

Senate Floor Action for May 16, 2017

Service by Email Administrative Cases (SB 951):

States that notice to parties in a contested case under the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act may be served, among other forms of service, by electronic mail of any decision or order in that case. An agency may require all attorneys to designate an electronic mail address to which all documents required may be transmitted. If an attorney is required to have an electronic mail address, they must designate one primary electronic mail address. An agency may request, but not require, an unrepresented party to designate an electronic email address to which all documents required may be transmitted.

Small Donor Contributions (SB 1424):

Creates a small donor campaign contribution matching system for candidates for the following offices: Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer, Secretary of State, State Senator and State Representative.

Contributions from \$25 to \$150 from local donors will be matched 6:1 by public funds, i.e. funded by the General Revenue Fund.

Candidates cannot accept contributions over \$500 from a single donor. Creates the "Small Donor Matching Fund" as a special fund in the State Treasury. Establishes requirements for accessing the small donor matching system and imposes limits. Establishes provisions for the funding of the matching fund. Creates Campaign Finance Board within the State Board of Elections to implement the campaign matching system.

Medicaid Fraud Cases (SB 1577):

Allows the state to continue to recover damages for Medicaid fraud at a higher amount without seeking a statutory change in the General Assembly every year. Without this change the State could lose 10 percent, or an average of \$1,095,961.32 per year, of our Medicaid fraud recoveries.

Coal Mining Self Rescuers (SB 1839): Provides that a mine operator must provide the number of self-contained self-rescuer devices as required by the mine's approved Mine Safety and Health Administration Emergency Response Plan.