

2020 Public Act Chart

<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Public Act</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Description</u>
SB 0264	PA 101-0637	Harmon/Harris	The fiscal year 2021 includes flat funding for schools, including EBF and mandated categoricals. Also includes appropriation authority for federal CARES Act funding. Effective immediately, some provisions effective July 1, 2020.
SB 1569	PA 101-0643	Bertino-Tarrant/Davis	Education omnibus legislation that among other things includes ISBE COVID related priorities, educator dismissal hearing language, authorization of district intervention funds, extension of transfers between funds, transfer of courses, and changes to the CPS local school council election.
			Authorizes remote learning days, blended remote learning days, and up to 5 remote and blended remote planning days for use when a gubernatorial disaster has been proclaimed or when any other exigent circumstance exists. Suspends clock hour requirements and allows the State Superintendent to establish new clock hour requirements when a disaster declaration due to a public health emergency is in place. Adds reference to e-learning programs to affirm that districts may utilize approved e-learning programs during remote learning days.
			During a public health emergency, the legislation waives and modifies licensure requirements.
			Amends the School Code. Clarifies that clerks should calculate future tax extensions for districts receiving Property Tax Relief Pool Grants as if there were no abatement in the two years following the year in which a grant is received. This adjustment would help ensure that two years of abatement do not impair future tax extension growth.
			Amends the School Code to support educator recruitment, preparation, and support including: 1) makes licenses endorsed for visiting international educators valid for five years (currently three); 2) allows career and technical education teachers to renew their licenses with a test of workplace proficiency, not just educators whose license was issued July 1, 2015, or after; 4) requires international educators to complete an English proficiency exam; and, 3) updates language to conform with current licensure nomenclature.

<p>During a public health emergency, the legislation waives and modifies graduation and coursework requirements. Affirms graduation modifications granted to Spring 2020 graduates.</p>
<p>During a public health emergency, the legislation deals with teacher evaluations and educator dismissal hearings.</p>
<p>Amends the School Code to require within 10 days after a superintendent, regional office of education, or entity that provides background checks of license holders to public schools receives information of a pending criminal charge against a license holder for certain offenses, requires the superintendent, regional office of education, or entity to notify the State Superintendent of Education of the pending criminal charge. This is a trailer bill to PA 101-0531.</p>
<p>During a public health emergency, the legislation allows early childhood grantees to serve as emergency childcare centers.</p>
<p>During a public health emergency, the legislation waives State assessment requirements when the State receives a waiver from the U.S. Department of Education.</p>
<p>During a public health emergency, a child's report card may not be held by a school due to missing dental and health exams.</p>
<p>Amends the School Code to allow district intervention funds to be added to an organizational unit's base funding minimum if the organizational unit (i) is operating under an Independent Authority or is subject to State Board of Education control pursuant to a court order for at least 4 school years; (ii) was designated as a Tier 1 or Tier 2 organizational unit in the previous school year; (iii) is operating under financial planning approved by the Independent Authority or the governing board of the organizational unit if under State Board control pursuant to a court order, and (iv) has made sufficient progress and achieved sufficient stability in the areas of governance, academic growth, and finances. Sets forth the procedures for adding district intervention money to the base funding minimum, including requiring General Assembly approval.</p>
<p>Extends the ability of school districts to transfer among funds through July 1, 2021.</p>
<p>Moves CPS Local School Council Elections scheduled for Spring 2020 to the first semester Parent Report Card Pick-up Day of the 2020-2021 school year.</p>

			Amends the IL Articulation Initiative General Education statute to require courses taken during a public health emergency to be transferrable and graded as 'pass,' 'credit,' or 'satisfactory.'
SB 1857	PA 101-0645	Martinez/Burke	Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Extends the repeal of specified provisions in specified Acts. Effective immediately. Among other changes, extends the sunset for retired personnel employed by a school district to June 30, 2021 (for persons who may work 120 days or 600 hours).
SB 1863	PA 101-0642	Morrison/Burke	Among other changes, mandates November 3, 2020 (Election Day 2020) be deemed a State holiday and therefore schools shall be closed. Also requires schools to be used as a polling place, if requested by the local election authority
SB 1937	PA 101-0646	Lightford/Welch	Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. In a Section concerning the debt limitations of school districts, provides that, in addition to all other authority to issue bonds, Komarek School District 94, Berkeley School District 87, and Schiller Park School District 81 may issue bonds if the voters of those districts approve a proposition for the bond issuance and certain conditions are met. Provides that the debt incurred on the bonds shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation. Effective immediately.
HB 0357	PA 101-0636	Harris/Harmon	The FY 2021 BIMP provides additional authority to transfer up to 8% between appropriation line-items (up from 2% last year and 4% during the great recession) is given to the Governor. Effective immediately.
HB 2096	PA 101-0632	Willis/Murphy	Makes changes regarding the remote operating of townships during a public health emergency. Includes language allowing bids for school construction purposes to be opened electronically.
HB 2170	PA 101-0654	Ammons/Lightford	Represents major education reform legislation designed to address systemic issues that cause deep inequities and opportunity gaps in education. This law takes powerful steps forward to ensure all our students have access to rigorous learning opportunities that will prepare them to succeed every step of the way after high school. Among other changes, the legislation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires the State Board of Education to annually assess all public-school students entering kindergarten. • Creates the Whole Child Task Force to establish an equitable, inclusive, safe, and supportive environment in all schools for every student in this State. • Amends the Early Intervention Services System Act. • Makes changes concerning eligibility requirements for early intervention

			<p>services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creates the Data Governance and Organization to Support Equity and Racial Justice Act.• Requires the Office of the Governor and the Department of Innovation and Technology to jointly establish an organization and governance that is responsible for certain data collection processes.• Requires the State Board of Education and specified departments to submit a report detailing the statistical data on the racial and ethnic demographics of program participants for each major program administered by the State Board of Education or the respective department to the General Assembly. <p>HB 2170 also assigns the Professional Review Panel several tasks which must be completed by December 31, 2021.</p>
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