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This summary lists the bills that were reported passed by the Senate on May 31. More information about these bills is available at the Illinois General Assembly Web site at <https://ilga.gov/>.

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Polling Places (HB 4): Amends the School Code. Permits student instruction to be received electronically under the school districts program for e-learning days when students are not present at school due to the school being used as a polling place. Provides that a school district shall pay its contractors that provide custodial, transportation or food services to the school, their regular rate of pay for the days that e-learning is required due to the school being used as a polling place.

Hygiene Products (HB 156): Provides that a school district shall make menstrual hygiene products available, at no cost to students, in bathrooms of every school building that are open for student use in grades 4 through 12 during the regular school day.

Carbon Capture Study (HB 165): Amends the University of Illinois Act. Provides that subject to appropriation, the Prairie Research Institute at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, in consultation with an intergovernmental advisory committee, must develop a report on potential for carbon capture, utilization, and storage as a climate mitigation technology throughout Illinois. The report must be filed with the Governor and General Assembly no later than Dec. 31, 2022. Provides that the report must provide an assessment of Illinois subsurface storage resources, state of readiness, and provide recommendations for policy and regulatory needs at the State level based on its findings.

Public Employees Benefits (HB 275): Allows a downstate police officer who has time served as a Chicago Police Officer to purchase up to five years of credit toward their downstate pension if employer, employee contributions and interest are paid before Dec. 31, 2023. Allows the widow of a Chicago Police Officer to be eligible for a survivor benefit equal to the difference of the annuity and 60 percent of salary until the date when the officer when the officer would have turned 65 in situations where the death was the result of COVID-19. Allows retirees of the city of Chicago to work as a special education classroom assistant or classroom assistant part-time for Chicago Public Schools without using their pension payment so long as they work no more than 120 days per school year and make no more than \$30,000 per school year. Prevents the individual from make pension contribution or accumulating any additional pension benefits while in this employment. Starts with school years beginning on or after July 1, 2021.

Immigrant Youth (HB 369): Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that an unmarried youth (ages 18-20) may consent to remain to the appointment of a guardian or the continuation of a guardianship after the age of 18. A petition



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for guardianship may be filed by anyone over 21. If the minor consents, the court shall appoint the petitioner as a guardian.

FOID Modernization (HB 562): Makes private firearms transfers more difficult. Allows for person-to-person transfers to be subject to NICS at a federal firearm licensed dealer or by using the ISP person-to-person FOID verification system. FFL may charge a fee if they accept the transfer record of no more than \$25. FFL has to keep record of transfer for 20 years. Presently a seller must keep the records for 10 years. Seller shall provide a record of the transfer to an FFL within 10 days of sale. The “voluntary fingerprinting” provisions for FOID applications or renewals have some stipulations. In order to receive many of the auto renewal and other benefits, one must submit fingerprints. Requires Illinois State Police to establish a public database of all firearms that have been reported stolen to be checked prior to the transfer of any firearm to prevent the inadvertent transfer of stolen firearms. Creates a Prohibited Persons Portal for use by law enforcement, prosecutors, and the Attorney General. Violent Crime Intelligence Task Force to conduct enforcement operations against those with revoked FOID Cards.

Illinois Flags (HB 605): Provides that Illinois State Flags for use over any and all State institutions must be made in the United States.

Rental Housing Assistance Support Program (HB 648): Requires a tenant receiving assistance from the Rental Housing Support Program to be eligible for support until they reach 35 percent of the area median family income.

Ground Ambulance Services (HB 684): Requires fee-for-service rate to be paid for ground ambulance services. Requires the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services to exempt ground ambulance services from managed care, and pay for the services under fee-for-service.

Temporary Dental Permit (HB 690): Amends the Dental Practice Act. Amends the provision for the department to issue a temporary permit authorizing the practice of dentistry without compensation. Requires Board recommendation for the permit. Requires the services improve the welfare of residents eligible for Medicaid or are uninsured income below 200 percent of the poverty level.

Firearms Restraining Orders (HB 1092): Expands the Firearms Restraining Order Act. Expands the list of family members who can file such a petition to include former spouses and people who have or allegedly have a child with the subject of the restraining order. Applies firearm restraining orders (FRO) to more than just firearms so that a court could also prohibit someone from purchasing or owning ammunition and weapon parts. Would allow a FRO petition to be filed in any county where an alleged incident occurred involving the subject of the order where



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they posed a danger by owning a gun. Requires the Illinois Department of Public Health to promote awareness of firearm restraining orders, especially in relation to instances of domestic violence and mental health crises.

CTA Healthcare (HB 1428): States that on Jan. 1, 2022, employees of Chicago Transit Authority will contribute an amount not less than 1 percent (currently, not less than 3 percent).

Pet Shops (HB 1711): Amends the Animal Welfare Act. Provides that a pet shop operator may offer for sale a dog or cat only if the dog or cat is obtained from an animal control facility or animal shelter. Provides that an animal control facility or animal shelter that supplies dogs or cats to pet shop operators to be offered for sale shall not be a dog breeder or a cat breeder or obtain dogs or cats from a dog breeder, a cat breeder, a person who resells dogs or cats from a breeder, or a person who sells dogs or cats at auction in exchange for payment or compensation.

School Units (HB 1725): Requires trustees of schools in Class II county school units (Cook County) to maintain an Internet Web site on which specified information shall be available for public viewing. Requires township school treasurers in Class II county school units to submit to each school district that they serve, an investments report that includes specified information within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter. Provides that the school business of Lyons Township shall be transacted by four elected trustees and three trustees who are appointed by the school boards of specified school districts. Provides that no person shall be nominated for the office of trustee of schools in townships containing 20,000 inhabitants or over except by a petition signed by a least 5 percent of the total amount of voters of the school township who last cast votes in the most recent election.

Kaskaskia Port District (HB 1755): Amends the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that DCEO shall evaluate eligibility of special districts for State and federal programs, grants, and subsidies based on eligibility requirements set forth in their statutory charters. Amends the Kaskaskia Regional Port District Act. Provides that the Port District has power to apply for and accept grants, loans, or appropriations from the federal and State government (currently, only federal government) or any agency or instrumentality thereof, to be used for any of the purposes of the District and to enter into agreements with the federal and State government (currently, only federal government) in relation to such grants, loans or appropriations.

Required Newspaper Postings (HB 2412): Provides that if a notice is required to be published in a newspaper where the city, town, or county consists of more than 45 percent of a single minority group, the notice shall also be published in a local newspaper of that minority group in the official language of the minority group's country of origin.



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DHS Facility Transfer (HB 2426): Provides that a recipient of services in an Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) facility for persons with developmental disabilities be provided with a notice of their rights, which includes a new provision that they have a right to request a transfer to a different DHS facility. Sets forth a process by which the recipient may apply to transfer.

Procurement Reform (HB 2567): Makes numerous changes to the Procurement Code, the Human Rights Act, and the Local Food, Farms, and Jobs Act, the Procurement Code, and the Commission to End Hunger Act. Eliminates required procurement bulletin publishing for contracts under \$100,000, extends sunset of design build contracting, changes the role of the Chief Procurement officers to one of an advisory nature in the event an agency fails to meet Business Enterprise Program utilization goals, and eliminates a defunct council.

Liquor Omnibus (HB 2620): Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Provides for brewer to-go and curbside sales. Requires brewer production reports. Creates “beer showcase permits” for special-event beer sales. Provides for cooperative purchasing agreements. Specifies that retailers that purchase wine or spirits from other retailers shall only be subject to warnings for the first two violations within a 12-month period. Permits a retailer to transfer wine and spirits to another licensed location owned by the licensee. Creates a new class 3 brewer license to permit brew pubs to self-distribute. Permits licensees obtain licenses for and manufacture more than one type of liquor within the same manufacturing tier. Specifically, permits self-distributors to distribute multiple types of liquor (up to 25,000 gallons of wine/year, 930,000 gallons of beer/year, and or 50,000 gallons of spirits/year). Sets/adjust fees for first-class wine manufacturers, first-class wine-maker, class 3 brewers, and beer showcase permits. Includes mead-sale provisions. Includes liquor stocking/merchandising provisions.

Public Defender (HB 2790): Provides that the Cook County Public Defender, with the concurrence of the county board, may act as attorney to noncitizens in immigration cases. Such representation shall be limited to cases arising in immigration courts located within the geographical boundaries of Cook County unless the board authorizes the public defender to provide representation outside the county.

Corrections Release Info (HB 3235): Requires the Illinois Department of Corrections (DOC) to provide inmates certain information 45 days prior to their scheduled release. This would include information on obtaining ID cards, voter registration, job listings, housing, directory of State and local officials, and any other information that the DOC deems necessary to provide the committed person.

Criminal Justice Reform Trailer (HB 3443): Amends the State Police Act, the Task Force on Constitutional Rights and Remedies Act, the Illinois Police Training Act, the Law Enforcement Officer-Worn Body Camera Act, the Uniform Crime Reporting Act, the Criminal Code of 2012, the Code of Criminal Procedure, the Unified Code of Corrections, and the Reporting of Deaths in



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Custody Act. Updates and clarifies many provisions of the Omnibus Criminal Justice Reform Act from lame-duck session.

Fire Sprinkler Licensing (HB 3714): Updates and makes changes to the Fire Sprinkler Contractor Licensing Act. Delays the requirement to inspect and test fire sprinkler systems an individual must hold NICET Level III certification to Jan. 1, 2023 (currently, Jan. 1, 2022).

State Holiday Juneteenth (HB 3922): Provides that Juneteenth National Freedom Day shall be observed on June 19 of each year as a holiday throughout the state.