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The Illinois General Assembly's Spring Session ended on May 27, 2023 after the Illinois House gave its approval to a \$50.6 billion spending plan for the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2023. More than 560 bills passed both chambers which are now being sent to the Governor for consideration. Lawmakers are not scheduled to return to Springfield until the traditional two-week fall veto session (October 24-26, 2023 & November 7-9, 2023). This session summary includes several legislative measures of interest to township government in addition to Fiscal Year 2024 budget highlights.



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HB1283

TWP CD-SPECIAL SERVICE AREAS (MOELLERA)

Amends the Township Code. Provides that a township official may not prohibit an organization from receiving township funds based upon the perceived citizenship or immigration status of the person who would receive those funds from the organization. Effective immediately.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Public Act 103-0016

HB2079

LOCAL GOV-TOWNSHIP OFFICERS (MOELLERA)

Amends the Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act. Provides that a township officer may hold a position on the board of a not-for profit corporation that is interested in a contract, work, or business of the township if: (1) the township officer is appointed by the governing body of the township to represent the interests of the township on a not-for-profit corporation's board, then the township officer may actively vote on matters involving either that board or the township, so long as the membership on the not-for-profit board is not a paid position; or (2) the township officer is not appointed to the governing body of a not-for-profit corporation by the governing body of the township, then the township officer may continue to serve, however, the township officer shall abstain from voting on a proposition before the township governing body directly involving the not-for-profit corporation and, for those matters, shall not be counted as present for the purposes of quorum of the township governing body.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Public Act 103-0025



HB1465

HWY CD-CONSTRUCTION BIDDING (MCCOMBIE T)

Amends the Illinois Highway Code. In provisions concerning the performance of functions by the highway commissioner of a road district, provides that, except for professional services, when the cost of construction, materials, supplies, new machinery or equipment exceeds \$30,000 (instead of \$20,000), the contract for such construction, materials, supplies, machinery or equipment shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder if specified conditions are met. Effective immediately.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Sent to Governor

HB2033

LOCAL GOV BONDS-ORDINANCE (STEPHENS B)

Amends the Local Government Debt Reform Act. Provides that an ordinance levying a tax for the payment of principal of and interest on general obligation bonds or limited bonds may be filed electronically with the county clerk. Effective immediately.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Sent to Governor

STATE BUDGET 2024

The Fiscal Year 2024

General Funds budget reflects projected revenues of \$50.6 billion and expenditures of \$50.4 billion.

HB3817 establishes the FY 2024 Budget Implementation Act, necessary to implement the State Budget. HB3551 establishes the Bond Authorization Act of 2023. SB1963 is the FY 2024 Revenue Package.

Highlights of the Budget Package Include:

- Township bridge program increase from \$15 million to \$60 million. This was a last minute add, replacing HB2781.
- \$85 million in additional funding to communities through the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) with an increase in the state's revenue sharing formula.
- \$42.5 million for grants to county governments and municipalities for their costs associated with asylum seekers.
- \$30 million for the Law Enforcement Camera Grant Program to reimburse local law enforcement agencies for in-car cameras, body cameras, and data storage.
- \$10 million for the Law Enforcement recruitment and Retention Fund to provide resources to local law enforcement agencies for recruitment of new officers, retention plans, mental health care, safety equipment, and improvement in local jails.
- \$13 million in funding for the Adult Redeploy Program, an increase of \$1 million.
- Reappropriates \$100 million at DCEO for community-driven broadband expansion.

HB2040

HWY CD-RESIDENCY OF CLERKS (TARVER, II C)

Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that statutory provisions concerning residency requirements for highway commissioners also apply to clerks. Provides that a board of trustees may contract with a neighboring township to provide highway commissioner or clerk services if the township has a population of less than 1,000 (rather than less than 500).

Provides that a board of trustees in a county not under township organization that is organized as a commission form of government may (i) appoint a non-resident or a resident who has not resided in the district for one year to be a highway commissioner, or (ii) contract with a neighboring township to provide highway commissioner or clerk services if no qualified candidate who has resided in the road district for at least one year is willing to serve as highway commissioner or clerk.

House Floor Amendment No. 2 - Provides that a board of trustees in a county organized under the Counties Code may contract (rather than contact) with a neighboring township to provide highway commissioner or clerk services if no qualified candidate who has resided in the road district for a least one year is willing to serve as highway commissioner or clerk.

CURRENT STATUS 6/8/2023 - Sent to Governor

HB2845

PREVAILING WAGE-BIOSOLIDS (VELLA D)

Amends the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the definition of "public works" also includes the removal, hauling, and transportation of biosolids, lime sludge, and lime residue from a water treatment plant or facility and the disposal of biosolids, lime sludge, and lime residue removed from a water treatment plant or facility at a landfill.

CURRENT STATUS 5/25/2023 - Passed Both Houses

HB2131

VEH CD-25MPH LIMIT NEAR BIKES (HUYNHH)

Amends the Department of Transportation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Requires the Secretary of Transportation to establish and convene the Zero Traffic Fatalities Task Force to develop a structured, coordinated process for early engagement of all parties to develop policies to reduce traffic fatalities to zero. Provides that the Task Force shall include, but is not limited to, representatives from the Illinois State Police, State supported institutions of higher learning, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Public Health, local governments, bicycle safety organizations, statewide motorist service membership organizations, transportation advocacy organizations, and labor organizations. Requires the Secretary of Transportation to prepare and submit a report of findings based on the Zero Traffic Fatalities Task Force's efforts to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2025. Sets forth issues that shall be included in the report. Provides for repeal of the provisions on January 1, 2026. Effective immediately. House Floor Amendment No. 2 - Provides that representatives from the Secretary of State and motorcycle safety organizations shall be included in the Zero Traffic Fatalities Task Force. Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 - Changes the members of the Task Force to the following: (i) the Secretary of Transportation, or the Secretary's designee, who shall serve as Chair of the Task Force; (ii) the Director of State Police, or the Director's designee; (iii) the Secretary of State, or the Secretary's designee; (iv) the Director of Public Health, or the Director's designee; (v) a member from 3 different public universities in this State, appointed by the Governor; (vi) a representative of a statewide motorcycle safety organization, appointed by the Governor; (vii) a representative of a statewide motorist service membership organization, appointed by the Governor; (viii) a representative of a statewide transportation advocacy organization, appointed by the Governor; (ix) a representative of a bicycle safety organization, appointed by the Governor; (x) a representative of a statewide organization representing municipalities, appointed by the Governor; and (xi) a representative of a statewide labor organization, appointed by the Governor.

CURRENT STATUS 5/18/2023 - Passed Both Houses

HB2154

LOCAL-BATTERY-CHARGED FENCES (MANLEYN)

Amends the Counties Code, Township Code, and Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that a county, township, or municipality may not require a permit or other approval for the installation, maintenance, placement, replacement, or servicing of a battery-charged fence if (i) the battery-charged fence is located on nonresidential property and surrounded by a nonelectric-perimeter fence or wall and (ii) any electrical charge produced on contact does not exceed energizer characteristics set for electric fences by the International Electrotechnical Commission. Provides that any battery-charged fence installed under the provisions must have a conspicuous warning sign located on the fence at not more than 50-foot intervals. Defines "battery-charged fence". Limits the concurrent exercise of home rule powers.

House Committee Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes. Provides that a county may not require a permit or other approval for the installation, maintenance, placement, replacement, or servicing of a battery-charged fence if the battery-charged fence is located on nonresidential property completely surrounded by a nonelectric perimeter fence or wall that is not less than 5 feet in height and does not exceed 10 feet in height or 2 feet higher than the nonelectric perimeter fence or wall, whichever is higher (rather than surrounded by a nonelectric perimeter fence or wall). Provides that the signs on the fence shall be located not less than 30 feet apart (rather than located on the fence at not more than 50-foot intervals).

CURRENT STATUS 5/25/2023 - House Bills on Third Reading

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HB2224

RUUPA-LOC GOV/ST AGENCY MONEYS (BURKE K)

Amends the State Comptroller Act. Provides that after 3 years from the date of issuance of an original Comptroller's warrant, any sum of money payable shall be presumed abandoned and subject to disposition under the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act (rather than after 5 years from the date of issuance of the original warrant but no later than 10 years after that date, the Comptroller may issue a replacement warrant on the Warrant Escheat Fund to a person or entity entitled thereto if certain requirements are met). Amends the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that on or after July 1, 2024, when the receipt of a ward, a distributee of an estate, or a claimant cannot be found, the representative shall report and remit the share of the missing person to the State Treasurer for disposition under the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act. Amends the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act. Provides that certain amounts payable under a provision related to the refund for erroneous assessments or overpayments are presumed abandoned if it is unclaimed by the apparent owner 3 years after the property becomes payable. Provides that if the administrator reasonably believes that the apparent owner of property presumed abandoned held by the administrator is: a unit of local government which files an audit report or annual financial report with the Comptroller, the administrator may give written notice to the person or persons identified in the most recent annual financial report as the contact person, the chief executive officer, and the chief financial officer; and a State agency, the administrator may give written notice to the person whom the records of the Comptroller indicate are the chief executive officer and chief fiscal officer of such State agency. Provides that property presumed abandoned where the administrator reasonably believes the owner is a unit of local government shall escheat to the State and shall be deposited into the Comptroller's Audit Expense Revolving Fund if certain requirements apply. Provides that property presumed abandoned where the administrator reasonably believes the owner is a State agency shall escheat to the State and shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund if certain requirements apply. Makes other changes. Makes conforming changes in the Property Tax Code and the Governmental Account Audit Act. Effective immediately.

House Committee Amendment No. 1 - Removes provisions amending the State Comptroller Act and the Governmental Account Audit Act. In the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, provides that property presumed abandoned where the administrator reasonably believes the owner is a unit of local government shall escheat to the State and shall be deposited into the General Revenue Fund (rather than the Comptroller's Audit Expense Revolving Fund) if certain requirements apply.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Sent to Governor

HB2447

OPEN MEETINGS-SCHOOL EVENTS (AVELARD)

Amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that a public body may hold closed meetings to consider evidence or testimony presented to a school board regarding denial of admission to school events or property, provided that the school board prepares and makes available for public inspection a written decision setting forth its determinative reasoning. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts provisions of the introduced bill. Further amends the Open Meetings Act. Provides that if a quorum of the members of the public body is physically present, a majority of the public body may allow a member of that body to attend the meeting by other means if the member is prevented from physically attending because of, among other circumstances, childcare obligations. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 2 - Provides that a member of a public body can attend an open meeting by other means if the member is prevented from physically attending because of unexpected childcare obligations.

CURRENT STATUS 5/22/2023 - Added Chief Co-Sponsor Rep. Daniel Didech

HB2539

LOCAL GOV-COMPENSATION (HIRSCHAUER M)

Amends the Property Tax Code and the Counties Code. In provisions concerning stipends and additional compensation for certain officials, provides that the Department of Revenue shall remit to each county (or township, if applicable) the amount required for the additional compensation or stipend. Provides that the money shall be deposited by the county treasurer into a fund dedicated to making those payments. Provides that the county payroll clerk shall pay the stipend or additional compensation to the official within 10 business days after those funds are deposited into the county fund. Provides that the stipend shall not be considered part of the official's base compensation. Provides that the county shall be responsible for the State and federal income tax reporting and withholding as well as the employer contributions under the Illinois Pension Code on that compensation. Effective immediately.

CURRENT STATUS 5/18/2023 - Passed Both Houses

HB3086

PESTICIDES-REGISTRATION (HARPER S)

Amends the Illinois Pesticide Act. Increases various fees imposed under the Act beginning in 2024. Amends the Lawn Care Products Application and Notice Act. Provides that the lawn care containment permit fee is \$250 (rather than \$100).

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 - Further amends the Illinois Pesticide Act. Provides that the Interagency Committee on Pesticides shall examine, with the assistance of the Department of Agriculture, the possibility of using continuing education courses to satisfy pesticide applicator competency requirements required for existing licensees.

CURRENT STATUS 5/25/2023 - Passed Both Houses

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HB3641

CAPITAL DEV BD-LOCAL GOV REG (MASON J)

Amends the Capital Development Board Act. Provides that ordinances of units of local government may not be enforced against construction, reconstruction, improvement, or installation of State facilities. Provides that units of local government cannot require payment of permitting fees or require permit inspections for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, or installation of State facilities. Provides that the provisions apply to construction, reconstruction, improvement, or installation of projects that are ongoing on the effective date of the amendatory Act and to all projects started on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that the regulation of local ordinances, fees, and inspections affecting the construction, reconstruction, improvement, or installation of State facilities are exclusive powers and functions of the State. Effective immediately.

CURRENT STATUS 5/25/2023 - House Bills on Third Reading

HB3370

PREVAILING WAGE-POWER WASHING (VELLA D)

Amends the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the definition of "public works" includes power washing projects in which steam or pressurized water, with or without added abrasives or chemicals, is used to remove paint or other coatings, oils or grease, corrosion, or debris from a surface or to prepare a surface for a coating.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the engrossed bill with the following changes: Provides that the definition of "public works" includes power washing projects by a public body or paid for wholly or in part out of public funds (rather than power washing projects by a public body).

CURRENT STATUS 5/18/2023 - Passed Both Houses

HB3792

PREVAILING WAGE-LIGHT POLES (WALSH, JR. L)

Amends the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the definition of "public works" includes all construction projects involving fixtures or permanent attachments affixed to light poles that are owned by a public body, including street light poles, traffic light poles, and other lighting fixtures, whether or not done under public supervision or direction, or paid for wholly or in part out of public funds. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 1 - Provides for an exception if the project is performed by employees employed directly by the public body.

CURRENT STATUS 6/16/2023 - Sent to Governor

HB2040

GENERAL ASSISTANCE-TOWNSHIP (GA Expansion) (OLICKAL K)

Amends the Township Code. Provides that a township's board may either expend funds directly or may enter into any cooperative agreement or contract with specified entities to provide its residents with health services, including mental, behavioral, eye, dental, or other healthcare. Provides that the township board may approve the application of a different, publicly available, professional or academically recognized standard of need in determining eligibility for subsidized day care. Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides that persons shall not be determined ineligible for case assistance under the General Assistance Article of the Code based upon a conviction for any drug-related felony under State or federal law. In provisions concerning the General Assistance program, permits a local government unit to provide assistance to households under its General Assistance program following a disaster proclamation issued by the Governor if the local governmental unit is within the area designated under the proclamation. Provides that a local governmental unit may provide assistance under its General Assistance program under a service that complies with specified provisions of the Township Code. Provides that before a local government provides assistance, the board of the local government shall approve the expenditures of such assistance.

House Floor Amendment No. 1 - Further amends the General Assistance Article of the Illinois Public Aid Code. In a provision permitting a local governmental unit to provide General Assistance under one of the township services authorized under the Township Code, requires the board of the local governmental unit to adopt a policy providing which township services are eligible for General Assistance.

CURRENT STATUS 6/8/2023 - Sent to Governor

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HB2224

HIGHWAY ADS-PERMIT&NOTICE (BURKE K)

Amends the Highway Advertising Control Act of 1971. Provides for updated procedures for the Department of Transportation to follow regarding signs permitted by the Act. Provides that upon change of sign ownership, the new owner of the sign shall notify the Department and supply the necessary information on a form provided by the Department to transfer the permit for such sign at no cost within 120 days (rather than 60 days) after the change of ownership. Provides that the Department shall acknowledge to the new sign owner the receipt of such request within 14 calendar days. Provides that when a sign owner intends to convert a legal conforming sign from a static sign face to a digital sign face, a new permit shall not be required. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Provides that within 90 days of July 1, 1972, or the owner being notified of a new controlled route subject to the Act being added, specified signs must be registered with the Department of Transportation by the owner of the sign, on forms obtained from the Department. Provides that the Department shall have up to 45 days to complete its review and approve the permit application or notify the applicant of any and all deficiencies necessary for the Department's approval. Provides that if a permit application is for a sign within an area subject to the Airport Zoning Act, the Department shall notify the applicant in writing that the review process will exceed specified timelines and shall complete its own review of the permit application pending approval under the Airport Zoning Act. Provides that upon a change of ownership of a sign permit or sign registration (instead of sign ownership), the new owner of the sign permit or sign registration shall notify the Department to confirm the change of ownership and supply the necessary information in writing or on a form provided by the Department to transfer (instead of to renew) the permit or registration for such sign at no cost within 120 days (instead of 60 days) after the change of ownership. Provides that when a sign owner intends to upgrade an existing legal permitted sign to a multiple message sign with a digital display, the Department shall not require a new sign permit. Removes language providing that any permit not so renewed shall become void. Sets forth provisions concerning permit addendum applications. Makes other changes concerning permit applications and permit renewal. Provides that a person aggrieved by any action of the Department in denying an application or revoking a permit or registration under this Act may, within 30 days after receipt of the notice of denial or revocation, apply to the Department for an administrative hearing pursuant to the Administrative Review Law. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Sent to Governor

SB325

FOIA-RECORDS OF ATTORNEY GEN (CUNNINGHAMB)

Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Deletes language providing that, to the extent that records or documents produced by a public body contain information that is claimed to be exempt from disclosure, the Public Access Counselor shall not further disclose that information. Provides instead that records or documents obtained by the Public Access Counselor from a public body for the purpose of addressing a request for review may not be disclosed to the public, including the requester, by the Public Access Counselor. Provides that such records, while in the possession of the Public Access Counselor, are exempt under the Act from disclosure by the Public Access Counselor.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Public Act..... 103-0069

SB684

LOCAL GOVERNMENT-TECH (KOEHLER D)

Amends the Airport Authorities Act. Creates the Central Illinois Regional Airport Authority. Provides that the territory of the Authority shall be the corporate limits of McLean County and that any existing airport authority located within McLean County is dissolved upon the establishment of the Authority. Provides that the new Authority shall assume the rights to all property, assets, and liabilities of any dissolved authority. Further provides for the appointment of the board members. Effective immediately.

House Floor Amendment No. 3 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the engrossed bill with the following changes. Provides that, of the 3 commissioners appointed by the county board chairman, 2 shall reside in rural municipalities with a population less than 5,000 and one shall reside in an unincorporated area of McLean County. Makes changes in terminology. Effective immediately.

CURRENT STATUS 6/16/2023 - House Floor Amendment No. 3 Balanced Budget Note Filed as Amended

SB685

LOCAL GOVERNMENT-TECH (JOYCE P)

Amends the Township Code. In provisions about accumulation of township funds, provides that townships on a cash basis or modified cash basis of accounting may only count levied tax funds toward the total township funds calculated under the provisions if received within the township's fiscal year. Provides that the highway commissioner's equipment and building fund is considered a capital fund account and is not subject to the accumulation of funds provisions.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Public Act..... 103-0072



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SB64

HIGHWAY ADS-SIGNS (CASTRO C)

Amends the Highway Advertising Control Act of 1971. Defines "sign" as any outdoor sign, display, device, notice, figure painting, drawing, message, placard, poster, billboard, or other thing, which is operated or owned by a person or entity where any person or entity is paying or earning remuneration directly or indirectly for (i) the existence or placement of the outdoor sign or (ii) the placement of the message on the outdoor sign (rather than any outdoor sign which is designated, intended, or used to advertise or inform, and of which any part of the existing or intended advertising or informative content) is capable of being visible from any place on the main-traveled way of any portion of any Interstate or primary highway and which is within 660 feet of the nearest edge of the right-of-way of such highway. Provides that for purposes of the definition of "erect", attaching a vinyl substrate medium to a sign structure or wall surface shall constitute normal maintenance or repair of a sign or sign structure. Defines "remuneration". Removes the definitions of "on premise sign", "off premise sign", and "real estate sign". Removes language providing that registration must be made of each sign and shall be accompanied by a registration fee of \$5. Removes provisions concerning directional and other official signs, real estate signs, on premise signs, off premise signs, and signs affixed by public utilities. Makes corresponding changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes: Provides that the definition of "sign" means any outdoor sign, display, device, notice, figure painting, drawing, message, placard, poster, billboard, or other thing, which is designed (rather than designated), intended, or used to advertise or inform, and of which any part of the existing or intended advertising or informative contents is or will be visible from any place on the main-traveled way of a controlled portion (rather than any portion) of an Interstate or primary highway and which is adjacent to and within 660 feet (rather than within 660 feet) of the nearest edge of the right-of-way of such highway, and where the a sign is operated or owned by a person or entity earning remuneration directly or indirectly for (i) the existence or placement of the outdoor sign or (ii) the placement of the message on the outdoor sign. Provides that the definition of "erect" does not include the attachment of a vinyl substrate to a sign that was permitted or registered to display, in another medium, advertising or other information and that does not cause a substantial change or modification that would terminate nonconforming rights. Provides that the Department of Transportation shall accord lawful status to the registered sign at issue in the decision of the Illinois Appellate Court captioned as Image Media Advertising, Inc., v. Illinois Department of Transportation, No. 1-20-0830. Provides that the Department shall also allow for the continued usage of that sign by the owner of the building or its authorized agent without requiring a new permit or registration. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 - Provides that the Department of Transportation shall accord lawful status to a previously permitted or registered sign that was a painted display on a wall or wall surface (but not a separate wall structure) of a building and that lost its lawful status because a court of competent jurisdiction through a final and non-appealable order determined that the attachment of a vinyl substrate to the wall or wall surface constituted the erection of a new sign and not normal maintenance. Provides that the Department shall also allow for the continued usage of that sign by the owner of the building or its authorized agent without requiring a new permit or registration.

House Committee Amendment No. 1 - Provides that the definition of "erect" does not include the attachment of a vinyl substrate to a sign that was permitted or registered to display, in another medium, advertising or other information and such attachment does not cause a substantial change or modification that would terminate nonconforming rights. Provides that the changes to the definition of "erect" are intended to be retroactive and apply to any permitted or registered sign in operation on or after January 1, 1999, and in operation as of the effective date of the amendatory Act that attached a vinyl substrate to a sign that was permitted or registered to display, in another medium, advertising or other information. Further amends the Highway Advertising Control Act of 1971. Provides that a previously registered sign that was a painted display on a wall or wall surface (but not a separate wall structure) of a building and that lost its lawful status because an Illinois court of competent jurisdiction determined through a final and non-appealable order that the attachment of a vinyl substrate to the wall or wall surface constituted the erection of a new sign and not normal maintenance and repair is validated as a lawful registered sign under the Act, including all rights regarding size, spacing, illumination, and alienability. Provides that the Department of Transportation must accord lawful status to the registered sign and must allow for the continued operation of that sign by the owner of the sign or its successor in interest without requiring a new registration or permit.

CURRENT STATUS 5/25/2023 - Consideration of House Amendments (Pending)

SB686

LOCAL GOVERNMENT-TECH (PACIONE-ZAYAS C)

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Counties Code. Provides that, except in a county with a population over 3,000,000, fees for a certified copy of a transcript of sworn testimony of a coroner's inquest made by written request declaring the request is for research or genealogy purposes is \$15.00 for the entire transcript. Provides that a request shall be deemed a proper request for purpose of research or genealogy if the requested inquest occurred not less than 20 years prior to the date of the written request. Provides that the transcript shall be stamped with the words "FOR GENEALOGY OR RESEARCH PURPOSES ONLY". Provides that, except in a county with a population over 3,000,000, a coroner may waive, at his or her discretion, any coroner fees (rather than only the cremation permit fee) if the coroner determines that the person is indigent and unable to pay the permit fee or under other special circumstances as determined by the coroner.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 - Provides that the provisions setting the fee for a certified copy of a transcript or sworn testimony of a coroner's inquest and concerning waiver of coroner fees apply on and after January 1, 2024. Adds language to specify that the changes made by the amendatory Act do not apply retroactively.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Public Act 103-0073

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SB1460

COMM INTEREST-ROAD MAINTENANCE (REZINS)

Amends the Common Interest Community Association Act. Allows the common interest community association board of managers or board of directors to contract with the highway commissioner of a road district in which the association is located, if the association comprises 75% of the population or greater of the township or road district, to furnish materials related to the maintenance or repair of roads. Provides that any such purchases shall be included in the board's finance report. Makes a conforming change in the Illinois Highway Code.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the provisions of the introduced bill with the following changes. Allows the common interest community association board of managers or board of directors to contract with the highway commissioner of a road district in which the association is located, if the association comprises 50% (rather than 75%) of the population or greater of the township or road district, to furnish materials related to the maintenance or repair of roads.

CURRENT STATUS 6/6/2023 - Sent to Governor

SB895

TRANSPORTATION-TECH (HALPIN M)

Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Provides that a county shall not construct, reconstruct, improve, widen, relocate, repair, alter, or maintain a highway, road, street, alley, bridge, culvert, drainage structure, sidewalk, bicycle path, parking lot, driveway, or any other transportation-related facility that is outside of its county's boundaries unless such construction, reconstruction, improvement, widening, relocation, repair, alteration, or maintenance is part of the county highway system, is jointly performed with another county through the sharing of road equipment pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement, or is provided as necessary relief services following the occurrence of a disaster. Provides that a road district shall not construct, reconstruct, improve, widen, relocate, repair, alter, or maintain a highway, road, street, alley, bridge, culvert, drainage structure, sidewalk, bike path, parking lot, driveway, or any other transportation-related facility that is outside of its county's boundaries unless such construction, reconstruction, improvement, widening, relocation, repair, alteration, or maintenance is part of the township and district road system, in an adjacent road district, is jointly performed with another road district through the sharing of road equipment pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement, or provided as necessary relief services following the occurrence of a disaster. Provides that a municipality shall not construct, reconstruct, improve, widen, relocate, repair, alter, or maintain a highway, road, street, alley, bridge, culvert, drainage structure, sidewalk, bike path, parking lot, driveway, or any other transportation-related facility that is outside of its county's boundaries unless such construction, reconstruction, improvement, widening, relocation, repair, alteration, or maintenance is part of the municipal street system (rather than within its corporate limits), in an adjacent municipality, or provided as necessary relief services following the occurrence of a disaster. Provides that the term "maintain" or "maintenance" does not include mowing, gravel reclamation, snow removal or the application of salt, sand, or any other substance applied for the purpose of improving the safety of vehicular or pedestrian traffic in response to the presence or prediction of ice or snow.

CURRENT STATUS 5/19/2023 - Passed Both Houses

SB1653

HWY CD-UNDERPASS HAZARD BAR (VENTURA R)

Amends the Illinois Highway Code. Requires the Department of Transportation, local authorities, or any responsible entity to erect and maintain hazard bars for all viaducts and underpasses with a clearance of less than 15 feet. Provides that the hazard bar shall hang at the same clearance level as the viaduct or underpass and at least 500 feet in front of the viaduct or underpass to alert motorists.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause with provisions of the introduced bill, and makes the following changes: Provides that the Department of Transportation shall establish a low-clearance early warning device pilot program (rather than hazard bar pilot program). Provides that an early warning device may include, but is not limited to, LiDAR, radar, visual signal, or additional signage.

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause with provisions of the Senate Amendment No. 1, and makes the following changes: Allows the Department of Transportation to work with the University of Illinois on the pilot program. Provides that the fine shall not exceed \$1,000 (rather than the cost to repair the device).

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Public Act 103-0099



SB1710

VEH CD-BICYCLE TRAIL SIGNAGE (**SIMMONS M**)

Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned bicycle trails in the State shall erect permanent regulatory or warning signage alerting pedestrians or cyclists of a vehicle crossing. Provides that in the event of an emergency or safety hazard, the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned bicycle trails shall erect temporary signage alerting pedestrians or cyclists of damage to the trail, maintenance being performed on the trail, or other temporary hazards along the trail. Requires the Department of Transportation with reference to State highways under its jurisdiction, and the local authority with reference to other highways under its jurisdiction, to erect permanent signage warning vehicular traffic in advance of bicycle trail crossings. Provides that signage erected shall conform with the State manual and permanent advanced warning signage shall be located at least 150 feet in advance of the crossing.

House Floor Amendment No. 3 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause with provisions of the engrossed bill, and makes the following changes: Provides that "paved bicycle trails" includes trails accommodating bicycle traffic composed of aggregate, asphalt, bituminous treatment, concrete, crushed limestone, or any combination thereof. Provides that the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned paved bicycle trails in the State shall erect permanent regulatory or warning signage alerting pedestrians or cyclists of highway (rather than vehicle) crossings. Establishes that if the authority having maintenance jurisdiction over publicly owned paved bicycle trails has actual knowledge of an emergency or safety hazard that creates a dangerous condition on a publicly owned paved bicycle trail, the authority shall take reasonable steps to erect temporary signage alerting pedestrians or cyclist of the dangerous condition (rather than damage to the trail, maintenance being performed on the trail, or other temporary hazards along the trail). Provides that the Department of Transportation with reference to State highways under its jurisdiction, and the local authority with reference to other highways under its jurisdiction, shall erect or install permanent signage or markings warning vehicular traffic in advance of bicycle trail crossings. Provides that the permanent signage erected or installed shall conform with the State manual and permanent advanced warning signage shall be located at least 150 feet in advance of the crossing. Provides that paved bicycle trail signage is not required on a rustic or primitive trail.

CURRENT STATUS 5/19/2023 - Passed Both Houses

SB2278

VEH CD-TRUCK MAX HEIGHT WEIGHT (**SIMMONS M**)

Senate Floor Amendment No. 2 - Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that the State or any unit of local government shall not be required to design or construct a new non-designated highway to accommodate truck tractor-semitrailer combinations. Provides that each unit of local government shall (rather than may) report to the Department of Transportation, and the Department shall post on its official website, any limitations prohibiting the operation of vehicles imposed by ordinance or resolution in the unit of local government's non-designated highway system and any non-designated highway that is not designed and constructed after January 1, 2023 to the overall length dimension of vehicles permitted under the Code.

CURRENT STATUS 6/9/2023 - Sent to Governor

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