and court-designated holidays, when the agency has reported the minor as neglected or abused because the parent, guardian, or custodian refuses to permit the child to return home, provided that in all other instances the minor may be sheltered when the agency obtains the consent of the parent, guardian, or custodian or documents its unsuccessful efforts to obtain the consent or authority of the parent, guardian, or custodian, including recording the date and the staff involved in all telephone calls, telegrams, letters, and personal contacts to obtain the consent or authority, in which instances the minor may be so sheltered for not more than 21 days.

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**SB 194**

**Comment:**
Oppose

**Short Description:** SCH CD-ST AID-CONSOLIDATE DIST

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Todd Sieben

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. With respect to transitional assistance payments, provides that the State Board of Education shall adjust prior year information for the transitional assistance calculations in the event of the creation or reorganization of a school district, the dissolution of an entire district and the annexation of all of its territory to one or more other districts, or a boundary change whereby the enrollment of the annexing district increases by 90% or more as a result of annexing territory detached from another district. Provides that those districts whose enrollment increases by 90% or more as a result of annexing territory detached from another district are eligible for certain supplementary State aid payments. Provides that the changes made by the amendatory Act are intended to be retroactive and applicable to any annexation taking effect on or after July 1, 2004. Effective immediately.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**
For certain annexations that are effective on or after July 1, 2004, but before the effective date of the amendatory Act, provides for when supplementary payments from the State are to be paid and supplementary reimbursements from the State are to begin. Changes the effective date from upon becoming law to July 1, 2007.

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SB 230

Short Description: LIC AUDITORY-VERBAL THERAPIST

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Jacqueline Y. Collins

Synopsis As Introduced

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Practice Act. Makes a technical change to a Section concerning the legislative declaration of policy.

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SB 306

Comment:
ISBE provided technical assistance to draft the legislation, no indication of an agency position was given.

Short Description: CD-TEACHER-ALTERNATIV CERT

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Terry Link-Susan Garrett-James T. Meeks-Jacqueline Y. Collins-Kimberly A. Lightford

House Sponsors
(Rep. Jack D. Franks)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. With respect to the Alternative Teacher Certification program, provides that a provisional alternative teaching certificate may be issued to an applicant who has attained at least a cumulative grade average of a "B" if the individual is assigned either to a school district that has not met the annual measurable objective for highly qualified teachers required by the Illinois Revised Highly Qualified Teachers (HQT) Plan or to a school district whose data filed with the State Board of Education indicates that the district's poor and minority students are taught by teachers who are not highly qualified at a higher rate than other students (instead of just if the applicant has been employed for a period of at least 5 years in an area requiring application of the individual's education). Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Provides that assignment may be made only if the district superintendent and the exclusive bargaining representative, if any, jointly agree to permit the assignment.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Provides that assignment may be made only if the district superintendent and the exclusive bargaining representative of the district's teachers (rather than just the
exclusive bargaining representative), if any, jointly agree to permit the assignment. Effective immediately.

### SB 395

**Comment:**
Division Assigned: CERT

**Short Description:** SCH CD-SAFETY ED-UNIV INSTRUCT

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Michael W. Frerichs

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Courses of Study - Special Instruction Article of the School Code. Provides that the curriculum in all State universities shall contain instruction in safety education for teachers (rather than an elective course of instruction in safety education for teachers, comprising at least 48 fifty-minute periods or the equivalent thereof) and that this instruction may be by specific courses in safety education or may be incorporated in existing subjects taught in the university. Effective immediately.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the bill as introduced with the following change. Provides that the required safety education instruction for teachers must be appropriate to the grade level of the teaching certificate. Effective immediately.

### SB 396

**Comment:**
Neutral with amendment

**Short Description:** SCH CD-SPEC ED-CHILD 18-TRNSFR

**Senate Sponsors**

**House Sponsors**
(Rep. Elizabeth Coulson)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Provides that when a child who is eligible for special education reaches the majority age of 18 years, rights accorded to the child's parents transfer to the child. Provides that rights shall not transfer from the parents to the child if the child has been determined to be incompetent under State law or the child has not been determined to be incompetent, but does not have the ability to provide informed consent with respect to the child's educational program. Requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules establishing criteria for school
districts to determine if a child lacks the ability to provide informed consent and uniform procedures for allowing the parents of the child, another adult caregiver, or another responsible adult to exercise rights on behalf of the child. Effective immediately.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Changes references from "child" to "student" and "educational program" to "individualized education program". Provides that the school district must notify the student and the student's parents of the transfer of rights in writing at a meeting convened to review the student's individualized education program during the school year in which the student turns 17 years of age. Requires the district to also explain to the student and the student's parents the significance of the transfer of parental rights at the majority age of 18. Provides that at that time, the district must provide the student with a copy of the Delegation of Rights form. Provides that rights shall not transfer from the parents to the student if the student has been adjudged (instead of determined to be) incompetent under State law or the student has not been adjudged (instead of determined to be) incompetent, but the student has executed a Delegation of Rights to make educational decisions for the purpose of appointing the student's parent or other adult to represent the educational interests of the student (instead of but the student does not have the ability to provide informed consent with respect to the child's educational program). Allows a student to terminate the Delegation of Rights at any time and assume the right to make decisions regarding his or her education. Sets forth requirements for the Delegation of Rights, including the form. Deletes the provision requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules establishing criteria for school districts to determine if a child lacks the ability to provide informed consent and uniform procedures for allowing the parents of the child, another adult caregiver, or another responsible adult to exercise rights on behalf of the child. Removes the immediate effective date.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 2**

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as amended by Senate Amendment No. 1, with the following changes. Removes a provision that requires the school district to explain to the student and the student's parents the significance of the transfer of parental rights. Requires the school district to mail the notice of the transfer of rights and a copy of the Delegation of Rights form to the student and to the student's parents if they do not attend the meeting to review the student's individualized education program. Provides that the Declaration of Rights shall include a declaration that the student will notify the school district immediately if the student terminates the Delegation of Rights; makes a related change. Adds an immediate effective date.

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**SB 398**

**Comment:**
Division Assigned: FUND and SPEC. ED.

**Short Description:** SCH CD-SPEC ED-ORPHANAGE-REIMB

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Deanna Demuzio

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code with respect to special education classes for children from orphanages, foster family homes, children's homes, or in-State housing units. In a provision that allows reimbursement for the costs of educating a disabled student who is placed residentially by a State agency or the courts for care or custody, welfare, medical or mental health treatment, rehabilitation, and protection, provides that it is the intent of that provision that school districts be reimbursed for the eligible costs of educating all
disabled students residentially placed by a State agency or the courts or placed and paid for by a State agency for any of the reasons listed. Provides that reimbursements under the provision shall first be provided for claims made for the 2007-2008 school year payable in fiscal year 2008. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Provides that subject to appropriation, school districts shall be reimbursed (instead of it is the intent of certain provisions that school districts be reimbursed) for the eligible costs of educating disabled students residentially placed by a State agency or the courts or placed and paid for by a State agency.

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SB 420

Comment:
Division Assigned: LEGAL

Short Description: OPEN MEET-VACATION/E-MAIL

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Randall M. Hultgren

House Sponsors
(Rep. Sidney H. Mathias)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that the e-mail distribution of materials for the individual use of a public body’s members is not a violation of the Act. With respect to public bodies with statewide jurisdiction, provides that no per diem payments shall be made to members who attend meetings by electronic means or by audio or video conference. Provides that at a meeting of a public body with less than statewide jurisdiction at which a majority of a quorum of members must be physically present, provides that a majority of the physically present members (now, a majority of the members) may allow the attendance of other members by audio or video conference for the reasons specified by the Act. Adds vacation outside the territorial limits of the jurisdiction of the public body to that list of reasons.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Removes the provision that the e-mail distribution of material for the individual use of a public body member is not a violation of the Act.

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SB 423

Comment:
Neutral.

Short Description: SCH CD-TRUSTEE OF SCH-WITHDRAW

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Martin A. Sandoval-Don Harmon
House Sponsors
(Rep. Elizabeth Hernandez and Daniel J. Burke)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Allows the respective school boards of Berwyn North School District 98, Berwyn South School District 100, Cicero School District 99, and J.S. Morton High School District 201 to withdraw from the jurisdiction and authority of the trustees of schools of Cicero Township and the township treasurer, provided that the school board elects or appoints its own school treasurer. Effective immediately.

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SB 424

Short Description: SCH CD-REQ HIGH SCH COURSES

Senate Sponsors
Sen. William Delgado-Dan Cronin and Martin A. Sandoval-Edward D. Maloney

House Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that if a pupil successfully completes one or more of the courses required as a prerequisite to receiving a high school diploma before entering high school, then the pupil shall be given high school credit for that course. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Provides that if a pupil successfully completes one or more of the courses required in the Section concerning required high school courses (instead of just those provisions of that Section that apply to pupils entering the 9th grade in the 2007-2008 school year or a subsequent school year) before entering high school, then the pupil shall be given high school credit for that course. Provides that the grades earned from these courses must be included in the calculation of the pupil's high school grade point average. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that the school board of a school district that maintains any of grades 9 through 12 is authorized to adopt a policy under which a student enrolled in grade 7 or 8 who is enrolled in the unit school district or would be enrolled in the high school district upon completion of elementary school, whichever is applicable, may enroll in a high school course required to receive a high school diploma under certain conditions. Provides that a school board that adopts such a policy must grant academic credit to an elementary school student who successfully completes the high school course, and that credit shall satisfy the high school graduation requirements. Contains provisions concerning transferring students. Provides that a student's grade in any course successfully completed under these provisions must be included in his or her grade point average in accordance with the school board's policy for making that calculation. Effective immediately.

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SB 505

Comment:
Division Assigned: SS

Short Description:  SCH CONSTRUCTION-GRANT INDEX

Senate Sponsors

House Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Construction Law. Provides that the grant index may be increased by 0.05 for school construction projects that receive certification from the United States Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Green Building Rating System, the Green Building Initiative's Green Globes Green Building Rating System, or green building standards approved by the Capital Development Board. Effective July 1, 2007.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Provides that the grant index may be increased by 0.05 for school construction projects that meet (rather than receive certification from) green building standards of the Capital Development Board and its Green Building Advisory Committee (instead of having the standards approved by the CDB). Provides that the standards must be developed on or before January 1, 2009. Effective July 1, 2007.

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SB 538

Comment:
TECH BILL

Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Kwame Raoul

House Sponsors
(Rep. William Davis)

Synopsis AsIntroduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning regional superintendents of schools.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Encourages school boards to allow community organizations to use school facilities during non-school hours. Provides that if a school board allows a community organization to use school facilities during non-school hours, the board must adopt a formal policy governing the use of school facilities by community organizations during non-school hours. Provides that the policy shall prohibit such use if it interferes with any school functions or the safety of students or school personnel or affects the property or liability of the school district. Effective July 1,
SB 543

Comment:  
Division Assigned: DATA and EARLY CH.

Short Description:  SCH CD-K ENROLLMNT-MUST ATTEND

Senate Sponsors  
Sen. Kwame Raoul and Martin A. Sandoval-James T. Meeks

House Sponsors  
(Rep. Deborah L. Graham)

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the School Code. Requires a person having custody or control of a child who is below the compulsory school age and who is enrolled in kindergarten in a public school to cause the child to attend the public school. Includes in the definition of "dropout" a child enrolled in kindergarten. Effective June 30, 2007.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1  
Removes the provision changing the definition of "dropout".

SB 665

Short Description:  CRIM CD-EAVESDROPPING EXEMPT

Senate Sponsors  
Sen. David Koehler

House Sponsors  
(Rep. Aaron Schock)

Synopsis As Introduced  
Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Exempts from an eavesdropping violation, an electronic recording, including but not limited to, a motion picture, videotape, digital, or other visual or audio recording, made of the interior of a school bus while the school bus is being used in the transportation of students to and from school and school-sponsored activities, when the school board has adopted a policy authorizing such recording, notice of such recording policy is included in student handbooks and other documents including the policies of the school, notice of the policy regarding recording is provided to parents of students, and notice of such recording is clearly posted on the door of and inside the school bus. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2  
Provides that recordings made under the amendatory provision shall be confidential records and may
only be used by: (1) school officials or their designees for school discipline purposes; and (2) law enforcement personnel.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 3**

Provides that the recordings made pursuant to the amendatory Act may only be used by school officials (or their designees) and law enforcement personnel for investigations, school disciplinary actions and hearings, proceedings under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, and criminal prosecutions, related to incidents occurring in or around the school bus.

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**SB 671**

**Comment:**
Working with interested parties.

**Short Description:** SCH CD-CUSTODY-LEGAL RSPNSBLTY

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Edward D. Maloney-James T. Meeks

**House Sponsors**
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**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. In a provision concerning legal custody as it relates to district residency, sets forth a definition for legal responsibility.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**
Removes the provision defining "legal responsibility". Provides instead that Acts tending to show that a person exercises legal responsibility for the pupil include, but are not limited to, providing insurance for the pupil, paying the pupil's medical bills or other necessary expenses, assuming liability for damages caused by the pupil, and declaring the pupil as a dependent for income tax purposes.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 2**
Provides that acts tending to show that a person exercises legal responsibility for the pupil include, but are not limited to, providing public or private insurance (instead of just insurance) for the pupil, paying for the pupil's necessary expenses (instead of paying the pupil's medical bills or other necessary expenses), assuming liability for damages caused by the pupil, or (instead of and) declaring the pupil as a dependent for income tax purposes.

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**SB 715**

**Short Description:** DHS-SCHOOL HEALTH CENTERS

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Donne E. Trotter-Iris Y. Martinez-Mattie Hunter, William Delgado-Jacqueline Y. Collins, Carol Ronen, Michael W. Frerichs-Kimberly A. Lightford, James T. Meeks, David Koehler, Michael Noland and
Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the School Health Center Act. Requires the Department of Human Services to initiate 20 new school health centers over a 5-year period beginning July 1, 2007, and build capacity with existing school health centers in the State. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1

Provides that the requirement that the Illinois Department of Human Services shall initiate 20 new school health centers shall be subject to appropriation.

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SB 750

Short Description:  PROP TX-SCHOOL DIST

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the School District Property Tax Relief Fund. Requires annual appropriations from the education appropriation minimum to the Fund. Requires the Department of Revenue to annually certify the amounts of property tax relief grants that school districts will receive from the Fund. Sets forth procedures for appropriating these grants. Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Increases the tax rate for individuals, trusts, and estates from 3% to 5% and increased the tax rate for corporations from 4.8% to 8%. Includes retirement income within the definition of "base income" for certain individuals. Eliminates certain corporate exemptions. Creates the Family Tax Credit. Amends the use and occupation tax Acts. Eliminates exemptions concerning newsprint and ink and concerning manufacturing and assembling machinery. Includes certain arts, entertainment, and recreation services within the definition of "sale at retail". Amends the Property Tax Code. Requires county clerks to abate the extensions for educational purposes by the amount of the property tax relief grants. Amends the Motor Fuel Tax Law. Deletes provisions concerning certain discounts. Amends the School Code. In the State aid formula provisions, increases the foundation level of support and grant amount for supplemental general State aid. Provides for an education appropriation minimum and supplemental State aid for rapidly expanding school districts. Effective immediately.

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SB 841

Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Antonio Munoz-Emil Jones, Jr.-Jacqueline Y. Collins and Martin A. Sandoval-James T. Meeks

House Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Chicago school district.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to create a program in public schools where at least 40% of students qualify for free or reduced-price lunches whereby fees charged by the College Board for Advanced Placement exams are waived by the school, but paid for by the State, for those students who do not qualify for a fee waiver provided by federal funds or the College Board.

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**SB 842**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Michael Noland-Emil Jones, Jr.-Pamela J. Althoff

**House Sponsors**
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**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the evaluation of certified employees.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that if the amount that the State Board of Education will pay to a school district from fiscal year 2008 appropriations, as estimated on April 1, 2008, is less than the amount that the State Board paid to the district from fiscal year 2007 appropriations, then the State Board shall make a fiscal year 2008 transitional assistance payment to the district in an amount equal to the difference between the estimated amount to be paid from fiscal year 2008 appropriations and the amount paid from fiscal year 2007 appropriations. Effective immediately.

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**SB 843**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**

**House Sponsors**
(Rep. Donald L. Moffitt)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning alternative public schools.
Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code and the Public Community
College Act. Allows school districts and community college districts to own and operate wind generation
turbine farms that directly or indirectly reduce energy or other operating costs. Provides that the school
district or the community college district may ask for the assistance of any State agency in obtaining
financing options. Effective immediately.

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SB 844

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. A. J. Wilhelmi-Emil Jones, Jr. and Kimberly A. Lightford-M. Maggie Crotty

House Sponsors
(Rep. Roger L. Eddy)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the annual budgets of
school districts other than the Chicago school district.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning
reimbursement by the State for transportation costs, includes pupils in pre-kindergarten for which a
school district may seek reimbursement. Effective July 1, 2007.

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SB 845

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Courses of Study Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section
concerning physical education and training.

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**SB 847**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher certification.

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**SB 848**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning administrative certificates.

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**SB 849**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher tenure.
SB 850

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson-Emil Jones, Jr.

House Sponsors
(Rep. Lisa M. Dugan)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes technical changes in a Section concerning health examinations and immunizations.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that it is the duty of a county board to allow, when the county board deems it proper, reasonable expenses of the regional superintendent of schools to administer life-skills programs related to the healthy social and emotional development of children. Effective July 1, 2007.

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SB 851

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning regional superintendents of schools.

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SB 852

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning charter schools.

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SB 853

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors

House Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a high school equivalency testing program.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. With respect to the high school equivalency testing program, provides that an individual is eligible to apply if he or she is a person who is 17 (instead of 18) years of age or older and is not a high school graduate (instead of is not a high school graduate, but whose high school class has graduated); makes related changes. Provides that applicants may provide as sufficient proof of residence and as an acceptable form of identification a driver's license, valid passport, military ID, or other form of government-issued national or foreign identification that shows the applicant's name, address, date of birth, signature, and photograph (instead of providing as sufficient proof of residence a picture identification card and 2 pieces of correctly addressed and postmarked mail). Makes a change concerning who is eligible to apply for a high school equivalency certificate upon showing evidence that he or she has successfully completed the high school level General Educational Development Tests.

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SB 854

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school elections.

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SB 855

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the length of a school term.

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SB 856

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Monetary Award Program.

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SB 1183

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Don Harmon-Dan Cronin-James T. Meeks

House Sponsors
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Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school energy conservation.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Local Government Energy Conservation Act, the School Energy Conservation and Saving Measures Article of the School Code, the Public University Energy Conservation Act, and the Public Community College Act. Provides that a unit of local government, school district, area vocational center, community college district, or public university may enter into an installment payment contract or lease purchase agreement with a qualified provider or third-party lender (instead of just a qualified provider) for the purchase and installation of energy conservation measures by a qualified provider (instead of just the purchase and installation of energy conservation measures). In the School Code Article concerning energy conservation and saving measures, makes
changes to the definitions of "energy conservation measure" and "request for proposals", along with certain requirements with respect to a request for proposals. Provides that a licensed architect or registered professional engineer evaluating a proposal must not have any financial or contractual relationship with a qualified provider or other source that would constitute a conflict of interest. Provides that contracts let or awarded must be published in the next available subsequent Illinois Procurement Bulletin. Provides that other State laws and related administrative requirements apply to the Article. Provides that in order to protect the integrity of historic buildings, no provision of the Article shall be interpreted to require the implementation of energy conservation measures that conflict with respect to any property eligible for, nominated to, or entered on the National Register of Historic Places or the Illinois Register of Historic Places. Effective immediately.

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SB 1224

Short Description:  TEACHER HOMEBUYER ASSISTANCE

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Linda Holmes-Jacqueline Y. Collins-Kimberly A. Lightford-Dan Kotowski, Michael Bond, Michael Noland-Susan Garrett, James T. Meeks, David Koehler, Martin A. Sandoval and Edward D. Maloney

House Sponsors
(Rep. Eddie Washington)

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Teacher Homebuyer Assistance Act. Requires the Illinois Housing Development Authority to establish and administer a program to provide down payment assistance to public school teachers who teach in hard-to-staff schools or hard-to-staff positions for purchasing residences within the school district. Provides that the assistance shall be in the form of a deferred payment, low-interest subordinate mortgage loan with a term not longer than the term of the first mortgage loan, with interest accruing at a rate of up to 5% per annum. Provides that if the borrower has continuously been a teacher for the 5-year period immediately following the date of recordation of the loan deed of trust, then repayment of the loan shall be forgiven and considered a grant. Provides that repayment of the principal and accrued interest is due and payable upon the occurrence of certain events. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Provides that the requirement that the Illinois Housing Development Authority establish and administer a teacher homebuyer assistance program and allocate funds is subject to appropriation.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2
Changes the definition of "hard-to-staff school" to mean an elementary or secondary school that ranks in the upper third of schools in this State in the number of teachers who leave their positions. Provides that the State Board of Education shall rank schools for this purpose based on mobility and teacher attrition over a 5-year average.

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SB 1426

Comment:
Neutral
Short Description: SCH CD-UTILITY CONTRACT-BID

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Matt Murphy

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. With respect to the exceptions to the requirement that a school board award contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $10,000 to the lowest responsible bidder, removes the exceptions for contracts for the purchase of natural gas when the cost is less than that offered by a public utility and for utility services such as light and heat. Provides that a school board must award utility contracts, such as natural gas or electricity, involving an expenditure in excess of $10,000 to the lowest responsible bidder. Provides that if a school district joins a utility consortium, then that consortium must award utility contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $10,000 to the lowest responsible bidder. Effective immediately.

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SB 1428

Comment:
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Short Description: CHILD ABUSE-UNREPORTED-PENALTY

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

House Sponsors
(Rep. Elizabeth Hernandez)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. Adds members of a school board, the Chicago Board of Education, or the governing body of a private school as mandated reporters. Provides that any person who knowingly and willfully violates any mandated-reporter provision of the Act other than a second or subsequent violation of transmitting a false report is guilty of a Class 4 felony (instead of a Class A misdemeanor) for a first violation and a Class 3 (instead of Class 4) felony for a second or subsequent violation. Effective immediately.

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SB 1436

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Mattie Hunter

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Instructional Materials Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section
concerning furnishing free textbooks to students.

### SB 1462

**Short Description:** SCH CD-PILOT READ PROJECT-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Adds a Section concerning a pilot reading project for students ages 7 through 13. Contains only a caption.

### SB 1473

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

**Synopsis As Introduced**

### SB 1474

**Short Description:** CHICAGO TEACHERS-EVALUATION

**Senate Sponsors**

**House Sponsors**
(Rep. Barbara Flynn Currie)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Open Meetings Act and the School Code. Provides that the term "public body" under the Open Meetings Act does not include a teacher peer assistance board or peer evaluation governing board established by a school district and the exclusive representative of its teachers under the Chicago School District Article of the School Code or a professional personnel leadership committee organized under the
Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Authorizes the Chicago Board of Education and the exclusive representative of the school district's teachers to enter into an agreement to establish alternative procedures for teacher evaluation, remediation, and removal for cause after remediation, including an alternative system for peer evaluation and recommendations, for teachers who have completed their probationary period. Makes related changes. Makes technical changes having a revisory function. Effective immediately.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**
In a provision authorizing the Chicago Board of Education and the exclusive representative of the school district's teachers to enter into an agreement to establish alternative procedures for teacher evaluation, remediation, and removal for cause after remediation, removes language that provides that the procedures are for teachers who have completed the probationary period.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 2**
Removes provisions amending the Open Meetings Act.

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### SB 1478

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Deanna Demuzio

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Construction Law. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the priority of school construction projects.

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### SB 1482

**Comment:**
Neutral.

**Short Description:** SCH CD-PARENT OBSERVATION

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford, James T. Meeks-Jacqueline Y. Collins and Deanna Demuzio

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Requires a school board to allow a parent to observe the classroom instruction that his or her child is receiving as long as the parent does not pose a threat to the safety of any person in the school and the parent's presence is not disruptive to classroom learning. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

**Senate Floor Amendment No. 1**
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board may, through the adoption of a policy, allow a parent to observe the classroom instruction that his or her
child is receiving. Provides that the policy shall provide that the parent may observe as long as the parent does not pose a threat to the safety of any person in the school and the parent’s presence is not disruptive to classroom learning. Provides that the school board shall make the final decision regarding whether or not a parent is allowed to observe.

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SB 1509

Short Description: SEX OFFENDER REG-DELINQUENT

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Kwame Raoul

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Sex Offender Registration Act. Provides that in all cases involving an adjudicated juvenile delinquent who meets the definition of sex offender as set forth in the Act, the court shall order the minor to register as a sex offender. Provides that once an adjudicated juvenile delinquent is ordered to register as a sex offender, the adjudicated juvenile delinquent shall be subject to the registration requirements set forth in the Act for the term of his or her registration. Provides that no less than 5 years after registration, the minor may petition for the termination of the term of registration. Provides that the court may upon a hearing on the petition for termination of registration, terminate registration if the court finds that the registrant poses no risk to the community by a preponderance of the evidence based upon certain factors. Provides that an adjudicated juvenile delinquent shall not be considered a sexual predator, as defined in the Act, for the purposes of mandatory registration for the term of natural life. Provides that these provisions apply retroactively. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Sex Offender Registration Act. Provides that reconfinement of a sex offender due to a violation of parole or other circumstances that do not relate to the original conviction or adjudication shall toll the running of the balance of the 10-year period of registration, which shall not commence running until after final parole, discharge, or release.

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SB 1557

Comment:
Neutral

Short Description: SCH CD-DRIVER ED-DISTRACTIONS

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Michael W. Frerichs-Jacqueline Y. Collins-Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Driver Education Act of the School Code. Requires a driver education course to include classroom instruction on distracted driving as a major traffic safety issue. Effective immediately.
SB 1702

Comment:
Bill is being amended. Identical to HB 1559.

Short Description:  SCH CD-STUDENT BIOMETRIC INFO

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford-Iris Y. Martinez

House Sponsors
(Rep. Al Riley)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that if a public school or school district collects biometric information from students, it may do so only with, at a minimum, written permission from (i) the individual who legally enrolled the student or (ii) the student, if he or she has reached the age of 18. Prohibits the school or school district from refusing any services otherwise available to the student for withholding permission. Sets forth conditions for collecting and using the information. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective August 1, 2007.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Provides that public schools or school districts that collect biometric information from students shall adopt policies that, at a minimum require written permission from (i) the individual who legally enrolled the student or (ii) the student, if he or she has reached the age of 18 (instead of providing that if a public school or school district collects biometric information from students, it may do so only with, at a minimum, such written permission). Requires a school district or school that collects a student's biometric information to adopt a policy consistent with certain conditions (instead of providing that the conditions apply to school districts or schools that collect a student's biometric information), and provides that the school or district must forward the policy to the State Board of Education upon adoption and subsequent amendment.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 2
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Sets forth policy requirements for school districts that collect biometric information from students including providing for written permission; the discontinuation of use of the information; the destruction of the information following the discontinuation of use; allowed use of the information; a prohibition on the sale, lease, or other disclosure of the information; and the storage, transmittal, and protection of the information. Provides that the failure to provide written consent for the collection of biometric information shall not be the basis for refusal of any services otherwise available to the student. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective August 1, 2007.

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HR 11

Short Description:  SCHOOL LUNCH NUTRITION

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis-Jack D. Franks
### HR 45

**Short Description:** SPECIAL SESSION-EDUCATION

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Urges the Governor to call a special session of the General Assembly concentrating only on education.

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### HR 115

**Short Description:** SCHOOL IMPACT FEE TSK FRC

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Michael Tryon-Roger L. Eddy

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Establishes the School Impact Fee Task Force for the purpose of studying impact fees in Illinois.

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### SR 26

**Short Description:** MEMORIAL-ROBERT DOUGLAS

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. William R. Haine and All Senators

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Mourns the death of Robert Douglas of Granite City.

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HJR 1

Short Description: DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING EDUC

House Sponsors
Rep. James H. Meyer-Elaine Nekritz-Mike Fortner-Brent Hassert-Kathleen A. Ryg, Sandra M. Pihos, Patricia R. Bellock, Elizabeth Coulson, Sandy Cole, Renée Kosel, Mark H. Beaubien, Jr., Mike Bost, Shane Cultra, Robert W. Pritchard, David R. Leitch, Dan Brady and Rosemary Mulligan

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates a Joint Task Force on Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education Options.

House Amendment No. 1
Replaces everything with substantially similar provisions, except: (1) changes the entities who will appoint the non-legislative members of the task force; and (2) provides that the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois Department of Human Services, and the Illinois Deaf and Hard of Hearing Commission shall collectively administer and prepare all reports deemed necessary in conjunction with the task force actively.

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HJR 24

Short Description: SPEC EDUC FUNDING TASK FORCE

House Sponsors
Rep. Sandra M. Pihos-David Reis-Elizabeth Coulson, Michael Tryon, Rosemary Mulligan, Mike Fortner, Sandy Cole, Renée Kosel, Mark H. Beaubien, Jr., Patricia R. Bellock, Harry R. Ramey, Jr., James H. Meyer, Jil Tracy, Roger L. Eddy, Shane Cultra, Robert W. Pritchard, Jim Sacia and Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates a Task Force to study special education funding. Directs the task force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2008. Provides that the task force shall be facilitated by the State Board of Education.

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HJRCA 16

Short Description: EDUCATION FUNDING-NO PROP TAX

House Sponsors
Synopsis As Introduced

Proposes to amend Section 1 of Article X of the Illinois Constitution. Provides that, beginning on the January 1 next occurring 3 years after the Constitutional Amendment takes effect, the State is solely responsible for financing the system of public education and property tax revenue must not be used to finance the system of public education (with an exception). Provides that after the Constitutional Amendment takes effect, the General Assembly shall pass and the Governor shall approve a bill that implements a new funding plan for the system of public education, which plan shall take effect on the January 1 next occurring 3 years after the Constitutional Amendment takes effect. Provides that under the plan (i) no school district may ever receive less from the State in any given school year than the school district received from all local, State, and federal sources for the school year during which the Constitutional Amendment takes effect and (ii) on the January 1 next occurring 3 years after the Constitutional Amendment takes effect, the property tax rate for a school district shall be 0%, which rate may be increased to raise additional funds for the school district if the rate increase is approved by referendum. Effective upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

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