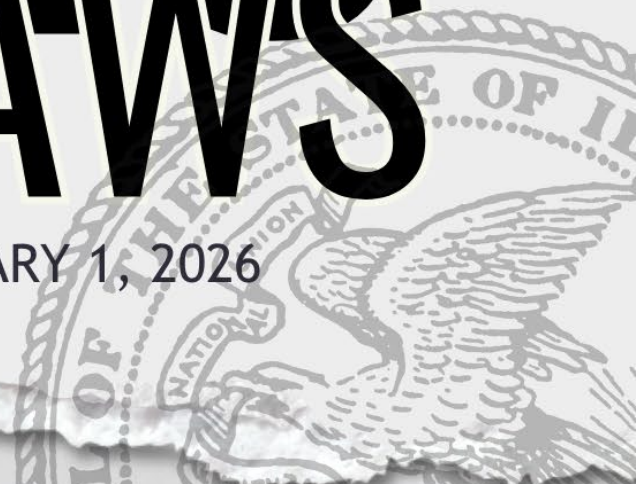




2026 NEW LAWS

TAKING EFFECT ON JANUARY 1, 2026





Department of Early Childhood (SB 1/P.A. 103-0594): Creates the Illinois Department of Early Childhood. Amends the Department of Early Childhood Act by requiring the rights and contracts, pension, retirements, or annuity plans of employees of the transferring agencies to not be affected by the Act created through this legislation. Requires the Department of Early Childhood to be transferred the responsibilities of administration and oversight for the following early childhood programs: Early Intervention Services; Childcare Assistance Program; Preschool for All, Preschool for All Expansion, and Prevention Initiative; Home-Visiting; Childcare and Day Care Licensing Services.

Prior Authorization (HB 4055/P.A. 103-0659): Amends the Prior Authorization Reform Act. Provides that notwithstanding any other provision of law, a health insurance issuer or a contracted utilization review organization may not require prior authorization for drug therapies approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of hereditary bleeding disorders any more frequently than six months or the length of time the prescription for that dosage remains valid, whichever period is shorter.

Extended Coverage (HB 5282/P.A. 103-0701): Amends the Illinois Insurance Code Pregnancy and postpartum coverage mandate. Expands coverage for mental, emotional, nervous, or substance use disorders for pregnant or postpartum individuals by extending coverage to all individuals who have undergone a miscarriage or stillbirth.

Menopause Coverage (HB 5295/P.A. 103-0703): Amends the Insurance Code. Replaces the existing coverage mandate for hormone therapy to treat menopause, beginning 2026. Requires coverage for medically necessary hormonal and non-hormonal therapy to treat menopausal symptoms. Provides that the coverage includes all FDA-approved modalities. Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code to make a conforming change to keep the hormone therapy requirements under Medicaid the same.

Medicare Enrollment (SB 56/P.A. 103-0747): Provides an individual utilizing the Birthday Rule can purchase a supplement policy of equal or lesser benefits from an authorized affiliate of the issuer of the original supplement policy. Amends the minimum standards for Medicare supplement policies under the Illinois Insurance Code.

Predictive Analysis (HB 3773/P.A. 103-0804): Amends the Illinois Human Rights Act Defines “Predictive data analytics” to mean the use of machine learning algorithms for the purpose of predicting outcomes. Provides that using predictive data analytics to make employment decisions, an employer may not



consider, as part of the predictive data analytics tool, the applicant's biographical information, such as race or ZIP code, when used as a proxy for race to reject an applicant in the context of recruiting, hiring, promotion, renewal of employment, selection for training or apprenticeship, discharge, discipline, tenure or terms, privileges, or conditions of employment. Provides that nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent the use of predictive data analytics to support an inclusive and diverse workforce. Amends the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. Defines "predictive data analytics" to mean the use of automated machine learning algorithms for the purpose of statistically analyzing a person's behavior. Provides that a person or entity that relies either partially or fully on predictive data analytics to determine a consumer's creditworthiness may not allow the use of information about the consumer that assigns specific risk factors to the consumer's race or zip code resulting in rejection of credit or other adverse credit-related action to a consumer. Provides that a person or entity that uses predictive data analytics to determine the creditworthiness of more than 50 consumers in a calendar year who are State residents shall, within 90 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly, devise procedures to ensure that it does not consider information that assigns specific risk factors to a consumer's race or ZIP code when rejecting or taking other adverse action on a consumer's application for credit. Provides that a person or entity that violates this Section commits an unlawful practice within the meaning of this Act.

Diagnostic Mammogram (HB 4180/P.A. 103-0808): Amends the Counties Code, Municipal Code, Illinois Insurance Code, Health Maintenance Organization Act, and Public Aid Code: Requires coverage for comprehensive ultrasound screening and MRI of an entire breast if heterogeneous or dense breast tissue or medically necessary as determined by a physician, advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant. Adds radiologist to the required experts for the panel to establish quality standards for breast cancer treatment.

Domestic Violence (SB 3652/P.A. 103-1031): Creates the Summary of Rights for Safer Homes Act. Requires the Illinois Department of Human Rights to create a summary form advising tenants who have suffered domestic violence or sexual violence of the rights that they have under Illinois law that provide protection in their ability to have safe housing. Landlords are required to attach a copy of the summary as the first page of any written residential lease entered with a tenant and must obtain a signature of each tenant for acknowledgment of receipt.

CPS Collective Bargaining (HB 297 / P.A. 103-1067): Mandates that Chicago Public Schools principals and assistant principals now have a process available



when a collective bargaining impasse occurs without permitting the educational supervisors to strike.

Nursing Home Care Act Amendment (HB 2474 / P.A. 103-1069): Amends the Nursing Home Care Act by adding that a facility cannot take any retaliatory action against a resident of the facility because the resident files a complaint or seeks assistance.

State Roadway Restrictions (SB 899 / P.A. 103-1079): Grants the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) the authority to restrict vehicle lengths on State roadways. Adds that any State agency or local unit of government shall not be required to design, construct, alter, widen, or maintain a non-designated highway to accommodate semi-trucks. Requires IDOT or a local government to erect signage giving notice on turning and length restrictions, where appropriate.

Childcare Background Check (HB 4412/P.A. 103-1072): Amends the Childcare Act. Provides that a childcare facility may authorize the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services or a third-party vendor to collect fingerprints for the criminal background investigation.

Official State Bean (HB 4439/P.A. 103-1073): Amends the State Designations Act. Provides that the soybean is designated as the official State bean of the State of Illinois.

Safe Drinking Water (SB 727/P.A. 103-1077): Creates the Safe Public Drinking Water Act. Directs the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to conduct statewide sampling of certain community water supplies for the presence of 1,4-Dioxane. Provides that by no later than June 30, 2029, the IEPA shall propose, and, by no later than June 30, 2030, the Pollution Control Board shall adopt, amendments to the Board rules to establish a State-only maximum contaminant level for 1,4-Dioxane. Provides that within one year of the promulgation by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) of regulations or amendments establishing maximum contaminant levels for perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), the Pollution Control Board shall adopt rules that are identical in substance to such federal regulations.

FOID Clear and Present Danger Appeals (HB 850/P.A. 104-0005): Prohibits ISP and the FOID Card Review Board being held civilly liable for damages arising from alleged wrongful or improper granting, denying, renewing, revoking, suspending, or failing to grant, deny, renew, revoke, or suspend a Firearm Owner's Identification Card. Establishes an expedited relief process for FOID Card denials /revocations based upon an affirmed clear and present danger determination. Creates a mechanism in which a person may challenge the



underlying facts of the clear and present determination. Allows the subject of the clear and present danger report to access a redacted copy of the report during the relief process. Requires Illinois State Police to conduct an analysis of data regarding the disposition of cases involving stolen firearms or a firearm with an obliterated serial numbers used in crimes and make that information available on the Illinois State Police publicly accessible databases as well as publish the results of its analysis in a report to the General Assembly, Governor, and Attorney General. Requires court clerks to send final disposition information to ISP where a firearm is alleged to have been used in the commission of an offense.

FY26 Bond Authorization Increase (HB 3374/P.A. 104-0008): Increases GO Bond authorization by \$875 million and Build Illinois Bond authorization by \$740 million to afford new capital projects in the FY26 capital budget and beyond.

Medicaid Omnibus (SB 2437/P.A. 104-0009): Contains the following key components:

- Certified Family Health Aide Program for Children and Adults.
- Doula rights and policies in hospitals and birthing centers.
- Standing recommendations for preventive maternal/reproductive health services.
- Expanded Medicaid coverage for asylum seekers and victims of trafficking/crime.
- Tardive dyskinesia screening guidelines for Medicaid providers.
- Semi-annual HFS reports on prescription denials and healthcare outcomes.
- Evaluation of in-home shift nursing services and reimbursement.
- Reimbursement for long-term ambulatory ECG monitoring.
- Medicaid coverage for over-the-counter choline supplements.
- Clarification on Medicaid redetermination as annual eligibility check.
- Use of Solventum™ software for hospital reimbursement methodology.
- Employment program for noncustodial parents involved in child support.
- Emergency rulemaking for Medicaid managed care and long-term acute care.
- Multi-location hospital operations in counties under 325,000 population.
- CMS staffing ratio job codes for long-term care facilities (HCCI Initiative).
- Penalty policy for staffing violations in long-term care.
- Hospital tax waiver option for nonprofit freestanding cancer hospitals.
- Clarification on statutory text versions not affecting implementation dates.



Child Labor Law (HB 2327/P.A. 104-0016): Amends the Child Labor Law of 2024. Allows for any minor 14 years of age or older to work as scorers at the World Shooting and Recreational Complex during the U.S. Open and Grand American World Trapshooting Championships, as long as they stay at least 15 feet behind the firing line of the trap shooters participating in the competitions.

Illinois State Police Trainings (SB 1764/P.A. 104-0024): Reorganizes and codifies ISP specialized and cadet trainings. There are no new trainings included in this bill, and all trainings included within are currently required trainings for the ISP. This bill is reorganizing sections to increase transparency and create an easy to locate central location for trainings. • The reorganization of the Division of Academy and Training's section of ISP's Civil Code better reflects the specialized, in-service, and cadet trainings provided to Illinois State Police officers. This also creates a centralized location in statutory law to find training 84 requirements for Illinois State Police officers (currently trainings are spread throughout various Acts).

- Several training items have been stricken; however, they were only moved to help with the reorganization.
- Allows ISP to post juvenile reports online, juvenile information is still protected (Nothing else is changed besides the delivery method, currently a paper report).
- Codifies the existing Missing Person Clearinghouse.
- Establishes a term for the Chair of the Forensic Science Commission.
- Includes cleanup to reflect current ISP terminology and divisions.

Pharmacy Benefit Managers (HB 1697/P.A. 104-0027): Provides that PBMs are prohibited from engaging in spread pricing and steering covered individuals to specific pharmacies, while they must remit 100% of rebates to health plan sponsors or individuals. They are required to submit annual reports detailing drug coverage and financial transactions, with non-compliance resulting in fines. Sets requirements for specialty drugs and mail-order prescription drugs. Requires PBMs to pay a \$15 fee per covered individual, contributing to the Prescription Drug Affordability Fund. This fund will support access to pharmacy services, particularly in underserved areas, through grants to critical access care pharmacies and small retail pharmacies. The Department will conduct regular examinations of PBMs and report annually on grant allocations to ensure accountability and enhance pharmacy access. Includes language that the first \$25 million received from the fund shall be used for grants to pharmacies. 340B pharmacies that are participants in the critical access care pharmacy program shall only be reimbursed for the actual acquisition costs of the 340B covered drugs dispensed to participants in the State's medical assistance program.



Healthcare Protection Expansion (HB 3019/P.A. 104-0028): Mandates medical loss ratio reporting by insurers to the Department of Insurance, detailing premium revenue expenditures. Extends prior authorization prohibition for medically necessary treatments of mental, emotional, or nervous disorders to outpatient services and establishes notification for inpatient and outpatient services. During the initial in-patient 72-hour period, if the hospital fulfills the notification requirements, the treatment can continue without additional administrative barriers. Insurers must provide network exceptions if no in-network provider is available and offer reimbursement for travel expenses based on federal per diem rates and IRS mileage standards. Addresses Medicaid plans, ensuring compliance with federal laws and regulations.

Eviction Criminal Trespass (SB 1563/P.A. 104-0029): Amends the Code of Civil Procedure. Adds that nothing in the Eviction Article may be construed to 1.) prohibit law enforcement officials from enforcing the offense of criminal trespass under the Criminal Code of 1963 or any other violation of the Code; or 2.) to interfere with the ability of law enforcement officials to remove persons or property from the premises when there is a criminal trespass.

Safe Gun Storage (SB 8/P.A. 104-0031): Creates the Safe Gun Storage Act, which establishes strict requirements for firearm storage and imposes civil penalties for improper firearm storage. The bill mandates that gun owners store their firearms in a secure, locked box in any place where they know or “reasonably should know” that a minor without permission to access a firearm, an at-risk person or someone who is prohibited from obtaining a firearm can access the weapon. This includes any land, building, structure, vehicle, or place directly or indirectly under the control of the firearm owner. Gun owners who violate the act would be subject to civil penalties ranging from \$500 if weapons are not securely stored to \$10,000 if an unsecured weapon is used in a crime or suicide. These changes apply to both handguns and long guns, such as rifles and shotguns. Under current law, firearm owners are required to store their guns in a place that’s inaccessible to a child under the age of 14. This bill raises the age requirement to a child under 18 and mandates that the gun must be locked away or equipped with a device making it temporarily inoperable. In addition, the bill mandates that firearm owners report a lost or stolen firearm within 48 hours of the owner finding the firearm missing, instead of the current 72-hour timeframe. Illinois State Police would also have the ability to revoke a firearm owner’s identification card if a gun owner fails to report a stolen or lost firearm twice or more under the bill. According to supporters, the legislation aims to reduce suicides, accidental shootings, firearm theft, and unauthorized access to firearms by restricting access to firearms other than the owner. Gun advocacy groups



believe the measure was unconstitutional under a U.S. Supreme Court case which ruled a court can temporarily revoke a person's firearm rights if the court determines the firearm owner is a threat to public safety when in possession of a firearm. Other opponents felt that the civil penalties for gun owners who are accused of not safely secure a gun which ends up being used by a minor, at-risk or prohibited person to harm someone is an unconstitutional burden shift. There were also concerns that the bill placed additional burdens concealed carry license holders who carry a gun in a vehicle, as firearms owners can currently store their gun in the center console or glove box. Under the Safe Gun Storage Act, the center console or glove box would have to be lockable in order to render the firearm safely stored.

Behavioral Health Needs (SB 1560/P.A. 104-0032): Amends the Interagency Children's Behavioral Health Services Act. Provides that school districts are required to offer mental health screenings to all students in grades 3-12 beginning with the 2027-2028 school year. Provides that school districts are only required to offer mental health screenings when the State has procured a screening tool that offers a self-report option for students and is made available to school districts at no cost. Provides that the State Board of Education in consultation with the Children's Behavioral Health Transformation Team in the Office of the Governor and relevant stakeholders is required to report its work and make available resources, including model policies and guidance on implementing universal mental health screenings by September 1, 2026. Requires hospitals to assist youth and their families with entering the youth's information into the BEACON portal to begin the process of connecting them to available resources. Requires the Department of Human Services in coordination with a statewide association representing a majority of hospitals to establish and offer voluntary training that is required to be recorded and available on the Department's website to all hospital social workers, clinicians, and administrative staff to inform them of BEACON. Provides that BEACON is a centralized resource, for Illinois youth and families that are seeking services for behavioral health needs, with the goal of encouraging families to seek assistance through BEACON and the Interagency Children's Behavioral Health Services Team.

Illinois Receivership Act (HB 28/P.A. 104-0034): Creates the Illinois Receivership Act. The Act creates a process where a person is appointed by the court as the court's agent under the court's direction to take possession of, manage, and, if authorized by the Act or court order, transfer, sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of receivership property. Provides criteria for a court to provide notice and an opportunity for a hearing as appropriate before the court can issue an order under the Act. Applies to real property and any personal property



related to or used in operating real property, personal property, and fixtures, and other business assets such as corporations, limited liability companies, and trusts, among other things. · This Act does not apply to: an interest in real property improved by one to six dwelling units with some exceptions; a receiver that is a governmental unit or an individual acting in an official capacity on behalf of the governmental unit unless the unit elects for this Act to apply; a receiver appointed under the Illinois Mortgage Foreclosure Law or Nursing Home Care Act; or “residential real estate” as defined. Provides for powers and duties of a receiver, disqualification, status as lien holder, duties of an owner, powers of the court in managing a receivership, and defenses and immunity of a receiver.

CILA Visitation Rights (HB 57/P.A. 104-0037): Amends the Essential Support Person Act. Adds to the definition of “Department” to include community-integrated living arrangements, as defined in the Community-Integrated Living Arrangements Licensure and Certification Act, and the Department of Human Services. Provides that “facility” does not include any facility that the Department of Public Health or the Department of Veterans’ Affairs does not regulate. Provides that “home” means a community-integrated living arrangement as defined in the Community- Integrated Living Arrangements Licensure and Certification Act.

Southeast Joliet Sanitary District (HB 663/P.A. 104-0038): Amends the Sanitary District of 1936. Provides for the conditional and voluntary dissolution of the Southeast Joliet Sanitary District and the transfer of its assets, liabilities and responsibilities to the City of Joliet, or Will County if needed. Requires that both the District and the City of Joliet adopt a resolution for the transfer. Requires the resolutions passed by both the Sanitary District and City contain the reasons for the dissolution; that there is no outstanding debt of the District and Joliet has sufficient funds to satisfy any debt; no grants will be impaired by the transfer; and that the City assumes all responsibilities, except any deemed unnecessary by the city to operate the facilities. Provides Will County will take responsibility for and control over assets deemed unnecessary by the City of Joliet. Requires the City of Joliet to notify the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency regarding the dissolution.

Gender Neutral Descriptions (HB 1083/P.A. 104-0040): Amends the Illinois Religious Freedom Protection and Civil Unions Act, the Conveyances Act, the Joint Tenancy Act, the Rights of Married Persons Act, and the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act. Inserts gender neutral descriptions for commissioner by replacing the gendered term “he” and “he or she” with commissioner, replacing “his or her” with appointees, and replacing “he or she” and replacing it with “the president.” Inserts gender neutral descriptions showing and defining marital



status. (Replaces husband or wife to either “spouse, married couple, spouse in a marriage, the spouses, spouse, abandoned spouse, absent spouse, incapable spouse, one spouse to a marriage.”) Provides the recording of a quitclaim deed is exempt from all recording fees if executed for the sole purpose of reflecting a legal name change, and the grantor and grantee are the same individual or individuals. Inserts gender neutral descriptions for commissioner by replacing the gendered term “he” and “he or she” with commissioner and replacing “he or she” and replacing it with “the president.”

Driver’s Licenses (HB 1120/P.A. 104-0041): Removes provisions that require the Secretary of State to designate a space on each driver’s license for the licensee to indicate a person’s blood type and Rh factor.

Educational Credit for Firefighting (HB 1149/P.A. 104-0043): Creates the Educational Credit for Firefighting Experience Act. Requires each public university and community college to adopt a policy regarding its awarding of academic credit for firefighter training.

Metro Water Reclamation Bonds (HB 1158/P.A. 104-0044): Amends the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act. Increases, from \$150 million to \$250 million/year, the annual general obligation debt issuance authorization granted by State law to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago.

Sexual Assault Evidence (HB 1168/P.A. 104-0045): Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act. Provides that except in certain medical examiner or coroner investigations, whenever a person’s DNA profile is collected due to the person being a victim of a crime, as identified by law enforcement, that specific profile collected in conjunction with that criminal investigation shall not be entered into any DNA database.

Emergency Contact Information (HB 1332/P.A. 104-0046): Changes the short title from the “Caregiver Advise, Record, and Enable Act” to the “Emergency Contact and Caregiver Advise, Record, and Enable Act.” Requires hospitals to provide each patient with the opportunity to designate an emergency contact and the opportunity to authorize the hospital to share protected health information with that emergency contact. Hospitals must promptly notify a patient’s authorized emergency contact of the patient’s death, unless the legal representative objects. The notification attempt must be documented, and no violation occurs if the contact does not respond. If the patient hasn’t authorized information sharing or has revoked it, the hospital may only contact the emergency contact as legally permitted.



IEP Meeting Notice Additions (HB 1366/P.A. 104-0047): Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Provides that the notice given to parents and guardians before an IEP meeting is required to include information stating that the parent or guardian is allowed to bring other people with knowledge of the child to the IEP meeting. Requires the State Board of Education to distribute to every school district information about IEP processes and school districts are required to give that information to parents and guardians.

Open Land Acreage (HB 1367/P.A. 104-0048): Reduces the minimum open space acreage from 50 to 12 acres and expands “open space purposes” to include agriculture. It also allows open space to be transferred after township changes if used by a government or nonprofit for open space. The bill permits leases up to 25 years to individuals, nonprofits, or governments for open space use, including agriculture. It also requires a 2/3 township board vote and referendum to sell or give away open space, and allows transfer to Illinois Department of Transportation for roads without referendum if proper notice and a public hearing are held and 2/3 of the board approves.

Real Property Conservation Rights (HB 1605/P.A. 104-0049): Amends the Real Property Conservation Rights Act so an owner of real property may also convey a conservation right in the property to a federally recognized Indian tribe. Adds that a conservation right includes preserving cultural heritage sites. Any holder of a conservation right may transfer or assign a conservation right to an entity eligible to hold such rights. A conservation right may be enforced in an action seeking injunctive relief, specific performance, or damages by any federally recognized Indian tribe that owns the conservation right.

Training Programs (HB 1699/P.A. 104-0050): Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Requires the Illinois EPA to establish an operator-in-training wastewater-operator program and an operator-in- training community water-supply operator program that does not require a high school diploma or equivalent.

IDPH Training Online (HB 1712/P.A. 104-0051): Amends IDPH Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois so IDPH must approve training resources to support informed decisions and accurate completion of the IDPH Uniform POLST form. IDPH will post approved POLST training material to its website and establish a simple, efficient, and effective process to make available yearly training to support informed decisions and accurate completion of the IDPH Uniform POLST form for personnel employed by or contracted with



facilities licensed under the Nursing Home Care Act and providers that use the IDPH Uniform POLST form.

Targeted Insurance Sales (HB 1865/P.A. 104-0055): Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Prohibits insurance solicitation to nursing home/long-term care residents over 65 unless they're advised to consult a trusted person, wait 48 hours before changes, receive a contact for questions, and can opt out. Provides that policies in violation of these unlawful practices are voidable by the director. Amends the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act to prohibit nursing homes/long-term care facilities from making disruptive changes or relocating residents with impaired decision-making capacity without prior approval from their agent, family member, or guardian. Effective January 1, 2026.

Accessible Opioid Antagonists (HB 1910/P.A. 104-0056): Amends the Illinois Local Library Act. Provides that all libraries open to the public in the State shall maintain a supply of opioid antagonists in an accessible location.

Lift Assist Service Fee (HB 2336/P.A. 104-0057): Amends the Illinois Municipal Code and the Fire Protection District Act. Municipalities or fire protection district may fix, charge, and collect reasonable fees from an assisted living facility or nursing home facility for each lift assist after the sixth one provided to the same facility in a year provided by a municipal fire department, firefighter, emergency response unit, or public safety employee of a municipal department. A "lift-assist service" refers to fire or emergency personnel helping lift an individual at an assisted living or nursing home facility, not related to transport to a healthcare facility. Fees must not exceed the actual cost of personnel and equipment used.

Chronic Wasting Disease (HB 2339/P.A. 104-0058): Amends the Wildlife Code. Provides that DNR is required to end its sharpshooting program to manage chronic wasting disease in a herd if no cases have been found in the herd in the preceding three calendar years in that county. The program is allowed to be reinstituted within the county if chronic wasting disease is again identified in that herd.

Landowner Deer Permits (HB 2340/P.A. 104-0059): Amends the Wildlife Code. Provides that Landowner Deer permits in counties where DNR has identified chronic wasting disease (CWD) in the deer herd shall be issued without charge to: Illinois landowners residing in the State who own at least 20 acres of IL land; Resident tenants of at least 20 acres of commercial agricultural land; and Persons with certain ownership interests regarding 20 acres of land. Grants DNR rulemaking for fees and procedures with respect to nonresidents who own at least 20 acres of land.



Neonatal Intensive Care (HB 2464/P.A. 104-0060): Amends the Accident and Health Article of the Illinois Insurance Code. Requires coverage for neonatal intensive care from a nonparticipating provider or nonparticipating facility at no greater out of pocket cost than with a participating provider or facility as long as the care is for emergency services.

CE Revisions (HB 2517/P.A. 104-0061): Amends the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois regarding continuing education requirements for certain healthcare providers. Provides that on and after July 1, 2026, for health care professionals who report to the Department that they provide “maternal health care services” and seek to renew a license or registration, the currently required one-hour course in training on implicit bias awareness shall include training in potential maternal health risk factors associated with childbearing individuals who are part of a marginalized racial or ethnic group with increased maternal mortality rates.

DNR Rewilding Policy (HB 2726/P.A. 104-0062): Adds to the DNR Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that DNR has the power to exercise all rights, powers, and duties conferred by law and to take measures that are necessary for the implementation of rewilding as a conservation strategy. Strategies include, but are not limited to, the following: Restoration of land to its natural state, reintroduction of native species, particularly apex predators and keystone species, and restoration of ecological processes as defined by State-specific baselines.

Vehicle Towing (HB 2751/P.A. 104-0063): Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Adds that if a vehicle is displayed for sale and the vehicle identification number (VIN) that has been destroyed, removed, covered, altered, or defaced, the vehicle’s removal by a towing service may be authorized by law enforcement. Prohibits a motor vehicle dealer or person acting as a motor vehicle dealer from parking a motor vehicle for the primary purpose of displaying the vehicle for sale on: A public street or highway; A public parking lot; Any other public property; or Any private property if the public may lawfully drive a motor vehicle on the property. Creates the Unlicensed Motor Vehicle Dealer Enforcement Task Force to meet at least quarterly to review unlicensed motor vehicle dealer enforcement activities in the State and submit a report to the Secretary of State at least quarterly. Increases the administrative penalties for violation of selling a car at an exhibition without a permit from \$50 per violation to not less than \$1,000 and no more than \$3,000 per violation.

Mobile Home Park Utility Services (HB 2849/P.A. 104-0064): Amends the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Rights Act. Prohibits park owners from



requiring a tenant to pay for utility services, such as water, sewer, and trash used in common areas in which a public utility company is charging for those services. If the public utility usage for common areas is not separately measured by equipment such as a water meter, the park owner may not charge the tenants for more than 80% of the public utility services for which the park owner was billed. Requires on an annual basis that the park owner provide tenants with a written explanation of how a tenant's share of the utility charge was calculated, and upon request from a tenant, must provide a copy of the park's monthly utility bills to tenants for any utility charge separately billed under the Act.

Court Review Permanency (SB 31/P.A. 104-0066): Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Makes technical changes in a provision that states if the minor is in the custody of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, pursuant to an order entered under the Delinquent Minors Article of the Act, the court shall conduct permanency hearings as set out in the court review provisions of the Abused, Neglected, or Dependent Minors Article of the Act.

SNAP Benefits (SB 32/P.A. 104-0067): Proposes that households including veterans or Armed Forces members should be categorically eligible for SNAP if their gross income is at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines. Subject to federal approval and federal funding, if required, and clarifies that there is no obligation to fund this objective with state funds.

Riding Therapy (SB 69/P.A. 104-0068): Amends the Insurance Code. Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued, or renewed shall provide coverage for hippotherapy and other forms of therapeutic riding. Effective date January 1, 2027.

Adoption Confidential Intermediary (SB 104/P.A. 104-0069): Amends the Adoption Act. Adds that in a request for a confidential intermediary by an adoptive parent or legal guardian of a child under the age of 21, the appointment of the confidential intermediary may include, for the purpose of exchanging medical information, identifying information, or arranging contact with a mutually consenting adoptive parent or legal guardian of a child under the age of 21 who is biologically related to the petitioning adoptive parents ' or legal guardian 's adopted or surrendered child. Adds that the adoptive parent or legal guardian of an adopted or surrendered person under the age of 21 may also petition the court for the appointment of a confidential intermediary for purposes of obtaining identifying information or arranging contact with a mutually consenting adoptive parent or legal guardian of a birth sibling of the petitioner's adopted or surrendered child younger than the age of 21. The confidential intermediary will



disclose identifying information about the adult adopted or surrendered person on the original filed certificate of birth. Moves a provision regarding records a confidential intermediary has access to from a Section concerning the Illinois Adoption Registry and Medical Information Exchange to a Section concerning confidential intermediaries.

Testing for Prenatal Syphilis (SB 119/P.A. 104-0071): Specifies that health care professionals should “test” pregnant individuals for prenatal syphilis rather than just take blood samples. Provides that the first test should be done at the initial examination and the second during the third trimester, between 27 and 32 weeks of gestation to ensure treatment begins 30 days before pregnancy. Broadens the scope of who can conduct prenatal syphilis tests from “physician or other person” to “appropriate health care professionals” to clarify anyone in the testing process (nurses, nurse practitioners, etc.) are covered as well.

Rabies Shot Exemptions (SB 128/P.A. 104-0072): Amends the Animal Control Act. Provides that if a licensed veterinarian determines in writing that a rabies inoculation would compromise an animal’s health, then the animal shall be exempt from the requirement for one year, but may be annually renewed thereafter by a licensed veterinarian.

Klinefelter Syndrome (SB 175/P.A. 104-0073): Provides that any group or individual accident and health insurance policy, or managed care plan, that is amended, delivered, issued, or renewed on or after January 1, 2027, must cover a karyotype test or related hormone testing for diagnosing Klinefelter syndrome.

Nursing Mothers in Workplace (SB 212/P.A. 104-0076): Requires employer to compensate the employee to express breast milk for her nursing infant child during the break time at the employee’s regular rate of compensation. Provides that employers cannot require employees to use paid leave during this break time, nor can they reduce the employee’s compensation in any other manner during this time. Removes the provision from the amended bill that allowed employers to reduce an employee’s compensation for the time spent expressing milk or nursing a baby.

State Agency Advertising (SB 213/P.A. 104-0077): Creates the Government Advertising Spending Transparency Act. No later than October 1, 2026, and October 1 of each year thereafter, each State agency or department shall report the amount and distribution of its advertising spending to the General Assembly and post the report on its website. The annual report must include: the overall amount of advertising spending made by the State agency or department; the names of each advertising vendor that received advertising contracts from the



State agency or department and the amount of those contracts; the type of entity that received the advertising spending, categorized by media type, including, but not limited to, search platforms, national news outlets, digital platforms, and local news outlets; and the general subject matter of the advertising placement, such as military recruitment, public health, or job training.

Water Main Installation Projects (SB 224/P.A. 104-0079): Provides that for water main installation projects, all water mains and related appurtenances, including but not limited to fire hydrants and valves that are owned and controlled by a public water supply and located within a public right-of-way or utility access easement, must be included in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency written approval. The Agency is responsible for the design review and permitting of the water main and fire hydrants, which must be installed in accordance with the Agency's written permit and in compliance with the Illinois Plumbing License Law and associated rules for hydrants connected to a plumbing system.

Health Task Force (SB 291/P.A. 104-0080): Creates the One Health Framework Task Force Act. Establishes a task force within the Illinois Department of Public Health to promote interdisciplinary collaboration among health professionals and state agencies using the One Health approach. This approach aims to optimize the health of people, animals, and ecosystems by addressing zoonotic diseases, environmental health, and public health preparedness.

Mutual Aid Box Alarm Systems Chiefs (SB 1158/P.A. 104-0081): Expands eligibility for Fire Chief license plates to include Mutual Aid Box Alarm Systems (MABAS) chiefs, with plates to be surrendered upon resignation, termination, or reassignment. Authorizes trained and authorized MABAS chiefs to use red or white lights, sirens, and warning devices when responding to emergencies, like other emergency services.

United Nations Protection Force Plates (SB 1160/P.A. 104-0082): Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code to include Somalia, Panama, and Grenada as applicable countries for United Nations Protection Force license plates.

ID Card Homeless (SB 1173/P.A. 104-0083): Amends the Illinois Notary Public Act to state that no fee shall be charged for any notary act related to the execution of an SOS Driver Services Homeless Statute Certification form.

Trauma-Informed Training (SB 1195/P.A. 104-0084): Amends the Illinois Police Training Act. Requires the curriculum for probationary law enforcement officers to include a block of instruction addressing trauma-informed programs, procedures, and practices meant to minimize traumatization of the victim.



Requires minimum in-service training requirements that a law enforcement officer must satisfactorily complete every three years to include trauma-informed programs, procedures, and practices meant to minimize traumatization of the victim. Requires the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board to conduct or approve training programs in trauma-informed responses and investigation of sexual assault and sexual abuse to include identifying conflicts of interest and options to address those conflicts when a responding or investigating officer is familiar with the victim or accused.

CDB Report on Projects (SB 1230/P.A. 104-0085): Requires the Capital Development Board to submit a report to the General Assembly and Governor that includes all planned and ongoing projects. Due July 1, 2026, and every year after.

Cemetery Board (SB 1241/P.A. 104-0086): Allows a township supervisor, in the absence of a township collector, to appoint a cemetery board of managers and approve the treasurer's bond for the board of managers.

Out-of-State Firefighter CDL (SB 1249/P.A. 104-0087): Allows out-of-state firefighters who possess appropriate driver's licenses in their residing state to operate an emergency vehicle in Illinois.

Disability Plate Decal (SB 1256/P.A. 104-0088): Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that if a permanently disabled applicant is issued registration plates or a parking decal or device under the Code, the applicant shall submit proof of the applicant's permanent disability once every five years. Adds a physical therapist to the list of those who may submit a statement or documentation to certify that a person applying for a disability is disabled.

Celiac Disease Food Training (SB 1288/P.A. 104-0090): Amends the Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act. In provisions regarding allergen awareness training, adds sesame to the definition of "major food allergen", and adds understanding gluten to the list of required allergen awareness training topics.

Surplus Line Insurance (SB 1289/P.A. 104-0091): Provides that the individual determination of the "home state" for each person or business in the group surplus line insurance will no longer apply. Coverage under the insurance policy will not be treated as separate contracts for each person or business in the group.

Community Reinvestment (SB 1301/P.A. 104-0092): Amends the Deposit of State Moneys Act and the Public Funds Investment Act. Requires financial



institutions to have a satisfactory or outstanding rating under the Illinois Community Reinvestment Act in order to receive deposits of public funds. Does not affect funds currently deposited. This requirement already exists with respect to the federal Community Reinvestment Act as of 2022. Effective January 1, 2026.

WIU Funding (SB 1310/P.A. 104-0093): Allows Western Illinois University to borrow money from the WIU Foundation or any financial institution. The amount may not exceed \$2 million. Any amount borrowed must be repaid within five years.

Dentistry Anesthesia Panel (SB 1325/P.A. 104-0094): Amends the Dental Practice Act to reorganize the Board of Dentistry from 11 members to 13 members, adds two new spots: at least one member holds a permit to administer moderate sedation; and at least one member holds a permit to administer deep sedation and general anesthesia.

CMS Real Properties Management (SB 1343/P.A. 104-0095): Amends the CMS Law of the Civil Administrative Code. Codifies CMS's ability to manage real properties and to grant and accept easements with respect to these properties, without limitation, at the discretion of the CMS Director. Removes outdated language regarding the James R. Thompson Center and adds 115 South LaSalle Street in Chicago to the list of properties managed by CMS.

Process Service Fees (SB 1348/P.A. 104-0096): Amends the Counties Code to increase the in-person process service fees for the Cook County Sheriff when serving legal documents. Electronic filing fees remain the same.

Police Utility Poles Camera Usage (SB 1380/P.A. 104-0097): Grants that county police and city police may use utility poles to place cameras for safety issues. Poles are publicly owned poles. Does NOT apply to telecom poles or private utility type poles. Provides that owners of poles may permit the process.

Dental Insurance (SB 1392/P.A. 104-0098): Amends the Health Maintenance Organization Act, the Limited Health Services Organizations Act and the Voluntary Health Services Plan Act. Allows insured individuals to assign their rights to claim payments under dental insurance policies, similar to existing provisions for accident and health insurance. Requires that if an insured person assigns their claim to a healthcare professional, healthcare facility, dental care provider, or dental care facility, the payment will be made directly to these entities, including any required interest.



Human Trafficking (SB 1422/P.A. 104-0099): Changes the title of the Act to “Human Trafficking Recognition Training Act.” Replaces specific business types with the broader term “employer.” This change requires that Human Trafficking Recognition Training, whether provided by the employer or the Department, includes curriculum content (in section 15) to be relevant to the employer’s industry—lodging establishments, restaurants, or truck stops. Requires lodging, restaurant, and truck stop employers to provide Human Trafficking Recognition Training for guest-facing employees within six months of hire and every 2 years after. Penalizes lodging, restaurant, and truck stop employers for failing to provide Human Trafficking Recognition Training. The penalty is a business offense with fines up to \$1,500 per violation (Attorney General or State’s Attorney can bring civil action). Local authorities can enforce compliance, giving employers 30 days to fix violations before facing legal action. The notice shall include information concerning where an employer can obtain the training curriculum developed by the Department under subsection (b) of Section 15. The Department’s Training program will be created and published by October 1, 2026.

Fire Marshal Report (SB 1446/P.A. 104-0102): Requires the State Fire Marshal to track and record the manner of death for all firefighters in the state, beginning no later than six months after effective date.

Corporation Voting Rights (SB 1466/P.A. 104-0104): Amends the Illinois Business Corporations Act to provide that any corporation, no matter when it was incorporated, may limit or eliminate cumulative voting rights in all or specified circumstances. It also makes clear that any corporation, no matter when it was incorporated, may amend its articles of incorporation to limit or eliminate shareholders’ cumulative voting rights. Currently, only corporations incorporated after December 31, 1981, may limit or eliminate cumulative voting rights.

Therapy Dogs (SB 1491/P.A. 104-0106): Requires the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board to develop a course and certification program for certified therapy dog teams consisting of officers employing the use of therapy dogs in relation to crisis and emergency response.

Library Systems Grants (SB 1550/P.A. 104-0108): Clarifies that grants are for library systems and public libraries that are part of a library system to plan, construct, and improve/enhance library security.

Illinois Traffic Study Requirement (SB 1559/P.A. 104-0110): Amends the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Regarding traffic control and prevention of crashes: 1.) Requires the Department



of Transportation to identify trends, patterns, and correlations including, but not limited to, trends, patterns, and correlations associated with the occurrence of fatal or serious injury traffic crash outcomes in pedestrians and bicyclists' population groups. 2.) If necessary, the Department shall conduct an analysis to identify potential actions to increase traffic safety, such as modifications to street design and infrastructure. 3.) Allows the Department to coordinate with other departments, agencies, or organizations deemed relevant. 4.) The Department shall make the reports on the analyses and results of the study 88 available to the public upon request. 5.) Adds clarifying language that traffic studies following a pedestrian fatality on State highways.

Short-term Approval License (SB 1584/P.A. 104-0111): Amends the School Code. Provides that a Short-term Approval License must have an expiration date without the ability to renew. If the educator does not earn the required license or endorsement in the specific education area and grade range and the Shorter-Term Approval expires, the educator shall not be eligible to continue serving as an educator in the specific education area and grade range. Provides that ISBE in consultation with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may explore extending 13 the expiration date of the Short-Term Approval if the educator can demonstrate a serious health condition inhibited the educator's ability to timely apply for and receive the license or endorsement for the specific education area and grade range for which the Short-Term Approval was obtained. Provides that an educator may receive only one extension for each Short-Term Approval and the extension shall not exceed one year.

Public Health and Emergency Plan (SB 1594/P.A. 104-0112): Replaces references to the Emergency Medical Disaster Plan with references to the Public Health and Emergency Medical Plan.

Unclaimed Property (SB 1667/P.A. 104-0116): Amends the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act and the Illinois Trust Code. Aims to enhance the administration of trust and unclaimed property 55 management. Trustee Recordkeeping: Trustees must maintain the governing trust instrument for at least seven years after the trust terminates. Unclaimed Property: Specifies that property in tax-deferred accounts becomes abandoned after 20 years. Abandoned Accounts: An account and there has been no activity in the past three years, the holder will attempt to contact the owners that are consistent with unclaimed property. Finder Agreements: Establishes regulations for agreements between property owners and finders, requiring finders to be licensed by the State Treasurer. Adds a January 1, 2026, effective date for the provisions creating a licensing requirement for unclaimed property finders.



Protects Mahomet Aquifer from Carbon Capture Projects (SB 1723/P.A.

104-0119): Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Provides that no person shall conduct a carbon sequestration activity within a sequestration facility that overlies, underlies, or passes through a sole-source 20 aquifer. Specifies that this provision does not deprive the Environmental Protection Agency of the authority to deny a carbon sequestration permit. Defines “sole-source aquifer.” Adds legislative findings and a definition of the term “injection.” Changes the definition of the term “sole source aquifer.” Creates the Mahomet Aquifer Advisory Study Commission. Provides that the University of Illinois shall provide administrative assistance to the Commission. Provides that, subject to appropriation, the Prairie Research Institute shall submit reports to the Commission. Provides that the Mahomet Aquifer Study Commission shall submit a final report to the Governor and General Assembly by no later than December 31, 2031. Specifies that the Commission is dissolved and the relevant provisions regarding the Commission are repealed on January 1, 2032.

Post-Judgment Relief (SB 1738/P.A. 104-0120): Amends the Code of Civil Procedure and the Clerks of Courts Act to update exemptions and other key post-judgment provisions in the Code of Civil Procedure that will benefit consumer judgment debtors. Key provisions include: • Automatic Exemption for Consumer Debt Judgments: Defines “consumer debt judgment” and establishes an automatic exemption allowing judgment debtors to retain \$1,000 of their equity in personal property held in checking, savings, or credit union accounts. This exemption is part of the debtor’s existing exemption for personal property valued up to \$4,000. • Increased Personal Property Exemptions: Raises the exemption amounts for certain personal property: Motor vehicles: from \$2,400 to \$3,600. Implements, professional books, or tools of the debtor’s trade: from \$1,500 to \$2,250. • Enhanced Homestead Exemption: Increases the homestead exemption from \$15,000 to \$50,000 for a single individual and to \$100,000 for two or more individuals owning the property. • Changes to Exempt Personal Property List: Modifies the list of personal property items exempt from execution. • Revival of Judgment Limitations: Adjusts limitations for reviving judgments related to consumer debt, specifying different conditions based on the date the judgment was entered. • Clerks of Courts Act Amendment: Prohibits fees for filing an appearance by a defendant in a small claims proceeding.

Rooftop Safety (SB 1742/P.A. 104-0121): Creates the Rooftop Safety for First Responders Act. All existing buildings, new construction, new roofs, roof replacements, and renovation projects that increase the area of a home or business by more than 50% are subject to the following requirements: For low-sloped roofs next to a fully enclosed shaft or court, a parapet, extended masonry,



guard, or any combination of these elements must be provided at the roof edges. All skylights and other openings within the plane of a low-sloped roof, unless legally required to remain open or unobstructed, must be one of the following: Glazed with wired glass, plain glass, glass block, or polycarbonate plastic that is designed and constructed to withstand a minimum dynamic load test of no less than 400 pounds. By January 1, 2027, and every two years afterward, municipalities must survey buildings with skylights or openings on low-sloped roofs. The survey results must be compiled into a building inventory and shared with local police and fire departments. In counties with more than one million people, survey results must be integrated into computer-aided dispatch systems.

HFS Cleanup (SB 1774/P.A. 104-0122): Provides for agency statute cleanup. Repeals two sections of the Public Aid Code that are no longer necessary.

Probate Finance Notice (SB 1777/P.A. 104-0123): Amends the Illinois Banking Act, Savings Bank Act, Illinois Credit Union Act, Illinois Trust and Payable on Death Accounts Act, Financial Institutions 56 Electronic Documents and Digital Signature Act, and Probate Act of 1975. Adds that a person shall confirm by examination of the letters testamentary, letters of administration, or letters of administration with the will annexed, or by examination of a document purporting to be the letters of office, that the letters were issued by the court solely to the executor or administrator. Amends the Illinois Banking Act, the Illinois Savings Bank Act, and the Illinois Credit Union Act to allow banks and credit unions to furnish financial information to the executor/lawful representative of the estate of a customer. Amends the Probate Act to create good-faith reliance for financial institutions when verifying representation made by estates, similar to what is already in existing law for other good faith reliance such as small estates affidavit, trustees, and power of attorneys. Amends the Illinois Trust and Payable on Death Accounts Act to allow account holders at financial institutions to choose a per stirpes disbursement. This per stirpes disbursement allows the holder of an account to choose that the distribution of their account goes to the descendants of a beneficiary if that beneficiary predeceases the holder of the account. Amends the Financial Institutions Electronic Documents and Digital Signature Act by providing that if the federal E-SIGN notice has been given and consent is received by a customer, then the bank is also in compliance with state law.

Cremation/Scattering of Ashes (SB 1793/P.A. 104-0124): Amends the Crematory Regulation Act. Provides that when a deceased individual is a member of a religion where the tenets of their faith require the scattering of that individual's cremated remains in water, the deceased individual's cremated remains may be scattered in an Illinois river without approval through the Department of Natural Resources' permit process as long as the scattering of the



cremated remains meets certain criteria. Provides that the spreading of ashes must be conducted in a manner in which no other objects, including, but not limited to, any cremation identification disc, body prosthesis, or artificial organ, other than pulverized cremated remains, are scattered into a river. Also provides that this Act does not grant an individual authority to trespass on private property.

Tampering with Registration Plates (SB 1883/P.A. 104-0125): States that it is unlawful to place tape on any registration plate, and states that devices used to hide or obscure registration plates are unlawful.

Sexual Misconduct Survey (SB 1928/P.A. 104-0127): Requires each higher education institution to conduct a sexual misconduct climate survey of all students at that institution every two years. Changes the membership of the Task Force on Campus Sexual Misconduct Climate Surveys.

Teacher Licensure Omnibus (SB 1947/P.A. 104-0128): Requires Higher Education institutions with educator preparation programs between September 1, 2026, and August 31, 2029, to participate in the Teacher Performance Assessment pilot program. Provides the State Board of Education with rulemaking authority over the Section pertaining to the administration of the teacher performance assessment. Establishes the Paraprofessional Teacher Pathway Program. Provides that the State Superintendent of Education is required to include revised examinations by July 1, 2027, for prospective educators.

Gifted and Talented Funding (SB 1983/P.A. 104-0129): Amends the School Code. Provides that all references to ISBE's involvement in funding the education of gifted and talented children are removed. Provides that a priority emphasis on language arts and mathematics is removed.

Online Retail Marketplaces (SB 2001/P.A. 104-0130): Amends the Auction License Act. Adds that at an auction, a seller must include an acknowledgment that 1) all property or goods offered for sale or by auction are owned by the seller, 2) the seller has full legal authority to sell such property or goods, and 3) to the best of the seller's knowledge, the property or goods to be sold have been lawfully obtained.

Boat Safety Instructions (SB 2019/P.A. 104-0132): Amends the Boat and Registration and Safety Act. Removes language that provides that a Boating Safety Certificate is not required by a person using only an electric motor to propel the motorboat.



Tow Truck Registrations (SB 2040/P.A. 104-0133): Provides that the Secretary of State shall begin suspending all tow truck registrations for failing to satisfy any fine or penalty issued by the Illinois Commerce Commission on July 1, 2026. Provides that the Secretary shall notify the person whose name appears on the certified report that the person's tow truck registrations shall be suspended within 30 days (rather than will be suspended at the end of a reasonable, specified period) unless the Secretary is presented with a notice from the Commission certifying that the fines or penalties owing the Commission have been satisfied or that inclusion of that person's name on the certified report was in error. Removes the requirement that a contest of a suspension or impending suspension be upon filing a written request with the Secretary and that the filing fee is \$50.

Personnel Code Veteran Appointments (SB 2175/P.A. 104-0136): Amends the Personnel Code Provides that certain provisions related to probationary separation, term appointments, and veterans' hospital visits are subject to Jurisdiction B. Changes references to "veterans hospital visits" to 66 references to "veterans medical appointments." Provides that an employee who is also a veteran shall be permitted four days per year to receive medical care authorized by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, at any type of health care provider or health care facility, for examination or treatment of a military service-connected condition.

Boat Safety (SB 2179/P.A. 104-0137): Amends the Boat Registration and Safety Act. Enhances boating safety requirements by mandating federally compliant navigation lights, sound signaling devices, and engine cutoff switch usage for certain motorboats. Updates operational rules by clarifying right-of-way in narrow channels and clarifying age limits for motorboat operation. Updates licensing procedures by requiring the Department of Natural Resources to establish passenger-for-hire and rental boat license rules.

Self-Storage Lien (SB 2220/P.A. 104-0139): Amends the Self-Service Storage Facility Act. Adds that the notice to the occupant in an enforcement of lien action must include the website information where the online bidding of the lien sale may take place.

Firearm Violence Prevention (SB 2280/P.A. 104-0140): Amends the Reimagine Public Safety Act by modifying reporting requirements for the Office of Firearm Violence Prevention. Changes the frequency of two key reporting obligations the annual report to the General Assembly and the compilation of funding recommendations. Instead of submitting the report no later than January 1 of each year, the Office will now issue the report annually, identifying



communities experiencing concentrated firearm violence in municipalities with populations over 1,000,000 and between 35,000 and 1,000,000 residents. The report will continue to explain investments to reduce firearm violence and recommend strategies to end the state's firearm violence epidemic. 85 2025

Bicycle Definition (SB 2285/P.A. 104-0141): Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code to redefine bicycles to include low-speed electric vehicles. Clarifies that bicycles have two or more wheels not less than 12 inches in diameter and are designed for the transportation of one or more persons with operable pedals.

Water Resources Fund (SB 2309/P.A. 104-0142): Amends the Rivers, Lakes, and Streams Act. Provides that penalty fees collected for violating the Rivers, Lakes, and Streams Act and application fees for permits shall be deposited into the Water Resources Fund (rather than the State Boating Act Fund). The Water Resources Fund was established in 2024, and this bill is intended to give it a source of funding.

Shoreline Restoration Funding (SB 2314/P.A. 104-0143): Amends the Healthy Forests, Wetlands, and Prairies Act. Authorizes grants to be provided under the Act for financing shoreline restoration and protection projects on behalf of counties and park districts.

Misleading Practices (SB 2318/P.A. 104-0144): Amends Section 46 (misleading practices) of the Illinois Banking Act Provides that a company which 1.) doesn't accept insured deposits as a substantial portion of its operations; and 2.) isn't chartered by a State or the United States, happens to violate provisions prohibiting it from misleading consumers to believe that it is a bank, it is subject to a civil penalty of up to \$100,000 for violations (penalty is current law under Section 48 of the Act).

Online Auction Sale (SB 2351/P.A. 104-0145): Amends the Auction License Act. Amends the definition of "Advertisement" to include online Internet promotions. Adds the definition of "Estate sale," "State sale service," and "Online auction." Adds that nothing in this Act shall be construed to apply to a third-party reseller of personal property where owners or representatives of an estate have transferred ownership of the property to the reseller to be sold anonymously. Also adds that nothing in the Act shall be construed to apply to any person as a receiver, trustee in bankruptcy, guardian, administrator, or executor; any person acting under a court order, under the direction of any public authority, or pursuant to any judicial decree; or any person acting under a trust agreement, deed of trust, or will.



Farmland Transition (SB 2372/P.A. 104-0146): Creates the Farmland Transition Commission Act. Provides that the Department of Agriculture shall establish a Farmland Transition Commission to examine current barriers individuals ages 25 through 40 face when trying to purchase or access 2 farmland, review current incentives and policies to encourage the transfer of farmland to current or prospective farmers between the ages of 25 to 40, and to make recommendations on possible incentives or policies to assist these individuals in purchasing or accessing farmland.

Nuclear Water Treatment Regulations (SB 2425/P.A. 104-0148): Defines “water treatment residuals” and provides exemptions for two categories of low-level radioactive waste. Provides an exemption for a generator that stores waste containing or composed of radioactive material with a physical half-life of less than 120 days. Provides an exemption for a generator of water treatment residuals.

Collection Agency Act (SB 2457/P.A. 104-0149): Amends the Collection Agency Act by updating definitions, phrases, exemptions, and applicability provisions for clarity and consistency with other financial regulations. Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Removes January 1, 2026, sunset date.

Oil and Gas Surety Bonds (SB 2463/P.A. 104-0150): Amends the Illinois Oil and Gas Act. Removes cash as an item that an applicant for a permit may provide in lieu of a surety bond required for plugging obligations and the removal of liquid oil field waste from an on-site collection point. The Department of Natural Resources will create rules to allow a surety bond for \$10,000 for one well, \$25,000 for 10 wells, \$50,000 for 50 wells, or \$100,000 for any group with up to 100 wells. DNR will release the bond if: 1) all wells covered by the bond are plugged and all well sites are restored in accordance with this Act and administrative rules; 2) all wells covered by the bond are transferred in accordance with this Act and administrative rules; or 3) the permittee pays assessments to the Department in accordance with the Act for 5 consecutive years from the date of issuance of a permit after the effective date of this Act and the permittee is not in violation of this Act or any administrative rules.

Dental Practice Act (SB 2492/P.A. 104-0151): Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Changes the repeal date of the Illinois Dental Practice Act from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2031. Amends the Illinois Dental Practice Act with substantive rewrite provisions.

Respiratory Care Practice Act (SB 2494/P.A. 104-0152): Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Changes the repeal date of the Respiratory Care Practice



Act from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2031. Amends the Respiratory Care Practice Act with substantive rewrite provisions. Adds Athletic Trainers sunset language on to the bill. Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Changes the repeal date of the Athletic Trainers Practice Act from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2031.

BCENT Sunset Extension (SB 2495/P.A. 104-0153): Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Changes the repeal date of the Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and Nail Technology Act of 1985 from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2031.

Physical Therapy Act-Sunset (SB 2496/P.A. 104-0154): Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act. Changes the repeal date of the Illinois Physical Therapy Act from January 1, 2026, to January 1, 2031. Amends the Illinois Physical Therapy Act with substantive rewrite provisions.

ISP Trainings (HB 2586/P.A. 104-0157): Provides the Illinois State Police's Division of Criminal Investigation broader jurisdiction to pursue online child exploitation cases and work alongside local task forces across the state. The changes are meant to improve response times, close jurisdictional gaps and strengthen coordination between agencies working to protect children from online 9 threats. These changes would bring Illinois in line with Alicia's Law, a national initiative that empowers specialized law enforcement units to track and prosecute predators who target children online.

Law Enforcement Officers Employment Records (SB 1953/P.A. 104-0158): Provides that law enforcement agencies must submit a written request on official letterhead, signed by the agency head or designee, along with a signed waiver from the applicant authorizing the release of employment records. Provides that the producing agency must release the personnel file within 14 days of receiving a valid request, with an option for a 14-day extension if needed. Requires the producing agency to certify in writing that no other credible, relevant, or material information that could negatively impact the applicant's fitness for employment exists outside the provided file. Grants law enforcement agencies and their employees immunity from lawsuits for disclosing or releasing personnel files in compliance with these procedures. Defines "law enforcement personnel file" and "law enforcement agency."

Human Trafficking (SB 2323/P.A. 104-0159): Establishes the Illinois Statewide Trauma-Informed Response to Human Trafficking Act, creating comprehensive measures to address human trafficking across multiple state agencies. Requires DCFS to maintain a human trafficking unit to coordinate services, prevent



trafficking, and support youth at risk or identified as trafficking victims. Eliminates the statute of limitation for civil liability allowing those who were trafficked as a minor to bring suit against their traffickers at any point in time. Expands hearsay exception and alternative methods of testimony for child trafficking victims.

Financial Aid (HB 460/P.A. 104-0164): Amends the Retention of Illinois Students and Equity Act. Allows students that did not register for selective service to receive financial aid from local governments. This would allow transgender students and undocumented students to receive financial aid from local governments.

Illinois Century Network (HB 1062/P.A. 104-0166): Amends the Illinois Century Network Act. Provides that the connection of anchor institutions to the Illinois Century Network shall be prioritized based upon 21 distance from the Illinois Century Network's existing middle-mile network, and certain other criteria.

Municipality Audit Requirements (HB 1082/P.A. 104-0167): Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Exempt small municipalities (under population of 1,000) from the annual audit requirement. Provides for other conditions and audits in other circumstances. Municipalities under a population of 1,000 will instead file an annual financial report with the Comptroller. Municipalities under the population of 1,000 but operate a public utility or have bonded debt shall file an audit report every 4 years. Requires an annual audit report if there is an adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion. Provides that beginning in FY27, municipalities shall submit completed audit reports and annual financial reports within 180 days after the close of the fiscal year, unless the Comptroller provides an extension.

Retired Health Care Professional (HB 1270/P.A. 104-0170): Amends the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois concerning the requirements that a health care professional must meet before he or she can have his or her license placed on volunteer status. Provides that a current licensee can apply with IDFPR to place his/her license on volunteer status if the applicant: holds an active license that is not subject to discipline or is not under investigation by the Department; agrees to only engage in volunteer practice in a free medical clinic or in a public health clinic; and agrees to not practice for compensation.

Victims' Economic Security and Safety (HB 1278/P.A. 104-0171): Amends the Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act. Provides that employers cannot take adverse actions against employees for using employer-issued devices to record incidents of domestic violence, sexual violence, gender violence, or other crimes committed against the employee or their family/household members.



Prohibits employers from depriving employees of employer-issued equipment solely because it was used to record such incidents. Provides that employees must be granted access to any related photographs, recordings, or digital documents stored on employer-issued devices. Provides that employers must comply with legal investigations, court orders, or subpoenas involving devices, data, or documents, but this does not impact employee rights under this section. Provides that employees must still comply with reasonable employer policies and perform their job functions, regardless of using employer-issued equipment for personal use. Effective Immediately.

Long-Term Care Facilities (HB 1287/P.A. 104-0172): Requires long-term care facilities licensed under the Nursing Home Care Act to have an automated external defibrillator (AED) and adopt policies for its use. Individuals certified to use AEDs must complete a CPR and AED course that meets standards set by the American Heart Association or Red Cross, and their certification must be current. Facilities must maintain AEDs per the Automated External Defibrillator Act and follow medical best practices. Compliance is required by January 1, 2030.

Crime Victims' Rights (HB 1302/P.A. 104-0173): Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act to ensure 7 days' notice of court proceedings for crime victims. This is to put crime victims on the same parity as the retail merchants. The bill also prohibits law enforcement officers from refusing to file reports for bona fide allegations of abuse, sexual assault, or domestic violence. Finally, the bill emphasizes that law enforcement officers should not discourage victims from filing reports and must complete written reports for legitimate allegations.

Genetic Medicine and Counseling (HB 1331/P.A. 104-0175): Amends the Network Adequacy and Transparency Act. Requires the Department of Insurance to consider establishing a ratio of plan beneficiaries to genetic medicine and counseling providers.

Joliet Arsenal Development Authority (HB 1364/P.A. 104-0177): Amends the Joliet Arsenal Development Authority Act. Adds to the act that it is to facilitate and promote the utilization of property that is located along the Illinois Waterway throughout Will County. Adds that the territorial 59 jurisdiction includes the municipalities of Channahon, Crest Hill, Elwood, Joliet, Lockport, Manhattan, Rockdale, Romeoville, Symerton, and Wilmington. Increases the number of Board of Directors to 15 and changes the process for appointing Board members. Reduces the number of directors appointed by the Will County to one. Adds that the mayors of the municipalities of Channahon, Crest Hill, Elwood,



Joliet, Lockport, Manhattan, Rockdale, Romeoville, Symerton, and Wilmington shall each appoint one member of the Board of Directors. Creates a new process to replace the Will County Appointments with Municipal Appointments. Extends the life of the Authority to 35 years after the effective date of the law that created the Authority. Provides that upon the abolition of the Authority, all of its rights and property shall pass to and be vested in Will County.

Therapist/Counselor Licensure (HB 1365/P.A. 104-0178): Amends the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act, the Clinical Social Work and Social Work Practice Act, the Marriage and Family Therapy Licensing Act, the Music Therapy Licensing and Practice Act, and the Professional Counselor and Clinical Professional Counselor Licensing and Practice Act: Establishes temporary licenses for: social workers, professional counselors, licensed marriage and family therapists, music therapists, clinical psychologists, and occupational therapists whose license application is pending and creates termination conditions for such licenses. Removes good moral character standards as qualification requirements for the licensing of social workers and music therapists. Provides that the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation must allow reasonable exam accommodations for licensed marriage and family therapists and clinical psychologists whose primary language is not English if a test in the therapist's or psychologist's primary language is not available.

Fair Patient Billing (HB 1431/P.A. 104-0181): Amends the Fair Patient Billing Act to require hospitals that charge separate facility fees for outpatient services to develop a policy informing patients of the potential fee, including how they will be notified, what the fee covers, why it's charged, and who to contact for more information. Provides that for violations involving a pattern or practice of not providing the information to patients, the civil monetary penalty shall not exceed \$50 per violation.

O'Hare Driver Safety Act (HB 1502/P.A. 104-0184): Shifts enforcement, rulemaking, and violation authority from the Toll Authority to the Illinois State Police. Clarifies definitions and expands "traffic route" to include all routes within a half-mile radius of O'Hare, including those under IDOT jurisdiction. Authorizes the State Police to install and operate automated traffic safety systems on light poles under IDOT and Toll Authority control. Allows the State Police to use an expedited procurement process for system contracts, with limited exemptions from the Illinois Procurement Code, for one year via the Concealed Carry Act.

No Fees for Unlawful Restrictive Covenant (HB 1575/P.A. 104-0187): Amends the Counties Code providing that the county recorder may not impose a



fee for filing a restrictive covenant modification to an unlawful restrictive covenant. A county recorder may not charge a fee for any copies of records necessary for filing a restrictive covenant modification to an unlawful restrictive covenant.

Judicial Appointments and Salaries (HB 1576/P.A. 104-0188): Authorizes the court to hold sessions and take evidence remotely as it deems necessary to expedite the business of the court. Authorizes the court to adopt administrative rules to provide for remote or electronic filing of a claim or other motion, participation in any capacity before the court, taking of evidence or testimony, conducting any business of the court, or payment of any fees to the court. Authorizes the court to adopt rules determining the form and manner of all filing fees and other charges due the court. Provides that all claims arising under the Act must be filed within five years of the crime on which a claim is based under the Crime Victims Compensation Act.

Unlawful Discharges (HB 1597/P.A. 104-0191): Makes changes to the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Act and the Nursing Home Care Act that strengthen resident protections in assisted living and nursing homes by requiring notification of significant health changes, ensuring access to assessments and service plans, and prohibiting emergency discharges if safe care can be provided. It mandates immediate compliance with readmission orders, imposes a \$2,500 fine for noncompliance, and upholds residents' rights against unlawful transfers or discharges.

Courthouse Flag Display (HB 1615/P.A. 104-0192): Permits the United States national flag to be displayed on the grounds of a courthouse (rather than only on the top of a courthouse). In provisions concerning the display of United States national flags, provides that every county in the state must ensure that the provided flag is raised on the flagstaff at or above the courthouse.

Organ Donor Leave (HB 1616/P.A. 104-0193): Amends the Employee Blood and Organ Donation Leave Act. Expands eligibility to include part-time employees, in addition to full-time employees, for up to 10 days of leave within a 12-month period to serve as an organ donor. Requires employers to compensate part-time employees using this leave based on the average daily pay over the previous two months of employment. Provides that part-time employees must obtain employer approval before using leave under this Act.

Seizure and Forfeiture Report (HB 1628/P.A. 104-0194): Amends the Seizure and Forfeiture Reporting Act to require additional information and reporting procedures for property seizures by law enforcement agencies in Illinois.



Requires law enforcement agencies to provide detailed reporting to the Illinois State Police about property seizures, including specific information about the seized property, the location of the seizure, and demographic details about the person from whom the property was seized, such as race, sex, age, and residential ZIP code.

DoIT Act Clean-up (HB 1631/P.A. 104-0195): Amends the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act. In provisions regarding the acceptance and distribution of electronic records and electronic signatures by governmental agencies, provides that, to the extent that a governmental agency uses electronic records and electronic signatures, the governmental agency (rather than the Department of Innovation and Technology and the Secretary of State) may specify (rather than shall adopt rules specifying) the required format and attributes of the electronic records and electronic signatures and the specific processes and procedures governing their use. Authorizes the Secretary of State and the Department of Innovation and Technology to adopt rules setting forth minimum requirements concerning the required format and attributes of electronic records and electronic signatures and the processes and procedures governing their use. Provides that the rules adopted by the Secretary of State shall apply only with respect to the Secretary of State. Further provides that the rules adopted by the Department of Innovation and Technology shall apply only with respect to client agencies, as that term is defined in the Department of Innovation and Technology Act.

Downstate Fire Annuitant (HB 1648/P.A. 104-0196): Allows retirees to transfer all or a part of their pension to a fire-related association or for hospitalization insurance purposes.

ICJIA Homicide Reporting Data (HB 1710/P.A. 104-0197): Amends the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Act and the Uniform Crime Reporting Act to establish a new system of homicide and aggravated assault reporting. Beginning January 1, 2026, the Illinois State Police will be required to submit detailed crime statistics to the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority on a quarterly basis.

Substitute Teacher Drills (HB 1787/P.A. 104-0198): Provides that a school district shall provide training on school evacuation drills and law enforcement lockdown drills to all school personnel serving in a substitute capacity. Training shall be provided in person when available.

Code Violations (HB 1842/P.A. 104-0200): Amends the Administrative Adjudications Division of the Illinois Municipal Code. Add to the authority of municipal code hearing officers to include entering orders prohibiting further code violations or compelling the remediation of existing code violations within a



specified time and authorizing the municipality to take all necessary steps to remediate code violations.

Faculty Compliance (HB 1859/P.A. 104-0201): Requires faculty members at a community college to meet qualifications outlined in Administrative Code and any other rules adopted by the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB). Prohibits a community college district from using artificial intelligence (AI) as the sole source of instruction for students.

MWRD Deputy Executive Director (HB 1908/P.A. 104-0205): Amends the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act. Provides that the executive director of the District, with the advice and consent of the board of commissioners, may appoint a deputy executive director. Provides that the deputy executive director must be selected solely upon administrative and technical qualifications and without regard to political affiliations and shall serve under the direct supervision of the executive director.

America's Central Port District (HB 2139/P.A. 104-0206): Amends America's Central Port District Act. Modernizes and updates the statute to permit borrowing from other local agencies, the use of automated clearing house transactions, and summary audit reports.

Bethalto School Quick Take (HB 2155/P.A. 104-0208): Authorizes Bethalto Community Unit School District No. 8, Madison County to prepare a quitclaim deed to release any and all interest in the real property that was conveyed by Public Act 90-71 and to release the covenant and condition previously recorded as a lien against the property.

Physical Harm or Injury Report (HB 2179/P.A. 104-0209): Amends the Assisted Living and Shared Housing Establishments Act. Provides that an establishment must report to the Department of Public Health any incident or accident that results in significant physical harm or injury to a resident or any situation where a resident requires outside emergent medical treatment as a direct result of an incident or accident.

Poultry Farmers (HB 2196/P.A. 104-0210): Amends the Meat and Poultry Inspection Act. Provides exemptions for poultry raisers with respect to poultry raised on their own farms or premises from the Meat and Poultry Inspection Act to help poultry farmers/raisers sell more of their products directly to consumers at farmers' markets and roadside stands, instead of just on their farm.

Drug Reuse Program (HB 2346/P.A. 104-0212): Amends the Illinois Drug Reuse Opportunity Program (IDROP) Act. Mandates the Illinois Department of



Public Health (IDPH) to develop and maintain a list of participating pharmacies on its website, educate pharmacies about voluntary participation, and create educational materials to inform the public about the program's benefits. Additionally, IDPH is required to gather and publish participant information in an annual report to the General Assembly, beginning December 31, 2026.

EMS Chief License Plates (HB 2359/P.A. 104-0213): Allows the Secretary of State to issue EMS chief license plates starting in the 2027 registration year. Requires the plate to be surrendered if the holder resigns, is terminated, or is reassigned to a position other than an EMS chief position. Permits the issuance of a permanent plate for a one-time fee of \$8.

Air Medal Special Plate (HB 2362/P.A. 104-0214): Allows the Secretary of State to begin issuing the Air Medal license plates in the 2027 registration year. Provides that the plates may only be issued to residents of the state who have been awarded the Air Medal by the United States Armed Forces, and allows the Air Force Medal license plates to be affixed to autocycles.

Electronic Submission Requirement (HB 2366/P.A. 104-0215): Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Provides that the Environmental Protection Agency is required to adopt rules requiring electronic submission. Rules are required to take effect no later than January 1, 2030.

Involuntary Admissions (HB 2387/P.A. 104-0217): Amends the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code. The circuit court has jurisdiction under the Admission, Transfer and Discharge Procedures for the Mentally Ill Chapter of the Code over persons not charged with a felony who are subject to involuntary admission on an inpatient basis. The circuit court has jurisdiction over all persons subject to involuntary admission on an outpatient basis under the Admission on an Outpatient Basis by Court Order Article of that Chapter of the Code, whether or not they are charged with a felony. A petition that the respondent is subject to involuntary admission on an outpatient basis must be accompanied by 1 certificate (rather than 2) of a physician, qualified examiner, psychiatrist, advanced practice psychiatric nurse, or clinical psychologist. These changes expire on January 1, 2030. From March 1, 2026, to January 1, 2030, the clerk of the court shall submit to the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts yearly reports containing the total number of petitions filed asserting that a person is subject to involuntary admission on an outpatient basis.

Joint Agreements Criteria (HB 2390/P.A. 104-0218): Amends the School Code. Provides a process for withdrawing member districts that are a part of a joint special education agreement. Requires notice, required comprehensive



plans (for after withdrawal), and the adopted resolution of a withdrawing member district to be submitted to the district's regional superintendent or executive director of the intermediate service center. Requires the regional superintendent or executive director of the intermediate service center to certify that the withdrawing member district has submitted all required material to withdraw from a joint agreement and notify the other member districts and the State Board of Education. Requires a public hearing to be held by the withdrawing member district within a year and a half before its withdrawal date. Provides that a school district will be officially withdrawn from a joint agreement if the school district follows the provisions of the bill and gives a year and a half notice to the other member districts of the joint agreement.

Wastewater Uses (HB 2391/P.A. 104-0219): Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Provides that treated municipal wastewater from a publicly owned treatment works is authorized for industrial uses (instead of only irrigation) under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

Hospice and Palliative Care (HB 2397/P.A. 104-0220): Requires the Department of Corrections to compile a report of hospice and palliative care provided to committed persons. Requires demographic data and number of individuals to be included. Must include policies and administrative directives of each department institution and facility regarding the institution of hospice and palliative care. Also, the cost of the department's hospice and palliative care programs.

PFAS Ban in Firefighter PPE (HB 2409/P.A. 104-0221): Amends the PFAS Reduction Act. May be referred to as the Deputy Chief Pete Bendinelli PFAS PPE Act. Beginning January 1, 2026: Anyone selling firefighting personal protective clothing containing PFAS chemicals to any person, local government, or State agency is required to provide written notice to the purchaser at the time of sale. Beginning January 1, 2027: Any person that sells auxiliary firefighting personal protective equipment to any person, local government, or State agency is not allowed to knowingly manufacture, sell, offer for sale, distribute for sale, or distribute for use any auxiliary firefighting personal protective equipment containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals. Beginning January 1, 2030: Any person that sells auxiliary firefighting personal protective equipment to any person, local government, or State agency is not allowed to knowingly manufacture, sell, offer for sale, distribute for sale, or distribute for use any auxiliary firefighting personal protective equipment containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals.



Local Siting Review (HB 2419/P.A. 104-0223): Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Provides that the county board of the county or governing body of the municipality shall conduct a local siting review hearing in a manner that is accessible to the public, including, but not limited to, individuals with disabilities and individuals who are not native English speakers. The county board of the county or governing body of the municipality are required to certify compliance 23 with this Act as part of the written record of the hearing upon completion of the hearing. Provides that the governing authority of the county or municipality may request the Department of Transportation to perform traffic impact studies of proposed or potential locations for required pollution control facilities, including studies of the emissions associated with traffic. Provides that the Department of Transportation may charge a fee to cover the costs of the emissions study.

Prohibits Insurance Discrimination (HB 2425/P.A. 104-0224): Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Prohibits discriminating against an individual with respect to life insurance final expense policies based upon a felony conviction. Provides that nothing requires a company to issue a policy to someone actively incarcerated for felony.

Traffic Signal Preempt Device (HB 2442/P.A. 104-0226): Allows vehicles used by a local or county emergency management services agency to install and operate a traffic control signal preemption device to be used when responding to a bona fide emergency, and when used in combination with red oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights.

Restaurant Reservations (HB 2456/P.A. 104-0227): Creates the Restaurant Reservation Anti-Piracy Act Provides that a third-party restaurant reservation service shall not list, advertise, promote, or sell reservations for a food service establishment through the website, mobile application, or other platform of the third-party restaurant reservation service without a written agreement between the third-party restaurant reservation service and the food service establishment. Provides that a written agreement that contains specified indemnifications shall be void and unenforceable. Creates a civil penalty up to \$1,000 for each violation. Creates a private right of action.

CPA Act Updates (HB 2459/P.A. 104-0228): Amends the Illinois Public Accounting Act. 1.) Changes the definition of "CPA firm" to remove a reference to limited liability companies and to include 72 professional limited liability companies. Makes conforming changes. Removes a reference to limited liability companies for facing a Class A misdemeanor for the unlicensed use of the title "Certified Public Accountant", "public accountant", or the abbreviation "C.P.A.", "RCPA", "LCPA", "PA". 2.) Provides that the Board of Examiners shall certify



applicants who successfully complete the Uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination and complete of 150 or 120 (instead of just 150) semester credit hours, to whichever applies to the applicant. 3.) Changes references from “substantial equivalency” to “enhanced mobility”. Removes that an out of state licensee must have four years of experience to qualify for licensure as a licensed CPA. 4.) Changes the organization that the Department may rely on for enhanced mobility determinations from the National Qualification Appraisal Service of the National Association of State Board of Accountancy to the Public Accountant Registration and Licensure Committee. 5.) Provides that if an individual whose principal place of business is not in this State but who has a valid CPA license issued by another state and whose issuing state equivalent criteria meets the States criteria shall be considered substantial equivalent by the Public Accountant Registration and Licensure Committee (instead of the National Qualification Appraisal Service of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy). If the licensure requirements of the issuing state are not equivalent, the individual must petition the Public Accountant Registration and Licensure Committee (instead of the National Qualification Appraisal Service of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy) for an equivalency determination of education, exam, and experience. 6.) Provides that, on and after January 1, 2027, the Department may license CPAs to individuals who have received a bachelor’s degree in accounting from an accredited college or university and an exam certificate from the Board and have had at least two years of experience as defined by IDFPR rule. 7.) Provides that, on and after January 1, 2027, the Department may license CPAs to individuals who have received a master’s degree OR a bachelor’s degree with 30 hours of accounting from an accredited college or university and an exam certificate from the Board, and at least one year of experience as defined by Department rule.

Dillon’s Law (HB 2462/P.A. 104-0229): Amends the Epinephrine Injector Act. Adds references to “authorized individual” (someone who completes a training program in how to use an Epi-pen) in provisions regarding those persons who may provide or administer an epinephrine injector. An authorized individual who acts in good faith to provide or administer an epinephrine delivery system in an emergency situation pursuant to the Act, shall not, as a result of the authorized individual’s acts, except for willful and wanton misconduct on the part of that individual, be liable for civil damages to a person to whom such epinephrine delivery system was given to or administered. The limitation of liability applies only to the act of providing or administering the epinephrine delivery system and shall not extend to any other care or treatment provided at or around the time of the epinephrine delivery system administration.



Military Registration Plates (HB 2506/P.A. 104-0230): Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code Provides that any additional fee collected for the issuance and renewal of the military series registration plate shall not be included in the authorized fee waiver. The fee waiver is for Veterans with a service- connected disability rating of 50% or higher that can provide a letter from the Department of Veterans' Affairs verifying the disability for the application.

Youthful Offender Early Release Changes (HB 2546/P.A. 104-0233): Amends the Unified Code of Corrections to modify parole/early release review procedures for individuals who were younger than 21 at the time of their offense. Allows eligible persons to file a petition for parole review either after serving their minimum term or up to three years prior to becoming eligible. Once the Prisoner Review Board receives the petition, they must determine within 30 days whether it is appropriately filed. If approved, the board will schedule a parole review hearing either three years from the petition's receipt or on the date the person becomes eligible for parole, whichever is sooner. Importantly, the hearing cannot be scheduled sooner than one year from the petition's approval. The bill also requires the Department of Corrections to meet with the eligible person within six months to provide information about the parole hearing process and personalized recommendations for rehabilitation. Additional provisions include appointing counsel for indigent individuals one year before the parole hearing, notifying victims about the hearing, and establishing criteria for the Prisoner Review Board to consider when determining parole, such as the offender's youth, maturity, and potential for rehabilitation. If parole is initially denied, individuals may be eligible for a subsequent review after five or 10 years, depending on the severity of their original offense.

Prohibit At-Home Evidence Kits (HB 2548/P.A. 104-0235): Creates the Self-Administered Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kit Ban Act, which prohibits the sale, marketing, promotion, advertising, or distribution of self-administered sexual assault evidence collection kits to consumers in Illinois. The bill defines these kits as materials marketed for non-medical professionals to collect physical evidence of sexual assault. Allows for private right of action and potential enforcement by the Attorney General or local State's Attorneys. Aggrieved persons may file suit in circuit court and can potentially collect compensatory damages for their purchase, punitive damages up to \$1,000 per violation, and attorney's fees. The state can also seek injunctive relief and impose civil penalties up to \$1,500 for each violation.

First Responders Suicide Task Force (HB 2551/P.A. 104-0236): Reinstates the First Responder Suicide Task Force. Adds one member who represents an organization that provides mental health training and support for first responders.



Adds two members who represent organizations that advocate on behalf of public safety telecommunicators. Requires a new report to be submitted by December 31, 2026. Repeals the section on January 1, 2027.

Guardian Training (HB 2562/P.A. 104-0237): Amends the Guardianship and Advocacy Act. Training for guardians of adults with disabilities must have two components: one for guardians of the person and another for guardians of the estate. Authorizes the State Guardian to determine the content of the training. Requires training for guardians to continue to include content on Alzheimer's disease and dementia. Amends the Probate Act of 1975 to require guardians of the person and estate to complete this training within one year from the issuance of the letters of office.

Veterans' Dependents Scholarship (HB 2572/P.A. 104-0238): Amends the School Code. Provides that the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs shall determine, by rule, the eligibility of the persons 92 who make application for the scholarship or grant. Amends the Deceased, Disabled, and MIA/POW Veterans' Dependents Educational Opportunity Grant Act. Provides that the Department shall determine, by rule, the eligibility of the children who make application for the scholarship or grant.

Hypodermic Syringes and Needles (HB 2589/P.A. 104-0240): Amends the Hypodermic Syringes and Needles Act. Provides that if the pharmacy has sterile hypodermic syringes or needles in stock, a pharmacist, based on the pharmacist's professional and clinical judgment, shall sell sterile hypodermic syringes or needles to any qualifying individual when sterile hypodermic syringes or needles are required for the proper utilization or administration of medications, including any counseling or referrals to relevant healthcare services.

Trafficking Crimes (HB 2602/P.A. 104-0241): Provides that when the victim is younger than 18 at the time of the offense, allows prosecutors to be able to bring charges for involuntary servitude, involuntary sexual servitude of a minor, or trafficking in persons at any time, rather than being limited to a 25-year window after the victim turns 18. This change applies to offenses committed on or after the bill's effective date.

Adoption by Filing (HB 2667/P.A. 104-0242): Amends the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. Deletes a provision that authorized certain rules to be adopted, amended, or repealed by filing a certified copy with the Secretary of State. Deletes a corresponding cross-reference in a provision concerning the incorporation by reference of certain materials in rules adopted by a State agency.



Collaborative Agreements (HB 2688/P.A. 104-0244): Amends the Nurse Practice Act in provisions concerning home-birth practices and written collaborative agreements. Provides that, in the case of home birth services provided by a certified nurse midwife, a written collaborative agreement may 73 permit, but shall not prohibit, a certified nurse midwife to provide home birth services within the scope of the certified nurse midwife's training and experience. Provides that, if a collaborating physician does not provide home birth services, home birth services may be provided by a certified nurse midwife working under a written collaborative agreement with the collaborating physician if the services are provided in a federal primary care Health Professional Shortage Area with a Health Professional Shortage Area score greater than or equal to 12 or a "maternity care desert." "Maternity care desert" means a county without any hospital, any birth center, or any licensed health care professional offering obstetric care.

Child Sex Abuse Material (HB 2690/P.A. 104-0245): Amends the Criminal Code of 2012, Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963, and the Unified Code of Corrections. Changes terminology from "child pornography" to "child sexual abuse material" across multiple statutes. Extends statute of limitations for grooming offenses involving victims younger than 17. Expands the definition of Sexual Exploitation of a Child and Grooming. Provides courts more flexibility in taking testimony from victims or witnesses under 18 or with intellectual disabilities, including potential use of facility dogs. Expands the list of offenses where evidence of a victim's past sexual conduct is inadmissible to include involuntary servitude, involuntary sexual servitude of a minor, and trafficking in persons. Expands the list of offenses where evidence of a defendant's commission of another offense or offenses can be admissible under certain circumstances to include involuntary servitude, involuntary sexual servitude of a minor, and trafficking in persons.

Statewide DV Hotline (HB 2774/P.A. 104-0247): Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a single, statewide, easy-to-use Domestic Violence Hotline for information and referrals. The Department may contract a qualified lead entity—an Illinois-based nonprofit with experience, multilingual 24/7 access, trained staff, and appropriate technology—to operate and oversee the hotline. The lead entity must provide direct referrals, collect service data, and report regularly to the Department. The bill also allows for flexible funding sources to support the hotline's operation. Allows for multiple funding sources to support the hotline's operation.

Career and Technical Education Opportunities (HB 2801/P.A. 104-0249): Amends the School Code. Provides that by July 1, 2026, ISBE shall provide a



form, posted publicly on its website, for organizations to submit opportunities for high school students to participate in externships, internships, or volunteer work related to career and technical education career pathways. The opportunities submitted shall be reviewed and approved by ISBE. ISBE shall post a list of approved opportunities on its website and share the list with all school districts annually. Provides that by 17 July 1, 2027, and by July 1 each year thereafter, the ISBE shall compile and publish a report on its website listing the total number of organizations that submitted opportunities for high school students the previous year as provided in this bill. The report shall be separated by the career areas under which each opportunity fell.

Excused Absences FFA and 4H (HB 2802/P.A. 104-0250): Provides that participation in work-based learning experiences and apprenticeships including FFA and 4H events that are approved by a licensed educator are required to be counted towards a student's attendance calculation. Requires school districts before the 2026-2027 school year to create attendance policies pertaining to activities that count towards a student's attendance calculation.

OTC Sale of Ephedrine (HB 2874/P.A. 104-0252): Amends the Illinois Controlled Substances Act. Provides that the law concerning limitations on the over-the-counter sale of ephedrine without a prescription does not apply to the sale of any product dispensed or delivered by a practitioner or pharmacy according to a prescription issued by a prescriber authorized by the State or another state for a valid medical purpose and in the course of professional practice.

Hospice Program Board Report (HB 2877/P.A. 104-0253): States that by December 31, 2026, the Hospice and Palliative Care Board must submit a report to the General Assembly on the state of care for individuals with serious or life-limiting illnesses and their caregivers. The report must include: 1. Data on the availability and need for hospice and palliative care in Illinois. 2. Data on the value of non-hospice adult palliative care to the state and its residents. 3. Evidence-based recommendations to educate healthcare professionals and the public about nonhospice palliative care. 4. Recommendations for state standards for adult palliative care.

Emergency Service Vehicles (HB 2977/P.A. 104-0258): Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Applies only to the City of Chicago. Provides that a municipality, with a population of more than 500,000, is required to allocate 10% of the funds it receives from private insurers as direct payments for ambulance or fire services it provides. These funds may only be used to purchase or maintain ambulances, fire trucks, or other emergency service vehicles. This requirement does not apply



to funds received through public health programs such as Medicaid or Medicare, or payments related to liability claims, settlements, or judgments, including those from excess insurance or self-insurance reserves.

ISBE Cleanup (HB 2986/P.A. 104-0261): Amends the Holocaust and Genocide Commission Act and the School Code. Provides changes to reporting requirements concerning Statement of Affairs, Reports on Contracts Over \$25,000, Administrative Cost Reporting, Annual Financial Report and Audit Reporting, and Charter School Reporting. Removes the time requirement of school districts to enroll every English learner into a transitional bilingual education program for at least three years. Removes provisions requiring the statement of affairs to the State Board of Education to include the annual fiscal year gross payment for each certificated personnel. (Teacher and Administrator Salaries). Provides that the State Superintendent's designee can serve on the interagency council on the bikeways program and the Illinois Holocaust and Genocide Commission. Requires speech-language pathologists to train at least six hours (instead of 10) in the supervision of speech-language pathology assistants.

Mental Health Records (HB 2994/P.A. 104-0263): Provides that a parent or guardian that consented to the mental health services can only access a student's mental health records for the purpose of inspecting and copying a record of the specific mental health or developmental services that the parent or guardian consented to.

ID Cards Information (HB 3000/P.A. 104-0264): Amends the School Code. Provides that each school district that serves pupils in any grades 6 through 12 and that issues an identification card to school employees serving any grades 6 through 12 shall provide on the identification card the same contact information concerning suicide prevention that is required to be provided on a pupil's identification card.

Community College Trustees Oath (HB 3011/P.A. 104-0265): Requires each member of a community college board of trustees to take an oath swearing that he or she supports the US and Illinois Constitutions and that they will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of their community college district. The oath will be administered by the secretary of the board, a notary public, or any other officer authorized to administer oaths under State law.

Dual Language Programs (HB 3026/P.A. 104-0266): Amends the School Code. Provides that by December 15, 2026, ISBE shall adopt comprehensive guidance for school districts regarding the establishment of new dual language education



programs and the expansion of existing dual language education programs. Provides that by July 1, 2029, ISBE's Equity Journey Continuum shall integrate the following components into the comprehensive strategic plan: Dual language education into the broader framework of student learning to ensure it is considered an essential part of educational equity and excellence; and Specific provisions for dual language teachers, focusing on recruitment, professional development, and retention of bilingual educators. Provides that by July 1, 2027, ISBE shall establish recognition pathways for biliteracy at various grade levels before high school. All aspects are permissive to school districts.

Course Credits (HB 3039/P.A. 104-0267): Provides that a student in 7th or 8th grade may receive credit towards a high school diploma if the student participates in the course where the student attends school as long as the student passes the course and the end-of-course examination given at the high school granting the credit for the same course and demonstrating proficiency at the high school level.

Cold Spa (HB 3050/P.A. 104-0269): Defines "cold spa" and provides details on how to operate a cold spa and sets the minimum temperature and maximum temperatures allowed. Amends the Swimming Facility Act. Provides that permits for construction or major alteration of a swimming facility are valid for a period of two years from the date of issue.

Transportation Benefits Program (HB 3094/P.A. 104-0272): Amends the Transportation Benefits Program Act Provides that this Act does not apply to a covered employer in the construction industry with respect to employees with whom the covered employer has entered into a bona fide collective bargaining agreement. Defines "Construction industry" and "Covered employee." Makes changes to definitions.

Regional Human Rights Authorities (HB 3095/P.A. 104-0273): Amends the Guardianship and Advocacy Act: Each regional human rights authority shall consist of at least seven members and no more than nine members, appointed by the Director of the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission. A quorum for the above bodies shall consist of a majority of appointed members.

Electronic Device Waste (HB 3098/P.A. 104-0274): Amends the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act. Adds provisions regarding education and consumer awareness requirements for electronic recycling events. Amends the duties of an e-waste collection program to only require certification from either the unit of local government, the third party operating a residential franchise collection program for a unit of local government, or the county or municipal joint action agency



participating in the e-waste program, instead of from all three. Adds to the requirements of the Advisory Electronics Task Force. Extends the sunset of this Act from December 31, 2026, to December 31, 2031.

Driver Training Instructors (HB 3125/P.A. 104-0275): Expands eligibility for a driving school instructor's license to include individuals who have held a valid driver's license, 91 including a Temporary Visitor's Driver's License, for at least two years prior to applying, provided they are currently authorized to work in the United States and meet all other existing statutory and regulatory requirements for licensure.

Retired Police Dogs (HB 3140/P.A. 104-0276): Establishes the Care for Retired Police Dogs Program within the University of Illinois System to provide veterinary care funding for retired police dogs who have served at least five years in law enforcement or correctional agencies. The program will be administered by a not-for-profit corporation that meets specific criteria, including being a tax-exempt organization dedicated to protecting retired police dogs. Funding will come from the Illinois Police K-9 Memorial Fund, with grants available to former handlers or adopters of retired police dogs to reimburse veterinary expenses, up to \$1,500 per dog annually.

Water Main Installation Projects: (HB 3141/P.A. 104-0277): Amends the Environmental Protection Act. For water main installation projects, all water mains and related appurtenances, including but not limited to fire hydrants and valves that are owned and controlled by a public water supply and located within a public right-of-way or utility access easement, must be included in the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency written approval. The Agency is responsible for the design review and permitting of the water main and fire hydrants, which must be installed in accordance with the Agency's written permit and in compliance with the Illinois Plumbing License Law and associated rules for hydrants connected to a plumbing system.

Grocery Tax Repeal (HB 3144/P.A. 104-0278): Repeals the State's 1 percent grocery tax with a delayed implementation date of Jan. 1, 2026. Increases Chicago's prepaid wireless 911 surcharge to 9 percent, beginning July 1, 2024. Creates the County Grocery Occupation Tax Law to allow all counties to impose a new county-wide 1 percent grocery tax. Cannot be implemented until Jan. 1, 2026. Allows a Hotel Operator Occupation Tax for Sangamon County at 3 percent. Allows non-home rule municipalities to impose general sales taxes by ordinance, not by referendum, immediately. Creates the Municipal Grocery Occupation Tax Law to allow municipalities to impose a new 1 percent grocery tax. Cannot be implemented until Jan. 1, 2026.



DHS-DD Services Rate Sheet (HB 3160/P.A. 104-0279): Requires the Department of Human Services to, at least annually, provide each provider of home and community-based services an updated, detailed rate sheet for each funded client served by the provider. Also requires that the Department issue updated rate sheets within 60 days of receipt, if the Department receives information that changes a client's reimbursement rate.

Digital Voice and Likeness Protection (HB 3178/P.A. 104-0282): Amends the Digital Voice and Likeness Protection Act Provides that a provision in an agreement between an individual and any other person for the performance of personal or professional services is unenforceable only as it relates to a new performance, fixed on or after January 1, 2026, by a digital replica of an individual if specified conditions are satisfied. Provides that the failure to include a reasonably specific description of the intended uses of a digital replica shall not render a provision in an agreement unenforceable when the uses of the digital replica are consistent with the terms of the contract for the performance of personal or professional services and the fundamental character of the photography or soundtrack as recorded or performed. Provides that the requirements do not affect any other provision of a contract.

Pension Omnibus (HB 3193/P.A. 104-0284): Amends the Illinois Pension Code. Makes changes in provisions and sets forth provisions concerning: the cancellation of pensions as a result of re-employment under the Chicago Teachers Article; persons who held elective office under the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Article; the transfer of service credit; employer contributions; establishing credit for military service and certain other service; the ordinary disease benefit under the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) Article; the computation of service under the Chicago Teachers Article; indemnification of trustees; the occupational disease benefit under the Chicago Firefighters Article; the election of members to Board of the Firefighters ' Pension Investment Fund; the calculation of final rate of earnings and survivors insurance benefits under the State Universities Article; the optional defined contribution benefit under the Downstate Teachers Article; the deferred compensation plan under the State Universities Article; an estimated payment for members eligible to receive an alternative retirement annuity under the State Employees Article; an additional employer contribution for employing affected annuitants under the State Universities Article; and other provisions. Amends the State Mandates Act to requirement implementation without reimbursement. Adds the Joliet Regional Port District to the list of participating instrumentalities whose employees may participate in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.



Unemployment Insurance Recovery (HB 3200/P.A. 104-0285): Unemployment Insurance Benefits. Amends the Unemployment Insurance Act. Expands UI benefits for those who voluntarily leave their work because they are deemed physically unable to perform work by a licensed and practicing nurse practitioner, or licensed and practicing physician assistant and the employer is unable to accommodate the individual. Allows for claims dated December 28, 2025, through December 24, 2028, deemed to be unable to perform the individual's work due to a mental health disability by a licensed and practicing psychiatrist and the employer is unable to accommodate the individual. Authorizes the Department to recover overpaid benefits, penalties, and interest from individuals and employers using existing collection mechanisms. It also allows the Department to retrieve unclaimed property or inactive debit card funds linked to ineligible benefit payments, provided federal law permits. Recovered funds must be returned to the appropriate unemployment insurance fund. Provides that employers that willfully fail to pay required contributions or submit mandated reports may be enjoined from operating in Illinois after proper notice and court action. Additionally, the Department must submit a fiscal impact report on the mental health-related claims provision to the General Assembly by January 1, 2030.

Highway Commissioner Compensation (HB 3238/P.A. 104-0287): Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Allows a highway commissioner's salary to be paid from the corporate road and bridge fund or the permanent road fund or both.

Prohibiting Denial of Free Education (HB 3247/P.A. 104-0288): Amends the School Code. Prohibits the denial of a child's free public education in Illinois based on the child's or the child's parent's or guardian's perceived or actual immigration or citizenship status. Requires schools to not exclude any child from participating in any program or activity at a school that is based on a child's or a child's parent's or guardian's citizenship or immigration status. Requires schools to adopt a policy for approving requests by law enforcement to enter a school building for non-emergency purposes. Provides that a school cannot disclose information regarding a child's or associated person's immigration or citizenship status if the school does not have knowledge of an associated person's or child's immigration or citizenship status to any other person, entity, or any immigration or law enforcement agency. Provides that a school cannot disclose information regarding a child's or associated person's immigration or citizenship status if the school does have knowledge of an associated person's or child's immigration or citizenship status to any other person or nongovernmental entity. Provides that if any of the provisions within the bill are not followed by an entity or person then a



civil lawsuit can be filed for such violation and actual damages can apply to anyone found in violation of the language in this bill.

Laser Hair Removal (HB 3248/P.A. 104-0289): Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Requires a coverage provider, beginning January 1, 2027, to provide coverage for medically necessary laser hair removal if the procedure is a prescribed medical treatment in accordance with generally accepted standards of medical care. Incorporates the coverage mandate into the required coverages under the State Employees Group Insurance Act, Counties Code, Illinois Municipal Code, School Code, Health Maintenance Organization Act, Limited Health Service Organization Act, and Voluntary Health Services Plans Act. States the new section is not applicable to health care plans providing health care services for persons who are enrolled under Article V of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

Underground Storage Tank Funds (HB 3290/P.A. 104-0291): Amends the Illinois Environmental Protection Act Underground Storage Tank Fund. Requires a payment determination within 120 days after receipt of both the complete application for payment and the report documenting completion of the activities approved in the plan, whichever is received later, instead of just an application. 24 Limits deductibles to \$10,000 after the effective date of the Act, which shall be reduced by any deductible amount previously applied to costs incurred.

Early Intervention Program (HB 3327/P.A. 104-0294): Requires hospitals to provide written (or electronic) information about the Early Intervention program to parents or legal guardians of children admitted to the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU). Through June 30, 2026: The information and referrals must be made in accordance with the Early Intervention Services System Act. Starting July 1, 2026: The same requirements apply, but under the Department of Early Childhood Act. In both cases, before discharge, hospital staff familiar with the EI program must initiate written referrals for NICU-admitted children who qualify under the respective law. Requires the EI public awareness program that is currently required under the Department of Early Childhood Act to include a special focus on the early identification of infants who automatically qualify for services, including those who qualify because of a birth weight less than 1,000 grams (2.2 lbs.).

Alzheimer's and Dementia Assessment (HB 3328/P.A. 104-0295): Requires Assisted Living Facilities that offer Alzheimer's units to assess residents before admission using validated tools approved by Alzheimer's and dementia care experts to ensure accurate evaluation of cognitive impairments. These tools must



be regularly reviewed and updated to reflect current best practices and clinical standards.

Coerced Debt (HB 3352/P.A. 104-0297): Amends the Collection Agency Act. Provides that people are not liable for coerced debt. Individuals may assert that they have incurred a coerced debt by submitting a statement to a collection agency. Focused on debt as the result of fraud, duress, intimidation, threat, force, coercion, undue influence, nonconsensual use of the debtor's personal identifying information as a result of abuse or exploitation or human trafficking. Requires the statement to include a number of specific items including, but not limited to, facts about how the debt was incurred and various types of documentation from authorities or third parties supporting the claim. If the agency determines the debt does not qualify as coerced debt, it must notify the debtor through a written statement and explain how such determination was made. If the agency determines the debt is a coerced debt, the agency must notify the debtor that it is ceasing all actions regarding the coerced debt. Regards coerced debt as an affirmative defense in any lawsuit and arbitration regarding collection of the debt. Prima facie affirmative defense is established by debtor through completion of the statement. Burden is on the collection agency to disprove the defense by preponderance of evidence. A person found by a court or arbitrator to be a perpetrator is civilly liable to the agency for the debt and to the debtor for actual damages. Establishes other provisions regarding confidentiality, penalties for noncompliance and false statements, and more.

Jury Act (HB 3359/P.A. 104-0298): Amends the Jury Act. Increases the number of petit jurors that may be drawn to serve from 14 up to and including 16 if alternate jurors are required. Amends the Code of Civil Procedure. Allows the court to impanel up to and including four alternative jurors instead of one or two. Applies to actions commenced or pending on or after January 1, 2026.

Certified Veterinary Technician (HB 3360/P.A. 104-0299): Amends the Veterinary Medicine and Surgery Practice Act. Provides that "certified veterinary technician" or "veterinary technician" means a person who is a graduate of a veterinary technology program accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association's Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities and who has successfully passed the Veterinary Technician National Examination. Provides that every holder of a license shall display the license or a copy of the license in a conspicuous place in the holder's principal office or any other location where the holder renders services as a veterinarian or a certified veterinary technician. Requires every displayed license to have the license number visible.



Clinical Psychologist Licensing (HB 3373/P.A. 104-0301): Amends the Clinical Psychologist Licensing Act in provisions concerning the qualifications of applications and examination. Provides that, beginning one year after the effective date of the bill, the required licensure examination may be taken upon graduation and before completion of a postdoctoral supervised experience.

Funding for Homeless Children/Youth (HB 3377/P.A. 104-0302): Provides that school districts shall report to ISBE, on an annual basis: the amount of funds received by each school district in the preceding school year under a subchapter in the federal education code for improving the academic achievement of the disadvantaged; the amount of funds reserved by each school district in the preceding school year to serve homeless children and youth under a subchapter in the federal education code for improving the academic achievement of the disadvantaged; the number of homeless children and youth identified and enrolled in each school district for that same school year; the amount of such funds that were spent on homeless children and youth; and the activities on which such funds were spent.

Mental Health (HB 3385/P.A. 104-0303): Provides that each public college or university shall provide at least three licensed mental health professionals, or if the benchmark ratio falls under three, at least the number of licensed mental health professionals required by the benchmark ratio. The mental health professional may be provided in either a part-time, on-campus capacity or a full-time, on or off-campus capacity.

Joint Training Sessions (HB 3428/P.A. 104-0305): Requires the Department of Public Health to hold semiannual joint training sessions for surveyors, nursing home providers, and assisted living providers, with input from the State long-term care ombudsman and provider associations. The training must include topics such as regional citation patterns and standardized guidance to help prevent common citations in assisted living facilities.

Volunteer Health Practitioners (HB 3435/P.A. 104-0306): Amends the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act. Provides that, if a state licensed health or mental health professional with a valid license from another state or territory is operating under the auspices of the American Red Cross, the professional may practice in the State to the extent authorized by the Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act as if the practitioner were licensed in the State, regardless of whether an emergency declaration is in effect.

Daycare Background Checks (HB 3439/P.A. 104-0307): Requires that criminal background checks for all employees at childcare facilities occur every five years,



in line with the Child Care and Development Block Grant. Clarifies that employees must complete either an FBI fingerprint background check or an Illinois State Police fingerprint check, along with a criminal record check from any state they have resided in during the past five years. Until all background check requirements are fully cleared, employees or volunteers must be supervised by someone who has passed all required checks.

School District Spending Plan Tool (HB 3446/P.A. 104-0309): Amends the Evidence-Based Funding Section of the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to create an Evidence-Based Funding (EBF) spending plan tool to make EBF spending plan data for each organizational unit (public school district) available on the State Board of Education's website no later than Dec. 31, 2025, and annually update the tool. Requires the tool to allow for the selection and review of each organizational unit's planned use of EBF.

Licensure Data Collection (HB 3487/P.A. 104-0311): Amends the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois regarding data that is requested by IDFPD during the licensure process. Provides that, in conjunction with applications for licensure and renewals, 74 IDFPD shall request, and applicants may voluntarily provide primary language spoken, anticipated date of retirement, type of employment, and ZIP code (rather than only sex, ethnicity, race, and disability under current law).

Non-Hormonal Contraceptives (HB 3489/P.A. 104-0312): Authorizes pharmacists to dispense non-hormonal contraceptives. Pharmacists are currently authorized to dispense hormonal contraceptives, which would include emergency contraceptives. Requires Medicaid coverage for non-hormonal contraceptives.

Local Regulation of State Facilities (HB 3493/P.A. 104-0313): Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that no ordinance or permitting requirement of a unit of local government shall be enforced against the construction/reconstruction of a State facility. Exceptions are made for Sanitary Districts and Wastewater Systems. Preempts home rule.

ABLE Account Information (HB 3500/P.A. 104-0314): Requires information about Illinois ABLE to also be disseminated to parents of students who have section 504 plans under the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. As with IEP parents, this would be implemented at the local school level with information developed and distributed by the Treasurer's office. ABLE information will only be provided at the initial 504 plan meeting or if a student has an existing 504 plan the information is required to be sent using the forms of communication the school district uses currently for 504 plans to the student's parent or guardian by



the 2026-2027 school year; and starting with the 2026-2027 school year the informational materials is required to be posted on the school district's website. Requires Illinois ABLE information to be provided to parents of infants and toddlers who are involved in the development of an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) under the Early Intervention program. This would be implemented by Early Intervention regional intake offices, which are the points of contact with families.

Climate Change (HB 3510/P.A. 104-0315): Amends the Energy Efficient Building Act. Provides that, with respect to the Illinois Stretch Energy Code's commercial components: (1) the Capital Development Board shall create and adopt a stretch energy code with a site energy index no greater than 0.50 of the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code by December 31, 2026; the Capital Development Board shall create and adopt a stretch energy code with a site energy index no greater than 0.44 of the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code by December 31, 2029; and the Capital Development Board shall create and adopt a stretch energy code with a site energy index no greater than 0.44 of the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code by December 31, 2031.

Eviction of Minors (HB 3566/P.A. 104-0317): Amends the Eviction Article of the Code of Civil Procedure to require dismissal of a complaint in its entirety against all defendants if it willfully and wantonly names a defendant who is a minor at the time of filing. Requires immediate sealing. A minor named as a defendant is entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, actual damages, and liquidated damages of \$1,000. Nothing prohibits a party from refiling an action against any defendants who otherwise may be properly named. The court may not waive any fees associated with refiling the action against defendants otherwise properly named.

Unfit Misdemeanants (HB 3572/P.A. 104-0318): Establishes a new diversion program for unfit misdemeanor defendants that allows for potential dismissal of criminal charges with approval of the court and the State if the defendant agrees to and successfully participates in mental health and substance use treatment services. Amends the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 so that defendants charged with petty offenses or infraction of a municipal ordinance are not eligible for fitness restoration services. Creates the Fitness to Stand Trial Task Force in order to review the statutory and regulatory rules governing the procedures by which individuals facing criminal charges may be unfit to stand trial.

IHDA Data Collection (HB 3616/P.A. 104-0319): Amends the Affordable Housing Planning and Appeal Act. Expands the Act's list of legislative findings.



Requires the Illinois Housing Development Authority to collect data and calculate the percentage of affordable middle housing based on the total number of:

1. owner-occupied housing units in each local government that are affordable to households with a gross household income that is at or below 30% of the median household income within the county or primary metropolitan statistical area;
2. rental units in each local government that are affordable to households with a gross household income that is at or below 30% of the median household income within the county or primary metropolitan statistical area;
3. owner-occupied housing units in each local government that are affordable to households with a gross household income that is between 80% and 140% of the median 64 household income within the county or primary metropolitan statistical area; and
4. rental units in each local government that are affordable to households with a gross household income that is between 60% and 80% of the median household income within the county or primary metropolitan statistical area.

Workplace Transparency (HB 3638/P.A. 104-0320): Amends the Workplace Transparency Act. Prevents employers from imposing unfair contract terms on employees, such as waiving rights or requiring out-of-state claim resolution, unless the agreement is voluntary, in writing, and protects employee rights. Limits confidentiality promises to five years from the date the employee discloses the alleged incident, rather than the date the incident occurred. Provides that an employee, prospective or former employee shall be entitled to consequential damages, in addition to reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in challenging a contract for violation of this Act upon a final, non-appealable action in favor of the employee, prospective or former employee. Defines "Concerted activity" to mean activities engaged in for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection as provided in 29 U.S.C. 157 et seq., as it existed on January 19, 2025, and the Illinois Education Labor Relations Act, Illinois Public Labor Relations Act, and Labor Dispute Act. Replaces "consequential" damages with "compensatory damages."

Opioid Overdose Reporting (HB 3645/P.A. 104-0321): Expands the opioid overdose reporting requirements for EMS transport providers to require statewide reporting (currently only in Chicago) to the Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Overdose Detection Mapping Application (OD Map). Prohibits submission of identifiable patient data and allows reporting under HIPAA exceptions for public health and safety purposes. Authorizes the Department to report misuse of information and set reporting standards. Requires the Department to enhance information sharing, collaborate with



advisory groups, and develop performance measures to monitor the system's impact and implement evidence-based overdose prevention strategies.

Non-consensual Dissemination of Sexual Images (HB 3671/P.A. 104-0323):

Amends the Criminal Code of 2012 by expanding venue for the offense of non-consensual dissemination of private sexual images to allow prosecution in either the county where the offense occurred or the county where the victim resides.

Complex Rehab Technology (HB 3677/P.A. 104-0324): Creates the Complex Rehabilitation Technology Act. Sets requirements for sellers and suppliers of complex rehabilitation technology in the state, including the obligation to provide service and repairs for complex wheelchairs throughout their useful life. Original equipment manufacturers can redact trade secrets from documentation without affecting service usability and may withhold certain trade secret information that does not impair service functionality. Violations of the Act are considered unlawful practices under the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. The Act applies to complex wheelchairs sold or in use from its effective date. Amendments to the Illinois Insurance Code state that from January 1, 2027, insurance plans must not require prior authorization for repairs under \$1,500 and must offer rental coverage during primary equipment repairs. Requests for repairs over \$1,500 must be addressed within seven days. Makes conforming changes to the State Employees Group Insurance Act, the Counties Code, the Illinois Municipal Code, the School Code, the Health Maintenance Organization Act, the Limited Health Service Organization Act, the Voluntary Health Services Plans Act, and the Illinois Public Aid Code.

Hunting Violation Penalties (HB 3678/P.A. 104-0325): Amends the Wildlife Code. Removes language about several penalties and subjects them to Administrative Rules. In provisions regarding a certificate of competency, deletes provisions allowing a person born on or after January 1, 1980, to be exempt from requirements for a certificate of competency if the person has a hunting license issued in another State. Amends the Snowmobile Registration and Safety Act. In provisions regarding snowmobile inspections, provides that an officer may issue a summons.

Crime Victim Rights (HB 3710/P.A. 104-0326): Amends the Rights of Crime Victims and Witnesses Act to expand protections for crime victims during criminal investigations by adding a new provision that when a person reports being a crime victim, they have the right to be treated with fairness and respect during the investigatory process, with a particular focus on preventing deception.



MHDD-OIG Investigations (HB 3718/P.A. 104-0327): Expands and clarifies DHS procedures for initial investigations into facility employees accused of misconduct against recipients of mental health or developmental disability services. Broadens the scope to include allegations of material obstruction of an investigation, physical or sexual abuse, non-de minimis financial exploitation (defined as totaling \$20 or more), and egregious neglect. Establishes specific investigative procedures for cases involving lesser forms of misconduct, including neglect, de minimis financial exploitation (under \$20), and mental abuse. Ensures that this does not apply to employees of hospitals licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act, operated under the University of Illinois Hospital Act, or affiliated with such hospitals

Local Government Billing (HB 3725/P.A. 104-0328): Creates the NEW Local Government Billing Act to place restrictions on the extent that local utilities can back bill residential and non-residential customers old utility bills.

Radiation Protection (HB 3744/P.A. 104-0330): Amends the Radiation Protection Act of 1990. Provides that all intrastate and interstate shippers of irradiated nuclear reactor fuel are required to notify the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and Office of Homeland Security no less than seven days prior to any transportation of irradiated nuclear reactor fuel. Provides that the Agency may collect, store, and dispose of uncontrolled sources of radiation that have entered the public domain, and that the Agency considers to be a threat to public health and safety or the environment. Authorizes the Agency to assess actual costs, as appropriate, for the collection, storage, and disposal of uncontrolled sources of radiation that have entered the public domain and that the Agency considers to be a threat to public health and safety or the environment against any person that owns, owned, possesses, or is responsible for the radioactive material entering the public domain.

Hospitals and Homelessness Support (HB 3761/P.A. 104-0332): Requires the Department of Human Services' Office to Prevent and End Homelessness to maintain a centralized, publicly accessible website with up-to-date information for hospitals and health care providers on how to connect patients experiencing homelessness or housing instability to local shelter and support services, organized by each HUD-defined continuum of care region. The Department must also provide contact information, location-based lookup tools, and offer voluntary training to providers. The site must be launched by January 31, 2026, with biannual updates subject to audit.

DOI Administrative Changes (HB 3800/P.A. 104-0334): Resolves technical inconsistencies. Dissolves the George Bailey Memorial Fund. Repeals the



Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Working Group. Creates a new fee of \$500 for licenses for public adjusters who are not Illinois residents. Expands the Criminal Code definition of "Insurance Company". Amends section regarding transactions in this State involving contracts of insurance independently procured directly from an unauthorized insurer by industrial insureds to apply to insurance procured directly from an unauthorized insurer. Defines issuer to have the same meaning as defined in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. Effective immediately, except that the changes to provisions concerning fees under the Public Adjusters Article of the Illinois Insurance Code are effective January 1, 2026, and the changes to provisions of the Illinois Insurance Code concerning reinsurance agreements requiring approval take effect 60 days after becoming law.

Patient Prescription Pick Up (HB 3849/P.A. 104-0336): Amends the Pharmacy Practice Act and the Illinois Controlled Substances Act regarding hospice patient prescription delivery. Provides that any authorized employee of an organization that provides hospice services to a hospice patient or that provides home health services to a person may receive a patient's prescription orders, including controlled substances, and deliver the prescription orders to the patient. Currently, only an advanced practice registered nurse, practical nurse, registered nurse, or physician of an organization that provides hospice services to a hospice patient or that provides home health services to a person may receive a patient's prescription orders, including controlled substances, and deliver the prescription orders to the patient.

Continuing Education Credit (HB 3850/P.A. 104-0337): Amends the Department of Professional Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code regarding accepted forms of continuing education (CE) training credit for certain health care professionals. Provides that simulation training by an approved sponsor as specified in a health care professional's licensing Act or applicable administrative rules shall be acceptable for the purposes of earning continuing education credit. Defines "health care professional" (doctor, nurse, physician assistant, surgical assistant). Local Government

Missing Persons Report (SB 24/P.A. 104-0339): Amends the Missing Persons Identification Act to improve procedures for reporting and investigating missing persons and unidentified remains. Law enforcement shall adopt a policy regarding missing person investigations and missing person reporting and follow-up actions. Requires law enforcement to collect and analyze fingerprints and DNA and search related databases to help locate missing persons. Law enforcement is to report missing persons within 60 days to a national clearinghouse for missing persons - National Missing and Unidentified Persons



System (NamUs). Requires postmortem unidentified fingerprints be checked against all available state and federal databases within seven days of recovery of remains. Prohibits closure of a case until the person has been confirmed returned or identified.

Regional Manufacturing Partnerships (SB 58/P.A. 104-0342): Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may enter into grants, contracts, or other agreements to provide technical assistance in support of regional manufacturing partnerships.

School Safety Drill (SB 71/P.A. 104-0344): Amends the School Safety Drill Act. Provides new standards for hazardous substance release guidance and procedures. Removes the mandate for Local Emergency Planning Committees to participate in development of procedures from introduced bill. Provides that by July 1, 2027, each school district shall create a procedure to address the release or explosion of a hazardous substance.

Baby Foods (SB 73/P.A. 104-0345): Provides that manufacturers of baby food in the state must test each production batch for toxic heavy metals (arsenic, cadmium, lead, and mercury) using accredited laboratories. The results must be provided to the Department of Public Health upon request and made publicly available on the manufacturer's website. From January 1, 2027, baby food labels must include a QR code linking to detailed test results and FDA guidance on heavy metals' health effects. Consumers can report non-compliant products to the Department of Public Health. Provides that the Department of Public Health shall implement a system for consumer reporting of baby foods under this subsection.

DCFS Consent Adoption (SB 103/P.A. 104-0348): Amends the Adoption Act. Adds a person may commence an adoption proceeding for a youth in care only if the youth in care is placed with the petitioning person or persons by the Department of Children and Family Services at the time the petition is filed, and the Department has provided its consent to the adoption. Requires the Department to adopt rules or procedures or both as to what constitutes its approval of the adoption. A person whose rights have been terminated under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 does not have to be made a defendant in a petition for adoption. Creates a list of individuals that must be given notice of a petition for adoption unless a court has determined the person is not the parent of the child or has had parental rights terminated by a court. Adds that nothing in the new provisions will by preclude the rights of foster parents under the Act.



Swimming Pool Equipment (SB 189/P.A. 104-0349): Provides that the rules adopted by the Department of Public Health shall permit sporting good equipment systems and fitness equipment systems to be installed in swimming facilities. This section does not apply to school swimming facilities.

Lifetime Membership Contracts (SB 314/P.A. 104-0350): Amends the Physical Fitness Services Act to regulate lifetime membership contracts. A physical fitness center that offers a lifetime membership that includes provisions in the membership contract that allow for increases in costs or fees or reductions in benefits shall disclose those provisions clearly and conspicuously in a bold, clearly readable font that is consistent with the typeface used in the contract. If a physical fitness center that offers a lifetime membership fails to clearly and conspicuously disclose that the lifetime membership's costs or fees could increase or the lifetime membership's benefits could be reduced, then the physical fitness center must honor the original terms of the membership for the duration of the life of the customer. A physical fitness center shall provide a copy of the lifetime membership contract to the customer upon the request of the customer.

Child Eligibility Treatment of Care (SB 324/P.A. 104-0351): Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 concerning abused, neglected, and dependent minors. Adds that the purpose of the Act is to ensure that minors who come to court because they need treatment for complex behavioral and mental health needs are removed from the custody of their parents only as a last resort, unless abuse or neglect is otherwise alleged. If a respondent was attempting to obtain publicly funded services before the minor came to the court, and services became available, the court may determine whether the parent can address all the minor's needs without the minor being placed in or continuing in DCFS custody or guardianship and whether the minor should be returned to the respondent with services in place. If the minor is determined eligible for publicly funded community or residential services that are available, the court shall conduct a hearing within 14 days upon notification to all parties. The appropriate State agency shall be fiscally responsible for minors in a respondent's custody with publicly funded community or residential services, and DCFS shall be fiscally responsible for minors in its custody.

Sharing Early Childhood Data System (SB 406/P.A. 104-0354): Amends the Department of Early Childhood Act. Requires the Department of Early Childhood to create an Early Childhood Integrated Data System (ECIDS) and develop public analytic portals and query tools for parents and communities to access data from the ECIDS system. Provides that the Early Childhood Integrated Data System (ECIDS) is required to be designed to allow for the sharing of data



between other State agencies and other entities that maintain State data within the State early childhood ecosystem as needed for cross-agency collaboration and is required to be shared in compliance with State and federal requirements.

Child Welfare Education Fellowship (SB 409/P.A. 104-0357): Allows students at private colleges and universities to participate in the Pat McGuire Child Welfare Education Fellowship Pilot Program if they commit to seek and maintain employment at a child welfare contributing agency. Currently, only public university students are eligible, and they must seek and maintain employment at a purchase of service agency. The program provides up to \$20,000 in financial assistance to eligible students pursuing a bachelor's or master's degree in social work. This program is subject to appropriation.

Health Care Workforce Task Force (SB 593/P.A. 104-0359): Creates the Health Care Workforce Task Force within DPH to address workforce challenges in the health care sector. The 18-member Task Force will include state officials, legislators, and representatives from various health care and labor organizations, all appointed by designated leaders and the Governor. Members will serve without compensation and must be appointed within 120 days of the Act's effective date. The Department of Public Health will provide administrative support, and the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation will assist with data. The Task Force must: Hold its first meeting within 160 days and meet at least four times. Review laws and data on health care professions. Identify workforce shortages. Recommend strategies to attract youth and underrepresented groups to the profession. Improve training, recruitment, and retention. Promote inclusion of foreign-trained professionals. Address workplace violence and enhance access to care. It will gather input from stakeholders and report findings to the Governor and General Assembly within a year of its first meeting. The Task Force will dissolve on December 31, 2027.

Nuisance and Landowner Deer Permits (SB 710/P.A. 104-0361): Amends the Wildlife Code to loosen regulations concerning nuisance permits and landowner permits. Provides for the automatic issuance of additional antlerless-only permits during the regular firearm or archery season if a landowner demonstrates proof of harvesting certain percentages. Provides that Illinois resident tenants of at least 40 acres of commercial farmland can receive free deer and turkey permits to hunt only on that land, including one either-sex and one antlerless-only permit for both firearm and archery deer seasons. Requires DNR to adopt rules allowing landowners to have other individuals destroy deer authorized under a nuisance permit issued to that landowner. Gives DNR rulemaking authority.



Pesticide Applicator/Operator Licenses (SB 783/P.A. 104-0363): Amends the Illinois Pesticide Act. Sets fees for various pesticide applicator/operator licenses and registrations for 2026 and each year thereafter. Creates education course requirements for pesticide operator permits and certified pesticide applicator and dealer license renewals. These permits and licenses may be renewed after successfully completing an examination by the Department of Ag every three years or successfully completing 15 hours of Department-approved education courses every three years, including five hours each year. Adds fees for a license transfer from one certified applicator or operator to another certified applicator or operator for the period of time remaining on the license before renewal.

Emergency Aid (SB 784/P.A. 104-0364): Amends the Interstate mutual Emergency Aid Act. Allows public safety agencies to provide assistance during disasters not only in our state but also in bordering states. This includes responding to events like fires, earthquakes, floods, tornadoes, hazardous material incidents, or other such disasters. The new provisions override any conflicting rules in the Act, enabling cross-state aid during disasters. This Act applies to mutual aid agreements when no declaration of emergency has been declared. Public safety agencies already have the ability to enter into mutual aid agreements cross-state, this is clarifying and formalizing current practice.

Non-Clinical Service Areas (SB 798/P.A. 104-0365): Amends the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act. Provides that the definition of “non-clinical service areas” includes components in a patient care unit used as educational space, consultation and touchdown rooms, and on-call rooms. Provides that the definition of “non-clinical service area” does not include areas in a patient care unit or areas that are required by Department of Public Health licensing standards, including life safety code regulations, such as hallways and other interdependent components to a clinical area.

Farm CDL Seasonal Extension (SB 849/P.A. 104-0366): Amends the Vehicle Code. Extends the seasonal period for restricted CDL farm licenses from 180 days to 210 days within any 12-month period.

Transportation of Students (SB 851/P.A. 104-0367): Amends the School Code and the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides for the transportation of students for any curriculum-related or career-related activity. Provides that such transportation may additionally include transportation to a college, university, or student job site developed through a partnership with a school or an experience that a school determines will contribute to a student’s college or career readiness. Amends the School Code to make conforming changes.



Impartial Due Process Hearing Day Requirement (SB 1231/P.A. 104-0368):

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Extends the time requirements on school districts to perform the following when a parent requests a Due Process Hearing: seven days instead of five days; and Independent Educational Evaluation: 60 school days instead of 30 calendar days.

Nonopioid Alternatives (SB 1238/P.A. 104-0369): Requires health insurance issuers to develop a comprehensive plan for pain management services that include nonopioid options starting January 1, 2027. Requires these plans to be filed with the Department of Insurance and made publicly accessible on the insurer's website. IDPH may create an educational pamphlet on nonopioid pain management alternatives.

Voucher Taxi and Car-Share (SB 1274/P.A. 104-0371): Beginning January 1, 2026, survivors of sexual assault may use a sexual assault services voucher to cover the cost of transportation by taxi or rideshare—to the hospital they initially presented at, their home, or a survivor services shelter. Hospitals may also arrange such transportation with the survivor's written consent.

T-CPR Training for 911 Dispatchers (SB 1295/P.A. 104-0372): Amends the Illinois State Police Law and Emergency Medical Services Systems Act Requires 911 dispatchers to be trained in telecommunicator cardiopulmonary resuscitation (T-CPR), beginning January 1, 2026. Gives IDPH the responsibility of ensuring that emergency medical dispatchers are training to provide TCPR.

Licensure Suspension (SB 1329/P.A. 104-0373): Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Superintendent can notify a license holder's current or most recent employer that the license holder is being investigated for an alleged act of misconduct that constitutes a threat to the safety of students, including serious physical injury, sexual misconduct, or a sex or other offense including drugs. Only employers that are in public or private schools can be notified.

Managed Care and Insurance Cards (SB 1346/P.A. 104-0375): Provides that health care plans must provide enrollees and prospective enrollees with an annual statement detailing all basic health care services and mandated benefits, highlighting new laws or rules. Plans offering dental coverage must issue benefit information cards, which can be electronic or physical. The cards must display whether the plan is self-insured or fully funded and indicate if it is regulated by the Department of Insurance.

Historical Cost of Attendance (SB 1376/P.A. 104-0376): Creates the Historical Cost of Attendance Disclosure Act. Requires all Illinois colleges and universities



that offer Bachelor's Degrees to post the cost 45 of attendance for the previous 10 academic years on their website and for every year going forward. The cost of attendance must delineate which expenses are included in the 1098-T form and which expenses are not included on the 1098-T form.

Health Care Surrogate (SB 1411/P.A. 104-0378): Amends the Living Will Act. Adds that a declaration is not operative as long as an agent is available who is authorized by a health care agency to make decisions concerning life-sustaining or death delaying procedures for the patient, and nothing in this Act may impair or supersede the authority of an agent under a health care agency to make decisions regarding life-sustaining or death delaying treatment. A physician, health care provider, employee, or facility may rely on and must comply with a qualified patient's declaration that is apparent and immediately available if a patient has been determined to lack the ability to give directions regarding the use of death-delaying procedures. Creates a new section on the operation of a living will. Adds that a declaration under this Act becomes operative when all of the following conditions have been met: 1. it has been validly executed; 2. it has not been revoked under the Act. 3. the patient is unable to give directions regarding the use of life-sustaining or death-delaying procedures; and 4. the patient is a qualified patient. An operative and unrevoked living will declaration continues in effect until revoked in accordance with this Act.

Peripheral Artery Test (SB 1418/P.A. 104-0379): Provides that a group or individual plan of accident and health insurance or managed care plan amended, delivered, issued, or renewed after January 1, 2027, must provide coverage for a peripheral artery disease screening test for any at-risk individual.

IBHE and ICCB Student Member Stipend (SB 1475/P.A. 104-0380): Requires student members on the Board of Higher Education and Community College Board to receive a \$500 scholarship for each semester they serve as a student member of the respective boards.

Vehicle Code/Safety Zones (SB 1507/P.A. 104-0381): Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Directs the University of Illinois Chicago Urban Transportation Center to conduct a study focused on safety along North and South DuSable Lake Shore Drive in Chicago. The study must include Review of crash data from the City of Chicago's website. Evaluation of AI-powered cameras for improving traffic safety and reducing crashes. Analysis of risky driving behaviors specific to this corridor. Examination of psychological deterrents to habitual speeding. Comparison of AI cameras with other technology options for reducing fatalities. Also, authorizes the Department to adopt rules needed to implement this subsection.



Fraud Referral and Alert System (SB 1523/P.A. 104-0382): Amends the Counties Code. Recordors must establish a process to review deeds and instruments for potential fraud, and may refer suspicious filings to an administrative law judge. Counties must maintain a property fraud alert system, and recordors will create a form for real estate professionals to register property owners. Individuals filing fraudulent deeds may be held legally accountable, and affected property owners can seek legal relief in court.

Endangered Missing Person Advisory (SB 1548/P.A. 104-0384): Amends the current Illinois State Police outreach program that promotes awareness of the Endangered Missing Person Advisory. Provides that they may also promote awareness to people with developmental disabilities, to communities of people with developmental disabilities, and organizations that serve people with developmental disabilities.

Regional Superintendent Learning Partner (SB 1583/P.A. 104-0385): Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Superintendent of Education may designate a regional office of education or intermediate service center as a learning partner, so that services are provided to schools that are identified for school improvement under the accountability system and the definition for targeted, comprehensive, or intensive.

Sexual Assault Treatment (SB 1602/P.A. 104-0386): Makes various cleanup changes throughout the Sexual Assault Survivor Emergency Treatment Act. Defines “acute sexual assault” based on timeframe, removes the term “prepubescent sexual assault survivor,” and standardizes language. It requires certain hospitals near public universities to submit an approved sexual assault treatment plan. Enforcement measures include fines for repeated noncompliance and violations related to forensic exams and patient care. Clarifies timelines and procedures for acute sexual assault cases in hospitals, updates transfer protocols, and removes the 2029 sunset for out-of-state hospitals. It strengthens the role of the SANE Program Coordinator, 40 standardizes SANE/SAFE training requirements, expands training opportunities, and streamlines pediatric evidence collection and consent. Shifts SASETA enforcement to IDPH and simplifies billing and enforcement processes. Adds factors for DPH to consider when approving sexual assault transfer plans to avoid transfers that result in an undue burden for the survivor, prioritizing transferring patients to the closest available treatment option when it has capacity and willingness to accept those patients; other factors include staffing, patient volume, the existence of other transfer agreements, and transportation plans. Changes the term “medical forensic services” to “medical forensic examination,” which better aligns with the US Department of Justice’s National Protocol for Sexual Assault. Allows transfer



hospitals to generate sexual assault service vouchers and receive reimbursement for “medical care and treatment” and follow up care furnished to survivors who decide they don’t want to transfer to a treatment hospital for a medical forensic examination and evidence collection. This increases survivor access to vouchers and follow-up care, and also benefits hospitals.

Literacy Screenings (SB 1672/P.A. 104-0389): Amends the School Code. Requires each school district to report to the State Board of Education data on literacy screenings administered to students in kindergarten through third grade by July 1, 2026. Provides that the State Board of Education is required to file a report to the General Assembly outlining the data received from school districts on literacy screening by January 1, 2027.

Climate Change and Utilities (SB 1697/P.A. 104-0390): Acts as major trailer bill to the Carbon Capture Pipeline Permits (Co2) bill in 2024. Fixes holdout owner issue and his/her compensation from the Co2 company. The non-consenting pore space owner at the injection site will be treated fairly and the new bill is to make sure they are fairly compensated. Makes changes to surface payments and repairs to farmers in the path of the pipeline. Co2 companies and farm groups are all neutral on these changes.

FOID/Diversions Program (SB 1899/P.A. 104-0398): Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Provides that upon the successful completion of the First Time Weapons Offense Program, a defendant is allowed to submit an application for a FOID Card upon receiving a court order demonstrating completion of the Program. This only applies to non-violent weapon possession offenses where someone didn’t have a FOID card.

ASL Implementation and AI Guidance (SB 1920/P.A. 104-0399): Provides that no later than July 1, 2026, the State Board of Education shall encourage districts to collect teaching resources to support American Sign Language programs. Requires the State Board of Education in consultation with stakeholders to develop statewide guidance for school districts and educators on the use of artificial intelligence in elementary and secondary education.

School Zone Pedestrian Crosswalk Beacons (SB 1941/P.A. 104-0401): Allows local governments to install flashing crosswalk beacons in intersections adjacent to elementary or secondary schools.

Credit Unions (SB 1994/P.A. 104-0403): Amends the Illinois Credit Union Act & the Gestational Surrogacy Act. Allows credit unions to inform a family member, account co-owner, additional authorized signatory, beneficiary, or other person on a listed of trusted contacts that an elderly or disabled account holder is



suspected by the credit union of being the victim of financial exploitation and 37 explain why. If certain requirements are met, lowers the number of required annual meetings from six to four for credit unions with high ratings under the Capital adequacy, Assets, Management capability, Earnings, Liquidity, and Sensitivity (CAMELS) rating system. Increases the asset threshold placed on credit unions which requires an external Certified Public Accountant (CPA) audit from \$5 million to \$10 million. Allows for expedited mergers for credit unions with "supervisory concerns" as determined by the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. This is achieved by allowing the Secretary to waive the requirements of notice to credit union members of a merger meeting and/or the requirement that a majority of members be present at the meeting and vote in favor of the merger. Makes minor change to phrasing requiring CPAs hired to do internal audits at smaller credit unions to comply with standards adopted by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Provides that, for gestational surrogacy contracts which require compensation to the surrogate, the escrow agent holding the compensation must be bonded at a minimum of \$1 million.

IBHE Data Dashboard Report (SB 2039/P.A. 104-0405): Creates the Illinois Board of Higher Education Data Dashboard Report. In collaboration with the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, requires the Board of Higher Education to publish a State Data Dashboard Report and Data Dashboard Report for each public institution of higher education and each private college and university in Illinois on a publicly available website.

Web-Based Signatures Act (SB 2044/P.A. 104-0406): Amends the Conservation District Act, the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act, the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act, the Park District Code, and the Chicago Park District Act, applies to park districts as well as counties, townships, and municipalities. Creates the Web-Based Signatures Act. Provides that a county, township, or municipality may allow a person to sign any document with a web-based signature if the unit of local government uses a secure web-based platform.

Cycle Rider Safety Training (SB 2075/P.A. 104-0408): Amends the Cycle Rider Safety Training Act. Gives IDOT emergency rule-making authority for implementation. Emergency rule-making authority expires after one year. Removes mopeds and motor-driven cycles from the definition of "cycle" in the Cycle Rider Safety Training Act. Requires the Department of Transportation to recruit and 89 contract course providers, including businesses, community organizations, and schools, based on training needs and cost-effectiveness.



Excludes dealerships from being training providers. Establishes grant funding rules, ensuring providers are only paid for held courses, equipment maintenance, or approved expenses while requiring instructor qualifications, annual evaluations, and liability insurance.

IDOT Local Government Portal (SB 2129/P.A. 104-0409): Requires the Illinois Department of Transportation to establish an online portal for local governments to submit forms electronically.

Orphanage Tuition (SB 2149/P.A. 104-0410): Provides that North Chicago School District 187 depreciation of assets calculation for Orphanage Tuition will not include assets that were constructed using federal or donated funds.

Fertility Options (SB 2215/P.A. 104-0413): Provides that the Department of Public Health shall provide information for physicians to distribute to women over the age of 25 years, or women interested about fertility options on blood tests to predict their ovarian reserve.

Micromobility Fire Safety Act (SB 2247/P.A. 104-0414): Creates the Micromobility Fire Safety Act. No person may manufacture, distribute, or sell a low-speed electric bicycle, a personal e-mobility device, or a traction battery unless it has been tested and meets the corresponding ANSI/CAN/IL Standards. A violation of any of the provisions of this Act is an unlawful practice under the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act. All remedies, penalties, and authority granted to the Attorney General by that Act shall be available to the Attorney General for the enforcement of this Act. Criminal Law and Public Safety

Illinois Emergency Management Agency Mobile Support Teams (SB 2408/P.A. 104-0418): Clarifies requirements for mutual aid and Mobile Support Teams (MSTs) activations and enables IMEA Director to have a designee administer the oath MSTs, including via video call. Also, aligns the agency with requirements in the Stafford Act.

Timber Transportation (SB 2426/P.A. 104-0419): Amends the Forest Products Transportation Act, renaming it the Timber Transportation Act, and introduces several key changes to the regulation of timber transportation in the state. The bill provides new definitions for terms like “tree,” “timber,” “proof of ownership,” “firewood,” and “Christmas tree,” clarifying what types of timber are covered by the law.

Explosives and Consumer Fireworks (SB 2431/P.A. 104-0420): Amends the Illinois Explosives Act by making changes to the regulations surrounding the acquisition, possession, use, transfer, and disposal of explosive materials.



DNR Various (SB 2455/P.A. 104-0421): Amends the Urban and Community Forestry Assistance Act. Provides that requests for grant assistance shall include, but not be limited to, those activities that will implement or enhance: (1) current Illinois Forest Action Plan objectives; (2) local forestry program management objectives as determined by an urban and community forestry management plan; (3) tree canopy capacity in underserved and disadvantaged areas of communities or counties; or (4) urban and community forest canopy in Illinois communities and counties. Makes changes in provisions concerning duties of the Department of Natural Resources, grants amounts, and applications for assistance. Defines additional terms. Amends the State Forest Act. Adds to the list of designated State forests.

Open Land Grants to Governments (SB 2466/P.A. 104-0423): Amends the Administrative Procedure Act and the Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development Act. The intent of this bill is to make distressed local government funding of 100% permanent from the Open Spaces Land Acquisition and Development fund (OSLAD). For OSLAD grants awarded during the FY23, FY 24, and FY25 OSLAD grant cycle, a local government defined as “distressed” is eligible for assistance up to 100% for acquisition and development projects. Grants emergency rulemaking authority to the Department of Natural Resources.

Human Rights Fines (SB 2487/P.A. 104-0425): Amends the Illinois Human Rights Act. Makes it discretionary rather than mandatory that the Department of Human Rights conduct a fact-finding conference. If both parties want a fact-finding conference and request it 90 days after the charge was filed, the Department must hold one. Unless the Department issued its report before both requests were received. In addition, both parties must agree to a 120-day extension for the Department to issue its report. If the Department conducts a fact-finding conference, a complainant or respondent's failure to attend the conference without good cause shall result in dismissal or default. Provides that the changes this amendment makes only apply to actions or filings that happen on or after the law's effective date. Adds new fines: If a civil rights violation occurs, the hearing officer may recommend, and the Commission or panel may impose, Civil penalties up to \$16,000 for a first violation, \$42,500 for a second within 5 years, and \$70,000 for two or more within 7 years. Repeat offenders may face penalties regardless of time limits.

Out-of-State Practice (HB 3637/P.A. 104-0432): Amends various licensure Acts regarding protecting Illinois healthcare practitioners from discipline for out-of-state actions as long as it was allowed under Illinois law (i.e., abortion etc.). Amends the Illinois Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Provides if a drug had been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration before January 1, 2025, the



revocation of approval of the drug by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration after that date shall not cause it to be deemed an adulterated drug in violation of Illinois law if the drug is recommended for use by the World Health Organization, even if the drug 's labeling reflects prior approval that is no longer in effect, so long as the drug's labeling was true and accurate at the time of its manufacture. This provision is inoperative on and after January 1, 2035.

OMA/FOIA Omnibus (SB 243/P.A. 104-0438): Open Meetings Act: Allows township officials to satisfy OMA training by taking a class offered by an organization that represents townships. Sets the requirements for what must be in the training. A public body may hold a closed meeting for self-evaluation, practice and procedures, or ethics when meeting with a regional association of which the body is a member. Currently just allowed for a statewide association. (HB 1777) New section that states a public body may not hold or schedule a regular or special meeting on the day of a general primary election, general election, or consolidated election. Allows for attendance by means other than physical presence for a member of a public body that is in the performance of active military duty as a service member. (HB 2465/SB 243 underlying bill) Freedom of Information Act: Adds language that "junk mail" is not considered a public record. Defines junk mail. (HB 21) Electronic requests for records must contain the entire request in the body of the request and the public body is not required to open electronic attachments or hyperlinks (for cybersecurity reasons). (HB 2334) If a public body has a reasonable belief that a request was not made by a person may require the requester to verify orally or in writing that the requester is a person. The deadline to reply to the request is tolled for 30 days until the requester verifies that they are a person. A public body may not require the requester to submit personal information, private information, or identifying information to verify that the requester is a person. (HB 2578) Each public body must post on its website a brief description of itself and other specific information, rather than at each administrative or regional office. If the public body does not have a website, it must display the information at each of the administrative or regional offices. (HB 2883) Exempts from inspection and copying a law enforcement record created for law enforcement purposes and contained in a shared electronic record management system if the law enforcement agency or criminal justice agency who received the request did not create or have a role in creating the record. (HB 2421) Documents that have been deemed to be security sensitive under the U.S. Nuclear Regulation Commission and National Materials Program are exempt from inspection and copying. (HB 3611) Any office or employee of the public body that discloses records in accordance with an opinion from the Attorney General is immune from all liabilities and not liable for penalties under the Act. (Currently only applies to the public body itself). (HB 2885)



State-specific Vaccine Guidelines (HB 767 / P.A. 104-0439): Mandates that state-regulated insurance plans cover vaccines recommended by IDPH, even if they diverge from federal standards. It also allows children as young as three to receive vaccines without a prescription and broadens the scope of IDPH expertise by no longer limiting it to CDC-affiliated experts.

Public Official Safety and Privacy Act (HB 576 / P.A. 104-0443): Creates the Public Official Safety and Privacy Act and allows state lawmakers, constitutional officers, state's attorneys, public defenders, county clerks and other elected officials to request that government agencies, businesses and individuals redact or refrain from posting their personal information on public websites.

Equality for Every Family Act (HB 2568/P.A. 104-0448): Creates the Equality for Every Family Act. Amends the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015. Adds that a child shall have the same rights and protections under law to parentage without regard to the marital status, age, gender, gender identity or sexual orientation of their parents or the circumstances of the child's birth, including whether the child was born as a result of assisted reproduction or surrogacy. Removes all reference to "father" in the Act. Changes the terms to "acknowledged parent", "adjudicated parent", and "alleged genetic parent." Also adds that a sperm donor cannot be determined to be an alleged genetic parent. Removes all references to "mother" in the Act, replaces it with "woman or person who gave birth to the child." Provides for who may sign an acknowledgment of parentage to establish the parentage of a child. Changes provisions regarding the use of genetic testing. Changes the burden of proof for challenging a presumption of parentage from clear and 62 convincing evidence to a preponderance of the evidence. Amends the Gestational Surrogacy Act. Adds that a parentage proceeding under the Gestational Surrogacy Act may be commenced in any county in the State. Makes requirements for a gestational surrogacy agreement and damages for a breach of such an agreement. Amends the Adoption Act. Provides for a process for a confirmatory adoption for children born through assisted reproduction. A proceeding to adjudicate parentage that was commenced before the effective date of the amendatory Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the proceeding was commenced. Effective immediately, except that some provisions amending the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 are effective January 1, 2026.