

## Senate Committee Action May 31, 2017

### Executive

**Wireless Phone Service (SB 57):** Allows victims of domestic violence to petition a court to keep their current wireless phone and phone number through by petitioning a court to separate a shared wireless service plan without approval from the primary account holder. Under the terms of the bill, the petitioner assumes all financial responsibility for their cell phone after that. The court clerk would be responsible for serving the order on the wireless telephone service provider from a list maintained with the Secretary of State. Clarifies that "wireless telephone service provider" has the meaning ascribed to the term "provider of commercial mobile service" as defined in 47 U.S.C. 332. Changes it so that notice of orders shall be served upon the wireless service provider's agent for service of process as listed with the Illinois Commerce Commission rather than the Secretary of State. Requires service providers to furnish the name and address of an agent for service of orders to the Illinois Commerce Commission.

**Women Owned Businesses (SB 262):** Provides bidders and offerers of non-construction solicitations that include BEP participation goals to include utilization plans in the solicitations. Removes provision that State agency non-construction awards that have less than a 20% established goal need to be reported by CMS. Provides that a chief procurement officer may (rather than shall) prohibit certain telecom and communications entities that do not submit reports from bidding on State contracts for a period of one year. Adds new reports needed to be submitted by vendors, including diversity reports. Requires the report for all vendors under penalty of losing State contracts for 1 year, allows for an appeal process, and requires state agencies and higher education institutions to review all current contracts looking at diversity. Creates a utilization plan to be submitted by vendors certified under BEP to demonstrate how they have met their diversity goals.

**Chicago Liquor Sales (SB 322):** Amends an existing exemption for the following establishment located in the City of Chicago: "Sheldon Liquors" (413 E. 103rd St., Chicago – Senator Jones' District) This

establishment has an existing exemption at the location of 419 E. 103rd St., Chicago; however, the business bought the building next door, at the address above, with the intent to use it as storage. The new storage building must also receive an exemption. AS PASSED THE SENATE Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Provides sale of alcoholic liquor at a premises located within a municipality with population in excess of 1,000,000 inhabitants can be within 100 feet of a church if the building is between 3,600 to 4,000 square foot and the original building was built before 1922. This corrects the exemption granted to Almiflihi Liquors (5400 S. Halsted) which is located within 100 feet of Yahweh Ministries.

**Homestead Exemptions (SB 473):** Increases the exemption amounts of several homestead exemptions for Cook County only. Maintains the underlying intent. Provides the maximum income limitation, in regards to the Senior Citizens Assessment Freeze Exemption, will remain at \$55,000 (current law) for the taxable year 2017.

**Thompson Center Sale (SB 886):** Requires applicable payment to the City of Chicago with respect to additional zoning density. Chicago would stand to gain \$40-\$50 million from a \$300 million sale of the JRTC. An agreement with the City of Chicago and the Chicago Transit Authority regarding the existing CTA facility must be made prior to assuming title. A commitment from the purchaser to designate portion of property or redevelopment be in honor of Governor Thompson. Executive offices of the Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Comptroller and Treasurer shall move to the Bilandic Building, the Attorney General will not included in relocation. Unclear language on amount space in the Bilandic building will be given to caucuses not currently in Bilandic. The amendment state the four caucuses "shall be given space within the Michale A. Bilandic Building", however space currently occupied by caucuses within the Bilandic Building shall not change.

**Juvenile Drug Court Monitoring (SB 1399):** Changes the engrossed bill by providing that a drug court program may, subject to the approval of the Chief Judge of the Circuit, establish a program for electronic monitoring of juveniles subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile drug court program as a less restrictive

alternative to detention, consistent with any available evidence-based risk assessment or substance abuse treatment eligibility screening. Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 by changing the short title of the Juvenile Electronic Home Detention Law to the Juvenile Electronic Monitoring and Home Detention Law and making certain terminology consistent with the terminology of the Electronic Monitoring and Home Detention Article of the Unified Code of Corrections. Amends the Electronic Monitoring and Home Detention Article of the Unified Code of Corrections and the Criminal Code of 2012 by making references to electronic monitoring and home detention consistent. Provides that the drug court treatment program may also, with approval of the Chief Judge of the Circuit, establish a program for electronic monitoring of juveniles with regard to drug-related and alcohol-related offenses.

**Rental Purchase Tax (SB 1434):** Provides a tax will be imposed at the rate of 6.25% on businesses engaged in renting merchandise under a rental-purchase agreement. Also provides a tax will be imposed at the rate of 6.25% on the privilege of using merchandise that is rented from a merchant. Maintains the underlying intent. Makes changes to the distribution of funds received from imposing the tax. Makes changes to the one-time transitional credit retailers can apply for. And creates a fund for the purposes of paying refunds under this Act.

**PPV Leases Change (SB 1598):** Amends the Property Tax Code to provide changes to the valuation procedure for PPV leases, and extend the procedure until January 1, 2056.

**Lead Reduction Program (SB 1774):** Establishes the second phase of this program in the communities identified as a priority by the Department of Public Health because of the high risk for childhood lead poisoning. This program gives purchasing priority to replacement windows manufactured within IL. Defines priority communities as the communities that are selected by the Department whose owners are eligible for the assistance provided by this Act. Senate Floor Amendment #1 (Recommend Do Adopt) Amends the Comprehensive Lead Education, Reduction, and Window Replacement Program Act. All

Subject to Appropriation, This bill establishes the second phase of this program in the communities identified as a priority by the Department of Public Health because of the high risk for childhood lead poisoning. This program gives purchasing priority to replacement windows manufactured within IL. Defines priority communities as the communities that are selected by the Department whose owners are eligible for the assistance provided by this Act.

**Sex Crime Prosecution (SB 1842):** When the victim is under 18 years of age at the time of the offense, allows for a prosecution for involuntary servitude, involuntary sexual servitude of a minor, or trafficking in persons and related offenses to be commenced within 25 years (rather than one year) of the victim attaining the age of 18 years.

**Bail Reform Act (SB 2034):** Expands existing law regarding threats to public officials by making it a Class 3 felony to also threaten an attorney employed by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Children and Family Services, or the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission; or an assistant public guardian, attorney, social worker, case manager, or investigator employed by a duly appointed public guardian. Reinserts the provisions of the bill as passed the Senate as well as mixing in bail reform and an extension of Illinois' RICO law: extends the June 11, 2017 sunset of the Illinois Street Gang and Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Law by 5 years so the repeal is on June 11, 2022. Creates a presumption against having to post monetary bail that must be overcome with cause. Creates a right to counsel for those who seek representation during their bail hearing. Creates a review process for people charged with certain offenses who are unable to pay bail within 7 days. Allows the Supreme Court to establish a risk-assessment tool to be used in proceedings to assist the court in establishing bail for a defendant.

**Creates Thriving Youth Tax Checkoff (SB 2046):** Creates 2 new income tax checkoffs to be included on returns beginning December 31, 2017. As Passed the Senate: Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act to create a checkoff for contributions into the Thriving Youth Income Tax Checkoff Fund.

## Higher Education

### **Student-level Data Request Fee (SB 887):**

Creates a student-level data request fee which the Board of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board would collect and deposit respectively into the BHE Data and Research Cost Recovery Fund and the ICCB Research and Technology Fund.

## Judiciary

### **County Board Redistricting- Minorities Participation (SB 910):**

County redistricting will include racial minorities or language minorities with equal process to participate in the political process and elect candidates of their choice, and will include racial minorities or language minorities who constitute less than a voting age minority to substantially influence the outcome of an election. County Districts will be drawn to create crossover districts, coalition districts or influence districts.

## Licensed Activities and Pensions

### **Interior Design Title Act Changes (SB 326):**

Expands continuing education requirements and changes the title of the Design Title Act to Registered Interior Designer. Additionally, provides for lien rights, which a registered interior designer does not currently have. Clarifies that an applicant must provide written documentation showing his or her fulfillment of the requirements for registration in order for the applicant to sit for the examination.

**TRS Changes (SB 865):** Requires the school report card to include the total and per pupil normal cost amount the state contributed to the Teachers' Retirement System in the prior fiscal year for the district's employees. The CPS report card must include state contributions to the Teachers' Pension and Retirement Fund and state contributions for employee health care costs.

**Installment Sale Contract Act (SB 885):** Requires a written contract that must allocate the amount of monthly payment to be used for rent, principal, interest, taxes, insurance and other costs. Requires buyer be provided with amortization schedule prior to closing and every year. Requires the contract or memo be recorded. Establishes a structure for defining which party is responsible for repairs, real estate taxes and insurance. Expands foreclosure protections to contracts when more than 10% of principal has been paid. Act only applies to sellers who will enter into more than three installment contracts in a 12-month period. Covers any person or company who is part of multiple legal entities. Increases the buyer's right to cure the default to 90 days in case of an eviction. Sellers are given 10 days (rather than five) to record the contract.

## Transportation

**Transportation Benefits (HB 2802):** Requires employers to offer a program consistent with federal law that allows employees to elect to exclude from taxable wages and compensation the employee's commuting costs incurred for the purchase of a transit pass to use public transit or for the purchase of qualified parking. Limits the program to Cook County and Townships in the collar counties under the jurisdiction of the RTA. Provides that the bill applies to employers with 25 full time employees in the RTA region.

**Automotive Parts (SB 675):** Adds a new section to the Vehicle Code that states that an automotive parts recyclers, scrap processor, repairer, or rebuilder with a business license issued by a municipality that has been revoked due to fraud or misconduct committed against the municipality within 3 years preceding the effective date of this legislation or on or after the effective date of this legislation shall not be eligible for a license or license renewal under Section 5-301 of the Vehicle Code. Also adds that a violator of this section shall be fined \$1,000 per day that it conducts business in this State.

## State Government

### **Illinois Veterans' Home at Chicago (SB 266):**

Establishes the Illinois Veterans' Home at Chicago. Directs IDVA to operate and maintain the home.

Creates the Illinois Veterans' Homes Fund and provides that any receipts collected from residents of the home at Chicago will go into the fund.

**State Agency Report on Security Breaches (SB 707):** Requires reporting security breaches of State agencies to the Department of Innovation & Technology (DoIT) and the Attorney General if the breach affected over 250 Illinois residents. Allows the Attorney General to publish general information about the breach.

**Health Care Worker Registry- Language Clean-Up (SB 1400):** Streamlines the statutory requirements for the establishment of the Health Care Worker Registry by placing all the language in the HCWBC Act to eliminate redundancy in Illinois law.

**Entrepreneur Learner's Permit Pilot Program (SB 1462):** Establishes an "Entrepreneur Learner's Permit Pilot Program," which will allow DCEO to establish a program that will reimburse first time business owners in the information services, biotechnology, and green technology industry for their State filing, permitting, or licensing fees with the State.

**IEMA Fees for Agency-Sponsored Conferences (SB 1489):** Amends the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act to allow the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to assess and collect reasonable fees for attendance at Agency-sponsored conferences.

**Attendance Data on Report Cards (SB 1532):** Provides that the State report card, school district report cards and school report cards must contain, in addition to many other things as enumerated and as required by federal law, data on average daily attendance.

**IDNR and IDOT Property Conveyances (SB 1668):** Authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to make certain real estate conveyances in Cook County, subject to specified conditions. Authorizes the Department of Transportation to make certain real estate conveyances in Ogle County, Pike County, Madison County, St. Clair County, Will County, and Woodford County, subject to specified conditions.

**Free ILGA Translation Tool (SB 1869):** Requires that within one year after the effective date of this Act, the Legislative Information System (LIS) will use a free translation tool to enable translation into multiple languages the information made available to the public through the Illinois General Assembly website. Creates the Language Access to Government Services Task Force. 18 member task force tasked with: to study and reduce the language barriers existing among Illinois residents who are limited English proficient, and to maximize their ability to access government services and participate in civic discourse.

**Volunteer Emergency Worker Phone Usage (SB 1895):** Provides that a public or private employer shall not discipline an employee who is a volunteer emergency worker for responding to an emergency phone call or text message, but this does not apply to vehicle service providers or employers with specific written policies governing the use of cell phones.

**State Fairground Security Deposits (SB 1902):** Allows the Department to establish locally held funds to receive and disburse security deposits for the rental of facilities at each State fairground during non-fair time periods.

**Library Advisory Referendum (SB 2068):** Gives library boards of trustees the ability to put an advisory referendum question on the ballot at the next regularly scheduled election. The board is to certify the referendum question to the proper election authority. Questions must be submitted according to Election Code requirements.