



Senate Floor Reports

This summary lists the bills that were reported passed by the Senate on June 1. More information about these bills is available at the Illinois General Assembly Web site at <https://ilga.gov/>.

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Chicago Local School Councils (SB 2042): Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Provides for local school councils at public small schools, contract schools, and military schools. Provides for the participation of middle school students in local school councils. Grants local school councils additional powers vis-à-vis the Chicago Board of Education.

Circuit Court Districts (SB 2406): Removes Randolph, Monroe, Washington, and Perry counties from the 20th Circuit and places them in a new 24th Circuit on Dec. 5, 2022. The 19th Circuit (Lake County) will be divided into at least 10 sub-circuits. Upon the division of the 19th Circuit: each resident judgeship shall be assigned to the newly drawn sub-circuit in which the judge of the resident judgeship in question resides; and each at-large judgeship shall be converted to a resident judgeship and be assigned to the sub-circuit in which the judge of the converted judgeship in question resides. When a vacancy occurs in a resident judgeship, the resident judgeship shall be allotted by the Supreme Court and filled by election.

Prohibits COLAs (HB 550): Prohibits cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) for or during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 for state government legislative and executive elected officers and appointees in positions for which the Compensation Review Board previously recommended or determined compensation.

Utility Taxes (HB 731): Amends the Local Government Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Act. Provides that, for utility taxes, no notice of determination of tax due or assessment may be issued more than seven years after the end of the calendar year for which the return for the period was filed or the end of the calendar year in which the return for the period was due, whichever occurs later. Provides that a municipality may annually request certain information from a utility that the municipality reasonably requires in order to perform an audit. Provides that the utility may provide certain premises-specific information to the municipality but may not provide customer-specific information. Amends the Public Utilities Act. Provides that the Illinois Commerce Commission shall not consider certain court costs, attorney's fees, penalties, or interest to be an expense of any public utility company when determining a rate or charge. Makes other changes.

Chicago School Board (HB 2908): Amends the Election Code and the School Code. Provides for a hybrid Chicago school board beginning on Jan. 15, 2025. It shall consist of: 10 members appointed by the mayor and approved by the city council to serve two years (successors shall



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be elected); a president appointed by the mayor and approved by the city council to serve two years (with veto power); 10 members elected (four-year terms) by district. Beginning with the 2026 general election, the president shall be elected at large, but shall lack veto power.

Telecom Updates (HB 3743): Provides for a major rewrite and extensive updates of Telecommunications law. Specifies provisions for Telecommunication Sunset Extension, Next Gen 9-1-1, and Prevailing Wage for Cable linemen/workers.