

96th GENERAL ASSEMBLY – SECOND SESSION

Dear PTA Advocate,

In Springfield, the dust is still settling as the legislators left in a whirlwind exit without adopting a budget. Seems that the two "favored" scenarios--more borrowing or more cutting, or some combination, were not palatable so the Emergency Budget Act failed. Now, the leaders will try to hammer out some sort of acceptable budget and call the members back into session before May 31st so the business of the State of Illinois may continue.

That also means that some "pending" bills can resurface quite quickly. Of particular interest will be **SB2494 the School Choice Act**, which has currently been postponed for consideration, and of course **HB174 as amended by the Senate**, which has been languishing in the House Rules Committee for months, but would provide much needed revenue to the State.

Now is absolutely the time to say **THANK YOU** to all the members of both Chambers who voted **NO** on SB2494, (see Chicago Tribune 5.7.10) and to remind those who voted YES that while it may appear that a pilot program extending "choice" to those students in the lowest-performing schools in Chicago will improve the quality of their education, vouchers do nothing to improve the public education system--a system that educates the majority of all children--a system the General Assembly has been charged with maintaining. Urge those legislators to reconsider their vote, and make a stand to improve the quality of public education for EVERY CHILD not just a few!

As always, should you have questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact a member of the Legislation Team of the Illinois PTA.

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Bill Number	Sponsor	Synopsis	Status	PTA Position
HB174 SA2 SA3 SA4 SA5	Miller Cullerton	SCHOOLS/EDUCATION Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. SA2 Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends the State Budget Law of the Civil Administration Code of Illinois. Provides that certain amounts shall be transferred from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund; amends the Illinois Income Tax Act by increasing the income tax rate for individuals, trusts, and estates from 3% to 5%; for corporations from 4.8% to 7.2%. Increases the residential real property tax credit from 5% to 10%. Increases the limitation on the education expense credit from \$500 to \$1,000. Increases the percentage of the earned income tax credit from 5% of the federal tax credit to 15% in 2009 and thereafter. Makes changes concerning distributions to the Local Government Distributive Fund. Amends the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Provides that certain services are taxable under the Act. Amends the School Code. Creates the Education Financial Award System Fund, the Digital Learning Technology Grant Fund, and the STEM Education Center Grant Fund. Makes changes concerning the Early Childhood	Passed Senate, In House Rereferred to Rules	S

		<p>Education Block Grant; financial awards for school improvement and other awards; academic early warning and watch status; an educational improvement plan; the creation of the Digital Learning Technology Grant Program, a best practices clearinghouse, the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education Center Grant Program, and a resource management service; audits; school board member leadership training; a school district's school report card; financial policies and plans; a capital improvement plan; protection from suit; financial accountability; non-referendum bonds; the foundation level of support under the State aid formula; the New Teacher Induction and Mentoring Program; school board associations; and transportation reimbursement. SA3 Adds a preamble stating that the Act may be referred to as Senate Bill 750 of the 96th General Assembly. Provides that in fiscal year 2010, no appropriation made from general funds to the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy may be decreased from its fiscal year 2009 general appropriation level. Makes related changes and technical corrections. SA4 In the State aid formula provisions of the School Code, provides that the foundation level of support of \$6,190 is for the 2009-2010 (instead of 2010-2011) school year. Provides that moneys that are transferred to the Common School Fund instead of the Local Government Distributive Fund shall be transferred until July 1, 2010 (instead of July 1, 2009). SA5 Increases the corporate income tax rate from 4.8% to 5% (instead of 7.2%).</p>		
HB4209	Nekritz S-Garrett	<p>Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act; HA1 provides veteran must NOT have used the grant to be able to transfer grant. S1 Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the School Code. Creates the Instructional Mandates Task Force. Specifies the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the Task Force shall explore and examine all instructional mandates governing the public schools of the State that currently exist and shall make recommendations concerning, but not limited to, the propriety of all existing mandates, the imposition of future mandates, and waivers of instructional mandates. Provides that the Task Force shall ensure that its recommendations include specifics as to the necessary funding to carry out identified responsibilities. Provides that the Task Force may begin to conduct business upon the appointment of a majority of the voting members. Provides that the State Board of Education shall be responsible for providing staff and administrative support to the Task Force. Contains provisions concerning reimbursement for members. Provides that the Task Force shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2011 and that the Task Force may submit other reports as it deems appropriate. Provides that the Task Force is abolished on July 1, 2011 and provisions concerning the task force are repealed on July 1, 2012. Beginning on the effective date of the amendatory Act and until one year after the Task Force submits a final report, provides that there shall be a moratorium on the passage of instructional mandates for public schools.</p>	Passed both Houses Placed on calendar Concurrence	S
HB4711 HA 1 H A 2 HA3 HA4	Eddy S-Maloney	<p>Amends SC, provides that no district is obligated to comply with any statutory or regulatory mandate or requirement unless a separate appropriation has been enacted into law providing funding for the school year during which such mandate is required; additional provisions. HA1 Adds private schools. HA 2 Provides the provisions of the bill apply only to future mandates. HA3 Provides prohibition applies only to mandates enacted into law or adopted by rule after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Replaces language</p>	Senate Placed on calendar Concurrence	O

		<p>exempting specific programs from the prohibition on unfunded mandates with language providing that the prohibition on unfunded mandates does not apply to new mandates from the Race to the Top Grant through the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 on school districts designated as being in the lowest performing 5% of schools within the Race to the Top Application.</p> <p>HA 4 Provides that the unfunded mandates prohibition does not apply to any laws related to employment under Chapter 820 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes. Status changed to OPPOSE by convention action.</p>		
HB4755 HCA1	Soto S-Martinez	<p>Amends the Education for Homeless Children Act. Requires the State Board of Education to award competitive grants under an Education of Homeless Children and Youth State Grant Program to applicant school districts to support school districts throughout this State in facilitating the enrollment, attendance, and success of homeless children and youth. Provides that grants must be awarded on the basis of the need of the school district for assistance and the quality of the applications submitted. Provides that grants shall be for terms not to exceed 3 years, but are subject to annual appropriation. Requires school districts to use funds only for those activities set forth in the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987. HCA1 Removes language that imposes conditions on any rulemaking authority and replaces it with language that provides that the State Board of Education may use up to 5% of the funds appropriated for the purposes of the grant program for administrative costs, including the hiring of positions for the implementation and administration of the grant program, provided that if no appropriation is made to the State Board of Education for a given fiscal year for the purposes of the grant program, then the State Board of Education is not required to make any expenditures in support of the program during that fiscal year.</p>	Passed both Houses	S
HB4879	Eddy S-Wilhelmi	<p>Amends SC, provides that SBE may not deduct number of early education pupils from number of eligible pupils from transportation reimbursement when early education pupils are transported at the same time. <i>See HB4967</i></p>	Passed both Houses	S
HB4886 HA 1	Black S-Righter	<p>Amends SC, allows school districts to operate on a 4-day school week plan approved by SBE, must ensure minimum 880 hours student contact, in addition to required institute days. Other provisions. HA 1 Revises the time to 150 days, 141 attendance days.</p> <p>SA1 Limits the authority of a school district to adopt an alternative school calendar for a 4-day school week to the 2010-2011 school year or the 2011-2012 school year or both. Provides that the provisions do not apply to the Chicago school districts. Makes other changes.</p>	Re-referred Assignments	O
HB4992	Ford	<p>Amends Illinois Lottery Law. Creates Lottery Supports Schools Fund, provides certain lottery proceeds deposited into Common School Fund shall be deposited in Lottery Supports Schools Fund, provides moneys in the Lottery Supports Schools Fund shall be distributed to school districts based on district's percentage of lottery sales; provides Act effective when SBE certifies to the Secretary of State and Illinois Dept of Revenue that the amount by which the amendatory Act reduces the amounts otherwise available for distribution under the General State Aid formula has been replaced by other revenue sources.</p> <p>Position changed to OPPOSE by convention action.</p>	Re-referred Rules	O
HB5120 HA 1	Rose Jarmon S-DeLeo	<p>Amends Illinois Vehicle Code, provides school buses must have operational two-way radio or other communication device; provides school bus drivers, while performing official duties, exempted from prohibitions on using such devices while driving in school or</p>	Passed both Houses	S

		construction zones. HA 1. Requires that the communication device must be turned on. <i>See HB5874 and HB6073</i>		
HB5126	Pihos	Amends SC. SA1 Provides that any confidential communication disclosed by a student to a school counselor, school psychologist, or school social worker or to a school counselor intern working under the direct supervision of a school counselor, a school psychologist intern working under the direct supervision of a school psychologist, or a school social work intern working under the direct supervision of a school social worker may be disclosed only upon the execution of a written consent to the release of information that conforms with the requirements of the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act and any other statute governing the release of confidential information applicable to the specific type of information for which disclosure is sought (with exceptions).	Re-referred Assignments	S
HB5132 HA1	Eddy	Amends Children & Family Services Act and Abused & Neglected Child Reporting Act. HA1 Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Department of Human Services Act, the Abuse of Adults with Disabilities Intervention Act, and the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act. Provides that the Department of Human Services' Office of the Inspector General is created to investigate and report upon allegations of the abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation of individuals receiving services within mental health facilities, developmental disabilities facilities, and community agencies operated, licensed, funded, or certified by the Department of Human Services or by any other State agency (rather than, report upon allegations of the abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation of individuals receiving services within mental health facilities, developmental disabilities facilities, and community agencies operated, licensed, funded, or certified by the Department of Human Services, but not licensed or certified by any other State agency). Changes the definitions of "agency" and "facility" as used in the Department of Human Services Act. Eliminates language providing that the Inspector General shall not conduct an investigation within an agency or facility if that investigation would be redundant to or interfere with an investigation conducted by another State agency. Eliminates language concerning the Inspector General's rulemaking authority. Provides that, in addition to other specified persons, the Inspector General must disclose the finding of its investigation to the licensing entity, if any, of the facility involved. Requires the Adults with Disabilities Abuse Project to initiate the investigation of a report of alleged or suspected abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation within 24 hours of receiving the report. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to provides the toll-free telephone number maintained by the Department of Human Services' Office of the Inspector General to any person who makes a report of suspected abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation of a disabled adult person between the ages of 18 and 59. SA1 Adds provisions providing that the Department of Human Services' Office of the Inspector General shall have the authority to investigate and report allegations of abuse or neglect of persons with a developmental disability or adult students with disabilities. Contains provisions concerning reporting allegations of abuse; reporting criminal acts; investigation reports; disclosures; sanctions; and other matters. Provides that the Department of Children and Family Services shall be responsible for receiving and investigating reports of adult resident abuse or neglect. Defines "adult resident" and other terms. Effective immediately.	Concurrence	S
HB5322	Flynn-Currie	Amends the School Code, deletes language providing before 7/1/06 and	Passed both	S

	S-Lightford	after 6/30/10, the SBE shall provide primary source of funding through appropriations for the grants for preschool educational program and the funds shall be distributed for the benefit of children who because of their home and community environment are subject to such language, cultural, economic and like disadvantages have been determined through screening procedures to be at risk of academic failure; deletes language that provides that screening procedures shall be based on criteria established by the State Board of Education. Removes the date restrictions above on the requirement that the State Board of Education shall provide the primary source of funding through appropriations for the program.	Houses	
HB5481	Kosel S-Lightford	Amends the Gifted and Talented Children Article of the School Code provisions concerning approval of local programs for the education of gifted and talented children to provide that a local program may be approved for funding by the SBE, establishes process and requirements for application and approval by SBE; other provisions.	Passed both Houses	I
HB5515	Hoffman S-Haine	Amends the School Code; concerning interfund transfers, includes transfers from the school district's life/safety fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund, up to the \$0.05 levy for local property taxes, for building repair work; extends the time period during which a school district other than the Chicago school district may transfer moneys from specified funds for any purpose from 6/30/10 to 6/30/13.	Concurrence	I
HB6079	Black S-Frerichs	Amends the School Code. Provides that 2 contiguous school districts that meet specified criteria may, when in their judgment the interest of the districts and of the students will be best served, jointly pilot a cooperative elementary school or cooperative high school, or both. Provides that the agreement for joint operation of any such cooperative elementary school or cooperative high school, or both, shall include, but not be limited to, provisions for administration, staff, programs, financing, facilities, and transportation. Contains provisions concerning the composition and operation of a governing board. Contains provisions concerning the costs of the program. Provides that upon formation of the cooperative elementary school cooperative high school, or both, the school board of each participating district shall perform specified activities with respect to teachers, employees, and the governing board. Provides that the provisions concerning a cooperative elementary school or cooperative high school are repealed 3 years after the beginning date of operation of a pilot cooperative elementary school or a pilot cooperative high school. SA1 Provides that the authority for 2 school districts to jointly pilot a cooperative elementary school or cooperative high school is contingent upon the school districts having an enrollment in grades 6 through 8 of less than 150 (instead of 100) during the 2008-2009 (instead of 2009-2010) school year and in grades 9 through 12 of less than 400 during the 2008-2009 (instead of 2009-2010) school year. Makes a technical correction.	Passed both Houses	I
HB6092 HA 1	McCarthy	Amends the P-20 Longitudinal Education Data System Act. Provides that beginning on July 1, 2012, the Board of Higher Education is authorized to collect and maintain data from any non-public institution of higher learning enrolling one or more students receiving Monetary Award Program grants and any non-public institution of higher learning that confers graduate and professional degrees, pursuant to specified provisions of the Higher Education Student Assistance Act, and disclose this data to the longitudinal data system for the purposes set forth in the P-20 Longitudinal Education Data System Act. Provides that the State shall provide adequate appropriations to support the development of a consortium of data submitting institutions and that the July 1, 2012	Passed both Houses	I

		<p>deadline for non-public institution participation in a consortium may be extended up 2 years, pending State appropriations to support the development of the consortium. Provides that data that has been submitted to the Board of Higher Education by a consortium of non-public colleges and universities is prohibited from being included in any interstate data-sharing agreements with other states unless consortium participants agree to allow interstate data sharing. Provides that any non-public, non-profit college may prohibit its data from being shared with any other state. Provides that any non-public, non-profit college may prohibit its data from being included in any interstate data-sharing agreement. HA 1 Changes in collection and maintenance of data. HA2 Board of Higher Education shall seek and may make available grant funding to a consortium including non-public institutions of higher learning (rather than to a consortium of non-public institutions including higher education) to provide assistance in the development of a data collection system. Provides that any non-public college (rather than non-public, non-profit college) may prohibit its data from being shared with any other state and from being included in any interstate data-sharing agreement.</p>		
HB6391 HA2	McAsey	<p>Amends the School Code. HA2 Amends SC with respect to the Internet safety education curriculum. Makes changes concerning legislative findings and declarations. Provides that beginning with the 2010-2011 school year, a school district must include in the age-appropriate curriculum topics regarding the appropriate use of electronic communication devices, including, but not limited to, the risks and consequences of dissemination and transmission of sexually explicit images and video. Provides that State Board of Education resource materials may include the dissemination and transmission of images and video.</p>	Re-referred to Rules	S
SB 2494 SA 1,3 HA 1, 3	Meeks Joyce	<p>SA 1. Creates the School Choice Act and amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides findings and declarations of policy. Establishes the School Choice Program. Provides that under the program the custodian of a qualifying pupil is entitled to a School Choice Voucher to pay for qualified education expenses at participating Chicago elementary and secondary nonpublic schools. Requires the principal of each low-performing school in the Chicago school district to notify custodians of qualified pupils of the availability of vouchers. Requires custodians to apply to the State Board of Education for a voucher and provide documentation as to eligibility. Requires the State Board to issue a voucher to custodians who have made proper application and to honor the voucher when presented for payment by a nonpublic school and allocation of funding due to insufficient appropriations pursuant to certain procedures. Provides for the dollar amount of a voucher. Provides that the voucher may be renewed each year through the 12th grade so long as the pupil and custodian remain eligible. Requires pupils receiving vouchers to be assessed in the same manner as Illinois public school students. Provides that the amount received under the program shall not be considered base income for purposes of Illinois' income tax. Requires the State Board to submit a report to the General Assembly by December 31, 2014. Provides criminal penalties for certain violations. Requires the State Board to adopt rules to implement the Act. <u>Senate Committee Amendment No. 3</u> Makes changes to provide that the School Choice Program applies</p>	Passed Senate in House on Consideration Postponed	O

		only to elementary school. Makes changes to the definition of "qualifying pupil". Provides that if a student attending a nonpublic school under the School Choice Program is expelled from the nonpublic school before the State Board of Education has honored the voucher of the school, then the State Board of Education shall pay the corresponding prorated portion of the voucher amount to the nonpublic school, and if the State Board of Education has paid the voucher amount to the nonpublic school and the pupil is expelled, then the nonpublic school shall refund the corresponding prorated portion of the voucher to the State Board of Education. Amends SC. Creates Illinois School Choice Program. Provides any State-certified, non-public school wishing to enroll eligible students and be reimbursed for vouchers available under specified provisions shall notify the SBE. Provisions concerning eligibility, calculation of vouchers and how they may be used by parents. HA 1. adds a definition for "overcrowded school". In the provision concerning notification of vouchers, includes, in the requirement to notify custodians of qualifying pupils, the principal of each overcrowded school. Makes changes in the provisions concerning the entitlement to a voucher, the payment of a voucher, the amount of a voucher, the renewal of a voucher, and pupil assessment. Deletes the provision concerning funding. Provides instead that the total cost of the vouchers shall come from the portion of general State aid City of Chicago School District 299 receives under the State aid formula for that fiscal year. <u>H No. 3</u> Makes changes concerning the definitions of "qualifying pupil" and "School Choice Voucher", entitlement to a voucher, the receipt of a voucher, presentment of a voucher, the amount of a voucher, the longitudinal data system, funding, and School Choice Voucher Program adjustments.		
SB 2537 S A 2	Maloney Pritchard	Amends SC. Creates changes with respect to administrative certificates. Many provisions to allow for obtaining an administrative endorsement. Amendment 2 removes requirement that superintendent endorsement have chief school business official experience.	Passed both Houses	I
SB 2546	Demuzio	Appropriates \$5,742,500 from Education Assistance Fund to SBE for National Board Certified Teachers for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009.	Appropriations I	I
SB 2594	Lightford Flynn Currie	Amends the S.C.. Deletes language providing that before July 1, 2006 and after June 30, 2010, the State Board of Education shall provide the primary source of funding through appropriations for the grants for preschool educational program and the funds shall be distributed for the benefit of children who because of their home and community environment are subject to such language, cultural, economic and like disadvantages that they have been determined as a result of screening procedures to be at risk of academic failure. Deletes language that provides that screening procedures shall be based on criteria established by the State Board of Education. Removes the date restrictions of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2010 on the requirement that the State Board of Education shall provide the primary source of funding through appropriations for the program. Effective immediately.	Passed both Houses	I
SB 2600	Cullerton	Creates the Pension Reform Act of 2010. This is a shell bill being used by the President of the Senate for Pension Reform.	3 R	I
SB 2796	Martinez	Appropriates \$3,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Initiative. Effective July 1, 2010.	Appropriations I	I
SB 3000	Maloney-	Amends the School Code. S A 1 becomes the Bill. Creates the	3 R	I

SA 1 SA 2	Garrett	Instructional Mandates Task Force. Specifies the membership of Task Force. Provides the Task Force shall explore and examine all instructional mandates governing the public schools of the State that currently exist and shall make recommendations concerning, but not limited to, the propriety of all existing mandates, the imposition of future mandates, and waivers of instructional mandates. Provides that the Task Force shall ensure that its recommendations include specifics as to the necessary funding to carry out identified responsibilities. Provides that the Task Force shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2011 and that the Task Force may submit other reports as it deems appropriate. Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly, there shall be a 4-year moratorium on the passage of instructional mandates for public schools unless authorized by a unanimous vote in both the House of Representatives and Senate. Effective immediately. Includes other provisions concerning the members of the TF, etc. SA 2: adds one member to the Task Force that is appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of an organization representing parents and teachers , changes the repeal date to July 1, 2012, and provides that the moratorium on the passage of instructional mandates for public schools shall begin on the effective date of the amendatory Act and last until one year after the Task Force submits a final report to the Governor and General Assembly (rather than be for 4 years beginning on the effective date of the amendatory Act unless authorized by a unanimous vote in both the House and the Senate). Effective immediately. <i>The Illinois PTA opposes the Moratorium provision of this bill.</i>		
SB 3332	Cronin Mendoza	Amends SC. Provides that all sex education courses that discuss sexual intercourse shall teach pupils about the dangers associated with drug and alcohol consumption during pregnancy.	Passed both Houses	S
SB 3266 SA 1	Yarbrough	SA 1 becomes the bill. Amends the School Code. In a Section concerning bullying prevention education and gang resistance education and training, makes changes concerning the General Assembly's findings, provides for a definition of "bullying" instead of "bullying prevention", and removes the requirement that a school district make suitable provision for instruction in bullying prevention and gang resistance education and training. Provides that each school district and non-public, non-sectarian elementary or secondary school (instead of just school districts) shall create and maintain a policy on bullying. Provides that nothing in the bullying prevention provisions is intended to infringe upon any right to exercise free expression or the free exercise of religion or religiously based views protected under the First Amendment to the United States Constitution or under Section 3 or 4 of Article 1 of the Illinois Constitution. Provides for a School Bullying Prevention Task Force. Provides that each school district and non-public, non-sectarian elementary or secondary school in this State may make suitable provisions for instruction in gang resistance education and training. Effective immediately.	Passed Both Houses	S
SB 3530	Silverstein	Appropriates the amount of \$29,100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for the loan of secular textbooks listed for use by the State Board of Education free of charge to any student in the State who is enrolled in grades kindergarten through 12 at a public school or at a school other than a public school which is in compliance with the	Appropriations I	O

		compulsory attendance laws of the State and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. <i>PTA has always opposed this appropriation because it provides funds to nonpublic schools.</i>		
SB 3547 SA 1 HA 1, 2	Munoz Ford	Amends SC. SA 1 becomes the bill. Includes funding for electronic textbooks and the technological equipment necessary to support the use of electronic textbooks (1) as part of the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant Program, (2) with respect to the loan of secular textbooks, and (3) for school districts and charter schools. Provides that electronic instructional materials adopted by a school board shall be used exclusively in all public high schools and elementary schools for which they have been adopted, except that supplementary or abridged or special editions thereof may be used when necessary. Authorizes school districts to purchase electronic textbooks, instructional materials, and the technological equipment necessary to support the use of electronic textbooks from publishers and manufacturers. Includes electronic textbooks on the ballot for a referendum concerning free textbooks. Provides that electronic textbooks may be loaned or sold to pupils. Provides that the governing body of each district shall make such rules as it deems proper for the care and preservation of electronic textbooks furnished at public expense. In the Chicago School District Article, provides that funding appropriated for textbook purchases shall be available for electronic textbook purchases and the technological equipment necessary to support the use of electronic textbooks at the local school council's discretion. Makes other changes. Effective immediately. HA1 and HA 3, Technical amendments.	Passed Both Houses	S
SB 3608	Demuzio McAuliffe	Amends SC. Removes provision requiring a consumer education proficiency test to be administered that allows a pupil to be excused from the requirement that he or she have consumer education instruction.	Passed Both Houses	O
		CRIMINAL CODE		
HB4583	Senger	SEE JUVENILE JUSTICE SECTION		
HB5164	Mathias	Amends Criminal Code of 1961. Provides it is unlawful for a minor under 17 to knowingly disseminate any material that depicts nudity or other sexual conduct by electronic transfer or capture of images of the person's self-image or image of another minor under 17; provides it is unlawful for a minor under 17 to knowingly request another minor under 17 to violate this provision and distribute that image or images to another person or persons; provides it is unlawful for a minor under 17 to knowingly obtain an image in violation of these provisions and distribute the image or images by means of uploading the nude image on an Internet website with the intent to injure the reputation of the other person or with the intent to cause emotional distress to the other person or with the intent to profit from the display of the image and to maintain an Internet website or webpage which is accessible to one or more third parties for a period of at least 24 hours; establishes penalties. <i>The Illinois PTA opposes the penalties established by this bill. SEE HB4583</i>	Re-referred to Rules	O
HB5932	McAsey	Amends the Bill of Rights for Children. Provides that if a petition is filed under the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 alleging that a minor is an abused, neglected, or dependent minor, the person filing the petition shall inform the minor, if capable of understanding, and his or her parents or custodian that the court will appoint a guardian ad litem to protect the minor's interests if the minor is alleged to be an abused or neglected child or is alleged to be the victim of a sex offense and that charges have been filed against a defendant in court and that such minor is the alleged	Re-referred to Rules 5.7.10 NC	S

		victim of the acts of the defendant in the commission of such offense. Provides that the person filing the petition shall inform the minor, if capable of understanding, and his or her parents or custodian, that the court may appoint a guardian ad litem if there may be a conflict of interest between the minor and his or her parents or other custodian or that it is in the minor's best interest that such guardian ad litem be appointed.		
		HEALTH		
HB5836 HA 1 HA2	Golar S-Collins	HA2 Amends the School Code with respect to the self-administration of medication. Makes a change to the definition of "self-administration". Provides for written authorization from a pupil's health care provider for the use of an epinephrine auto-injector (now, the authorization is from the pupil's parents or guardians). Requires the parents or guardians of a pupil to provide to the school (i) the prescription label (instead of requiring the parents or guardians of the pupil to provide to the school a written statement from the pupil's health care provider containing specified information) or (ii) for use of an epinephrine auto-injector, a written statement from the pupil's health care provider containing the specified information. Provides that in the event that the pupil's health care provider determines that it is inappropriate for the pupil to self-administer his or her asthma inhaler, those instructions must be included in the prescribing information provided to the school. Provides for school immunity regardless of whether authorization was given by the pupil's parent's or guardians or by the pupil's health care provider.	Concurrence	S
HB6065	Cross/Coulson S-Stears	Creates the Care of Students with Diabetes Act, requires a parent or guardian to submit a diabetes care plan for a student with diabetes who seeks assistance with diabetes care in the school setting (whether a public or a private school; provides that a delegated care aide shall perform the activities and tasks necessary to assist a student with diabetes in accordance with his or her diabetes care plan; requires training for school employees and delegated care aides; requires that an information sheet be provided to any school employee who transports a student for school-sponsored activities; sets forth what a student with diabetes must be permitted to do. Numerous other provisions. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. <i>See HB5587</i>	Passed both houses	S
SB 3822 SA 1	Stears	Creates the Care of Students with Diabetes Act. Requires a parent or guardian to submit a diabetes care plan for a student with diabetes who seeks assistance with diabetes care in the school setting (whether a public or a private school). Provides that a delegated care aide shall perform the activities and tasks necessary to assist a student with diabetes in accordance with his or her diabetes care plan. Requires training for school employees and delegated care aides. Many other related provisions. SA 1 Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Reinserts the contents of the bill as introduced with the following changes. Makes changes to the findings. Makes changes to the definitions of "delegated care aide", "diabetes care plan", and "principal" and defines "health care provider". Provides that a diabetes care plan must be signed by a student's parent or guardian and submitted to the school for any student with diabetes who seeks assistance with diabetes care in the school setting, unless the student has been managing his or her diabetes care in the school setting before the effective date of the Act, in which case the student's parent	Senate 3 R	S

		or guardian may sign and submit a diabetes care plan under the Act (instead of requiring the diabetes care plan to be signed and submitted by a parent or guardian). Makes changes concerning what the diabetes care plan must include. Provides that parents are responsible for informing the school in a timely manner of any changes to the diabetes care plan and their emergency contact numbers. Provides that the principal shall facilitate compliance with the provisions of a diabetes care plan during all school-sponsored activities (instead of ensuring that the school has at least one delegated care aide present and available at the school). Provides that, in schools that have a student with diabetes, all school employees must receive certain training in the basics of diabetes care. Makes changes concerning diabetes care plans, training, assistance to delegated care aides, the duties of a delegated care aide, self-management, protection against retaliation, and civil immunity. Effective immediately.		
		JUVENILE JUSTICE		
HB 4583 HA1 HA2	Senger Silverstein	HA1 Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. HA2 Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, provides that a minor shall not distribute or disseminate an indecent visual depiction of another minor through the use of a computer or electronic communication device. Provides that a minor who violates any of these provisions may be subject to a petition for adjudication and adjudged a minor in need of supervision. Provides that a minor found to be in need of supervision under this provision may be: (1) ordered to obtain counseling or other supportive services to address the acts that led to the need for supervision; or (2) ordered to perform community service. <i>Bill includes this language: "nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a prosecution for disorderly conduct, public indecency, child pornography, a violation of the Harassing and Obscene Communications Act, or any other applicable provision of law"</i> SB 2513 does not contain this language. So that bill is preferred.	Passed both Houses	S
HB4825 HA 1	Flowers S-Delgado	Amends Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Provides that the permanency plan shall include a finding by the court where conditions that give rise to a finding of parental abuse or neglect or of the minor's dependency have been remedied prior to returning the child home. Changes conditions under which a motion to reinstate parental rights may be filed by the Dept of Children & Family Services. HA 1 Provides that the services contained in the service plan shall include services reasonably related to remedy the conditions that gave rise to removal of the child from the home of his or her parents, guardian, or legal custodian or that the court has found must be remedied prior to returning the child home. Provides that any tasks the court requires of the parents, guardian, or legal custodian or child prior to returning the child home, must be reasonably related to remedying a condition or conditions that gave rise to or which could give rise to any finding of child abuse or neglect.	Passed both Houses	S
HB4847	Turner	Amends Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Provided exceptions to court appearance for expungement review, based on military service or attending college out of town.	Re-referred to Rules	S
HB5007 HCA1	Turner S-Link	Creates the Department of Juvenile Justice Mortality Review Team Act and amends the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act.	Passed both Houses	S

		<p>Provides that upon the occurrence of the death of any youth in the Department of Juvenile Justice's custody, the Director of Juvenile Justice shall appoint members and a chairperson to a mortality review team. Provides for membership of the teams. Provides for a team's review of every death of a youth that occurs within a facility of the Department or as the result of an act or incident occurring within a facility of the Department, including as the result of suspected illness, injury, self-harm, or unknown cause. Provides for a team's recommendations to the Director of Juvenile Justice and for the Director's reply; also requires the Director to submit a report to the Executive Inspector General appointed by the Governor under the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that team meetings are not subject to the Open Meetings Act and that records and information provided to or maintained by a team are not subject to inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. Provides for indemnification of team members</p> <p>HCA1 Provides that State policy includes a requirement that the response to the death of a youth committed to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Justice must include a determination of the factors contributing to the death. Adds, as a member of a mortality review team, a representative of the Office of the Governor's Executive Inspector General. Provides that the Director of Juvenile Justice may (instead of shall) request that a team review a subsequent death if the death occurs while a prior youth death is under review. Provides that a mortality review team's evaluation of means by which a death might have been prevented is not limited to the evaluation of specified "systems" of the Department of Juvenile Justice. Provides that one of a mortality review team's purposes is to recommend (instead of promote) continuing education & training for Department of Juvenile Justice staff.</p>		
HB5012	Collins	Amends JCA. Provides that at the successful completion of probation by a first-time offender, a minor may move to vacate a finding of delinquency and the court may enter a judgment of dismissal. Other provisions.	Re-referred to Rules	S
SB 2513 SA 1 SA 2,3	Silverstein Senger	Amends CC and JJA SA 3 becomes the bill. Replaces everything after the enacting clause. Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Provides that a minor shall not knowingly and voluntarily and without threat or coercion use a computer or electronic communication device to transmit an indecent visual depiction of himself or herself to another person. Provides that a minor shall not possess an indecent visual depiction of another minor that was transmitted to the minor. Provides that a minor shall not possess an indecent visual depiction of another minor transmitted to the minor and distribute or disseminate the depiction through the use of a computer or electronic communication device. Provides that a minor who violates any of these provisions may be subject to a petition for adjudication and adjudged a minor in need of supervision. A minor found to be in need of supervision under this Section may be: (1) ordered to obtain counseling or other supportive services to address the acts that led to the need for supervision; or (2) ordered to perform community service.	Passed Senate in House Rules	S
SB 2589	Luechtefeld Farnham	Amends the Criminal Code of 1961. Provides that public indecency and sexual exploitation of a child are Class 4 felonies if committed by a person 18 years of age or older who is on or within 500 feet of elementary or secondary school grounds when children are present on the grounds.	Passed Both Houses	S
SB 3085	Raoul	SA 2. Amendment becomes the bill. Amends the Children and Family	Passed Both	S

SA 2	Burns	Services Act. Provides that the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission shall also study the impact of, develop timelines, and propose a funding structure to accommodate the expansion of the jurisdiction of the Illinois Juvenile Court to include youth age 17 under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Provides that the Commission shall submit a report by December 31, 2011 to the General Assembly with recommendations on extending juvenile court jurisdiction to youth age 17 charged with felony offenses. Provides that on the effective date of the amendatory Act, the Illinois Juvenile Jurisdiction Task Force created by Public Act 95-1031 is abolished and its duties are transferred to the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission. Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. Repeals provisions creating the Illinois Juvenile Jurisdiction Task Force.	Houses	
SB 3543 SA 1,2,3	Hutchinson Gordon	Creates the Afterschool Youth Development Project Act. Provides that because it is the policy of this State to provide all young people between the ages of 6 and 19 with access to quality afterschool programs through a State commitment to sufficient and sustainable funding for programs that promote positive youth development, the Illinois Youth Development Council is created. Provides that the purpose of the Council is to provide oversight and coordination to the State's public funds currently invested to support positive youth development programs and activities and to set system-wide policies and priorities to accomplish 5 specified objectives. Provides that the Council shall be governed by a board of no less than 28 and no more than 32 members and that the Council shall reflect the regional, racial, socio-economic, and cultural diversity of the State to ensure representation of the needs of all Illinois youth. Contains provisions concerning Council member appointments; the establishment of an independent Youth Advisory Group; the major objectives of the Council; afterschool demonstration programs; reporting requirements; and other matters. Provides that the Council shall be created within the Department of Human Services and that the Department shall provide resources to the Council including administrative services and data collection. Effective immediately. SA 1, 2 Technical. SA 3. Provides provisions subject to appropriations, but can accept private funding.	Passed Both Houses	S
		SAFETY		
HB5040 HA1	Jakobsson Fortner S-Hunter	Creates Child Safe Chemicals Act. HA1 Creates the Cadmium-Free Kids Act. Provides that beginning July 1, 2011, no person may manufacture, knowingly sell, offer for sale, distribute for sale, or distribute for use in this State children's jewelry containing cadmium at more than 0.004 percent by weight (40 parts per million). Provides that the Environmental Protection Agency is authorized to participate, along with other states and governmental entities, in an interstate clearinghouse to promote safer chemicals in consumer products. Sets forth provisions concerning implementation and exemption. Provides that the Attorney General is responsible for administering and ensuring compliance with the Act. Sets forth provisions concerning enforcement and penalties. Amends the State Finance Act to create the Attorney General's State Projects and Court Ordered Distribution Fund. Contains other provisions.	Passed both Houses	S
SB 2535	Trotter	Amends VC. Requires every operator and passenger under the age of 18 on a motorcycle, motor driven cycle, or motorized pedal cycle to wear a helmet that meets federal safety standards and is properly fastened under	Failed	S

		the person's chin with a chin strap.		
SB 2627 S A 1, 2,3	Silverstein	Amends V.C. Provides that it is unlawful for any person under the age of 16 to operate or be a passenger on a bicycle on a highway, multipurpose public path, or other public right-of-way unless at all times when the person is so-engaged he or she wears a protective bicycle helmet of good fit fastened securely upon the head with the straps of the helmet. Provides that it is unlawful for any person to be a passenger on a bicycle on a highway, multipurpose public path, or other public right-of-way unless, with respect to any person who weighs fewer than 40 pounds or is less than 40 inches in height, the person can be and is properly seated in and adequately secured to a bicycle safety seat. Provides that it is a civil offense for any parent or legal guardian of a person below the age of 12 to permit the person to operate or be a passenger on a bicycle in an unlawful manner. SA1 Provides that a law enforcement officer observing any violation of this amendatory Act shall issue a warning to the person (rather than issue a warning for the first offense and a citation for a second or subsequent offense as provided in the introduced bill). SA 3Deletes a provision of the introduced bill providing that it is unlawful to rent or lease any bicycle to or for the use of any person under the age of 16 on a highway, multipurpose public path, or other public right-of-way unless certain conditions are met.	3 R	S
		GENERAL INTEREST		
HB5483	Kosel S-Garrett	Amends the Open Meetings Act. Requires a public body to make proposed minutes of an open meeting available for public inspection within 8 business days after the meeting to which the minutes relate and make approved minutes of an open meeting available for public inspection within 5 business days after approval (now, make available within 7 business days after approval). HA1 Requires that any person be permitted an opportunity to address public officials at meetings subject to the Act under rules established and recorded by the public body. HA2 Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Requires that a public body approve minutes of its open meeting within 30 days after the meeting or at its next regularly scheduled meeting, whichever is later. Requires that a public body make its approved open meeting minutes available for public inspection and, if the public body has a website, post those minutes within 10 days (now, 7 days) after approval of the minutes. Requires that any person be permitted an opportunity to address public officials at meetings subject to the Act under rules established and recorded by the public body. HA3 Requires approval of minutes within 30 days or at the public body's second subsequent (instead of next) regular meeting.	Concurrence	I
SB 3222 SA 3	Sandoval Burke	SA 3 Deletes everything after the enacting clause. Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois. Provides that an undergraduate student who is an Illinois resident and who has for 4 continuous academic years been charged no more than the tuition amount that he or she was charged at the time he or she first enrolled in the university shall be charged tuition not to exceed the amount the university charged students who first enrolled in the university for the academic year following the academic year the student first enrolled in the university for a maximum of 2 additional continuous academic years. Effective July 1,	Passed Both Houses	I

SB 3543 S A 1,2,3	Hutchinson Gordon	Creates the Afterschool Youth Development Project Act. Provides that because it is the policy of this State to provide all young people between the ages of 6 and 19 with access to quality afterschool programs through a State commitment to sufficient and sustainable funding for programs that promote positive youth development, the Illinois Youth Development Council is created. SA1, Provides that three young people who are between the ages of 16 and 21 and who are members of the Youth Advisory Group shall sit on the Illinois Youth Development Council (rather than three young people between the ages of 16 and 24). Provides that, in relation to the Youth Advisory Group, this youth civic engagement organization shall administer the application requirements and process and shall nominate 30 youth, and that the Department of Human Services shall select 15 of the nominees for the Youth Advisory Group, 3 of whom shall serve on the Council. Requires the outcome evaluation report on the Demonstration Program to be submitted to the Governor, the General Assembly, the Council, and the Youth Advisory Group (rather than, the Council, the Governor, and the General Assembly). SB 3 Provides that the creation and establishment of the Illinois Youth Development Council, the Youth Advisory Group, and the Afterschool Demonstration Program shall be subject to appropriations, however the Department of Human Services shall be permitted to accept private funding or private resources at any time to implement this Act. SA 3 Provides that the creation and establishment of the Illinois Youth Development Council, the Youth Advisory Group, and the Afterschool Demonstration Program shall be subject to appropriations; however the Department of Human Services shall be permitted to accept private funding or private resources at any time to implement this Act.	Passed Both Houses	I
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COMMONLY USED ABBREVIATIONS AND TERMINOLOGY

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These are some of the most common abbreviations you will find: **CC**—Criminal Code; **DCFS**—Dept. of Children & Family Services; **DOC**—Dept. of Corrections; **DPH**—Dept. of Public Health; **IEP**—Individualized Education Plan; **ISBE**—Illinois State Board of Education; **JCA**—Juvenile Court Act; **NCLB**—No Child Left Behind; **SC**—School Code; **VC**—Vehicle Code.

Committee assignments have been completed. Please note some of the common committee abbreviations: **A/C**—Agriculture/Conservation; **AP**—Appropriations; **CPRO**—Consumer Protection; **DD/MI**—Developmental Disabilities & Mental Illness; **DHS**—Department of Human Services; **HSELC/R**—Elections & Campaign Reform; **EI/S**—Elementary/Secondary; **EN/E**—Environment & Energy; **W/H**—Environmental Health; **EXEC**—Executive; **HCA&A**—Health Care Availability & Access; **H/HS**—Health & Human Services; **HS**—Human Services; **Jud I**—Civil Law; **Jud II**—Criminal Law, **JUD/CI**—Senate Judiciary, Civil; **JUD/CR**—Senate Judiciary, Criminal; **JCA**—Juvenile Court Act; **JJR**—Juvenile Justice Reform; **L.GOV**—Local Government; **PH**—Public Health; **REV**—Revenue; **R**—Rules; **SGA**—State Government Administration; **SGO**—State Government Operations; **T**—Transportation; **VC**—Vehicle Code.

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Procedures commonly referenced: **AV** Amendatory Veto; **CP**—Consideration Postponed; **OCR**—Calendar Order of Resolutions; **On Concur**—passed both Houses, On Concurrence (with amendments); **HA**—House amendment; **SA**—Senate amendment; **2R**—2nd Reading; **3R**—3rd Reading; **ReRules/Assignments**—re-referred to Rules (House)/Assignments(Senate) (for most bills this means they are dead); **SD**—Short Debate.

