Governmental Relations Committee of the Whole
Wednesday, May 16, 2007
3:30 p.m.
This meeting will begin immediately following the previous session.
Board Room, 4th Floor

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AGENDA

1. Roll Call

2. Board Member Participation by Other Means

3. Public Participation

4. Minutes of the April Governmental Relations Committee Meeting (pp. 2-3)

5. Federal Update – Reauthorization of ESEA/NCLB (pp. 4-14)
   (Chris Koch, Ginger Reynolds, Melina Wright)

6. Legislative Update (Nicole Wills, Kristi Kenney, Sumantra Lahiri) (pp. 15-227)

7. Committee Agenda Planning/Additional Items

8. 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 Governmental Relations committee began at 4:35 p.m.

Chris Ward made a motion to correct the March meeting notes to list Board members Dean Clark and Andrea Brown as absent. This motion was seconded by Ed Geppert.

3. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:
   - SB 1 (Gross Receipts Tax) – This is the Governor’s initiative for increased revenue in Illinois.
   - HB 750 (“tax swap”) – HB 750 represents the other major revenue generating initiative that has been put forward. This legislation passed out of the House Elementary and Secondary Education Appropriations Committee and is on 2nd reading in the House.
   - SB 841 (AP Fee Waivers) – This is an initiative by the Illinois College Board concerning AP fee waivers. ISBE is working with the sponsor and the College Board to understand the intent and to make the bill subject to appropriation.
   - SB 844 (Pre-K Transportation) – This legislation would allow school districts to claim pre-kindergarten students for transportation reimbursement. ISBE estimates this could cost around $28.5 million. However, if there is not a sufficient appropriation in the transportation line, costs are prorated. If there is no increase in transportation and this bill becomes law, staff estimates district proration would be at approximately 90%.
   - SB 991 (School bus seat belts) – Bill requires that all buses purchased after the effective date of the amendatory act would be equipped with seatbelts. ISBE will be required to adopt rules to make sure that all districts comply with the legislation.
   - HB 1030 (Special education expenditure/reimbursement tracking) – The intent of this legislation is to provide tracking of school district revenues and expenditures for special education. ISBE staff is working to create a means to meet the sponsor’s intent without overburdening school districts or ISBE.
   - HB 1663 (I-Connect) – This is a Lt. Governor’s Office initiative that creates the I-Connect Program that would be administered by the Math and Science Academy.
This is an initiative very similar to the Technology Immersion Pilot Program that is run by ISBE currently. IMSA is willing to look at administering the program, but has expressed concern over internal infrastructure and staffing needs, just as ISBE has. ISBE is opposed specifically to one element of the bill which would require all state and federal dollars for technology to go to this program.

- HB 3406 (School Construction Ranking) - This bill would amend the School Construction Law to require ISBE to rank districts that have submitted school construction grant applications. Currently, districts are not ranked until funds become available and districts are entitled. Staff is attempting to work with the sponsor, but has expressed concerns about this bill because the agency does not have adequate staffing capacity to do this, and a district’s ranking could change by the time funds become available because circumstances in the district might change.

- HB 1910 (ISBE Initiative - Partial Day/No Attendance Penalty) – This legislation passed out of the House and staff is working on securing a Senate sponsor.

- HB 2007 (ISBE Initiative - Alt Cert/Resident Teacher) – Staff is preparing an amendment to the legislation, but it will not change the intent.

- HB 1999 (ISBE Initiative - FOP/SFA Consolidation) – Some concerns were recently expressed by certain organizations. Staff is working with the concerned groups to resolve the issues.

- HB 2010 (ISBE initiative - School Breakfast Program) – The Illinois Hunger Coalition expressed concerns with the legislation to the House Sponsor. ISBE has been trying to address those concerns and will continue working with them to come to some kind of consensus.

5. ADJOURNMENT
Committee was adjourned at 5:15 with a motion by Chris Ward and a second by Dean Clark.
ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
May 16-17, 2007

TO: Governmental Relations Committee of the Whole

FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D., State Superintendent of Education
Ginger Reynolds, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent

Agenda Topic: No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Reauthorization

Materials: Select Positions on No Child Left Behind Reauthorization

Staff Contact(s): Melina Wright, NCLB Liaison

Purpose of Agenda Item
The purpose of the agenda item is to inform members of the Board of the status of the No Child Left Behind reauthorization.

Relationship to/Implications for the State Board’s Strategic Plan
This agenda item links to all three goals within the Strategic Plan. Any potential changes to NCLB will directly affect topics including teacher recruitment, best teaching practices, national standards, and fair accountability systems. Many of these issues are specifically addressed within the goals outlined in the Strategic Plan. The goal of NCLB relates to the broader purpose of the State Board to assist every student in Illinois in reaching the learning outcomes measured against the Illinois Learning Standards.

Expected Outcome(s) of Agenda Item
The Board will be provided with summary information regarding the reauthorization of NCLB, including:

1. Update on Congressional Reauthorization Progress
   a. Significant bills introduced
   b. Impact of timely vs. extended reauthorization process

2. Overview of reauthorization proposals (not an exhaustive list):
   a. U.S. Department of Education
   b. NCLB Commission
   c. CCSSO, NGA, NASBA Joint Priorities
   d. Administrators and Teachers Unions
   e. Business Roundtable/Chamber of Commerce

3. Summary of issues of agreement and contention

Background Information
The authorization for NCLB is scheduled to expire on October 1, 2007. Congress held the first joint House–Senate hearing on March 13, 2007 to officially begin the reauthorization process. However, it is uncertain when reauthorization will actually take place. Senate and House staffers are anticipating Congress will take up the reauthorization on schedule. They have been gathering organizations’ comments on the law and are preparing legislative language. Congress often does not reauthorize a law on schedule. For example, Congress has yet to send
a comprehensive reauthorization bill to the President for either Head Start or the Higher Education Act, both of which were scheduled to be reauthorized in 2003.

According to an Education Law Center article “Band-Aids Or Bulldozer? What Next For NCLB?” (Vol. 20, #3 Spring, 2006), every state has introduced legislation rejecting all or part of NCLB. In 2006, more than a quarter of all public schools (nearly 23,000) failed to reach AYP. More than 10,000 schools have not made AYP for two years in a row and have been identified as a school “in need of improvement”. In five years, this law has significantly changed the federal, state, and local role in education. Preparation and analysis should be done to ensure the reauthorized law more fairly affects our nation’s public schools.

**Analysis and Implications for Policy, Budget, Legislative Action and Communications**

*Policy Implications.* There are none specifically at this time. This presentation offers a big-picture look at possible issues during NCLB reauthorization.

*Budget Implications.* None at this time.

*Legislative Action.* None at this time.

*Communication:* The Superintendent is working with the Office of the Governor to address reauthorization and they plan to discuss NCLB reauthorization with stakeholders on May 24.

**Pros and Cons of Various Actions**
This presentation is informative in nature.

**Superintendent’s Recommendation**
None at this time

**Next Steps**
There are no next steps required by the Board at this time. Staff will continue to monitor reauthorization developments and analyze any programmatic and/or financial impact of proposed policy changes. Staff will report to the Government Relations Committee when significant progress is made toward reauthorization, if the Committee desires. The Superintendent and Office of the Governor will meet with stakeholders on May 24.
SELECT POSITIONS ON NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND REAUTHORIZATION

U.S. Department Of Education’s “Building on Results”

1. Assessment/Accountability/AYP:
   a. Use of “innovative methods to measure progress are utilized, such as growth models”.
   b. Accountability system will include a provision to recognize schools making significant progress in moving LEP students toward English language proficiency.
   c. All students will achieve proficiency in science by the 2019–20 school year.

2. Schools not making AYP:
   a. States will be able to prioritize their school improvement activities based on the specific needs of the school.
   b. Only school districts that notify parents of their choice and SES options no later than 30 days prior to the beginning of the school year will be permitted to prioritize their support activities.

3. New options for students in underperforming schools
   a. Supplemental Educational Services (SES) per-child amounts will be increased for students with disabilities, limited English proficient students and students living in rural areas.
   b. Offer SES to all low-income students concurrent with the offer of public school choice.
   c. Districts must spend all of their SES and choice funds each year or risk forfeiting the balance of their 20 percent set-aside for these activities.
   d. New Promise Scholarships are created for low-income students in chronically low-performing schools to attend a private school or an out-of-district public school, or receive intensive tutoring.

4. Highly Qualified Teachers
   a. A Teacher Incentive Fund rewards teachers and principals whose students make exceptional progress.
   b. An Adjunct Teacher Corps composed of professionals from the math and science fields will provide expertise and support in the classroom.

5. High School
   a. Develop by 2010–11 course-level academic standards for two years of English and math that will prepare high school graduates to succeed in college or the workplace.
   b. By 2012–13, states will administer assessments aligned to these standards and publicly report the extent to which all students are on track to enter college or the workplace fully prepared.
   c. Expansion of Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate programs.
6. Funds & Flexibility:
   a. The amount of funds that may be transferred will be raised to 100 percent. Currently, states and local education agencies making adequate yearly progress may transfer just 50 percent of applicable funds.
   b. Perkins Act funds will be included in the pool of funds that could be transferred.
   c. Furthermore, the transferability provisions will be revised to make it easier for local education agencies (LEAs), in consultation with private schools, to consolidate and transfer funds reserved for private school students and teachers.

7. Safe & Drug Free Schools:
   a. Current SDFS national programs will be consolidated into a single, more flexible discretionary program focused on four areas: Emergency Planning, Preventing Violence and Drug Use, School Culture and Climate, and Emerging Needs.

The Commission on No Child Left Behind

1. Highly Qualified and Effective Teachers and Principals for All Students
   a. Require all teachers to produce student learning gains and receive positive principal or teacher peer review evaluations.
   b. Require principals to obtain certification or licensure as required in their state and produce improvements in student achievement that are comparable to high-achieving schools made up of student populations with similar challenges. (Only required for Title I schools)
   c. Require that all schools—Title I and non-Title I—have similar expenditures for teacher salaries and comparable numbers of HQETs.

2. AYP Modifications & Data Reporting
   a. Allow states to include achievement growth in AYP calculations by giving credit for students who are on track to becoming proficient within three years, based on the growth trajectory of their assessment scores.
   b. More accurately identify struggling schools by requiring schools to be identified for improvement if they do not make AYP for the same subgroup in the same subject for two consecutive years.
   c. Require minimum subgroup size is no more than 20 and confidence intervals to no more than 95 percent, with a possible waiver to increase the maximum subgroup size to 30 in cases where states can justify such a number.

3. Student Options (Choice & SES)
   a. Require schools that make AYP to reserve the equivalent of 10 percent of their seats for transfers from schools in which students are eligible for choice, but schools would not be allowed to deny enrollment to students who are geographically assigned to attend those schools.

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1 The co-chairs of the Commission are former Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy G. Thompson and former Georgia Governor Roy E. Barnes. In addition to the co-chairs the Commission is comprised of 13 members that include leaders in the areas of academia, Civil Rights, and business and education.
b. Offer supplemental educational services (SES) to all eligible students if public school choice is unavailable.

4. Schools/Districts not making AYP
   a. Allow districts to focus their restructuring efforts on the lowest-performing 10 percent of their schools.
   b. Give schools adequate time to implement corrective actions and restructuring options by ensuring that identified schools have a full school year to implement the required interventions before moving to the next level of NCLB’s school improvement process.

5. High School
   a. Administer an additional assessment in grade 12 to measure a high school’s effectiveness in preparing students for life after high school and make possible the inclusion of growth calculations in AYP for high schools and HQET/HEP measurements for high school teachers and principals.
   b. Develop national model content and performance standards and tests in reading or language arts, mathematics and science based on National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) frameworks.

National Governors Association (NGA), the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO), and the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Joint Recommendations

1. Accountability Systems and Testing
   a. Allow use of multiple measures aligned to state standards to determine student progress as part of a graduated system of classifications for schools and districts that have been identified as in-need of improvement.
   b. Provide flexibility within AYP to ensure that ELL students are given adequate time to overcome language barriers and that ELL student gains are accurately reflected within school performance data.

2. Rewards and Differentiated Consequences
   a. Expand options and allow for different treatment based on student populations who do not meet AYP.
   b. Offer SES prior to public school choice where applicable.

3. Teachers
   a. Amend the highly qualified teacher (HQT) requirements to count newly hired teachers (particularly rural, special education, and ELL teachers) as “highly qualified” when they meet standards in their primary subject areas.

4. High School
   a. Expand and fund access to Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and certificate programs for all students and preparation for teachers.
   b. Expand the use of technology to include e-learning, virtual high schools, or e-mentoring for high school students.
5. Funds and Flexibility
   a. Commit sufficient resources to enable success and close the achievement gap.
   b. Provide greater state and local flexibility to transfer federal K-12 funds to achieve the goals of NCLB.

6. State’s Role and Educational Continuity
   a. Amend NCLB to support, recognize, and reinforce gubernatorial and state education agency authority over K-12 education.
   b. Align NCLB requirements, goals, and outcomes with other federal laws, promoting excellent education and smooth transitions for all students.

National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) and the American Association of School Administrators (AASA) Joint Recommendations

1. Accountability
   a. States should be allowed to use true growth models and multiple academic measures to track accurately student performance.
   b. State should have the authority to differentiate levels of achievement.

2. Special Education and English Language Learners
   a. A special education child should be measured based on the child’s individualized education program.
   b. Students with limited English proficiency should be appropriately assessed in English, math and other subjects as per individual student needs and not subject to arbitrary determinations or deadlines.
   c. States should be allowed to set separate starting points and AYP projection paths for students with disabilities as well as English Language Learners.

3. Highly Qualified Teacher And Paraprofessional Requirements
   a. States and localities provide an overwhelming share of the funding for teacher salaries and should determine conditions for certification as well as the definition of “highly qualified.”
   b. The federal government could have a greater affect on student achievement by providing incentives to attract better teachers to challenging school districts, instead of creating burdens that exacerbate the supply of good teachers.

4. Closing the achievement gap
   a. Congress should require that GAO conduct a comprehensive study into the costs to states and local districts of complying with the administrative costs of NCLB as well as the costs of meeting the proficiency targets of NCLB.
   b. The goal of 100% proficiency by 2014, while admirable, should be reevaluated and examined as it is in practice unattainable, and puts states in the constant risk of litigation for not providing adequate resources for what appears to be an unrealistic goal.
American Federation of Teachers (AFT)

1. Adequate Yearly Progress
   a. Create a system that truly measures progress and distinguishes between effective and ineffective schools.
   b. Measure the progress that schools achieve with the same students over time (growth models).

2. Highly Qualified Staff
   a. Require states to develop high-caliber teacher induction systems.
   b. Require states to develop an accountability index for schools to ensure that high-need schools have the proper teaching and learning conditions and financial incentives in place to attract and retain high-quality staff.

3. School Improvement and Services for Students
   a. Improve intervention options to raise student achievement in struggling schools instead of using an ineffective sanction system.
   b. Include an intensive planning year when a school is first identified as "in need of improvement."
   c. Requires schools to implement choice and supplemental services only if the school improvement plan has been demonstrated to be ineffective after three years.

4. Funding
   a. In 2006, Title I was authorized $22.75 billion, but President Bush has only requested $13.3 billion. The funding shortfall has undercut the efforts of states, districts and schools at a time when they are working to meet new, rigorous requirements for students and teachers.
   b. Fully funding NCLB could mean providing services to almost 5 million students who are currently being left behind.

National Education Association (NEA)

1. Measure student learning and school performance
   a. Include multiple measures of student learning and school effectiveness instead of the current one-day snapshot based solely on standardized tests.
   b. Reward progress over time to improve student achievement at all levels, and use data exclusively to improve instructional and curriculum decisions and professional development for educators.
   c. Shift AYP from a system that labels and penalizes schools to one that rewards success.
   d. Reverse the order of SES and public school choice, and allow districts in need of improvement to be approved as supplemental service providers.
   e. Target both SES and public school choice to students in the particular subgroups that do not make AYP.
2. Reduce class size
   a. Add a separately-funded class size reduction program with class size limits of 15 to improve student learning, with priority given to high poverty schools and which could be phased in over time.

3. Increase the number of highly qualified teachers in our schools.
   a. Provide financial incentives to teachers who teach in hard-to-staff schools.
   b. Improve teaching and learning conditions at these schools, including school safety and enhanced, focused professional development for educators.
   c. Provide flexibility for teachers of multiple subjects, including special education and rural educators.

The Education Trust

1. Data Systems
   a. Create a $100 million-per-year grant fund to assist states in developing, improving, maintaining, and operating statewide longitudinal education data systems that include unique student identifiers; the ability to match individual students’ test records from year to year; information on untested students; information on student attainment in high school; information on student participation in and performance on college admissions and/or college level assessments; information on college enrollment; unique teacher identifiers; and the ability to match student records to teacher records.
   b. States failing to have data systems including all required elements and failing to generate any required reports four years after the date of enactment would jeopardize eligibility for all Title I funding.
   c. All states should have an “n” size no greater than 30 and confidence intervals no greater than 95 percent.

2. Teacher Quality
   a. Enhance public reporting of teacher qualifications and teacher distribution patterns.
   b. Require that school districts use all of their Title II district-level funds to address inequities in teacher distribution until an equitable distribution is achieved.
   c. Require the Secretary, after three years, to withhold Title II funds from states not making significant progress toward an equitable distribution of teachers and required them to redistribute the funds directly to the schools and districts identified as having the most acute needs.

3. High School Resources and Accountability
   a. 50 percent of any new Title I funds should be targeted toward high schools.
   b. 50 percent of the Curriculum Development Fund monies should be used to provide materials to high schools.
   c. Calculate graduation rates as the number of students who graduate with a regular diploma, divided by the number of students who formed the ninth grade cohort for that graduating class, adjusted for transfers both in and out and, further, the rates should be calculated to identify the percent of students graduating within four years
and the percent graduating in five years.

d. Disaggregate high school graduation rates.

4. Improving the School Improvement Process

a. Increase to 20 percent the state set-aside for school improvement if states match that amount and devote the total to increasing capacity to diagnose, intervene in, and provide support to, schools in need of improvement, including entering into contracts with non-profit providers to assist struggling schools.

b. Identify a school as being “In Need of Comprehensive Improvement” if the school does not made AYP in the overall student category or for group(s) that represent 50 percent or more of the school enrollment.

c. Identify a school as “In Need of Focused Improvement” if the school does not make AYP for student groups representing less than 50 percent of the students in the school.

The Business Coalition for Student Achievement

1. Focus on college and workplace readiness

a. Provide incentives for states to raise academic standards and improve assessments to align them with college and workplace expectations.

b. Increase opportunities for high school students to participate in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, honors and appropriate industry-recognized certification courses.

2. Emphasize science, technology, engineering and math (STEM)

a. Increase and align STEM funding with the goals of NCLB and require rigorous program evaluation.

b. Add science to the adequate yearly progress (AYP) accountability system and support state participation in National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) science assessments.

3. Enhance data-driven decision making

a. Develop statewide data systems that offer timely and accurate collection, analysis and use of high quality longitudinal data that align to district systems to inform decision making and, ultimately, to improve teacher effectiveness and student achievement.

b. Provide educator training on the use of data to differentiate instruction for students, especially for those who are not yet proficient and those who are more advanced.

4. Increase teacher and principal effectiveness

a. Shift current definition of “highly qualified teachers” to a focus on “highly effective teachers.”

b. Focus resources on supporting and rewarding both teacher and principal effectiveness at improving student achievement.

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2 Business Roundtable and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce are coordinating the business community’s involvement for NCLB reauthorization.
5. Strengthen and refine accountability.
   a. Provide guidance on ways that states can differentiate among districts and schools that are close to or far from making adequate yearly progress.
   b. Permit states to use rigorous measures of year-to-year growth in student academic achievement and other methods verified by the Secretary that are consistent with the goal of all students reaching proficiency in reading, math and science.
   c. Close loopholes that allow states to use statistical means to “game” the accountability system and undermine the intent of school restructuring.
   d. Require districts to provide parents with timely and easily understood information on their options and allow them to choose either supplemental education services or moving to a higher performing public school.

6. Invest in school improvement and encourage innovation.
   a. Increase capacity of states and other entities to better assist schools that need help making AYP and that are facing corrective action and/or restructuring.
   b. Target funding, assistance, and distribution of effective educators to high-need schools.

U.S. Congress

There have been over 30 bills introduced in during the 110th Congress that relate to NCLB in some manner. Many of the bills address expected topics such as full funding, reversing the order of sanctions, using other methods for calculating AYP such as growth models, extending the timeline to reach 100 percent proficiency, and increasing money and opportunities for professional development.

A few other new legislative initiatives include:

- Summer Term Education Programs for Upward Performance Act of 2007 (STEP UP Act of 2007) (S. 116), introduced by Senator Obama (D-IL). The bill would authorize competitive demonstration grants to state educational agencies for eligible students to be summer scholars in summer learning opportunity programs primarily designed to increase the literacy and numeracy of such students.

- Improving the Leadership and Effectiveness of Administrators for Districts (I LEAD) Act of 2007 (S. 837), introduced by Senator Clinton (D-NY). The bill would create competitive grants to develop a generation of school leaders who are committed to, and effective in, increasing student achievement and to ensure that all low-income, under-performing schools are led by effective school leaders who are well prepared to foster student success.

- The No Child Left Behind Common Sense Flexibility Act (S. 951 & H.R. 1622), introduced by Senator Warner (R-VA) and Representative Davis (R-VA). This bill would hold schools, local education agencies, and states harmless for one year from the sanctions provisions of NCLB if they meet certain criteria.

But one of the most surprising bills was introduced by Representative Hoeksta, a republican member of the House Education and Labor committee. 58 Republicans are co-sponsors on the
bill and its announcement signifies a shift in Congress. Republicans are no longer following the Administration’s lead on education policy. Instead, they are proposing a drastic step away from the mandates of NCLB and the return of educational decisions to state and local control.

House Bill # 1539, The Academic Partnerships Lead Us to Success Act (A-PLUS) would allow states to receive federal dollars and the flexibility to implement initiatives that they develop to best meet the unique needs of their particular students. The bill would allow states to opt-out of NCLB’s requirements and receive federal funds on a consolidated basis.

The bill requires states to:

1. Submit a “declaration of intent” created by several Legislatures, Governors, or by referendum.
2. Assure they will use fiscal control, abide by federal civil rights laws, and advance educational opportunities for the disadvantaged.
3. Inform the public of their student achievement assessment systems and annually report on student progress toward individual state's proficiency standards, disaggregating performance data by specified student groups.
4. Keep aggregate spending on elementary and secondary education at no less than 90% of such spending for the school year, coinciding with the Act's enactment.
5. Distribute consolidated funds in a manner that allows for the equitable, as determined by each state, participation of private schools.
TO: Governmental Relations Committee
FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D., State Superintendent
Nicole Wills, Liaison, Governmental Relations Division
Kristi Kenney, Liaison, Governmental Relations Division

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

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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**
(Sen. Susan Garrett)

**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 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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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/TEACHER 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.

House Amendment No. 1  
Adds a July 1, 2007 effective date.

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HB 2007  Short Description:  SCH CD-ALT CERT-RES TEACHER

House Sponsors  
Rep. Renée Kosel

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 IMPROVMT 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.
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. Maria Antonia Berrios

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
Rep. Mike Boland-Roger L. Eddy

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. Roger L. Eddy

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/Senator Noland) – 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/Senator Martinez) – 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/Senator Demuzio) – 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/Senator Demuzio) – 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.
HB 3654 (Rep. Esther Golar/Senator 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.


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/Rep. Sacia) – 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.


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.

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 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.

NOTE: Amendment one makes the bill subject to appropriation.

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/Rep. Golar) – 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/Rep. Mendoza)-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.


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  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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HB 21  Short Description: PROP TX-ASSESSMENTS

House Sponsors
Rep. Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that whenever, as the result of a final order of the Property Tax Appeal Board or any court, a property assessment is reduced for a tax year for which the taxes have already been paid and the subject property is still owned by the same person, entity, or a successor entity, the chief county assessment officer shall award to the taxpayer obtaining the order a compensatory assessment reduction for the next assessment year available for assessment adjustment. Provides that the amount of the compensatory assessment reduction shall be equal to the assessment reduction for the prior year or years as ordered by Property Tax Appeal Board or court and provides that the amount may be carried forward. Provides that the award of compensatory assessment reductions shall take place prior to and shall be considered in the determination of tax rates by the county clerk. Provides that the award of compensatory assessment reductions shall not affect the determination of the fair market value of the subject property or its assessed valuation once the compensatory assessment reductions have been exhausted.

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HB 38  Short Description:  SCH CD-INTRNT THREAT-DISCIPLIN

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Linda Holmes-Matt Murphy-A. J. Wilhelmi, David Koehler, Michael Bond and Jacqueline Y. Collins)

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 perpetuated 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  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.

**Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 1 (Dept. of Healthcare & Family Services)**

Cost to Medicaid program with 100% participation = $20.4 million; Cost for State administered plans with 100 % participation = $13.4 million; Total cost to HFS with 100 % participation = $33.8 million.

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**HB 130**

**Short Description:** LOCGOV-IDOT LEASE-VACANT LAND

**House Sponsors**


**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the Counties Code, the Township Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, the Park District Code, the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act, the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act, and the School Code.
Authorizes the Department of Transportation and any unit of local government, park district, or school district that contains vacant lands owned by the Department to enter into a lease agreement for the use of those vacant lands. Provides that the lease agreement may be for less than fair market value and must prohibit the unit of local government, park district, or school district from erecting any permanent structure upon the property. Effective immediately.

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**HB 146**  
Short Description: CARE OF STUDENTS WITH DIABETES

**House Sponsors**


**Senate Sponsors**

(Sen. Don Harmon-Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson-Dale E. Risinger)

**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.

**House Amendment No. 3**

Changes references from "volunteer aide" to "designated diabetes care aide". Makes changes concerning the definition of a diabetes medical management plan, submission of the plan, what the plan
must be accompanied by, and the services and accommodations specified in the plan; the appointment and training of designated diabetes care aides; ensuring a school has at least one designated diabetes care aide or one full-time nurse; the training of other school employees; and the prohibition against disciplining school employees.

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**HB 153**  
**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**  
**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  Short Description:  HIV TESTING

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers-Monique D. Davis-Constance A. Howard

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.

Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 3 (Dept. of Healthcare & Family Services)
HB 193 (H-AM 3) has the following fiscal impact: Cost to the Medicaid Program = $2,801,550; Cost to State administered plans = Cost Projection: $45,000 - $213,750; Total Cost to HFS = up to $3 million.

State Mandates Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 1 (Dept. of Commerce & Economic Opportunity)
In the opinion of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, HB 193 (H-AM 1) creates a service mandate under the State Mandates Act.

**State Mandates Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 2 (Dept. of Commerce & Economic Opportunity)**
In the opinion of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, HB 193 (H-AM 2) creates a service mandate under the State Mandates Act.

**State Mandates Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 3 (Dept. of Commerce & Economic Opportunity)**
In the opinion of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, HB 193 (H-AM 3) does not create a State mandate under the State Mandates Act.

**Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 1 (Dept. of Public Health)**
HB 193 (H-AM 1) will result in minimal fiscal impact upon the Illinois Department of Public Health.

**Fiscal Note, House Amendment No. 2 (Dept. of Public Health)**
HB 193 (H-AM 2) will result in minimal fiscal impact upon the Illinois Department of Public Health.

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**HB 200** **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 210** **Short Description:** OPEN MEETINGS-AGENDA

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Jim Sacia-Sandra M. Pihos-Jack D. Franks

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Open Meetings Act. Prohibits a public body, during a meeting other than a special meeting for a bona fide emergency, from voting on an item that was not included in the agenda that was...
posted for that meeting.

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**HB 223**  
**Short Description:**  ED PARTNERSHIP ACT-PAY TUTORS

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Patricia Reid Lindner-Linda Chapa LaVie-Roger L. Eddy-Monique D. Davis-Tom Cross

**Senate Sponsors**  
(Sen. Linda Holmes-Chris Lauzen-Randall M. Hultgren)

**Synopsis As Introduced**  
Amends the Educational Partnership Act. Provides that public and private institutions of higher education that have approved teacher education programs may engage pre-service teacher candidates in the tutorial services provided for in the Act. Allows these students to receive compensation for such tutorial services while also receiving academic or clinical experience credit or both.

**House Amendment No. 1**  
Adds an immediate effective date.

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**HB 232**  
**Short Description:**  SCH CD-PROHIBIT VIRTUAL SCH/CL

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

**Senate Sponsors**  
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**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.

House Amendment No. 6
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Creates the Task Force on Virtual Education to consider and recommend best practices in virtual education. Sets forth the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the Task Force shall be facilitated by the State Board of Education. Requires the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, the Governor, and the State Board of Education on or before 2 years after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that upon filing its report, the Task Force is dissolved.

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**HB 250**  Short Description:  MISSNG CHLDRN-BIRTH CERTIFICAT

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Pamela J. Althoff and Linda Holmes)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Missing Children Records Act. Provides that a particular public or private preschool educational program, public or private child care facility, or day care home or group day care home in which a child is enrolled for the first time shall notify in writing the person enrolling the child that within 30 days he must provide either (i) a certified copy of the child's birth certificate or (ii) other reliable proof, as determined by the Department of State Police, of the child's identity and age and an affidavit explaining the inability to produce a copy of the birth certificate. Provides that a preschool educational program, child care facility, or day care home or group day care home must take other actions in relation to children's records.

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**HB 258**  Short Description:  ST BD ED-GRANTS-TRAIN CPR/AED

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. David Koehler, Michael W. Frerichs, Gary Forby, John M. Sullivan and Deanna Demuzio)
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 automated external defibrillator.

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HB 261  Short Description:  SCH CD-CONTRACTS

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
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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.

House Amendment No. 2
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. 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, and contracts for repair, maintenance, remodeling, renovation, or construction involving an expenditure not to exceed $50,000 (rather than $20,000). Provides that a school board must either award electricity contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $25,000 to the lowest responsible bidder or procure electricity through a request for proposals process similar to the process set forth in the Article of the School Code concerning school energy conservation. Provides that if a school district joins a utility consortium, then that consortium must either award electricity contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $25,000 to the lowest responsible bidder or procure electricity through a request for proposals process similar to the process set forth in the Article of the School Code concerning school energy conservation. Effective immediately.

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HB 262  
**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 285  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-RENEWABLE ENERGY GRANTS

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Michael Noland-Todd Sieben-Dan Kotowski-Jacqueline Y. Collins)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Subject to appropriation, requires the State Board of Education to establish and operate a renewable energy grant program to assist school districts in the installation, acquisition, construction, and improvement of renewable energy sources in the public schools. Provides that the grant shall cover 50% of the cost for which the grant is sought, up to a maximum grant of $1,000,000, if the applicant school district is able to demonstrate that it has funds to pay the other 50% of the cost. Effective July 1, 2007.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, and Coal Resources Development Law of 1997. Subject to appropriation, requires the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to establish and operate a renewable energy grant program to assist school districts in the installation, acquisition, construction, and improvement of renewable energy sources in the public schools. Provides that the grant shall cover 50% of the cost for which the grant is sought, up to a maximum grant of $1,000,000, if the applicant school district is able to demonstrate that it has funds to pay the other 50% of the cost. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 305  **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 309  **Short Description:** SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-REIMBURSEMENT  

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Elizabeth Coulson-Sandra M. Pihos-Ron Stephens-Ruth Munson-Jil Tracy, David Reis, Roger L. Eddy, Robert W. Pritchard and Lou Lang  

**Synopsis As Introduced**  
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Increases the reimbursement amount to school districts for teachers, professional workers, directors, school psychologists, and non-certified employees by a specified amount through the 2010-2011 school year. Provides that, for each school year thereafter, the reimbursement amount must be the lesser of (i) the amount from the previous school year increased by 3% or (ii) the amount from the previous school year increased by a percentage increase equal to the percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers.  

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HB 336  **Short Description:** SCH CD-WOMEN'S SELF-PRESERV  

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Patricia Reid Lindner-Robert W. Pritchard-Mary E. Flowers-Sandy Cole and Esther Golar  

**Synopsis As Introduced**  
Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to establish a 3-year pilot program to make women’s self-preservation classes part of the high school curriculum. Provides that the program must be established in school districts located in Cook, Will, and Champaign Counties. Provides that after the pilot program has been in effect for 3 years, the State Board of Education shall report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on whether the program should be expanded to other school districts in the State. Effective July 1, 2007.  

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HB 337  **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 354  **Short Description:** WILDLFE PRESRVTION SCRATCH-OFF

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Thomas Holbrook

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Illinois Lottery Law. Requires the Department of Revenue to offer a special instant scratch-off game, named the wild about animals scratch-off game, for the benefit of endangered species, humane education programs, dogs, and cats to commence on January 1, 2008. Provides that the net revenue from the game shall be deposited into the Endangered Species Rehabilitation Fund for appropriation by the General Assembly as follows: (i) one-third of net revenue to the Department of Natural Resources for making grants for the maintenance of wildlife rehabilitation facilities that take care of threatened or endangered species; (ii) one-third of net revenue to the State Board of Education for character and humane education programs; and (iii) one-third of net revenue into the Pet Population Control Fund. Sets forth certain provisions for the operation of the scratch-off game. Amends the State Finance Act to create the Endangered Species Rehabilitation Fund. Effective immediately.

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HB 357  **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.
HB 381  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 382  Short Description:  SCH CD-CHI-HAND WASHING REQ

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Mike Jacobs)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Provides that under the Chicago Board of Education's policies and rules concerning infectious disease, the Board shall require that all students wash their hands with an antiseptic soap or detergent before consuming any meal at school and shall establish nationally accepted standards and provide the facilities, materials, and supervision necessary to implement the handwashing requirement. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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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 398  Short Description:  SCHOOLS-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning tax exempt foundations.

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HB 399  Short Description:  SCH CD-DRIVER EDUC TEACHERS

House Sponsors
Rep. Lou Lang-Jack McGuire-Mike Boland

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Driver Education Act of the School Code. Requires the Department of Transportation to establish a pilot program for driver education teachers in this State that uses an innovative, participatory, interactive driver education tool to help new drivers develop a positive, safe driving attitude. Under the pilot program, provides that a driver education teacher must attend a workshop in order to obtain the tool. Provides that the Department shall make 5 workshops available for driver education teachers. Requires the Department to evaluate the pilot program and report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly concerning making the tool and workshops available to all driver education teachers in this State. Effective immediately.

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HB 400  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher certification.
HB 401  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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

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HB 402  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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

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HB 410  Short Description:  CNTY CD-USE/OCC TAXES

House Sponsors

Synopsis AsIntroduced
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.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: In the Counties Code, makes changes to the administration and collection of the occupation tax. Requires that the tax proceeds be distributed to regional superintendents of schools in counties from which the taxes were paid (instead of being distributed to the county). Amends the School Code. Sets forth procedures for regional superintendents of schools to distribute the tax proceeds to school districts on a per-pupil basis. Requires school districts to deposit the proceeds in a special school facility occupation tax fund and use those moneys only for school-facility purposes. Prohibits school district from issuing certain bonds or imposing certain taxes for health and safety purposes if moneys remain in the school facility occupation tax fund. Sets forth procedures for school districts to issue revenue bonds to be repaid from the school facility occupation tax and provides that those bonds are not
included in the districts’ debt limitation. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

**House Amendment No. 2**

Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: In the Counties Code, makes changes to the administration and collection of the occupation tax. Authorizes school district boards that represent at least 51% of the student enrollment within the county to adopt a resolution to require the county to certify the referendum question of imposing the tax. Amends the School Code. Sets forth procedures for regional superintendents of schools to distribute the tax proceeds to school districts on an enrollment basis. Requires school districts to deposit the proceeds in a special school facility occupation tax fund and use those moneys only for school-facility purposes. Provides that no referendum is required for the purchase, construction, or building of any building for school classroom or instruction purposes if that purchase, construction, or building is completed from the county school facility occupation tax. Prohibits school district from issuing certain bonds or imposing certain taxes for health and safety purposes if moneys remain in the school facility occupation tax fund. Amends the Local Government Debt Reform Act. Provides that certain double-barrelled bonds are not subject to backdoor referenda requirements if the proceeds backing the debt are realized from revenues obtained from the county school facility occupation tax. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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**HB 412**

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

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Larry K. Bomke)

**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 422**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-SPEC ED-HOLD HARMLESS

**House Sponsors**
Reps. Jerry L. Mitchell-Sandra M. Pihos

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. In a Section concerning funding for children requiring special education services, provides that through fiscal year 2010 (instead of fiscal year 2007), individual school districts shall not receive payments totaling less than they received during fiscal
year 2004 under the funding authorized under certain repealed provisions. Effective immediately.

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HB 424  
Short Description: SPECIAL ED/TRANSPORT MANDATES

House Sponsors
Rep. Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Property Tax Code and School Code. Provides a notice form that must be used by school districts (other than Chicago) proposing a tax increase (now, all taxing districts use the same form). Excludes from the definition of "aggregate extension" a special purpose extension made for mandate shortfall relief under the School Code. Changes the definition of "debt service extension base" for school districts (other than Chicago). Requires a school district's annual financial statement to include a report showing the receipts and disbursements for special educational and transportation purposes. Provides that any shortfall in those funds permits the school board to levy (i) a mandate shortfall relief tax for special education mandates and (ii) a mandate shortfall relief tax for transportation mandates. Effective immediately.

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HB 425  
Short Description: STRUCT PEST CONTROL-MNGMT PROG

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

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Jeffrey M. Schoenberg-Iris Y. Martinez-William Delgado)

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.

### HB 428
**Short Description:** SCH CD-SCH SERV PERSONNEL CERT

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Frank J. Mautino-Paul D. Froehlich-Sidney H. Mathias

**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 school service personnel certificate 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.

### HB 438
**Short Description:** SCH CD-GANG RESISTANCE ED

**House Sponsors**

**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.

### HB 464
**Short Description:** SCH CD-CHI-TEACHER RESIDENCY

**House Sponsors**

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Iris Y. Martinez)
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. 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). Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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HB 465  
Short Description:  SCH CD-CHI-TEACHER SENIORITY

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford)
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code with regard to the Chicago school district. Provides that teacher seniority shall be based on employment within the school district, not employment at a particular attendance center. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Fiscal Note (State Board of Education)
HB 465 has no fiscal impact on the State Board of Education.

State Mandates Fiscal Note (State Board of Education)
HB 465 contradicts current language in the School Code that allows Chicago Public School principals to make decisions on personnel based on merit. If the language in HB 465 overrides this current language, Chicago Public Schools would be mandated to make personnel decisions based on seniority rather than merit.

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HB 466  
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 467  Short Description:  SCH CD-CHARTER SCH-TEACHER-CHI

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Provides that a charter school that is operating
in Chicago may not employ an individual in an instructional position who is not State-certified and highly
qualified as defined in the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Provides that with respect to a
charter school that is operating in Chicago, beginning August 15, 2007, residency within the city must be
considered in determining the employment and compensation of a teacher and whether to retain,
promote, assign, or transfer that teacher. Provides, however, that with respect to teachers employed prior
to August 15, 2007 by a charter school that is operating in a city having a population exceeding 500,000,
residency within the city must not be considered in determining a teacher's employment or compensation
or whether to retain, promote, assign, or transfer a teacher. Amends the State Mandates Act to require

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HB 487  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis

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 493  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis
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 511  Short Description:  FOIA-SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Carol Ronen)

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 515  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the regional office of education advisory board.

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HB 544  Short Description:  EDU-NUTRITION-DEPRESSN-SUICIDE

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Breakfast and Lunch Program Act. Strongly encourages a school board (including
the board of a private school) to publish the school lunch menu and the nutrition content, including calories, of each meal item. Provides that a school board may determine the frequency and manner of publication. Amends the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act. Requires a comprehensive health education program to include instruction in secondary schools on clinical depression and suicide prevention. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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HB 571 Short Description: CRIM CD-FACSIMILE FIREARMS

House Sponsors
Rep. Dan Brady

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that a person commits disorderly conduct when he or she knowingly possesses while on, brings onto, or causes to be brought onto school property, property in which a school sponsored activity or event is being conducted, or property in which any activity or event that bears a reasonable relationship to school is being conducted, any facsimile firearm. Defines "facsimile firearm" as any replica, toy, starter pistol, or other object that bears a reasonable resemblance or that reasonably can be perceived to be an actual firearm. Provides that a violation by a person under 13 years of age at the time of the commission of the offense is a petty offense. Provides that a second or subsequent violation by a person under 13 years of age at the time of the commission of the offense is a Class A misdemeanor.

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HB 573 Short Description: IDENTITY PROTECTION ACT

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Christine Radogno-Pamela J. Althoff, Michael W. Frerichs, Linda Holmes, Michael Bond, Gary Forby, John M. Sullivan and Deanna Demuzio)

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.
HB 576  **Short Description:** PROP TX-PTELL ADJUSTMENTS

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Michael Tryon-Jack D. Franks-Patricia R. Bellock

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Pamela J. Althoff)

**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 591  **Short Description:** PTELL-SCHOOL SAFETY LEVIES

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law in the Property Tax Code. Provides 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. Effective immediately.

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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  Short Description:  CHILD ABUSE-INJURY-DCFS REPORT

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. James F. Clayborne, Jr.-Iris Y. Martinez-Christine Radogno and Dave Syverson)

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  Short Description:  $CDB-COOPERATIV HIGH SCH GRANT

House Sponsors
Rep. William B. Black

Synopsis As Introduced
Appropriates $15,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Capital Development Board for grants for architectural and engineering studies and construction of a cooperative high school in Vermilion County involving Jamaica High School, Oakwood High School, and Catlin High School. Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 631  Short Description:  UTILITIES-NATURAL GAS-SCHOOLS

House Sponsors
Rep. Daniel V. Beiser-Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Public Utilities Act. Requires each natural gas public utility to file annually a set of transportation schedules or tariffs applicable to public schools authorizing a public school association to aggregate the purchase of natural gas for its members. Requires the transportation schedules or tariffs to (i) establish certain delivery charges; (ii) authorize a public school association to contract with a public utility at monthly market prices for interstate pipeline capacity; (iii) require the public utility to provide certain usage projections; and (iv) authorize the public utility to impose a penalty under limited circumstances. Authorizes the Illinois Commerce Commission to suspend the transportation schedule or tariff for up to 3 months. Requires energy sellers to comply with applicable Commission rules. Provides that any agreement between a public school association and an energy seller is void if the energy seller does not comply with Commission rules. Requires each natural gas public utility to file an annual statement of its revenues and incremental costs incurred as a direct result of the aggregation of natural gas for public schools. Authorizes the Commission to promulgate rules that are reasonable and necessary to administer the aggregation program. Effective immediately.

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HB 660  Short Description:  SCH CD-INTERNET SAFETY EDUC

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that, in accordance with guidelines that the State Board of Education must develop, in every public school there must be instruction for both teachers and students on Internet safety (including without limitation how and to whom to report suspicious online encounters), illegal downloading, plagiarism, and other topics related to the Internet.

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HB 666  Short Description:  SCH CD-GENERAL ASSM 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.

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HB 667  **Short Description:**  SCH CD-REIMBURS TRANSPORTATION  

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia  

**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  **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  **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  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  Short Description:  PRIV BUS/VOC SCHOOL-EXEMPTION

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Mattie Hunter)

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.

Last Action
HB 730  
**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  
**Short Description:** WHISTLEBLOWER-DISCLOSE INFO

**House Sponsors**

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

**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.

House Amendment No. 3
Further amends the Whistleblower Act. Provides that an employer includes a political subdivision of the State; a unit of local government; a school district, combination of districts, or joint agreement formed by districts; a community college district, State college or university, or State agency primarily providing educational services; an authority, department, division, or other agency of these entities; and a person acting on behalf of an employer in dealing with its employees. Deletes the exception for governmental entities.

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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  Short Description:  INTERNET SERVICE-HIGH SPEED

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Gary Forby-Jeffrey M. Schoenberg)

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.

House Amendment No. 2
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 the effective date of the Act, 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. Contains other provisions concerning local governmental entities who undertake local broadband projects. Effective immediately.

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**HB 756**  
**Short Description:** ST HOLIDAY-ELECTION DAY

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Constance A. Howard, Luis Arroyo and Maria Antonia Berrios

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the State Commemorative Dates Act, the School Code, and the Promissory Note and Bank Holiday Act. Makes the date of the general election a legal and school holiday known as General Election Day. Rephrases the current authorization for banks to close on the date of the general election. Prohibits requiring officers and employees of the State, units of local government, and school districts to work on General Election Day except as necessary for the conduct of the election, for law enforcement, for fire protection, and for public health and safety. Requires courts to designate General Election Day as a court holiday. Preempts home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Amends the Election Code, the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the Office of Banks and Real Estate Act, the Counties Code, and the Universities Civil Service Act to make conforming changes.

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**HB 776**  
**Short Description:** OPEN MEET-PHYSICAL PRESENCE

**House Sponsors**
Rep. David R. Leitch

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Open Meetings Act. Permits any public body (now, only one with statewide jurisdiction) to satisfy the requirement for physical presence of a quorum at an open meeting by the physical presence of a quorum at more than one location where the meeting is held simultaneously. With respect to a public body with less than statewide jurisdiction, removes the requirement that a quorum of the public body's members be physically present at its closed meetings.

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HB 781  
**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Kevin A. McCarthy

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning recognition of higher education institutions as teacher education institutions.

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HB 791  
**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.

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HB 805  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-EXAM-CHIROPRACTOR

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Mike Boland

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning an employee's physical fitness and sick leave and compulsory school age exemptions, provides that when required, certain examinations may be conducted by and certain certificates may be issued by a chiropractic physician licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987.

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HB 816  
**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.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as engrossed, 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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HB 817 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 821  
Short Description:  SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-REIMBURSEMENT

House Sponsors
Rep. Elaine Nekritz-Roger L. Eddy-Jerry L. Mitchell-Sidney H. Mathias-Paul D. Froehlich, Mike Boland and Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Increases the reimbursement amount to school districts for certificated employees who work with or on behalf of students with disabilities full time (instead of teachers, professional workers, directors, school psychologists, and readers) and non-certified employees by a specified amount each school year through the 2011-2012 school year. For each school year thereafter, provides that the reimbursement amount shall equal the amount from the previous school year increased by a percentage increase equal to the percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for all items. Effective immediately.

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HB 877  
Short Description:  SCH CONSTRUCTION-DISBURS FUNDS

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson-Pamela J. Althoff)

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 885  Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Jay C. Hoffman

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

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**HB 895  Short Description:** SCHOOLS-GREEN CLEANING

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Iris Y. Martinez-William Delgado-Jacqueline Y. Collins-Kirk W. Dillard)

**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 897    Short Description:   INC TX-CLASSROOM SUPPLY CREDIT

House Sponsors
Rep. Sidney H. Mathias-Paul D. Froehlich

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Allows an income tax credit for each individual taxpayer who is a teacher teaching in a school in Illinois. Provides that the amount of the credit is equal to the eligible classroom expenses made by the taxpayer during the taxable year, but the credit may not exceed $500. Defines "eligible classroom expenses" as the aggregate amount of nonreimbursed classroom expenses made by the taxpayer during the taxable year less $250. Provides that the credit may not be carried forward or back and may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. Effective immediately.

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HB 908    Short Description:   USE & OCC TAX-LOCAL GOVT MONEY

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, and the Retailer's Occupation Tax Act. Provides that 0.4% of the net revenues realized for the preceding month from the State's portion of the general rate of tax imposed under the Acts shall be paid by the Department of Revenue into the Local Government Distributive Fund (reverting to the distribution in place prior to State fiscal year 2003). Effective July 1, 2007.

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HB 913  Short Description: PROBATE-SHORT TRM GUARD MINOR

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. John J. Cullerton and Martin A. Sandoval-Jacqueline Y. Collins)

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 941  Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Luis Arroyo

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 943  Short Description: MERCURY ADDED PRODUCTS BAN

House Sponsors
Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Mattie Hunter-Jacqueline Y. Collins-Martin A. Sandoval-Susan Garrett and Dale E. Risinger)

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 947  Short Description: SCH CD-PROBATIONARY TEACHERS

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert F. Flider-Paul D. Froehlich-Mike Boland

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In school districts other than the Chicago school district, reduces the probationary period of time before a teacher enters upon contractual continued service. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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HB 983  Short Description: PTELL-RECOVERED VALUE

House Sponsors
Rep. Elizabeth Coulson and Elaine Nekritz
Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Jeffrey M. Schoenberg)

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 997  Short Description:  PUBLIC EMPLOYEE BENEFITS-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Richard T. Bradley

Synopsis As Introduced

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HB 1005  Short Description:  TRS-6% EXEMPTION-SALARY SCHED

House Sponsors
Rep. Frank J. Mautino-Paul D. Froehlich

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Downstate Teachers Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that, when assessing payment for any amount due for earnings increases in excess of 6%, the System shall exclude earnings increases as a result of a negotiated salary schedule. Effective immediately.

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HB 1007  Short Description:  SCH CD-SCH SERV PERSONNEL CERT

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

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 1013  Short Description: GOVT-COURTS-HEALTH-LANGUAGE

House Sponsors
Rep. Elizabeth Hernandez-Paul D. Froehlich-Luis Arroyo

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Access to Governmental Services Act. Provides that each State agency, constitutional officer, State program, and circuit clerk shall take reasonable steps to provide equal access to public services for individuals with limited English proficiency. Provides that such reasonable steps include (1) having a sufficient number of qualified bilingual persons in public contact positions or as interpreters and (2) translating important documents ordinarily provided to the public into any language spoken by any limited-English-proficient population that constitutes at least a certain percentage of the population served. Requires the Illinois Human Rights Commission to implement a process to address disputes arising under the Act. Creates the State Language Assistance/Translator Services Clearinghouse within the Department of Central Management Services to assist in preparing, review, and approve, as to language-appropriateness, materials distributed to the public by State agencies and policy and procedure manuals used by State agencies in delivering services to the public. Amends the Language Assistance Services Act. Provides that a health facility (i) must adopt and review annually a policy for providing language assistance services and (ii) must provide its nonbilingual staff with standardized picture and phrase sheets (instead of having those 2 activities as options). Provides that a health facility must also do at least one of the remaining 7 specified activities (instead of must do one or more of 9 specified activities).

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HB 1014  Short Description: ELECTIONS-PUBLIC QUESTIONS

House Sponsors
Rep. Mike Boland-Paul D. Froehlich

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Election Code. Sets the minimum number of petition signatures for a local public question at 8% of the number of votes cast by registered voters in the governmental unit in the most recent gubernatorial election (now, 10% of the registered voters in the governmental unit).
HB 1030  Short Description:  SCH CD-SPEC ED EXPENSES-REPORT

House Sponsors
Rep. Sandra M. Pihos-Ruth Munson-Elizabeth Coulson-Patricia R. Bellock-Renée Kosel, Paul D.
Froehlich, Bob Biggins, Lisa M. Dugan, Linda Chapa LaVia, Rosemary Mulligan, Fred Crespo, Mike
Fortner, Robert W. Pritchard, Al Riley, Elaine Nekritz and Esther Golar

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Susan Garrett-M. Maggie Crotty-Dan Cronin-Jacqueline Y. Collins)

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 1044  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Kevin Joyce

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

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authorize the School Finance Authority to issue and additional $200,000,000 in bonds for educational purposes. Effective immediately.

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### HB 1054  
**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Daniel J. Burke

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

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### HB 1058  
**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.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**
Provides that the Department of Public Health has the power to make matching grants from the Heartsaver AED Fund to any forest preserve district or conservation district. Provides that a forest preserve district or conservation district may only receive one grant from the Fund each fiscal year.

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### HB 1067  
**Short Description:** INC TX-SCHOOL ATTENDANCE CR
**House Sponsors**
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia-Luis Arroyo and Elizabeth Hernandez

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates a $200 credit for individual taxpayers who have custody or control of a student with good school attendance during the preceding school year. Provides that the credit may be claimed only once with respect to any one student any taxable year. Provides that the credit may not be carried forward or back and may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. Effective immediately.

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**HB 1073**  Short Description: CONTINUING APPROP FOR EDUC

**House Sponsors**
Rep. William Davis

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Continuing Appropriation for Education Act. Provides that if the General Assembly fails to make sufficient Common School Fund appropriations sufficient to fund general State aid, supplemental general State aid, and supplementary grants in aid, then the Act shall constitute an irrevocable and continuing appropriation. Effective immediately.

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

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
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**

**Senate Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
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).

**House Amendment No. 2**
Provides that the requirement that the State Board of Education establish and administer the program is subject to appropriation. Provides that under the program, a teacher must have at least 4 (instead of 2) years of experience at a recognized school.

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**HB 1142  Short Description:** SCH CD-TRUANT ALTERNATIVE EDU

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. 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. Effective July 1, 2007.

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**HB 1143  Short Description:** SCH CD-ELECTION DAY INSTITUTES

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**
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.
HB 1214  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Jack D. Franks

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 1215  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Jack D. Franks

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 1216  Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Jack D. Franks

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

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HB 1226  Short Description:  SCH CD-COMPUTER ACCESS-FILTERS

House Sponsors
Rep. Patricia R. Bellock

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board must require each school that maintains any of grades kindergarten through 8 that has a student-access computer to either (i) equip the computer with
software that seeks to prevent minors from gaining access to explicit sexual materials or (ii) obtain Internet connectivity from an Internet service provider that provides filter services to limit access to explicit sexual materials. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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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 1250**  
**Short Description:** SHORT-TERM MILIT SERV GUARDIAN

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Patricia Reid Lindner-Jim Watson-Michael P. McAuliffe-Linda Chapa LaVia

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Probate Act of 1975. Provides a definition of "short-term military service guardian". Provides for a Short-term Military Service Guardian. Provides that a parent, adoptive parent, or adjudicated parent in active military service who has physical custody of a child and who does not share joint custody may appoint in writing, with notice to the other living parent of the child and to the court, a short-term military service guardian of the minor child. The written instrument appointing a guardian shall be (i) dated and identify the appointing parent, other living parent, minor, and the guardian; (ii) signed and witnessed by 2 witnesses unrelated to the parent or the guardian. Provides that a parent shall not appoint a guardian if the child has another living parent, adoptive parent or adjudicated parent (i) who has joint custody of the child, (ii) whose parental rights have not been terminated, (iii) whose whereabouts are known, and (iv) who is willing and able to make and carry out day-to-day child care decisions, unless the non-appointing parent consents. Provides that no later than 2 days after the written instrument was completed the parent must send copies by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to: (1) the other living parent;(2) the court that awarded custody; (3) the court which issued the last order concerning the child, or (4) the circuit court clerk in the county where the child resides. Provides that the guardianship is effective immediately, unless a later date is selected. Provides that no court approval is required. The short-term military service guardian shall have authority to act as guardian of the minor for 180 days. Provides that a reappointment or designating a successor short-term military service guardian may be completed similarly. Provides that the appointment of a short-term military service guardian does not affect the other parent's rights.

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HB 1273  
**Short Description:**  SCH CD-TRANSITNL ASSIST PAYMTS

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
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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HB 1280  
**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  
**Short Description:**  ENSURING SUCCESS IN SCHOOL

**House Sponsors**
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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House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Requires a teacher to be dismissed if the teacher uses profanity towards a student. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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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  Short Description:  SCH CD-ELEM SCH-RECESS REQ

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
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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.

House Amendment No. 2
Removes the provisions that require school districts outside Chicago to provide recess.

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HB 1336  Short Description:  SCH CD-NUTRITIOUS FOODS/DRINKS

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Requires a school board to make available in the schools for purchase by students nutritious, low-fat foods and drinks at all times when food and drink are available for purchase by students during the regular school day, which shall include without limitation low-fat milk, 100% natural fruit juices, and water and low-fat dairy products and fresh or dried fruit.

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HB 1337  Short Description:  SCH CD-NO WAIVER P.E./RECESS

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that waivers may not be requested from laws or rules pertaining to physical education or recess.

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HB 1338  Short Description:  SCH CD-FIRE ALARM-BUILDING CAP

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Senate Sponsors
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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.

House Amendment No. 1
Removes provisions requiring school districts outside Chicago to post the date of the last fire alarm inspection at each school building and the capacity of the building.

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HB 1339  Short Description:  SCH CD-4 YEAR OLDS-ATTEND SCH

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Allows children who have attended preschool and will attain the age of 5 years on or before December 1 of the year of the 2007-2008 school term and each school term thereafter to attend school upon commencement of such term (now, a child must attain age 5 on or before September 1). Makes related changes. Effective July 1, 2007.

House Amendment No. 1
Allows children who have attended preschool and will attain the age of 5 years on or before December 31 (instead of on or before December 1) to attend school upon commencement of the school term.

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HB 1340  Short Description:  SCH CD-HEALTH EXAM-HIV TEST

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) test must be included as a part of the student health examination required under the School Code, and provides for Department of Public Health rules.

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HB 1341  Short Description:  SCH CD-HEALTH EXAM-HIV TEST

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) test must be included as a part of the student health examination required under the School Code if the child is 13 years of age or older, and provides for Department of Public Health rules.

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HB 1342  Short Description:  SCH CD-STUDENT ATHLETE-EKG REQ

House Sponsors
Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaShawn K. Ford
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall require students who participate in an interscholastic athletic program to undergo an electrocardiogram (EKG) test. Provides that the State Board of Education shall determine how often a student must undergo EKG testing.

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HB 1347    Short Description: SCH CD-NONINSTRUCTIONAL SERVIC

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Don Harmon, Deanna Demuzio, Michael W. Frerichs, William R. Haine, Mike Jacobs, Michael Noland, Larry K. Bomke, A. J. Wilhelmi and David Koehler)

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.

House Amendment No. 1
Makes changes concerning the conditions for allowing a board of education to enter into a contract with a third party for non-instructional services currently performed by an employee or bargaining unit member or to lay off those educational support personnel employees, including providing that a contract must not become effective during the term of a collective bargaining agreement, providing that a contract may only take effect upon the expiration of an existing collective bargaining agreement (instead of at the beginning of a fiscal year), changing what a third party that submits a bid to perform the non-instructional services must provide, providing for an exception to the requirement that the review and consideration of bids take place in open session of a regularly scheduled school board meeting, providing for a minimum of one hearing (instead of 2) to discuss the school board's proposal to contract with a third party to perform the non-instructional services, and changing when the notice of the hearing must be provided. Provides that a board of education may enter into a contract, of no longer than 3 months in duration, with a third party for non-instructional services currently performed by an employee or bargaining unit member for the purpose of augmenting the current workforce in an emergency situation that threatens the safety or health of the school district's students or staff. Provides that the changes made by the amendatory Act are not applicable to non-instructional services of a school district that on the effective date of the amendatory Act are performed for the school district by a third party.

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HB 1352  Short Description:  LOTTERY SALE-PROCEEDS FOR EDUC

House Sponsors
Rep. Kenneth Dunkin

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Lottery Law and the State Finance Act. Allows the Governor to sell or otherwise dispose of the State Lottery upon such terms and conditions and for such consideration that the Governor deems to be in the best interests of the people of the State of Illinois. Provides that all net proceeds from the sale or other disposition of the State Lottery must be deposited into the Commitment to Education Fund, a special fund created in the State treasury. Subject to appropriation, provides that all money in the Commitment to Education Fund must be used by the State Board of Education to supplement funding, by grant, loan, appropriation, or otherwise, as directed in the appropriation, for any one or more of the following purposes: (1) General State Aid or Supplemental General State Aid; (2) mandated categorical grants; (3) early childhood programs; (4) school construction; (5) initiatives intended to provide for better quality teachers; (6) initiatives intended to provide for better quality instructional materials; or (7) initiatives intended to increase the amount of time per day students spend learning, whether in the classroom or in alternative settings. Effective immediately.

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HB 1356  Short Description:  SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION-PRIORITY

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Construction Law. With respect to the priority of school construction projects, in the 2nd priority concerning projects designed to alleviate a shortage of classrooms due to population growth or to replace aging school buildings, adds an exception for those schools designated as or determined to be historically or architecturally significant. Adds, as part of the 4th priority, rehabilitation of school facilities determined to be severe and continuing health or life safety hazards. Effective January 1, 2008.

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HB 1362  Short Description:  HIGHER ED ASSIST-BEHAV ANALYST

House Sponsors
Rep. Rich Brauer-Paul D. Froehlich

Senate Sponsors
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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.

**House Amendment No. 1**

Provides that the incentives must be for earning the national certification (instead of just certification) of Behavioral Analyst. Makes a technical change.

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**HB 1363**  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-ST BD ED-GRANTS-ISPIC

**House Sponsors**


**Senate Sponsors**

(Sen. Larry K. Bomke and Bill Brady)

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Provides that, subject to appropriations for this purpose, the State Board of Education shall provide grants to the Illinois School Psychology Internship Consortium for aid in providing training programs and facilitating interns to improve the educational and mental health services of children in this State.

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**HB 1424**  
**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 1476  Short Description: SCH SAFETY DRILL-BUS EVACUAT

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Safety Drill Act. Provides that schools must conduct a minimum of 2 bus evacuation drills (instead of one) during each academic year. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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HB 1482  Short Description: SCH CD-TAX FOR UTILITY EXPENSE

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Allows the school board of any district (other than the Chicago school district) to cause a proposition to levy an annual tax for gas and electric utility expenses to be submitted to the voters of the district at a regular scheduled election. Provides that if a majority of the votes cast on the question is in favor thereof, then the school board may levy the tax annually thereafter. Provides that any funds received from the imposition of the tax must be deposited into the utility fund of the school.
district. Provides that any surplus moneys in the utility fund may be rolled over to cover expenses for the following fiscal year. Provides that an extension made for gas and electric utility expense purposes is excluded from the definition of "aggregate extension" under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law of the Property Tax Code.

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**HB 1485**  **Short Description:** EDU-TRANSITION SPECIALIST CERT

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Constance A. Howard

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Provides that a transition specialist certificate shall be issued to persons who, through their education and training, have a comprehensive understanding of the requirements for transition planning and of transition services for students with all types of disabilities and are aware of the array of options available to students with disabilities after they exit high school. Provides that before the 2008-2009 academic year, the Board of Higher Education shall, in collaboration with the Interagency Coordinating Council and the Advisory Council on the Education of Children with Disabilities, develop coursework for students who want to qualify for a transition specialist certificate. Provides that those public universities that are teacher training institutions shall implement the coursework developed by the Board beginning with the 2008-2009 academic year. Effective immediately.

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**HB 1516**  **Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Barbara Flynn Currie

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Grant Act. Contains only a short title provision.

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**HB 1559**  **Short Description:** SCH CD-@student biometric info

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

**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.

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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Director of the Illinois Africa-America Peace Brigade to provide training to volunteers and applicants for enrollment as volunteers. Requires the approval of the United States' Secretary of State for the programs and activities of the Peace Brigade in foreign nations. Creates the Illinois Africa-America Peace Brigade Advisory Council. Provides for the appointment of members to the Council by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Provides that the Council shall review the programs and activities of the Peace Brigade and shall make recommendations to the Governor and the Director. Requires the Governor to report to the General Assembly on the programs and activities of the Peace Brigade. Contains other provisions. Amends the Department of State Police Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to allow the Department of State Police to conduct background checks of applicants for enrollment as volunteers in the Illinois Africa-America Peace Brigade.

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**HB 1616**  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-CURRICULUM-GANGS/DRUGS

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia, Elga L. Jefferies and Harry Osterman

**Synopsis As Introduced**  
Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to develop a curriculum for use in middle schools and high schools that (1) educates students on the dangers of gang membership from a legal standpoint, emotional standpoint, and mental health standpoint; (2) offers strategies for leaving a gang if a student has already joined one; (3) includes a component about the legal ramifications of drug dealing; and (4) offers information for those students who need drug treatment.

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**HB 1647**  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-CONFIDENTIALITY-COUNSEL

**House Sponsors**  

**Senate Sponsors**  
(Sen. Dan Cronin)

**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.

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 disclosed information must not become part of the pupil’s record without the written consent of the pupil (instead of the person) who disclosed the confidential information. Makes changes to the exceptions to the disclosure of information, including the reporting of child abuse or neglect, reporting information to the principal, parents of the pupil, and others under certain circumstances, and disclosure to law enforcement agencies or when ordered to testify.

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HB 1648     Short Description: SCH CD-P-20 COUNCIL

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio-Susan Garrett-Edward D. Maloney-A. J. Wilhelmi)

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.

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HB 1649     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.
**HB 1650**  
**Short Description:** EDUCATION TECH  

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Jerry L. Mitchell  

**Synopsis As Introduced**  
Amends the School Code. Adds a Section concerning performance pay. Contains only a caption.

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**HB 1651**  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-DEACTIVATE SCH-REG SUP  

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Roger L. Eddy  
**Senate Sponsors**  
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio)  

**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**  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-RPRT STATE TEST RESULTS  

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Roger L. Eddy-Sandra M. Pihos  

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

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**

**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 1680  Short Description:** SCH CD-REG INSPECT GEN-BD MEMB

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes changes with respect to requiring a regional superintendent of schools to employ a regional inspector general for school districts; a school board member having a fiduciary relationship with the district; allowing a school board member to be removed for negligent (rather than willful) failure to perform his or her official duties, any violation of the School Code, or a breach of fiduciary duty; prohibiting a school board member from holding any other public office; requiring a district to establish a database listing all vendors who have contracts with the district; a school board employing...
a general counsel; prohibiting a school board member, employee of a school district, or general counsel from being interested in any contract, work, or business of any school district, in the sale of any article, or in the purchase of any property that belongs to any school district, is sold for taxes or assessments, or is sold by virtue of legal process at the suit of any district; and exceptions to the requirement that contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $10,000 be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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### HB 1714 Short Description: SCH CD-CHI-ATTEND CHARTER SCH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Esther Golar

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Provides that the Chicago Board of Education may designate attendance boundaries for its charter schools (now the Board may designate attendance boundaries for no more than one-third of its charter schools). Also allows for an attendance boundary for a campus of a charter school. Provides that pupils residing within an attendance boundary must (instead of may) be given priority for enrollment. Effective immediately.

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### HB 1718 Short Description: OPEN MEET-3 MEMBER MAJORITY

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio-Larry K. Bomke-Matt Murphy)

**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.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that for a 5-member public body, (i) the gathering of a quorum (now, a majority of a quorum) to discuss public business constitutes a meeting, (ii) 3 members constitute a quorum, and (iii) the affirmative votes of 3 members are necessary to adopt a motion, ordinance, or resolution unless a greater number is otherwise required.

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**HB 1771**  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-PROHIBIT YR ROUND SCH

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Monique D. Davis

**Synopsis As Introduced**  
Amends the School Code. Prohibits a school district from operating any schools within the district on a full year school plan (now a full year school plan is allowed). Removes references in the School Code to full-year or year-round schooling.

**House Amendment No. 1**  
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Provides that if a school board, in scheduling breaks as part of a full year school plan, schedules a break that exceeds 2 consecutive weeks, the school district and school may not refer to the school as a full-year or year-round school.

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**HB 1783**  
**Short Description:** PEN CD-IMRF-SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**  

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**HB 1784**  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-FIN DIF-ST AID PAYMENTS

**House Sponsors**  

**Senate Sponsors**  
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio)

**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.
House Amendment No. 2

With respect to prohibiting the State Board of Education from certifying a school district to be in financial difficulty if the Comptroller has failed to disburse certain School Code reimbursements, makes changes concerning which School Code reimbursements apply.

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HB 1787  
Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Continued Reading Improvement Block Grant Program.

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HB 1802  
Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Harry Osterman

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 1825  
Short Description: SCH CD-AUTISM SCHOLARSHIP PROG

House Sponsors
Rep. Dave Winters-Sidney H. Mathias-Paul D. Froehlich-Mike Boland-Lou Lang, Kurt M. Granberg and Patricia R. Bellock

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.

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**HB 1836**  **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.

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**HB 1839**  **Short Description:** SCH CD-LIMIT PE MANDATE WAIVER

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Kevin Joyce-Patricia R. Bellock-Kevin A. McCarthy-Monique D. Davis and Esther Golar

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. William Delgado-Pamela J. Althoff)

**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).

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**HB 1847**  **Short Description:** SCH CD-EDUC SUPPORT PERSONNEL

**House Sponsors**
**Senate Sponsors**  
(Sen. Deanna Demuzio and Randall M. Hultgren)  

**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.

**House Amendment No. 1**  
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. With respect to the deactivation of school facilities, sets forth how the positions at the school facilities being deactivated that are held by educational support personnel employees at the time of the deactivation are to be transferred to the control of the board or boards that will be receiving the district's students. With respect to the formation of a new school district or districts, a school district or districts that annex all of the territory of one or more entire other school districts, or a school district receiving students from a deactivated school facility, provides that lists of the educational support personnel employed in the individual districts for the school year immediately prior to the effective date of the new district or districts, annexation, or deactivation shall be combined for the districts forming the new district or districts, for the annexed and annexing districts, or for the deactivating and receiving districts, as the case may be. Provides that if there are more full-time educational support personnel employees on the combined list than there are available positions in the new, annexing, or receiving school district, then the employing school board shall first remove or dismiss those educational support personnel employees with the shorter length of continuing service within the respective category of position, and the employment and position of each educational support personnel employee on the combined list not so removed or dismissed shall be transferred to the new, annexing, or receiving school board. With respect to a school district conversion or multi-unit conversion, sets forth how the positions held by educational support personnel employees are to be transferred. Makes other related changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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**HB 1849**  
**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  Short Description:  SCH CD-CANVASS OF ELECTIONS

House Sponsors
Rep. Elaine Nekritz

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. M. Maggie Crotty)

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

House Amendment No. 1
Further amends the School Code. Provides that in the designation of the name of a school board candidate on a petition for nomination, the candidate's given name or names, initial or initials, a nickname by which the candidate is commonly known, or a combination thereof may be used in addition to the candidate's surname. Provides that if a candidate has changed his or her name within 3 years before the last day for filing the petition, then (i) the candidate's name on the petition must be followed by "formerly known as (list all prior names during the 3-year period) until name changed on (list date of each such name change)" and (ii) the petition must be accompanied by the candidate's affidavit stating the candidate's previous names during the period specified in clause (i) and the date or dates each of those names was changed. Provides that these requirements do not apply to name changes resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname. Provides that no other designation, such as a political slogan, title or degree, or nickname suggesting or implying possession of a title, degree or professional status, or similar information may be used in connection with the candidate's surname.

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HB 1877  Short Description:  SCH CD-SICK LEAVE-BIRTH-ADOPT

House Sponsors
Rep. Keith P. Sommer-Jack D. Franks-Linda Chapa LaVia

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Susan Garrett)

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.

House Amendment No. 2
Removes the amendatory provision that provides that a school board may require a certificate from a physician or other health care provider as a basis for pay during leave after an absence of 30 days for birth, adoption, or placement for adoption.

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HB 1880  Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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

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HB 1890  Short Description: CHICAGO TEACHERS-EVALUATION

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis-Mike Boland-Jack McGuire-LaShawn K. Ford

Senate Sponsors
( )

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  Short Description: SCH CD-STATE AID-PARTIAL DAY

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard-David Reis

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Susan Garrett)

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.
HB 1917  Short Description: SCH CD-ADVISORY REFERENDA

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Terry Link-Michael Noland)

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  Short Description: SCH CD-AG ED TEACHER EDUCATION

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. John M. Sullivan, David Koehler, Michael Bond, Gary Forby, Deanna Demuzio and Michael W. Frerichs)

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  
**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  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-WEAPONS SAFETY PROGRAM

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. William R. Haine-John O. Jones, Dan Rutherford, Deanna Demuzio and Gary Forby)

**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 1927  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-REIMBURSEMENT

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Sandra M. Pihos-Roger L. Eddy-Paul D. Froehlich

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Increases the reimbursement amount to school districts for teachers, professional workers, directors, school psychologists, and non-certified employees by a specified amount each school year through the 2011-2012 school year. Provides that for each school year thereafter, the reimbursement amount is the amount from the previous school year increased by a percentage increase equal to the percentage increase, if any, in the Employment

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#### HB 1940

**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

**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

**Short Description:** SCH-SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROG

**House Sponsors**  

**Senate Sponsors**  
(Sen. Iris Y. Martinez-David Koehler-Jacqueline Y. Collins)

**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 (instead of may) 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 (instead of may) identify a not-for-profit entity that is willing to sponsor a summer food service program and shall (instead of 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. 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 must have a summer school program in order for the summer food service program requirement to apply. Makes changes concerning the duration of a summer food service program, providing for if 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 1969  Short Description:  SCH CD-BOND AUTHORITY-ROCHESTR

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Larry K. Bomke)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Authorizes Rochester Community Unit School District 3A to issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed $15,000,000 if the school board determines that the building and equipping of a new high school building; the addition of classrooms and support facilities at the high school, middle school, and elementary school; the altering, repairing, and equipping of existing school buildings; and the improvement of school sites, as the case may be, are required as a result of a projected increase in the enrollment of students in the district. Sets forth requirements for the bond issuance, including requiring approval at a referendum. Provides that the debt incurred on the bonds shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation. Effective immediately.

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HB 1975  
**Short Description:** SCH CD-SCH COUNSELOR RATIO

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Provides that, for high school students, a school board must employ a sufficient number of certified school counselors to maintain a student/counselor ratio of 250 to 1.

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HB 1977

**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.

**House Amendment No. 2**
Replaces Aurora West Unit School District 129 with Hutsonville Community Unit School District 1 as one of the school districts where the State Board of Education is required to establish the pilot program.

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HB 1989

**Short Description:** SCH CONSTRUCTION-JT AGREEMENT

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Construction Law. Defines "school district" to mean a school district, special charter district, or joint agreement. Provides that, for purposes of determining a joint agreement's eligibility
for an entity included in a school construction project grant or a school maintenance project grant, a joint agreement shall be deemed eligible if one or more of its member school districts satisfy the grant index criteria. Provides that the amount of a school construction project grant to an eligible joint agreement shall be determined on a case-by-case basis, based on the needs of the joint agreement in its entirety (instead of using the grant index to calculate the amount). Effective immediately.

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**HB 1995**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Lou Lang

**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 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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**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 2004

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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 2005

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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

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HB 2006

Short Description: SCH CD-PAR/TEACHER 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.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Adds a July 1, 2007 effective date.

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**HB 2007**

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

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Renée Kosel

**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 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

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. Maria Antonia Berrios

**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
Rep. Mike Boland-Roger L. Eddy

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 2014

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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

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HB 2015

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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

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HB 2016

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH
House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

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 2017

Short Description: SCH CD-CONVERT/FORM DISTRICTS

House Sponsors
Rep. Roger L. Eddy

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.
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

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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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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.

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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 AsIntroduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning teacher tenure.

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

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HB 2222

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House Sponsors

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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 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.

HB 2782

Short Description: LIBRARIES-ANNEXATION

House Sponsors
Rep. Timothy L. Schmitz

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Randall M. Hultgren-Pamela J. Althoff)

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.

HB 2787

Short Description: SCH CD-CIVIC EDUC ADVANCEMENT
House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. William Delgado-Jacqueline Y. Collins)

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.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Subject to appropriation, provides that funding for civic education professional development for high school teachers must be provided by line item appropriation made to the State Board of Education for that purpose. Requires the State Board of Education to provide this funding to each regional superintendent of schools based on high school enrollment as reported on the State Board of Education's most recent fall enrollment and housing report, except provides that 20% of each annual appropriation must be reserved for the Chicago school district. Provides that in order to establish eligibility for one or more of its schools to receive funding, a school district shall submit to its regional superintendent an application, accompanied by a completed civic audit, for each school. Provides that a regional superintendent shall award funds to a district based on the number of teachers identified by the district to receive professional development multiplied by $250. Provides that the civic audit form and its content must be designed and updated as deemed necessary by the Illinois Civic Mission Coalition, data from completed civic audits must be processed by the Illinois Civic Mission Coalition, and the civic audit must be made available by the Illinois Civic Mission Coalition and must be designed to provide teachers and principals with a blueprint to better understand how current curriculum, service learning, and extracurricular activities are providing civic learning experiences for their students. Effective immediately.

Last Action
5/2/2007 Senate Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading May 3, 2007

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.

Last Action
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

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House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
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HB 3203

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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

Last Action
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
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the State aid formula.

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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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HB 3326

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.

Last Action
HB 3327

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Mark H. Beaubien, Jr.-Tom Cross-Roger L. Eddy-Sandra M. Pihos-Brent Hassert, Patricia R. Bellock and Sandy Cole

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Linda Holmes-Jacqueline Y. Collins)

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

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. With respect to safety education instruction, provides for the inclusion of the consequences of alcohol consumption and the operation of a motor vehicle. Effective immediately.

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HB 3331

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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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**

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

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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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HB 3344

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

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.

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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

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced
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Rep. Tom Cross

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

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HB 3350

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 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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HB 3352

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 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

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House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

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

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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.
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.

HB 3357

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 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

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

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Under specified circumstances, allows for a maximum of 5 additional charter schools exclusively for truants or dropouts in Chicago if the limit on the number of charter schools that may operate at any one time in the rest of the State has not been reached.

House Amendment No. 2
Provides that if any of the additional charter schools are not used exclusively for truants or dropouts,
then the State Board of Education shall withhold and the charter school shall forfeit all State funding designated for that school.

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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

**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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**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

**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 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

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 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

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

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 3376

Short Description: SCH CD-DEACTIVATED SCH-TUITION

House Sponsors
Rep. Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In a Section concerning tuition for non-resident pupils, provides that for those school districts receiving pupils from a deactivated school facility, the audited tuition rate calculated for the receiving school district shall include the tuition revenue received from the sending school district. In a Section concerning deactivation of a school facility, provides that the sending school district shall pay to the receiving school district an amount equal to the audited tuition rate of the receiving district (instead of an amount agreed upon by the 2 districts).

Last Action
HB 3377

Short Description: SCH CD-REIMBURSE TRANSPORTION

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. A. J. Wilhelmi-David Koehler and Kimberly A. Lightford-M. Maggie Crotty)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that when calculating the State reimbursement for transportation costs, the State Board of Education may not deduct the number of pupils enrolled in early education programs from the number of pupils eligible for reimbursement if the pupils enrolled in the early education programs are transported at the same time as other eligible pupils.

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HB 3384

Short Description: SCH CD-PROBATION SCH OVERSIGHT

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that there is created the Probationary School Oversight Committee to work with principals and staff to develop stringent guidelines to address school performance. Requires the State Board of Education to appoint members to the Committee, who shall serve at the pleasure of the State Board. Provides that the State Board shall assign the Committee those duties that it deems necessary in order for the Committee to carry out its purposes. Requires the Committee to report on its progress to the State Board.

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HB 3399

Short Description: CRIM CD-CHILD SEX OFFENDER

House Sponsors

Senate 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 3404

Short Description: COURT FINES-SCHOOLS-DRUG COURT

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Clerks of Courts Act. Provides that the fine for speeding in a school zone is increased by $5 which shall go to the school district or districts in which the offense occurred. Provides that a county with a drug court may adopt a mandatory fee of $5 to fund the drug court, less a 5% clerk processing charge, assessed against any defendant found guilty in a traffic case or who is ordered to pay a fine under the Unified Code of Corrections. Provides that a person found guilty, including court supervision, of a DUI in addition to any other fine is fined $500, or $1,000 for other than a first offense, payable to the clerk to be distributed as follows: $100 to the law enforcement agency or agencies that made the arrest and $400 to the General Revenue Fund. Provides that when a person has been adjudged guilty of a DUI and a crime lab DUI analysis was completed, in addition to any other disposition or fine, a crime lab DUI analysis fee of $150 shall be paid by the defendant. Provides that the court may suspend payment of the fee if the defendant does not have the ability to pay. Provides that if the fine assessed for a first offense of speeding in a construction zone is $250 or greater, there shall be an additional $125 fee paid by the defendant, which shall be deposited into the Transportation Safety Highway Hire-back Fund. Provides for other related changes. Effective immediately.

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HB 3406

Short Description: SCH CONSTRUCTION-RANK-NOTIFY

House Sponsors
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 3407

Short Description: CHILD NUTRITIONAL HEALTH-COMMN

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Children's Nutritional Health Act. Creates the Commission on the Status of Children's Nutritional Health, consisting of members appointed by the legislative leaders and the Executive Branch. Provides that the purpose of the Commission is to track the status of children's nutritional health and develop ongoing policy initiatives to address issues concerning children's nutritional health. Requires the Commission to report its findings and recommendations each July 1, beginning in 2008. Effective immediately.

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HB 3408

Short Description: SCH-VENDING MACHINE ACCESS

House Sponsors
Rep. Tom Cross

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires school districts to restrict access to vending machine products during times when school breakfasts and lunches are being served. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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HB 3411

Short Description: OPEN MEET-E-MAIL-VACATION
**House Sponsors**
Rep. Joe Dunn

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Open Meetings Act. Removes electronic mail when used to set a meeting agenda as one of the means by which a gathering of a majority of a quorum of the members of a public body to discuss public business constitutes a meeting subject to the Act. Adds "vacation" to the list of reasons why a public body, required to have a quorum physically present at its meeting, may permit a member in excess of the quorum to attend by other means than physical presence. Provides that a member attending by other means due to vacation is not eligible to receive pay or compensation based on that attendance. Effective immediately.

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**HB 3429**

**Short Description:** INS CD-COV CHLD UNDER 25

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
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, and the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act to require coverage for a child that is under 25 years of age, has the same legal residence as the parent, is unmarried, and is financially dependent upon the parent.

**House Amendment No. 1**
Requires health insurance coverage for a child that is under 30 years of age (instead of 25 years of age), has the same legal residence as the parent, is unmarried, and is financially dependent upon the parent.

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**HB 3432**

**Short Description:** VEHICLE EMISSIONS ACT

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Vehicle Emissions Act. Provides that the Environmental Protection Agency shall adopt and implement emission standards for new vehicles that are 2009 model-year or later for the control of emissions. Sets out a vehicle and engine certification program administered by the Agency. Prohibits the sale or registration in the State of certain vehicles that fail to meet the emission standards of the Act. Sets out special standards for vehicles with on board diagnostic systems. Sets out the procedure for a vehicle manufacturer to appeal the Agency standards. Authorizes the Agency to adopt emission standards for certain motorcycles registered or identified by the Secretary of State. Provides for the certification of school busses. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that nothing in the Chapter 13B of the Code,
concerning emission inspection, shall limit the authority of the Agency under the Act. Contains other provisions.

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### HB 3444

**Short Description:** INC TX-CLASSROOM SUPPLY CREDIT

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Allows an income tax credit for each individual taxpayer who is a teacher, instructor, counselor, principal, or aide who worked in a school in Illinois for at least 900 hours during the taxable year. Provides that the amount of the credit is equal to 25% of the eligible classroom expenses made by the taxpayer during the taxable year, but the credit may not exceed $250. Defines "eligible classroom expenses" as the aggregate amount of nonreimbursed classroom expenses made by the taxpayer during the taxable year less $250. Provides that the credit may not be carried forward or back and may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. Effective immediately.

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### HB 3448

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Milton Patterson

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Adds a Section concerning an exemplary teacher reward system. Contains only a caption.

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### HB 3450

**Short Description:** EXECUTIVE EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Creates the Executive Employment Office Act. Creates an independent State agency with authority and responsibility for the hiring of employees for State departments and agencies under the jurisdiction of the Executive Inspector General appointed by the Governor, except State colleges and universities and community colleges. Provides for the appointment of the executive director of the Office by the Governor, with the advice and consent of three-fifths of the members of each house of the General Assembly. Prohibits the affected State agencies from hiring full-time and part-time employees and interns except through the Office. Provides that the Office by rule shall develop and implement standards for the hiring of State agency employees, including assuring that the hiring is without influence from or recommendation by any of the following: any officer or employee of any State agency; any officer of any political party; any lobbyist; any person, or any officer of any entity, that has made one or more political contributions within the previous 12 months valued at more than $5,000 in the aggregate to the individual who holds the office of Governor or to any political committee authorized on behalf of that individual; or any officer of, or person with an equity or income interest of more than 7.5% in, any firm holding one or more contracts with an aggregate value of more than $25,000 with one or more State agencies.

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**HB 3451**

**Short Description:** OHARE-TAX BASE LOSS RECOVERY

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the O'Hare Modernization Act. Provides that the city of Chicago must reimburse all taxing districts (rather than only school districts and community college districts) for lost tax revenue resulting from the city's acquisition of parcels of property for the O'Hare Modernization Program. Deletes language providing that the city's obligation to reimburse school districts and community college districts ends with the 2009 taxable year and providing that no reimbursements are payable after January 1, 2010. Increases from $20,000,000 to $40,000,000 the maximum amount that the city shall pay out under the provision. 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-Don Harmon)
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

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 3478

Short Description: ETHICS-TRAVEL REPORTING
House Sponsors
Rep. Fred Crespo

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. With respect to (i) each officer, member, and State employee who receives a gift excepted from the gift ban as an educational mission or as travel expenses for a meeting to discuss State business and (ii) each officer and employee of a governmental entity who receives a gift excepted from the provisions of an ordinance or resolution that are equivalent to the State exceptions, provides that within 30 days after returning from the travel, the person must submit to the Secretary of State, in the form and manner required by the Secretary, certain information concerning the travel. Further provides that the Secretary shall compile the information into a database and shall establish a searchable website for the public to access the data. Subject to appropriation for that purpose, authorizes the Secretary to contract with a private entity to establish and maintain the database and website.

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HB 3481

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Fred Crespo

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning General Assembly scholarships.

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HB 3482

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Elizabeth Hernandez

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Illinois Future Teacher Corps Program.

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HB 3491

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 3492**

**Short Description:**  PROP TX-ABATEMENT-BLIGHT

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Property Tax Code. Authorizes a home rule municipality, by ordinance, to order the county clerk to abate, for a period not to exceed 10 years, any percentage of the taxes levied by the municipality and any other taxing district on each owner-occupied single-family residence that is located in an area of urban decay within the corporate limits of the municipality. Limits the amount of the abatement to 2% of the taxes extended by all taxing districts on all parcels located within the township that contain residential dwelling units of 6 units or less. Sets forth procedures for adopting an abatement ordinance. Effective immediately.

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**HB 3510**

**Short Description:**  EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Jerry L. Mitchell

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Illinois Teaching Excellence Program.

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**HB 3511**
**Short Description:** STEM CELL RESRCH-PUBLIC FUNDS

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Bill Mitchell-Paul D. Froehlich-Donald L. Moffitt-Jim Sacia-Patricia R. Bellock

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Amniotic Stem Cell Research Act. Authorizes the State, units of local government, school districts, and community college districts to use or allow the use of public funds, property, or credit for stem-cell research. Defines "stem-cell research" as research involving the derivation and use of amniotic stem cells from any source, excluding somatic cell nuclear transplantation. Preempts home rule powers.

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**HB 3512**

**Short Description:** PRIVACY CHILD VICT SEX OFFENSE

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. William R. Haine-Iris Y. Martinez-Bill 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 3513**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Michael Tryon

**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 3514

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Jim Watson

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

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HB 3515

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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 3516

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. James H. Meyer

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.

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HB 3520

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH
House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning State reimbursement for transportation.

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HB 3523

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the establishment of an impartial due process hearing system.

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HB 3529

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3530

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school energy conservation.
HB 3533

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3534

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3535

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3536

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3537

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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.

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HB 3538

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a tax for health care purposes.

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HB 3539

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard
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 3540

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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 3541

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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 3542

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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**HB 3543**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

**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 3544**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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**HB 3545**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

**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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**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard  

**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 3547**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard  

**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 3548**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard  

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

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**HB 3549**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**  
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the conversion and formation of school districts.

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HB 3550

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3551

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3552

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

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**HB 3553**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

**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 3554**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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**HB 3555**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the identification, evaluation, and placement of children in special education programs.

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**HB 3556**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH
House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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 3557

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3558

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3563

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning waivers of School Code mandates.
HB 3564

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

HB 3565

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

HB 3566

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the State aid formula.
HB 3567

**Short Description:** VEH CD-EDUCATION PLATES-FUND

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Mike Bost

**Senate Sponsors**

**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 3574

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

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

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HB 3576

**Short Description:** SCH CD-STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS

**House Sponsors**
Rep. Kevin A. McCarthy

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code with respect to the statement of affairs of a school district (other than the Chicago school district). Removes the requirement that an annual statement of affairs summary be published in a newspaper. Provides that the statement must include the total amount for both cash receipts and disbursements (or for both revenue and expenses if the accrual system of accounting is used). Makes related changes.

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HB 3583

Short Description:  VEH CD-SCHL BUS-ALCOHOL TEST

House Sponsors

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson)

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 tests positive for 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 3584

Short Description:  CHILD FITNESS CREDIT

House Sponsors
Rep. Elizabeth Coulson-William Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates a tax credit, for taxable years ending on or after December 31, 2007 and on or before December 30, 2012, for individual taxpayers who, during the taxable year, pay costs for an eligible child to enroll in a qualified physical-fitness program. Provides that the credit is an amount equal to the lesser of (i) the total costs of all qualified physical-fitness programs paid in the taxable year for all eligible children of the taxpayer or (ii) $500. Provides that the credit may not be carried forward or back and may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. Sets forth requirements for qualified physical-fitness programs. Requires the Department of Revenue, in consultation with the Department of Public Health and the State Board of Education, to adopt rules for the administration of the credit. Effective immediately.

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HB 3590

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. David E. Miller

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Illinois Teaching Excellence Program.

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HB 3600

Short Description: SCH CD-BAN METAL DETECTORS-K-6

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall prohibit the use of metal detectors on students in kindergarten through 6th grade. Provides that any school district that uses metal detectors must annually report statistical data related to the use of metal detectors to the State Board of Education. Requires the State Board to annually compile the statistical data in a report to be filed with the General Assembly. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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HB 3615

Short Description: SCH BD-ABATEMENT OF PROP TAXES

House Sponsors
Rep. Brent Hassert

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Property Tax Code and the School Code. Allows a school board, after the determination of the assessed valuation of the property of the school district, to order the county clerk to abate any portion of the district's taxes on all or any part of the property within the district.

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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 3624

Short Description: VEH CD-SCHOOL BUS-CALL NUMBERS

House Sponsors
Rep. Lou Lang-Karen May-Linda Chapa LaVia-Kevin Joyce and Esther Golar

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Ira I. Silverstein)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that each school bus shall display at the rear of the bus a visible and readable sign, indicating the telephone number of the owner of the school bus, and indicating that the number is to be called to report erratic driving by the school bus driver. Provides that the owner of each school bus shall establish procedures for accepting these calls and for taking complaints. Provides that the procedures shall include, but not be limited to: an internal investigation of the events that led to each complaint; and a report to the complaining party on the results of the investigation and the action taken, if any.

State Mandates Fiscal Note (State Board of Education)

HB 3624 would require school districts that operate their own buses to ensure signs required by the legislation are present. It would also require any contractors providing bus service for school districts to include such signs on their buses. The number of districts and/or school bus contractors that already have the signage required by HB 3624 is unknown. There will be some costs to local districts if the school buses that they use do not currently have the signs or offer a complaint resolution system. It is impossible to estimate the costs of HB 3624, however, it is believed any costs to local districts as a result of this bill would be minimal.
Fiscal Note (State Board of Education)
HB 3624 has no fiscal impact on the State Board of Education.

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HB 3629

Short Description: SCH CD-PROBATIONARY TEACHERS

House Sponsors
Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In school districts other than the Chicago school district, reduces the probationary period of time before a teacher enters upon contractual continued service from 4 to 3 consecutive school terms. Provides that the provisions concerning a teacher's entrance into contractual continued service after a probationary period of 3 consecutive school terms apply to the Chicago school district (now, the appointment of a teacher in the Chicago school district becomes permanent after a probationary period of 4 years). Makes other changes. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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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.

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HB 3641

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

House Sponsors
Rep. Charles E. Jefferson

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

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HB 3654

Short Description: GROW OWN TEACHER-BUDGET-WAIVER

House Sponsors
Rep. Esther Golar-Elga L. Jefferies-Monique D. Davis

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Iris Y. Martinez-Jacqueline Y. Collins)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. 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). Makes changes concerning expenditures under the Initiative with regard to requests to waive the teaching obligation or to defer repayment, the way grants are awarded to provide the required support for a cohort of candidates, and what a program budget must include. Provides that grant funds may be used by any member of a consortium to offset the costs of child care and other direct expenses that are necessary to permit candidates to maintain their class schedules. Effective July 1, 2007.

House Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes concerning the Act's purpose and the definition of "hard-to-staff school". Changes certain references from target schools to eligible schools. 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). Makes changes 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. Provides that 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. Makes other changes.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Provides that indirect expenses required to be included in program budgets include transportation, tutoring, technology, and technology support.

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**HB 3677**

**Short Description:** EDUC-SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
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**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**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-TEACHER-CONDUCT SEARCHES

**House Sponsors**

**Senate Sponsors**
(Sen. Matt Murphy)

**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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HB 3732

Short Description: USE & OCC TX-SCHOOL HOLIDAY

House Sponsors
Rep. Timothy L. Schmitz, David E. Miller, Milton Patterson, Esther Golar, Careen M Gordon, Wyvetter H. Younge and Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Use Tax Act and the Retailers’ Occupation Tax Act. Provides that no tax is imposed under the Acts upon the privilege of using in this State (for the Use Tax Act) or persons engaged in the business of selling at retail (for the Retailers’ Occupation Tax Act) qualified school supplies that are purchased from 12:01 a.m. on the first Thursday in August through midnight of the Sunday that follows 10 days later. Provides that the Department of Revenue shall define "qualified school supplies" by rule. Sets forth criteria for transactions to qualify for the exemption. Effective immediately.

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SB 1

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

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

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

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.

Last Action
Date Chamber Action
3/22/2007 Senate Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading March 27, 2007

SB 32

Short Description: VEH CD-TEENAGE DRIVERS

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Bill Brady-Dan Cronin

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Increases the requirements that must be met before a minor may be issued a graduated driver's license. Provides that a minor must hold an instruction permit for 12 consecutive (rather than for 3) months before he or she may be issued a graduated driver's license. Provides that the minor must have 150 (rather than 50) hours of driving experience, and the experience must be validated in writing by one of his or her parents, before he or she may be issued the graduated license. Provides that the new requirements do not invalidate a graduated license issued before the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that a person must have reached the age of 15 years in order to apply for an instruction permit. Provides that the minor may not drive at night during the first 6 months that he or she holds an instruction permit. Provides that the minor holder of an instruction permit may practice driving only when one of his or her parents, his or her legal guardian, or a person over the age of 21 years and having at least 5 years of consecutive driving experience, approved in writing by the minor's parents, is seated next to the minor. Provides that a minor who violates any of these provisions, a licensed adult who allows a minor to violate any of these provisions, or a parent, legal guardian, or approved driver who allows a minor to drive with an unapproved person is subject to a fine of $1,500 and a 3 month suspension of his or her driving privileges. Provides that if a parent or guardian falsely states the minor's driving experience, the parent is subject to the fine and the license suspension, and the minor's previous hours of driving experience will be nullified.

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SB 44

Short Description: CRIM CD-CHILD SEX OFFENDER

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Carole Pankau

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that a child sex offender may not knowingly loiter or knowingly reside within 750 (rather than 500) feet of a school, playground, child care institution, day care center, part day child care facility, a facility providing programs or services exclusively directed toward persons under 18 years of age, or victim of a sex offense or knowingly loiter on a public way within 750 (rather than 500) feet of a public park. Amends the Sex Offender Registration Act. Provides that a child sex offender shall sign a statement that he or she understands that according to Illinois law as a child sex offender he or she may not reside within 750 (rather than 500) feet of a school, park, or playground and may not reside within 750 (rather than 500) feet of a facility providing services directed exclusively toward persons under 18 years of age unless the sex offender meets specified exemptions.

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**SB 48**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-CONTRACTS

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Edward D. Maloney-M. Maggie Crotty

**House Sponsors**
(Rep. Robert Rita)

**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). Adds an exception for contracts for the provision of motor vehicle fuel. Effective immediately.

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**SB 72**

**Short Description:** $ST BD ED-SUMMER KINDERGARTEN

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Susan Garrett-William R. Haine

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Appropriates $3,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for summer
kindergarten programs, with $1,000,000 to be allocated to programs in counties having a population of more than 3,000,000, $1,000,000 to be allocated to programs in counties that are contiguous to a county with a population of more than 3,000,000, and $1,000,000 to be allocated to programs in all other counties, as determined by the State Board of Education. Effective July 1, 2007.

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### SB 74

**Short Description:** $CDB-FY02 SCH CONSTRUCT GRANTS

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Larry K. Bomke and Bill Brady

**Synopsis As Introduced**

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### SB 79

**Short Description:** SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-AUTISM

**Senate Sponsors**

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. 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 and shall specifically address 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. Effective January 1, 2008.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**
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.
SB 108

Short Description:  CHILD NEGLECT-NO RETURN HOME

Senate Sponsors

House Sponsors
(Rep. Greg Harris)

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.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Provides that a minor who has been provided with interim crisis intervention services and whose parent, guardian, or custodian refuses to permit the minor to return home shall be considered a neglected minor unless the minor is an immediate physical danger to himself, herself, or others living in the home. Provides that if the Department of Children and Family Services determines that the minor is not a neglected minor because the minor is an immediate physical danger to himself, herself, or others living in the home, then the Department shall take immediate steps to either secure the minor’s immediate admission to a mental health facility, arrange for law enforcement authorities to take temporary custody of the minor as a delinquent minor, or take other appropriate action to assume protective custody in order to safeguard the minor or others living in the home from immediate physical danger.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 3
Provides that the provision requiring the Department of Children and Family Services to take the minor into temporary protective custody at any time after receiving the report of child neglect is subject to appropriation.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 4
Provides that the reporting of the minor as neglected to the Department of Children and Family Services shall only be made if the parent, guardian, or custodian refuses to permit the minor to return home, and no other living arrangement agreeable to the minor and the parent, guardian, or custodian can be made.

Last Action
SB 118

Short Description:  VEH CD-SEAT BELTS-SCHOOL BUS

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Ira I. Silverstein

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Requires each school bus to be equipped with a seat safety belt for each passenger. Provides that a driver may not operate a school bus unless a seat safety belt is available to each passenger. 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.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. 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.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 2
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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SB 122

Short Description:  SCH CD-PROFESSIONAL WORKER DEF

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Susan Garrett-Kimberly A. Lightford

House Sponsors
(Rep. Robert W. Pritchard)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Adds school counselor and school counselor intern to the list of professions included in the definition of "professional worker". Effective immediately.

Last Action
SB 143

Short Description: SCH CD-PRIV SCH-BACKGRND CHECK

Senate Sponsors

House Sponsors
(Rep. James D. Brosnahan and Elizabeth Hernandez)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a non-public elementary or secondary school may not obtain "Non-public School Recognition" status unless (i) the school requires all applicants for employment with the school, after July 1, 2007, to authorize a fingerprint-based criminal history records check as a condition of employment to determine if such applicants have been convicted of specified criminal or drug offenses and (ii) the school performs a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database for each applicant for employment, after July 1, 2007, to determine whether the applicant has been adjudicated a sex offender. Provides that no non-public school may obtain recognition status that knowingly employs a person, hired after July 1, 2007, for whom a Department of State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint-based criminal history records check and a Statewide Sex Offender Database check has not been initiated or who has been convicted of certain criminal or drug offenses. Contains provisions concerning a fee for the criminal history records check and reimbursement, confidentiality, and checks of employees of persons or firms holding contracts with the school. Effective July 1, 2007.

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SB 162

Short Description: HEALTH SERVICES EDUC GRANT-PSY

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Edward D. Maloney

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Health Services Education Grants Act. Provides that, in addition to grants to medical, dental, pharmacy, optometry, and nursing schools and physician assistant programs, grants may be made to psychology and other physical and mental health-related schools and programs (instead of to other health-related schools and programs). Effective immediately.
SB 166

Short Description: VEHICLE CD-SCHOOL BUS INSPECT

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Christine Radogno-Ira I. Silverstein-William E. Peterson

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Vehicle Code. Provides that each school district in the State shall have in place, by January 1, 2008, a policy to ensure that the school bus driver is the last person leaving every school bus and that no passenger is left behind or remains on the vehicle at the end of a route, a work shift, or the work day. Establishes requirements for the policy. Effective immediately.

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SB 172

Short Description: VEH CD-GRADUATED LICENSE

Senate Sponsors
Sen. John J. Cullerton-Antonio Munoz-Mattie Hunter-David Koehler-Bill Brady, Martin A. Sandoval, Dan Cronin, M. Maggie Crotty, Pamela J. Althoff, Dale E. Risinger, Matt Murphy, Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson, Jacqueline Y. Collins, Linda Holmes, Dan Kotowski and Iris Y. Martinez

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code, School Code, Child Passenger Protection Act, and Unified Code of Corrections. Makes various changes regarding: driver education requirements; graduated driver's licenses; instruction permits for minors; curfews for drivers under a specified age; the number of passengers under a specified age allowed in a vehicle driven by a newly licensed driver under a certain age; the use of seat safety belts; the use of wireless telephones by graduated driver's license holders; suspensions of driver's licenses of drivers under age 21 under specified circumstances; required appearances before the presiding judge with a parent or guardian under specified circumstances; vehicle impoundment for drivers arrested for street racing; and other matters. Repeals provisions creating the offense of drag racing. Creates the offenses of street racing and aggravated street racing, and makes conforming changes. Makes other changes. Effective January 1, 2008, except that the provisions amending the School Code are effective July 1, 2008.
SB 176

Short Description: LOCAL OPTION SCH DIST INC TAX

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Local Option School District Income Tax Act and amends the School Code, the State Finance Act, the Illinois Income Tax Act, and the Property Tax Code. Authorizes school districts by referendum to impose an income tax on individuals resident of the district. Provides that the income tax must be levied at a rate that will produce an amount equal to the corresponding 50% reduction in property taxes for educational, operations and maintenance, and transportation purposes. Provides for a referendum repeal of the tax. Sets forth procedures for levying and collecting the tax and for deposit of the income tax revenues. Provides for disbursement of the tax to school districts by the State Treasurer. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law to exclude from the definition of "aggregate extension" school district levies made to cover amounts lost because of the repeal of the local income tax for schools as formerly imposed by the district under the Local Option School District Income Tax Act. Amends the State aid formula provisions of the School Code. Provides that the adoption or failure to adopt a local income tax for schools and any disbursement of funds or any tax abatement required under the Local Option School District Income Tax Act shall not affect the computation or distribution of State aid for school districts. Effective immediately.

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SB 179

Short Description: SCH CD/COM COL ACT-WIND FARMS

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
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. Effective immediately.

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### SB 187

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Dan Cronin

**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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### SB 188

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Dan Cronin

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

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### SB 189

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Dan Cronin

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

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### SB 190

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH
Senate Sponsors
Sen. Dan Cronin

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

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SB 191

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Dan Cronin

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

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SB 192

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Dan Cronin

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

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SB 193

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Dan Cronin
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning regional superintendents of schools.

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SB 194

Short Description: SCH CD-ST AID-CONSOLIDATE DIST

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Todd Sieben

House Sponsors
(Rep. Jim Sacia)

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 195

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Dan Cronin

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning school elections.
SB 198

Short Description: SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-REIMBURSEMENT

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Susan Garrett-M. Maggie Crotty-Dan Cronin and Deanna Demuzio

House Sponsors
(Rep. Elizabeth Coulson-Lou Lang-Karen May)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Increases the reimbursement amount to school districts for certificated employees who work with or on behalf of students with disabilities full time (instead of teachers, professional workers, directors, school psychologists, and readers) and non-certified employees by a specified amount each school year through the 2011-2012 school year. For each school year thereafter, provides that the reimbursement amount shall equal the amount from the previous school year increased by a percentage increase equal to the percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for all items. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Restores current law with respect to the reimbursement for teachers, except provides that the reimbursement is for staff working on behalf of certain children (instead of for those children) and provides for a specified increase in the reimbursement amount each school year through the 2011-2012 school year. For each school year thereafter, provides that the reimbursement amount shall equal the amount from the previous school year increased by a percentage increase equal to the percentage increase, if any, in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for all items.

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SB 220

Short Description: AFFORDABLE HOUSING-SCH COSTS

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

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Local Planning Technical Assistance Act. Provides for reimbursement to school districts for increased education costs associated with affordable housing that is part of an affordable housing plan.

Last Action
SB 227

Short Description: ETHICS-LOCAL REFERENDA

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Pamela J. Althoff-Dan Rutherford and Mike Jacobs-Susan Garrett

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act and the Election Code. Provides that communication to the public by the corporate authorities of a unit of local government or school district explaining a decision to place a public question on the ballot or explaining support of or opposition to a public question does not constitute a prohibited political activity or election interference. Requires that the corporate authorities in the communication specify how the referendum will directly affect residents’ health, safety, or welfare or the unit's or district's government or affairs. Effective immediately.

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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 232

Short Description: LOCAL IMPACT FEES

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Chris Lauzen-John O. Jones and Gary G. Dahl

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Development Impact Fee Authorization for Local Governments Act. Authorizes municipalities and counties to adopt ordinances to impose, on behalf of themselves or other local governments, development impact fees on new developments in the municipality or county. Sets forth requirements and procedures for adopting the fee ordinances, for the imposition, collection, and expenditure of the fees, for returning unexpended fees, and for appealing the imposition of the fees. Requires that, within 2 years after the effective date of this Act, all municipalities and counties must conform any existing impact fee ordinance with the provisions required under this Act. Effective immediately.

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SB 266

Short Description: SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-ADOPT CHILD

Senate Sponsors
Sen. M. Maggie Crotty-Jacqueline Y. Collins and Dan Cronin

House Sponsors
(Rep. Jay C. Hoffman-Al Riley)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In a Section concerning reimbursement for special education classes for children from orphanages, foster family homes, children's homes, or State housing units, provides that if a child who was eligible to receive services under that Section (i) is eligible for the subsidized adoption program available through the Department of Children and Family Services or is under subsidized guardianship and (ii) continues to receive support services from the Department of Children and Family Services, then the child shall continue to be eligible to receive services under the Section and the school district shall continue to be reimbursed under the Section. Provides that this provision applies only to children who are eligible for the subsidized adoption program or who are under subsidized guardianship on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Provides that the child's program costs must exceed 4 times the school district's per capita tuition rate in order for the child to continue to be eligible to receive services and the school district to continue to be reimbursed.

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SB 306

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.

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SB 308

Short Description: IDOT-SCHOOL ENTRANCE ROAD

Senate Sponsors
Sen. John M. Sullivan

House Sponsors
(Rep. Jil Tracy)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Transportation shall evaluate, fund, repair, and upgrade the entrances to public educational facilities that border State highways.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Provides that the Department of Transportation shall evaluate, fund, and repair within the right-of-way (instead of evaluate, fund, repair, and upgrade) the entrances to public educational facilities that border State highways.
SB 316

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Edward D. Maloney

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Teacher Certification Article of the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning recognition of higher education institutions as teacher education institutions.

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SB 331

Short Description: STUDENT ATHLETE STEROID TESTING

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Chris Lauzen-Bill Brady-Edward D. Maloney

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Fair Athletic Competition Act. Requires the Illinois High School Association (IHSA), in conjunction with its Sports Medicine Advisory Committee, to develop and implement a program of random testing for steroids of individual athletes participating in interscholastic athletic programs under IHSA's purview. Provides that any student who possesses, ingests, or otherwise uses any substance on the IHSA list of banned substances, without a prescription by a fully licensed physician to treat a medical condition, shall be considered in violation of IHSA's by-laws and is subject to penalties approved by the IHSA Board of Directors. Sets forth what these penalties must include. Provides that a student athlete who refuses to consent to testing is not eligible for interscholastic competition and shall immediately forfeit his or her eligibility to participate in interscholastic competition for 365 days. Provides for confidentiality of test results. Effective immediately.

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SB 332

Short Description: STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Chris Lauzen-Bill Brady-Edward D. Maloney, Deanna Demuzio and Michael W. Frerichs

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Appropriates $250,000, or so much of that amount as may be necessary, from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois State Board of Education for a grant to the Illinois High School Association for development and implementation of a random steroid testing program for high school athletes.

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**SB 344**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-TAX/BOND-LIMIT REF

**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. William E. Peterson

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the School Code. With respect to certain propositions concerning the levy of a tax or the issuance of bonds, provides that if a majority of the persons voting on the proposition vote "No", then the proposition must not be submitted again in the school district for at least 22 months. Provides that if the school district has an emergency situation that requires that such a proposition be placed on the ballot, then the district may petition the local circuit court. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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**SB 367**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Kwame Raoul

**Synopsis As Introduced**

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

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**SB 370**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH
Senate Sponsors
Sen. James A. DeLeo

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

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SB 395

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.

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SB 396

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

Senate Sponsors

House Sponsors
(Rep. Elizabeth Coulson and Elga L. Jefferies)

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
inept, 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 397

**Short Description:**  SCH CD-CHILD WITH DISABILITIES

**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Deanna Demuzio-Jacqueline Y. Collins, Dan Kotowski-A. J. Wilhelmi-M. Maggie Crotty-Linda Holmes, Debbie DeFrancesco Halvorson, Martin A. Sandoval, Dan Cronin, Pamela J. Althoff and William E. Peterson

**House Sponsors**


**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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SB 398

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

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Deanna Demuzio

House Sponsors
(Rep. Lou Lang)

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 400

Short Description:  EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the School Code's construction.
SB 406

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Allied Health Care Professional Assistance Law. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the short title.

SB 420

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.
SB 423

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
(Rep. Dave Winters)

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 446**

**Short Description:** GROW YOUR OWN TEACHER-MISC

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Iris Y. Martinez-Jacqueline Y. Collins-Mattie Hunter

**House Sponsors**

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes concerning the Act's purpose and the definition of “hard-to-staff school”. Changes certain references from target schools to eligible schools. 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). Makes changes 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. Provides that 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. Makes other changes.

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**SB 468**

**Short Description:** ALL KIDS-MEDICAID-WEIGHT LOSS

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Bill Brady, Matt Murphy and Todd Sieben

**Synopsis As Introduced**

Amends the Covering ALL KIDS Health Insurance Act and the Illinois Public Aid Code. Requires the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to establish a weight loss and management pilot program in partnership with a private entity that specializes in weight loss and weight control. Provides that to be eligible to participate in the program, an individual must: (1) be enrolled in the Covering ALL KIDS health insurance program or the Medicaid program; (2) be characterized as morbidly obese using a body mass index as recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; (3) demonstrate a commitment to weight loss; and (4) demonstrate a commitment to participating in a program designed for weight loss and weight management. Effective July 1, 2007.
SB 505

Short Description:  SCH CONSTRUCTION-GRANT INDEX

Senate Sponsors

House Sponsors
(Rep. Dave Winters-Michael K. Smith)

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 507

Short Description:  SCH CD-TECH IMMERSION PROJECT

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code and the State Finance Act. Extends the technology immersion pilot project established by the State Board of Education for another 2 years. Extends the repeal of provisions concerning the technology immersion pilot project to August 31, 2009 (instead of August 31, 2007). Effective immediately.

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SB 508

Short Description: EDUCATION FINANCE

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Michael W. Frerichs

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the School District Property Tax Relief Fund. Requires appropriations from the Education Assistance Fund. Requires the Department of Revenue to certify property tax relief grants for school districts from the Fund. Sets forth procedures for these grants. Creates the Higher Education Operating Assistance Fund for the purpose of grants to colleges and universities. Requires annual appropriations to the Fund. Sets forth requirements for appropriating and using moneys from the Fund. Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Increases the rate of income tax for individuals, trusts, and estates from 3% to 5% and for corporations from 4.8% to 8%. Requires this additional revenue to be deposited into the Education Assistance Fund. Increases the amount of the earned income tax credit and the education expense credit. Limits the amount of the property tax credit to $30. Amends the Property Tax Code. Requires abatements of education extensions by the amount of the property tax relief grants received. Amends the School Code. Increases the foundation level of support and grant amount for supplemental general State aid. Changes the distribution of moneys from the Education Assistance Fund. Establishes the Education Assistance Fund Board to make biennial recommendations concerning appropriations from the Education Assistance Fund. Creates a continuing appropriation. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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SB 512

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Terry Link

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning county board duties.

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SB 538

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Kwame Raoul

House Sponsors
(Rep. William Davis)

Synopsis As Introduced
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, 2007.

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SB 541

Short Description: SCH CD-LOWER COMPULSORY AGE

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Kwame Raoul

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, lowers the compulsory school age from 7 years to 5 years; makes a related change. Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, requires all school districts to establish kindergarten for the instruction of children who are 5 years of age or older. Adds any child attending a non-profit or for-profit child care center that provides kindergarten where children are taught the branches of education taught to children of corresponding age and grade in the public schools and where the instruction of the child in the branches of education is in the English language to the list of children who are not required to attend the public schools. Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, provides for an exception to the compulsory school age provision for any child who has not reached the age of 7 years by September 1 and whose parent or guardian notifies the school district or school that he or she does not wish the child to attend school until the following school year because the child, in the opinion of the parent or guardian, is not mentally, physically, or emotionally prepared to attend school. Provides that in such cases, the child's attendance may be delayed for one school year. Effective immediately.

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SB 543

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".

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SB 622

Short Description: OPEN MEET-QUORUM LOCATION

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Dale A. Righter

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Open Meetings Act. With respect to public bodies with statewide jurisdiction whose quorums may be present at more than one location simultaneously for an open meeting, requires that the locations must be in Illinois. Effective immediately.

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SB 641

Short Description: SCH CD-REQUIRE VISION EXAM

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Deanna Demuzio-Jacqueline Y. Collins-Martin A. Sandoval-Kwame Raoul

House Sponsors
(Rep. Jil Tracy-Sandra M. Pihos-Linda Chapa LaVita-Aaron Schock, Harry Osterman, Elga L. Jefferies, Robert Rita, Sara Feigenholtz, David E. Miller, Monique D. Davis and Sandy Cole)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Provides that a vision examination must be included as a part of the health examination required within one year prior to entering kindergarten or the first grade, whichever grade the child first enters, of any public, private, or parochial elementary school. Makes related changes. Amends
the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective January 1, 2008.

**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 a separate eye examination is included as a part of the health examination (instead of providing that a vision examination must be included as a part of the health examination); makes related changes. Provides that physicians licensed to practice medicine in all its branches and licensed optometrists shall perform the eye examinations in accordance with the minimum standards set forth in rules adopted under the Illinois Optometric Practice Act of 1987 as they pertain to children. Effective January 1, 2008.

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**SB 652**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

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

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning making rules and regulations.

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**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 669**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Edward D. Maloney

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning before and after school programs.

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**SB 670**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Edward D. Maloney

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

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**SB 671**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-CUSTODY-LEGAL RSPNSBLTY
Senate Sponsors
Sen. Edward D. Maloney-James T. Meeks

House Sponsors
(Rep. Elizabeth Coulson-Jim Sacia)

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

House Sponsors
(Rep. Sara Feigenholtz)

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
(Rep. Susana A Mendoza)

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
(Rep. Fred Crespo-Michael Tryon)

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.

Last Action
**SB 844**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

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

**House Sponsors**

**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 846**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
**Synopsis As Introduced**

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

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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.

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.

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
(Rep. William B. Black)

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.
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 1132

Short Description:  STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Mattie Hunter

Synopsis As Introduced
Appropriates $2 from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois State Board of Education for its FY 08 ordinary and contingent expenses. Effective July 1, 2007.

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SB 1154

Short Description: EDUCATIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Matt Murphy

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that each fiscal year, the General Assembly shall appropriate for educational programs an amount that is equal to or exceeds the sum of (i) the total amount appropriated from general funds for educational programs during the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year for which the appropriation is being made and (ii) 51% of total new general funds available for spending from estimated growth in revenues and funds available because of budgeted program growth and decline in the fiscal year for which the appropriation is being made. Provides that money from new general funds must be spent on educational programs that are not considered administrative expenditures. Effective immediately.

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SB 1155

Short Description: SCH DISTRICT MANDATES-REMOVE

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Pamela J. Althoff

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Open Meetings Act, the School Code, the Illinois Vehicle Code, and the Sex Offender Community Notification Law. Removes provisions concerning the posting of information regarding school board meetings on a district's website, school board approval of certain contracts, checks of the Statewide Sex Offender Database and Statewide Child Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Database, gifted education program requirements, requiring a school to allow the use of epinephrine auto-injectors, certain information in a school district's report of pupils no longer enrolled in school and the report being furnished to the Secretary of State, financial literacy in consumer education, the study of genocide and slavery, required high school courses for the 2005-2006 and subsequent school years, steroid abuse prevention instruction to students in interscholastic athletic programs, excessive idling of a school bus, requiring the use of biodiesel, and informing parents that information about sex offenders is publicly available. Repeals Sections of the School Code concerning a new principal mentoring program, a school board oath of office, a school board's duties with respect to a superintendent, gifted education program requirements, and an evaluation plan for principals. Repeals the School Safety Drill Act. Makes related changes. Effective June 30, 2007.

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SB 1156
Short Description: SCH DISTRICT MANDATES-REMOVE

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Pamela J. Althoff

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Department of State Police Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, the School Code, the Illinois Health Statistics Act, the Minimum Wage Law, and the Victims’ Economic Security and Safety Act. Removes provisions concerning the requirement that criminal history record checks of school district job applicants be fingerprint-based, the State Board of Education collecting certain school information, a district that has a school on academic early warning status preparing a revised school improvement plan, the development of a school restructuring plan, placing districts on academic early warning or watch status, school improvement plan peer review, authorizing the State Superintendent of Education to direct the reassignment or replacement of district personnel, prohibiting waivers from compliance with the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, certain technical assistance from the State Board, State testing in certain subjects and grades beginning no later than the 2005-2006 school year, the compulsory school age extending until age 17, reporting on reenrolled students, a district ensuring that its graduation incentives program receives certain resources, requiring dental examinations and the collection of data relating to obesity, the teaching of history including the study of Asian Americans, increases in the minimum wage for school district employees after June 30, 2007, and defining "employer" to include school districts under the Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act. Makes other changes. Effective June 30, 2007.

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SB 1157

Short Description: SCH CD-DRESS CODE REQUIRED

Senate Sponsors
Sen. J. Bradley Burzynski

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. Requires a school board (other than the Chicago Board of Education) to adopt a dress code policy to apply to students beginning with the 2007-2008 school year. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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SB 1165

Short Description: SCH CD-VARIOUS REPEALS

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Deanna Demuzio-Dan Cronin

House Sponsors
Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. 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. Makes related changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1
Further amends the School Code. 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.

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SB 1183

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

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

House Sponsors

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

House Sponsors
(Rep. Eddie Washington-Elga L. Jefferies-Paul D. Froehlich, John E. Bradley and Sandy Cole)

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 1255

Short Description: JOB PRESERVATION ACT
Senate Sponsors
Sen. Michael Noland

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Job Preservation Act of 2007. Provides that companies that lose 100 or more employees due to outsourcing of jobs are ineligible to receive procurement contracts with the State, units of local government, or school districts and to receive government grants, loans, tax incentives, or other economic incentives. Requires certain companies that lose 100 or more employees to notify the Department of Labor about the loss. Requires the Department to send a survey to companies that report the loss of 100 or more employees in order to determine the number of employees lost because of outsourcing jobs outside of the United States. Requires the Department to provide written notice to the Governor, the General Assembly, State agencies, units of local government, and school districts. Preempts home rule powers. Exempts from the reimbursement requirements of the State Mandates Act. Effective immediately.

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SB 1266

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. James F. Clayborne, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the School Impact Fee Act. Contains only a short title provision.

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SB 1361

Short Description: SCH CD-BONDS-PROP TAX REFUNDS

Senate Sponsors
Sen. M. Maggie Crotty-Donne E. Trotter

House Sponsors
(Rep. Elaine Nekritz)

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the School Code. In a provision authorizing a school district, other than the Chicago school district, to issue bonds for paying orders issued for the wages of teachers or for the payment of claims against the district, adds that the bonds may also be used for reimbursing the district for property tax refunds. Makes related changes concerning a resolution to issue the bonds, submission of the proposition to voters, the amount of indebtedness, interest, and maturity, the provision of a tax levy, and the sale of the bonds.
SB 1377

Short Description: SCH CD-LARGE DISTRICT DIVISION

Senate Sponsors
Sen. John J. Millner

Synopsis As Introduced
Creates the Meeting Local Educational Needs Law of the School Code. Allows for a petition to request submission of a proposition at a regularly scheduled election for the purpose of voting for or against the division of an existing community unit school district into 2 parts, (i) a compact and contiguous area that is proposed for detachment from the existing district and establishment as a separate community unit school district and (ii) the remainder of the original, existing district. Provides that the original district must have an enrollment of more than 30,000 students and be located in 2 or more municipalities and 2 or more counties and the petition, if successful, must result in 2 community unit school districts, each with an anticipated enrollment of at least 5,000 students. Contains provisions concerning the election area, the referendum, the creation of the new district (including election of a new school board and the powers of that board), the transfer of employment and collective bargaining, the accounting and division of assets, tax rates, transfer students, bonded indebtedness, and limitations on contesting boundary changes and successive petitions. Makes a related change in provisions of the School Code concerning debt limits. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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SB 1425

Short Description: SCH CD-CHI-ATTEND CHARTER SCH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Provides that the Chicago Board of Education may designate attendance boundaries for its charter schools (now the Board may designate attendance boundaries for no more than one-third of its charter schools). Also allows for an attendance boundary for a campus of a charter school. Provides that pupils residing within an attendance boundary must (instead of may) be given priority for enrollment. Effective immediately.

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SB 1426

Short Description: SCH CD-UTILITY CONTRACT-BID

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Matt Murphy

House Sponsors
(Rep. Roger L. Eddy)

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.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. 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, and contracts for repair, maintenance, remodeling, renovation, or construction involving an expenditure not to exceed $50,000 (rather than $20,000). Adds an exception for contracts for the provision of motor vehicle fuel. Provides that a school board must either award electricity contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $25,000 to the lowest responsible bidder or procure electricity through a request for proposals process similar to the process set forth in the Article of the School Code concerning school energy conservation. Provides that if a school district joins a utility consortium, then that consortium must either award electricity contracts involving an expenditure in excess of $25,000 to the lowest responsible bidder or procure electricity through a request for proposals process similar to the process set forth in the Article of the School Code concerning school energy conservation. Effective immediately.

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SB 1428

Short Description: CHILD ABUSE-UNREPORTED-PENALTY

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

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.

### 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.

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### SB 1441

**Short Description:** STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Mattie Hunter

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Appropriates $300,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for Drop Out Prevention Grants.

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### SB 1443

**Short Description:** CDB-CHICAGO HIGH SCHOOL

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Appropriates $50,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Capital Development Board for a grant to City of Chicago School District 299 for the construction of a high school at 31st Street and Kedzie Street, with an enrollment of at least 3,000 students. Effective July 1, 2007.
SB 1444

Short Description:  $CDB-EARLY CHILDHOOD ED CNTR

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

Synopsis As Introduced
Appropriates $25,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the Capital Development Board for the construction of an early childhood education center in an overcrowded area in the Southwest region of Chicago. Effective July 1, 2007.

SB 1445

Short Description:  $CAP DEV BD CHICAGO JR HIGH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

Synopsis As Introduced
Appropriates $45,000,000 to the Capital Development Board for a grant to the Chicago public schools to construct the Joseph P. Burke junior high school. Effective July 1, 2007.

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 1472

**Short Description:** INTERNET SAFETY EDUCATION ACT

**Senate Sponsors**  

**House Sponsors**  

**Synopsis AsIntroduced**  
Creates the Internet Safety Education Act to inform and protect students from inappropriate or illegal communications and solicitation and to require school districts to provide education about Internet threats and risks. Creates the Internet Safety Education Alliance under the authority of the Office of the Attorney General. Amends the State Finance Act to create the Internet Safety Education Fund. Amends the School Code to mandate the provision by every public school of instruction and discussion on effective methods by which students may recognize and report inappropriate, illegal, or threatening communications on the Internet on or before the start of the 2008-2009 school year.

**Senate Committee Amendment No. 1**  
Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code to add a provision concerning an Internet safety education curriculum. Provides that each school may adopt an age-appropriate curriculum for Internet safety instruction of students in grades kindergarten through 12. Sets forth recommendations regarding minimum hours of instruction and curriculum topics. Provides that a school may submit the curriculum for review to the Office of the Attorney General. Effective immediately.

### SB 1473

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

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

**Synopsis AsIntroduced**  

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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.
SB 1480

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the creation of the Board.

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SB 1482

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 1498

Short Description: PROC CD-CONSTRUCTION BENEFITS
Senate Sponsors
Sen. David Koehler

Synopsis As Introduced
Amends the Illinois Procurement Code. With respect to the criteria for status as a responsible bidder on State construction contracts, adds requirements concerning the provision of employee health insurance, training, and pension or retirement benefits.

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SB 1509

Short Description: SEX OFFENDER REG-Delinquent

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Kwame Raoul

House Sponsors

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 1530

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Mattie Hunter

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning a comprehensive health education program.

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**SB 1556**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

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

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

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**SB 1557**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-DRIVER ED-DISTRACTIONS

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

**House Sponsors**
(Rep. Paul D. Froehlich)

**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.

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**SB 1560**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-ED SUPPORT PERSONNEL

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Deanna Demuzio-Susan Garrett

**House Sponsors**
(Rep. Gary Hannig and Kurt M. Granberg)

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Amends the School Code. In a Section concerning educational support personnel employees, provides that if the hours the employee works are reduced for certain reasons, then written notice must be given to the employee. Provides that if a reduction in hours is due to an unforeseen reduction in the student population, then the written notice must be mailed and given to the employee at least 5 days (instead of 30 days) before the hours are reduced. With respect to educational support personnel employees removed or dismissed for certain reasons, provides that if a school board has any vacancies for the following school term or within one calendar year from the beginning of the following school term, the positions thereby becoming available within a specific category of position shall be tendered to the employees who were removed or dismissed from that category or any other category of position (now, just from that category), so far as they are qualified to hold the positions. Effective immediately.

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**SB 1630**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Michael Noland

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

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**SB 1682**

**Short Description:** SOCIAL NETWORKING WEBSITE

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Matt Murphy

**Synopsis As Introduced**
Creates the Social Networking Website Prohibition Act. Provides that each public library must prohibit access to social networking websites on all computers made available to the public in the library. Provides that each public school must prohibit access to social networking websites on all computers made available to students in the school. Provides for enforcement by the Attorney General or a citizen. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective January 1, 2008.
SB 1690

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Pamela J. Althoff

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

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SB 1702

Short Description: SCH CD-STUDENT BIOMETRIC INFO

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

House Sponsors

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, 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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**SB 1720**

**Short Description:** SCH CD-NO LONGER ENROLLED LIST

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. Antonio Munoz

**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.

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**SB 1725**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH

**Senate Sponsors**
Sen. James A. DeLeo

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

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**SB 1727**

**Short Description:** EDUCATION-TECH
Senate Sponsors
Sen. James A. DeLeo

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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SB 1728

Short Description: EDUCATION-TECH

Senate Sponsors
Sen. James A. DeLeo

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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HR 11

Short Description: SCHOOL LUNCH NUTRITION

House Sponsors
Rep. Monique D. Davis-Jack D. Franks

Synopsis As Introduced
Urges the U.S. Congress to require the U.S. Department of Agriculture to conduct a study and report on the nutritional value of the country's school lunches.

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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.
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 B. 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

Senate Sponsors
(Sen. Susan Garrett)

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, Dan Brady and Sidney H. Mathias

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 10

Short Description: CON AMEND-EDUCATION FUNDING

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Proposes to amend Section 1 of Article X of the Illinois Constitution. Provides that a fundamental right (instead of goal) of the People of the State is the educational development of all persons to the limits of their capacities. Provides that it is the paramount duty of the State to provide for a thorough and efficient system of high quality public education institutions and services and to guarantee equality of educational opportunity as a fundamental right of each citizen (instead of requiring the State to provide for an efficient system of high quality public education institutions and services). Provides that the State has the preponderant financial responsibility (instead of the primary responsibility) for financing the system of public education. Effective upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.

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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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