

2011 Public Act Chart

<u>Bill Number</u>	<u>Public Act</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Division Assigned</u>	<u>Rules</u>
HB 12		Rep. Cole Sen. Pankau	Allows school energy efficiency grants to be made to special education cooperatives. Effective immediately.	School Business Special Education-FYI	
HB 78		Rep. Jakobsson Sen. Frerichs	Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Creates the offense of criminal trespass to a safe school zone. Provides that the prohibition on a person entering or remaining in a safe school zone without lawful business, once being served either in person or by registered or certified mail that his or her presence has been withdrawn by the school administrator or his or her designee and whose presence or acts interfere with or whenever there is reasonable suspicion to believe such person will disrupt the orderly operation or the safety or peaceful conduct of the school or school activities does not apply to conduct protected by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States or Article I of the Illinois Constitution, including the exercise of free speech, free expression, and the free exercise of religion or expression of religiously based views.	Legal	
HB 139	PA 97-0086	Rep. Ford Sen. A. Collins.	Provides that a remedial summer school program for a student determined to be 2 or more grades below current placement shall emphasize reading and mathematics if the student has performed below grade level for 2 consecutive school years. Effective January 1, 2012.	Curriculum and Instruction Ed & Schl. Develop	
HB 147		Rep. Dugan Sen. Hutchinson	Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that an employer of a school bus driver permit holder who holds a commercial driver's license and who works for the employer as a school bus driver and is therefore subject to 49 CFR 382.307 shall, within 48 hours, notify the Secretary of State, in a manner and form prescribed by the Secretary, of the result of a reasonable suspicion test when: (i) the test indicates an alcohol concentration greater than 0.00; (ii) the test discloses any amount of drugs; or (iii) when a driver refuses testing. Provides that a non-CDL holder who holds a school bus driver permit and his or her employer shall be subject to reasonable suspicion drug and alcohol testing. Testing of non-CDL holders shall be in conformance with federal regulations, except that the results of the tests shall be reported in a manner and form approved by the Secretary of State	Fund & Disbursement	

			instead of on federal forms. Provides that provisions regarding notification requirements go into effect when a test discloses "any amount of cannabis as covered by the Cannabis Control Act, a controlled substance listed in the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, methamphetamine as listed in the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act, or any intoxicating compound listed in the Use of Intoxicating Compounds Act" (instead of "any amount of drugs"). Provides that the cost of a reasonable suspicion test shall be the responsibility of the employer, unless otherwise provided by contract or a collective bargaining agreement. Effective January 1, 2012.		
HB 189		Rep. Eddy Sen. Sullivan	Provides that, with respect to any State statute or administrative rule that defines a general education classroom to be composed of a certain percentage of students with individualized education plans (IEPs), students with individualized education plans shall exclude students receiving only speech services outside of the general education classroom, provided that the instruction the students receive in the general education classroom does not require modification. In every instance, a school district must ensure that composition of the general education classroom does not interfere with the provision of a free and appropriate public education to any student. Effective immediately.	Special Education	
HB 190		Rep. Eddy Sen. Righter	Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Provides that of the 70 charter schools that are permitted to operate at any one in the City of Chicago School District 299, at least 5 charter schools must be devoted exclusively to students from low-performing or overcrowded schools are allowed. Those charter schools operating in the city that are permitted to be devoted exclusively to re-enrolled high school dropouts may also be devoted exclusively to students at risk of dropping out. Any charter school with a mission exclusive to educating high school dropouts may grant priority admission to students who are high school dropouts or at risk of dropping out. Effective January 1, 2012.	Legal	
HB 192		Rep. Eddy Sen. Righter	Amends the Stalking No Contact Order Act, the Civil No Contact Order Act, and the Illinois Domestic Violence Act of 1986. It provides that when the respondent attends a public, private, or non-public elementary, middle, or high school the court may tailor the order protecting a petitioner after	Legal Special Education	

			<p>considering all relevant factors including the physical danger or emotional distress to the petitioner, the severity of the act, and all factors relating to the education of a petitioner and respondent. Further, the court may order that the respondent accept a change of educational placement or program, as determined by the school district or private or non-public school. If a respondent claims that an educational transfer, a change of placement, or a change of program of the respondent is not available, the respondent may not base that assertion on the grounds that the respondent does not agree with the school district's or private or non-public school's transfer, change of placement, or change of program or that the respondent fails, refuses, or take actions for a transfer, change of placement, or change of program. Provides that the court may make the parents, guardian, or legal custodian of the respondent responsible for costs associated with the respondent's placement under the order. Provides that, with respect to the enforcement of an order, the court: (i) shall not hold a school district or private or non-public school or any of its employees in civil or criminal contempt unless the school district or private or non-public school has been allowed to intervene; and (ii) may hold the parents, guardian, or legal custodian of the minor respondent in civil or criminal contempt for a violation of an order for conduct of the minor in violation of the Act if the parents, guardian, or legal custodian directed, encouraged, or assisted the minor in the conduct. Effective January 1, 2012.</p>		
HB 200		Rep. Cross Sen. Raoul	<p>Creates the Protecting Our Student Athletes Act and requires each school board to adopt a policy regarding student athlete concussions and head injuries that is in compliance with the protocols, policies, and by-laws of the Illinois High School Association. Information on the school board's concussion and head injury policy must be a part of any agreement, contract, code, or other written instrument that a school district requires a student athlete and his or her parents or guardian to sign before participating in practice or interscholastic competition. The Illinois High School Association must make education materials available to all school districts that describe the nature and risk of concussions and head injuries. Each school district must use education materials provided by the Illinois</p>	Ed & Schl. Develop	

			High School Association to educate coaches, student athletes, and parents and guardians of student athletes about the nature and risk of concussions and head injuries, including continuing play after a concussion or head injury. The bill also amends the Park District Code to require certain this related to head injuries and concussions as well. Effective July 1, 2011.		
HB 219		Rep. Beaubien Sen. Cullerton	Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that every driver and passenger (rather than every driver, front seat passengers, and certain passengers under the age of 19) of a motor vehicle operated on a street or highway of this State must wear a properly adjusted safety belt, with specified exceptions. Effective January 1, 2012.	Fund & Disbursement	
HB 268		Rep. Reitz Sen. Link	Creates the Local Government Consolidation Commission Act of 2011. The commission shall be made up of legislative members and local government representatives appointed by the Governor and shall report to the Governor and General Assembly on consolidating local governments. Support for the commission shall be provided by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. Effective immediately.	School Business -FYI	
HB 326		Rep. W. Davis Sen. Kotowski	Budget for FY12 ISBE federal and other state funds.	Budget Fund & Disbursement Fiscal	
HB 327		Rep. W. Davis Sen. Kotowski	Budget for FY12 ISBE General Revenue Funds.	Budget Fund & Disbursement Fiscal	
HB 332		Rep. Berrios Sen. Munoz	Amends a number of statutes, including the School Code in Section 34-18 (105 ILCS 5/34-18), to make change to certain definitions of "minority", "minority senior citizen", "minority person", "under-represented minority", "minority group", "member of a minority group", "minority student", and "racial minority" to mean a person who is (1) American Indian or Alaska Native, (2) Asian, (3) Black or African American, (4) Hispanic or Latino, or (5) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. Effective January 1, 2012.	None Data Analysis – FYI only	
HB 1130		Rep. Sente Sen. Link	Creates the Movable Soccer Goal Safety Act to require each organization (which includes school district) that owns and controls a movable soccer goal to create a soccer goal safety and education policy. Beginning one year after the effective date of the Act, no commercial dealer,	Ed. And Schl Develop	

			<p>manufacturer, importer, distributor, wholesaler or retailer may manufacture, re-manufacture, retrofit, distribute, sell at wholesale or retail, contract to sell or resell, lease, or sublet, or otherwise place in the stream of commerce, a movable soccer goal that is not tip-resistant. Effective immediately.</p>		
HB 1197	PA 97-0007	Rep. M. Davis Sen. Lightford	<p>This legislation is in effect if and only if Senate Bill 7 as passed by the 97th General Assembly becomes law. It amends the Educational Labor Relations Act to add language concerning jurisdiction over a dispute or impasse over certain subjects with respect to the Chicago school district. With respect to school districts other than the Chicago school district it makes changes concerning the declaration of an impasse and making public the final offers and each party's cost summary dealing with those issues on which the parties have failed to reach agreement. With respect to the Chicago school district it makes a change concerning the submission of a dispute to fact-finding. In addition it makes changes concerning the procedures whereby a dispute or impasse over certain subjects must be resolved and jurisdiction. Further provides that educational employees in the Chicago school district shall not engage in a strike unless at least three-fourths of all bargaining unit employees who are members of the exclusive bargaining representative (instead of at least three-fourths of all bargaining unit members of the exclusive bargaining representative) have affirmatively voted to authorize the strike; provided, however, that all members of the exclusive bargaining representative at the time of a strike authorization vote shall be eligible to vote. In addition, it provides that, with respect to the list of permissive subjects of bargaining between an educational employer whose territorial boundaries are coterminous with those of a city having a population in excess of 500,000 and an exclusive representative of its employees, decisions to determine length of the work and school day and length of the work and school year apply only to the Chicago school district. This legislation is effective immediately or on the effective date of Senate Bill 7 of the 97th General Assembly, whichever is later.</p>	Linda Tomlinson - LEAD Legal Certification Ed & Schl. Develop Innovation & Improvement	
HB 1204	PA 97-0087	Rep. Howard Sen. E. Jones	<p>Amends the School Code to require that school districts provide instruction in violence prevention and conflict resolution education for grades kindergarten through 12 (rather than grades 4 through 12). Effective</p>	Curriculum and Instruction	

			immediately.		
HB 1216		Rep. Chapa LaVia Sen. Koehler	Establishes the School District Realignment and Consolidation Commission, with 20 members appointed by legislative leaders and education organizations. The Lieutenant Governor shall serve as the chair. The State Board of Education shall provide administrative support. The Commission will hold public hearings and issue a report to the Governor and General Assembly by July 1, 2012.Effective immediately.	School Business Legal	
HB 1240		Rep. Franks Sen. Garrett	Provides that upon request of a school, school district, community college district, or private school, any information obtained by a school district pursuant to provisions concerning criminal history records checks and checks of the Statewide Sex Offender Database and Statewide Child Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Database within the last year must be made available to that school, school district, community college district, or private school. Effective January 1, 2012.	Legal	
HB 1277		Rep. Rita Sen. Martinez	Amends the Open Meetings Act to authorize the closure of meetings between internal or external auditors and governmental audit committees, finance committees, and their equivalents, when the discussion involves internal control weaknesses, identification of potential fraud risk areas, known or suspected frauds, and fraud interviews conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the United States of America. Effective January 1, 2012.	Legal Internal Audit	
HB 1338		Rep. Gabel Sen. Delgado	Creates the Immunization Data Registry Act and provides that the Department of Public Health may develop and maintain an immunization data registry to collect, store, analyze, release, and report immunization data. It sets forth purposes for which the registry may be used and provisions concerning the provision of immunization data to the registry, confidentiality, and the release of information. Effective on July 1, 2011.	Data Analysis Legal	
HB 1353		Rep. Pritchard Sen. Dillard	Amends the School Code to prohibit a nominee of a General Assembly scholarship from being a relative of the member of the General Assembly making the nomination. Effective immediately.	Public Information	
HB 1415		Rep. Jones Sen. Meeks	Amends the School Code to provide for certain schools and districts specifically listed in the legislation, if, after 2 years following its placement on academic watch status, that the State Board of Education shall allow the school board to opt in the process of operating a school on a pilot full-	Innovation & Improve. Legal	

			year school plan, which will be comprised of a minimum of 215 school days. The school board must notify the State Board of Education of its intent to opt in the process of operating a school on a pilot full-year school plan. The operation of a school on a pilot full-year school plan shall be subject to federal appropriation money being available. Effective January 1, 2012.		
HB 1547		Rep. M. Davis Sen. Hunter	Creates the Commission to End the Disparities Facing the African-American Community Act. Sets forth the appointment of members to the Commission including the State Superintendent of Education. The Commission will research the disparities facing African-Americans in the areas of healthcare, healthcare services, employment, education, criminal justice, housing, and other social and economic issues and shall hold one or more public hearings. A report on the findings of the Commission must be submitted to the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2013. Effective immediately.	Superintendent	
HB 1571		Rep. Cross Sen. Steans	Amends the Care of Students with Diabetes Act. In the Section concerning training for school employees and delegated care aides, provides that all school employees shall receive training during regular inservice training under a Section of the School Code concerning institutes and inservice training workshops (instead of as provided for by a Section of the School Code concerning in-service training programs on specific topics). It further provides that initial training of a delegated care aide (instead of just initial training) shall be provided by a licensed healthcare provider with expertise in diabetes or a certified diabetic educator and individualized by a student's parent or guardian. Effective immediately.	Legal Special Education	
HB 1670		Rep. Burke Sen. Crotty	Amends the Open Meetings Act. Requires each elected or appointed member of a public body subject to the Open Meetings Act who is such a member on the effective date of the amendatory Act to successfully complete the electronic training curriculum developed and administered by the Public Access Counselor. Provides that an elected school board member may satisfy the Act's training requirements by successful completion of a course of training provided by an organization created under Article 23 of the School Code. It further specifies subjects that are to be included in the course of training. Provides that, if an organization	Public Information Legal	

			created under Article 23 of the School Code offers such a course, then the organization must provide a certificate of course completion to school board members who successfully complete the course. Provides that elected school board members who receive alternative training are exempt from the penalties imposed for a violation of the Act. Effective January 1, 2012.		
HB 1706		Rep. Gabel Sen. Noland	Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning personnel reimbursement for children in hospital or home instruction, provides that a child qualifies for home or hospital instruction if it is anticipated that, due to a medical condition, the child will (instead of a child must due to a medical condition) be unable to attend school and instead must be instructed at home or in the hospital for a period of 2 or more consecutive weeks or on an ongoing intermittent basis (defined in the legislation). It further provides that there shall be no requirement that a child be absent from school a minimum number of days before the child qualifies for home or hospital instruction and that home or hospital instruction may commence upon receipt of the required written physician's statement, but instruction shall commence not later than 5 school days after the school district receives the physician's statement. Special education and related services required by the child's IEP or services and accommodations required by the child's federal Section 504 plan must be implemented as part of the child's home or hospital instruction, unless the IEP team or federal Section 504 plan team determines that modifications are necessary during the home or hospital instruction due to the child's condition. Effective immediately.	Special Education Legal Fund & Disbursement	
HB 1716		Rep. Currie Sen. Harmon	Amends the Freedom of Information Act to establishe procedures for dealing with "recurrent FOIA requesters", which is defined in the bill as a person that, in the 12 months immediately preceding the request, has submitted to the same public body (i) a minimum of 50 requests for records, (ii) a minimum of 15 requests for records within a 30-day period, or (iii) a minimum of 7 requests for records within a 7-day period. It establishes procedures that public bodies are to use in responding to requests from recurrent requesters. Public bodies are authorized to charge a fee for each hour spent by personnel in searching for and retrieving	Public Information Legal	

			requested records. A person whose records request is made for a commercial purpose may not file a request for review with the Public Access Counselor, except for the limited purpose of determining whether the public body accurately characterized the request as a commercial request. Effective immediately.		
HB 1831		Rep. Hernandez Sen. Garrett	Amends the Block Grants for Chicago Article of the School Code to remove a provision that requires the educational services block grant to include the Bilingual Program. Effective July 1, 2011.	ELL Fund & Disbursement Budget	
HB 1948		Rep. Jakobsson Sen. Frerichs	Amends the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Act to require that the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority create a form for agencies to list the number of cameras that they own or have access to and to post that form on its official Internet website. The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) must post on its website a list of agencies that own or have access to cameras and the number of cameras that each agency owns or has access to. Requires that an agency submit a copy of any policies adopted by the agency that address camera use by the agency to the ICJIA. The camera use policies must be posted on the ICJIA's website. Defines "camera" to mean an outdoor surveillance camera and "agency" to include the Illinois State Board of Education, School Districts, and programs operated by the Regional Offices of Education. Effective January 1, 2012.	Public Information Administrative Services	
HB 2086		Rep. M. Davis Sen. Lightford	Amends the School Code to provide that an expelled pupil or a pupil who is suspended in excess of 20 school days may be immediately transferred to an alternative school program or an alternative learning opportunities program. A pupil may be denied transfer to an alternative school program or an alternative learning opportunities program because of an expulsion or suspension in cases in which such transfer is deemed to cause a threat to the safety of students or staff in the alternative program. A school district may adopt a policy providing that if a student is suspended or expelled for any reason from any public or private school in this or any other state, the student must complete the entire term of the suspension or expulsion in an alternative school program or an alternative learning opportunities program before being admitted into the school district only if there is no threat to the safety of students or staff in the alternative	Legal Special Education	

			program. Effective January 1, 2012.		
HB 2265		Rep. Sosnowski Sen. Johnson	Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code to provide that "multifunction school-activity bus" means a school bus manufactured for the purpose of transporting 11 or more persons (rather than 11 to 15 persons), including the driver, whose purposes do not include transporting students to and from home or school bus stops. Effective immediately.	Fund & Disbursement	
HB 2397	PA 97-0088	Rep. Mayfield Sen. Holmes	Amends the School Code to provide that each school board shall promote at least 60 minutes of minimum reading opportunities daily for students in kindergarten through 3rd grade whose reading level is one grade level or lower than his or her current grade level according to current learning standards and the school district. Effective immediately.	Curriculum and Instruction	
HB 2401		Rep. J. Mitchell Sen. Lightford	Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code to provide that each campus of a Chicago charter school devoted exclusively to re-enrolled high school dropouts must be operated through a contract or payroll (instead of just operated) by the same legal entity as that for which the charter is approved and certified. Effective January 1, 2012.	Legal	
HB 2870		Rep. Chapa LaVia Sen. Koehler	Provides that at the time of annual enrollment or at any time during the school year, a school district or a recognized non-public school serving any of grades kindergarten through 12 shall provide, either on its standard enrollment form or on a separate form, the opportunity for the individual enrolling the student to voluntarily state whether the student has a parent or guardian who is a member of a branch of the armed forces of the United States and who is either deployed to active duty or expects to be deployed to active duty during the school year. Requires each school district and recognized non-public school to report this enrollment information as aggregate data to the State Board of Education. Effective immediately.	Data Analysis and Progress Reporting	
HB 2922		Rep. Hatcher Sen. Mulroe	Amends the State Comptroller Act. With certain exceptions, beginning in 2012 requires each State agency to report the necessary information to the Comptroller by each October 31 for the Comptroller's publication of the State's comprehensive annual financial report by each December 31. Establishes measures to deal with delinquent or insufficient reports from State agencies. Effective immediately.	Budget Fund & Disbursement Fiscal	
HB 3035		Rep. Holbrook Sen. Haine	Amends the School Code, the Illinois School Student Records Act, and the Educational Opportunity for Military Children Act to provide that until June	Data Analysis Legal	

			30, 2015 (instead of June 30, 2012), if a student is an out-of-state transfer student and does not have proof of having had either the required health examination or immunizations before October 15 of the current year or whatever date is set by the school district, then he or she may only attend classes (i) if he or she has proof that an appointment for the required vaccinations has been scheduled with a party authorized to submit proof of the required vaccinations. Until June 30, 2015 (instead of June 30, 2012), out-of-state transfer students may use unofficial transcripts for admission to a school until official transcripts are obtained from his or her last school district. With respect to the Educational Opportunity for Military Children Act, provides that the State Council shall be comprised of the Illinois P-20 Council, representatives appointed by the Illinois P-20 Council from the 3 school districts in this State with the highest percentage of children from military families, and one non-voting representative appointed by each active-duty military installation commander in this State (instead of having the Illinois P-20 Council and representatives appointed by the Illinois P-20 Council from the 3 school districts in this State with the highest percentage of children from military families constituting the State Council). Provides that the Act is repealed on June 30, 2015 (instead of June 30, 2012). Effective January 1, 2012.		
HB 3109		Rep. Cole Sen. Martinez	Amends the Transitional Bilingual Education Article of the School Code to provide that, by no later than December 1, 2011, the Advisory Council on Bilingual Education shall submit a report to the State Superintendent of Education, the Governor, and the General Assembly addressing, at a minimum, (1) whether and how the 20 child per attendance center minimum should be modified; (2) whether and how educator certification requirements in the Article and applicable State Board of Education rules should be modified; (3) whether and how bilingual education requirements in the Article and applicable State Board of Education rules should be modified to address differences between elementary and secondary schools; and (4) whether and how to allow school districts to administer alternative bilingual education programs instead of transitional bilingual education programs. Effective January 1, 2012.	English Language Learning	
HB 3115		Rep. Gordon	Repeals provisions establishing the existing Textbook Loan Program and	Fiscal	

		Sen. Maloney	instead establishes a new statutory language to authorize ISBE to provide annual funding to public school districts and State-recognized, non-public schools, subject to appropriation, that serve students in grades kindergarten through 12 for the purchase of selected textbooks. The textbooks authorized to be purchased are limited without exception to textbooks that have been preapproved and designated by the State Board of Education for use in any public school and that are secular, non-religious, and non-sectarian. ISBE must annually publish a list of the textbooks authorized to be purchased. Provides that the State Board of Education may adopt rules as necessary to ensure the religious neutrality of the textbook block grant program, as well as provide for the monitoring of all textbooks authorized to be purchased directly by State-recognized, nonpublic schools serving students in grades kindergarten through 12.Effective July 1, 2012.	Curriculum and Instruction	
HB 3171		Rep. Cavaletto Sen. Maloney	Provides for the employment of assistant principals. Includes provisions concerning (1) duties, (2) contracts, (3) reclassification, and (4) evaluation. Removes language that provides that if a principal is absent due to extended illness or leave of absence, then an assistant principal may be assigned as acting principal for a period not to exceed 60 school days. Provides that no principal (rather than no principal who has completed 2 or more years of administrative service in the school district) may be reclassified by demotion or reduction in rank from one position within a school district to another for which a lower salary is paid without written notice from the board of the proposed reclassification by April 1 of the year in which the contract expires. Effective immediately.	Ed & Schl. Develop	
HB 3179		Rep. Cavaletto Sen. J. Jones	Amends the School Code to provide that a chronic or habitual truant shall be defined as a child who is subject to compulsory school attendance and who is absent without valid cause from such attendance for 5% (instead of 10%) or more of the previous 180 regular attendance days. Effective immediately.	Data Analysis	
HB 3222		Rep. Stephens Sen. Johnson	Amends the School Code to provide that a chief school business official endorsement shall be affixed to the administrative certificate of any holder who qualifies by having a Master's Degree in Public Administration from a regionally accredited higher education institution. Effective immediately.	Certification	

HB 3223		Rep. Senger Sen. T. Johnson	Makes changes to the Section of the code concerning remote education programs, specifically with respect to how attendance for students in those programs can be counted (including for General State Aid purposes) and how the calendar for students in remote education programs may work. Effective immediately.	Fund & Disbursement Curriculum and Instruction External Assurance	
HB 3281		Rep. Mathias Sen. E. Jones.	Provides that the gross disobedience or misconduct for which a school board may expel pupils includes that perpetuated by electronic means. Provides that a school 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 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 website against a school employee, a student, or any school-related personnel, (ii) the Internet website 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 threatening to the safety and security of the threatened individual because of his or her duties or employment status or status as a student inside the school. Effective January 1, 2012.	Legal Ed & Schl. Develop	
HB 3294		Rep. Nybo Sen. Schoenberg	Authorizes school districts to have epinephrine on hand for use on students even if those students do not have a specific prescription for the epinephrine. Effective immediately.	Legal Ed & Schl. Develop Special Education	
HB 3440		Rep. Chapa LaVia Sen. E. Jones.	Provides that reasonable accommodations must be sought for the use of service animals to accompany a student with a disability at all school functions including an animal trained or being trained as: a hearing animal; a guide animal; an assistance animal; a seizure alert animal; a mobility animal; a psychiatric service animal; or an autism service animal. Amends the Guide Dog Access Act. Changes the title of the Act to the Service Dog Access Act. Includes mobility, psychiatric service, and autism service dogs in the list of animals that must be allowed access to a public place of accommodation if such dog is wearing a harness, backpack, or vest identifying the dog as a trained service dog and such person presents credentials for inspection issued by a school for training guide, leader,	Legal Special Education	

			seizure-alert, seizure-response, or autism service dogs.Effective January 1, 2012.		
HB 3464		Rep. Pihos Sen. Luechtefeld	Makes changes concerning the teacher supply and demand report, reporting on the number of high school students enrolled in courses at a community college, and changes the date for the final claim for tuition for children from a home for orphans or dependent, abandoned, or maladjusted children (from Aug. 15 to Aug. 30). Repeals Sections concerning the State Board of Education providing information on the creation of tax exempt foundations, a catalogue of reports, and racial reports. Makes changes concerning submission of a report on administrator and teacher salary and benefits. Repeals Sections concerning a salary compensation report and a mailing list. Effective January 1, 2012.	Data Analysis Fund & Disbursement	
HB 3489		Rep. Cavaletto Sen. J. Jones	Allows a school board to adopt a substitute authorization program for substitute teachers who do not hold a certificate valid for teaching in the common schools as shown on the face of the certificate. Sets forth what components are required to be included in a substitute authorization program. Effective January 1, 2012.	Certification Ed & Schl. Develop	
HB 3539		Rep. Morrison Sen. Murphy	Eliminates the General State Aid Hold Harmless provision from statute. Effective July 1, 2011.	Budget Fund & Disbursement- FYI	
SB 7	PA 97-0008	Sen. Lightford Rep. Madigan	Amends the School Code in Sections concerning a survey of learning conditions; school board member leadership training; the dismissal of teachers, the placement of conditions on, suspension of, or revocation of a certificate; new or vacant teaching positions; boards of education, boards of school inspectors, and contractual continued service; honorable dismissals and the removal or dismissal of teachers in contractual continued service; judicial review of administrative decisions; an optional alternative evaluation dismissal process for PERA evaluations; employee evaluation definitions; the content of evaluation plans; appointments and promotions of teachers with respect to the Chicago school district; and removal for cause, notice and hearing, and suspension with respect to the Chicago school district. Amends the Illinois Educational Labor Relations Act in Sections concerning subjects of collective bargaining; impasse procedures; and strikes. In the Chicago School District Article of the School	Linda Tomlinson - LEAD Legal Certification Ed & Schl. Develop Innovation & Improvement	

			Code, repeals a Section concerning the Administrative Review Law; makes related changes in Chicago School District Article and the Illinois Pension Code. Effective immediately.		
SB 79		Sen. Steans Rep. Yarbrough	Establishes the State Charter School Commission, made up of 9 members appointed by the State Board of Education from a slate of candidates proposed by the Governor. The Commission is charged with, among other things, hearing appeals by charter school applicants of application denials by local school districts and, when approving those appeals, authorizing state-level charter schools. It further allows the Commission to charge a charter school that it authorizes a fee, not to exceed 3% of the revenue provided to the school, to cover the cost of undertaking the ongoing administrative responsibilities of the eligible chartering authority with respect to the school. Effective immediately.	Legal	
SB 170		Sen. Sullivan Rep. Watson	Makes a number of changes to the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act, including providing that the Superintendent of the Illinois School for the Deaf and Illinois School for the Visually Impaired shall be appointed by the Governor and provides that the Superintendent have certain qualifications. Effective upon becoming law.	Certification- FYI Special Education- FYI Legal - FYI	
SB 262		Sen. Harmon Sen. du Buclet	Amends the Commission to End Hunger Act to add three at-large members to the Commission. Effective immediately.	Nutrition- FYI	
SB 335		Sen. Steans Rep. Madigan	Creates the FY12 Budget Implementation Act. Among other things, it allows the Treasurer and Comptroller to transfer funds from special state funds to the Common School Fund to maintain liquidity and meet case flow deficits. Effective July 1, 2011.	Budget Fund & Disbursement Fiscal	
SB 620		Sen. Martinez Rep. Soto	Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code to include provisions concerning school action and facility master planning. Sets forth provisions concerning educational facility standards; the Educational Facility Master Plan; capital improvement plans; financial transparency; school transition plans; school action public meetings and hearings; and emergencies. It also makes changes in the provision of the Chicago School District Article concerning establishing an equitable and effective school facility development process. It further provides that after recommendations have been issued, the Chicago Educational Facilities Task Force shall meet at least once annually for the purpose of reviewing	School Business Legal	

			Chicago public schools' compliance with the provisions concerning school action and facility master planning. Provides that the Task Force shall prepare a report to the General Assembly, the Governor's Office, the Mayor of the City of Chicago, and the Chicago Board of Education indicating how the district has met the requirements of the provisions concerning school action and facility master planning. Effective January 1, 2012.		
SB 621	PA 97-0097	Sen. Holmes Rep. Chapa LaVia	Provides that 4 or more contiguous school districts with all or portion of their territory located within the geographic boundaries of the same municipality may, when in their judgment the interest of the districts and of the students therein will be best served, jointly operate, through an institution of higher education located in the municipality, a science and mathematics partnership school for serving some or all of grades kindergarten through 8. The partnership school may (i) restrict attendance to pupils who reside within the geographic boundaries of the areas served by the school districts and (ii) select students for enrollment based on admission criteria that focuses on academic proficiency in science and mathematics established by the partnership school and approved by the districts' school boards, with exceptions. It also sets forth provisions concerning student enrollment, the joint operation agreement, costs paid by each school district, and employees of the school. Effective January 1, 2012.	Legal Data Analysis Assessment Fund & Disbursement	
SB 1578		Sen. Holmes Rep. Mussman	Amends the School Code to make changes in the Section of the School Code concerning institute and inservice training workshops. Provides that of the 4 days annually that a regional superintendent may arrange for or conduct district, regional, or county institutes, 2 days may be used as a teacher's and educational support personnel workshop (instead of just a teacher's workshop). The days in any school year spent by educational support personnel during the term time spent in attendance upon a teachers' institute shall be considered time expended in the service of the school district and no deduction of wages shall be made for such attendance. Allows school boards to make a pro-rata deduction from the salary of any educational support personnel who fail or refuse to attend the teachers' institute. Additionally, Provides that educational support	Ed & Schl. Develop Fund & Disbursement	

			personnel may be exempt from a workshop if (i) the workshop is not relevant to the work they do. With respect to counties of 2,000,000 or more inhabitants, provides that, of the maximum 4 days permitted for district, regional, or county inservice training workshops or equivalent professional educational experiences, 2 days may be used as a teacher's and educational support personnel workshop, when approved by the regional superintendent of schools, up to 2 days may be used for conducting parent-teacher conferences, or up to 2 days may be utilized as parental institute days (now, 2 days may be used for conducting parent-teacher conferences and up to 2 days may be utilized as parental institute days). Provides that educational support personnel may be exempt from a workshop if (i) the workshop is not relevant to the work they do. Effective January 1, 2012.		
SB 1586	PA 97-0081	Sen. Harmon Rep. Zalewski	Makes changes to the Elections Code, including adding a provision to the School Code regarding advisory referendums. Effective upon becoming law.	Legal	
SB 1643		Sen. J. Sullivan Rep. Pihos	Provides that a school district may increase its driver education course fee to an amount not to exceed \$250 (from \$50) by school board resolution following a public hearing on the increase. Provides that the increased fee must be waived for students who participate in the course and are unable to pay for the course. Effective immediately.	Fund & Disbursement- FYI Rules and Waivers	
SB 1669		Sen. Holmes Rep. Williams	Provides that a school bus driver permit may not be issued to persons who have been placed under court supervision for certain offenses. It further provides that entities who have a contract to transport students, teachers, or other personnel of a school district for compensation shall not permit any person to operate a school bus or any first division vehicle, including a taxi, when used for a purpose that requires a school bus driver permit if the driver has not complied with requirements concerning school bus driver permit holders. Provides that vehicles used for purposes requiring a school bus driver permit may not have previously been in salvage or junk status and that drivers of such vehicles may not allow smoking within the vehicle while it is used for a purpose requiring a school bus driver permit. School districts must maintain copies of the school bus driver permits of each individual operating a vehicle for the school district for a purpose	Fund & Disbursement	

			requiring a school bus driver permit. Certain vehicles, including vehicles used for purposes requiring a school bus driver permit, must carry minimum personal injury liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 for one person in any one accident and \$5,000,000 for 2 or more persons injured by reason of the operation of the vehicle in any one accident. Vehicles used for purposes requiring a school bus driver permit must pass safety tests prior to registration and subsequently every 6 months. It further provides that vehicles used for purposes requiring a school bus driver permit which are in safe mechanical condition shall be issued and display the Certificate of Safety and that a vehicle which is not in safe mechanical condition may not be operated on the highways until it has been repaired and passes a subsequent inspection. Effective immediately.		
SB 1742		Sen. Althoff Rep. Eddy	Amends the School Code in sections establishing a block grant for Chicago Public Schools. The changes require CPS to submit expenditures by program, population and a service levels by program and administrative expenditures by program. It further requires that ISBE ensure that the reporting requirements for the district are the same as for all other school districts. Effective July 1, 2011.	Fund & Disbursement Early Childhood Special Education Career & Tech Ed	
SB 1744		Sen. Luechtefeld Rep. Reitz	Amends the State aid formula provisions of the School Code. With respect to the compilation of average daily attendance, it removes a provision allowing days of attendance to be less than 5 clock hours on the opening and closing of the school term, and upon the first day of pupil attendance, if preceded by a day or days utilized as an institute or teachers' workshop. Effective June 30, 2011.	Fund & Disbursement	
SB 1794		Sen. Lightford Rep. Lang	Eliminates the certification of special education teachers by categorical designation and replaces it with the structure for certifying special education teachers currently in effect and outlined in what are commonly referred to as the "ISBE transition rules" (rules that have been in effect since 2001 by federal court order, but not included in the Illinois Administrative Code). In addition, allows ISBE peremptory rulemaking authority to enable the agency to put the ISBE transition rules into effect immediately without having to go through the 45-day notice period for public comment. Effective immediately.	Legal Rules and Waiver Special Education Certification	
SB 1799		Sen. Steans	Amends the School Code in provisions concerning teacher certification and	Certification	

		Rep. Chapa LaVia	creates a new Article concerning educator licensure. The new Article contains provisions concerning licensure powers of the State Board of Education, a State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, educator qualifications, types of licenses, endorsement on licenses, educator testing, the minimum requirements for educators trained in other states or countries, fees, licensure renewal, an alternative educator licensure program, an alternative route to superintendent endorsement, principal preparation programs, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, the Illinois Teaching Excellence Program, suspension or revocation of a license, conviction of certain offenses as grounds for revocation of a license, conviction of a felony, the Administrative Review Law, the denial of recommendation for licensure, licensure officers at higher education institutions, and the granting of recognition and regional accreditation. It further amends the current Teacher Certification Article of the School Code (Article 21) to make changes to and repeal certain provisions. The bill is effective July 1, 2011 with various provisions being effective at later dates between July 1, 2011 and 2013.	Ed & Schl. Develop Rules and Waivers Legal	
SB 1802	PA 97-0074	Sen. Steans Rep. Feigenholtz	Amends a number of Acts, including the Disabled Persons Rehabilitation Act to add a provision requiring the Department of Human Services to complete a financial analysis on each student attending the Illinois School for the Deaf or the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired and to ask parents or guardians to participate, if applicable, in the cost of identified services or activities that are not education related. Effective immediately.	Special Education Legal	
SB 1833		Sen. Murphy Rep. McAsey	Makes changes in various Codes, including the School Code to change references from “mental retardation” to “intellectual disability” and “mentally retarded person” to “intellectually disabled person”. In addition, it makes changes of occurrences of “crippled” to “physically disabled” and “crippling” to “physical disability” or “physically disabling”. Effective January 1, 2012.	Special Education Legal	
SB 1924		Sen. Hutchinson Rep. Dugan	Makes changes to information on school bus driver permits, application of school bus driver permit restrictions and driver training schools, among other things. Effective immediately.	Fund & Disbursement Legal	
SB 2096		Sen. Althoff Rep. Schmitz	Provides that a school board does not have to comply with the Illinois Accessibility Code with respect to accessibility to press boxes that are on	School Business	

			school property if the press boxes are in bleachers that have points of entry at only one level, and the aggregate area of the press box is no more than 500 square feet (instead of if the press boxes were constructed before August 25, 2009). It also repeals language creating the Illinois Accessibility Task Force. Effective January 1, 2012.		
SB 2134		Sen. Garrett Rep. Eddy	Amends the School Code. Allows a regional superintendent of schools to administer and direct a cooperative or joint operational program or project if 2 or more school districts request and authorize him or her to provide and administer these services. Each regional superintendent of schools is encouraged to offer school districts the opportunity to share in joint educational or operational programs and to urge school districts to participate in such programs when the school district determines that such participation is fiscally prudent. The regional superintendent of schools, at the request of a school district, may to present to the school district possible services and functions that multiple schools may share or consolidate, which may include, but are not limited to, bidding and purchasing, office functions such as payroll and accounting, information technology, professional development, grant writing, food service management, or administrative positions. The regional superintendents of schools may share best financial practices with school districts that are exploring new methods to become more financially efficient. Requires a school district to annually complete a report developed by ISBE that summarizes district attempts to improve fiscal efficiency through shared services or outsourcing in the prior fiscal year; sets forth report requirements. Provides that, based on data supplied by school districts through the annual financial report, regional superintendents of schools shall publish annually a regional report summarizing district attempts to improve fiscal efficiency through shared services or outsourcing within the educational service region; sets forth report requirements. School Districts required to submit a deficit reduction plan, the regional superintendent of schools and the school district shall jointly prepare a shared services and outsourcing plan that considers actions that may improve the district's fiscal efficiency and how future savings associated with shared services or outsourcing are to be utilized. Effective January 1, 2012.	School Business	

SB 2143		Sen. Sullivan Rep. Hammond	Provides that a reorganized school district or cooperative high school may use a school construction grant application that was submitted by a school district that formed the reorganized school district or cooperative high school if that application has not been entitled for a project by the State Board of Education and if specified conditions are met within the current or prior 4 (instead of 2) fiscal years. Effective immediately.	School Business Legal	
SB 2149		Sen. Sullivan Rep. Eddy	Creates the Financial Oversight Panel (FOP) Law as a new Article within the School Code which all future school districts needing financial oversight will fall under (as opposed to a financial oversight panel under Article 1B of the School Code). It allows a school district (other than the Chicago school district) to petition the State Board of Education for the establishment of a FOP, or it allows a school district who has been properly certified to be placed under an FOP by the State Board. It contains provisions concerning duties of the district; members and meetings of a Panel; powers of a Panel; officers of a Panel; school treasurers; 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; a tax levy; tax anticipation warrants; obligations; reports; a Panel audit; assistance; Panel property being exempt from taxation; sanctions; and abolition of a Panel. Effective immediately.	School Business Legal	
SB 2170		Sen. Clayborne Rep. Verschoore	Amends the Counties Code by requiring the imposition of a school facility occupation tax in a county if the electors of the county have approved a proposition for the tax. Provides that a school facility occupation tax imposed by approval of the electors may be reduced or discontinued if the electors have voted to reduce or discontinue the tax. It further amends the Local Government Debt Reform Act by removing a sentence providing that a backdoor referendum is not required for alternate bonds if the proceeds backing the alternate bonds are realized from revenues obtained from a school facility occupation tax. The School Code is amended to provide that a referendum shall not be required if the purchase, construction, or building of a school building is paid from funds received from the County School Facility Occupation Tax Law or from the proceeds of bonds secured by revenues obtained from that Law. Effective immediately.	School Business Legal	

SB 2172	PA 96-0075	Sen. Cullerton Rep. Madigan	Amends the State Finance Act to provide that all outstanding liabilities as of June 30, 2011, payable from appropriations that would otherwise expire at the conclusion of the lapse period for fiscal year 2011, and interest penalties payable on those liabilities under the State Prompt Payment Act, may be paid out of the expiring appropriations until December 31, 2011, without regard to the fiscal year in which the payment is made, as long as vouchers for the liabilities are received by the Comptroller no later than August 31, 2011. Effective immediately.	Budget Fund & Disbursement Fiscal	
SB 2185		Sen. Cullerton Rep. Acevedo	Among other things, the bill amends the School Code with respect to a school service personnel certificate to provide that professional development activities must address the needs of serving students who are the children of immigrants, including, if the certificate holder is employed as a counselor in an Illinois public or State-operated secondary school, opportunities for higher education for students who are undocumented immigrants. Effective immediately.	Certification Ed & Schl. Develop	
SB 2293		Sen. Frerichs Rep. Jakobsson	Creates the Illinois State Crime Stoppers Association Fund and the After-School Rescue Fund as special funds in the State treasury. Provides that moneys in the Illinois State Crime Stoppers Association Fund shall be used by the Criminal Justice Information Authority to make grants to the Illinois State Crime Stoppers Association to enhance and develop Crime Stoppers programs in Illinois. Provides that moneys in the After-School Rescue Fund may be used by the Illinois State Board of Education for the making of grants to at-risk schools for the promotion of extracurricular and after-school programs. Effective immediately.	Innovation & Improve. s Fund & Disbursement Budget	