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# New Laws Taking Effect in 2024

(Including select laws that take effect in 2025.)



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This report includes all legislation of municipal interest that was enacted into law and goes into effect in 2024, and select laws that take effect in 2025. These laws have public act (P.A) numbers and effective dates.

In instances where the Illinois Municipal League (IML) took an active position, that position is acknowledged. Bills that have passed both chambers with no further action or have been vetoed can be found in our *Legislation of Municipal Interest Approved by Both Chambers - 2023 Spring Legislative Session* report (available via this link). It is recommended that public acts be read in their entirety for a full understanding of the content, which can be found at <a href="mailto:iml.org/legislative">iml.org/legislative</a>.

# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF)/ENTERPRISE ZONES**

# P.A. 103-0315 (HB 2518) (Rep. Croke, Sen. D. Turner) — TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) OMNIBUS

Amends the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act of the Illinois Municipal Code. Extends the estimated dates of completion of redevelopment projects and the retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs for various ordinances adopted by the Village of Channahon, the City of Peoria, the City of Rock Island, the City of Champaign and the Village of Evergreen Park, Extends the estimated date of completion of a redevelopment project and the retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs for an ordinance adopted on December 23, 1986, by the City of Sparta to create TIF #1. Provides that specified termination procedures under the Act are not required for the City of Sparta's TIF #1 redevelopment project area prior to the 47th calendar year after the year in which the ordinance approving the redevelopment project year was adopted. Amends the Tourism Preservation and Sustainability District Act. Provides that a petition, resolution of intent, district plan and ordinance to create a tourism preservation and sustainability district may include an initial term of up to 20 years if the ordinance is adopted on or after July 1, 2023, and on or before December 31, 2023, by the Sangamon County Board for improvements to the Bank of Springfield Center. Extends the estimated date of completion of a redevelopment project and the retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs for an ordinance adopted on February 16, 2000, by the City of Chicago to create the Fullerton/Milwaukee redevelopment project area. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

#### **ELECTIONS**

# P.A. 103-0467 (SB 2123) (Sen. Morrison, Rep. Stuart) — ELECTIONS OMNIBUS

Extends the sunset date for the Access to Voting for Persons with Disabilities Advisory Task Force to July 1, 2025. Creates the 2024 General Election Day State holiday. Creates the Security of Remote Vote by Mail Task Force to study the feasibility of implementing a remote vote by mail system that would allow an election authority to transmit a vote by mail ballot electronically to a voter, and allow the voter to mark, verify and return the ballot to the election authority electronically. Provides that for any member of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Board appointed after April 1, 2023, and before May 15, 2023, that Board membership position is terminated six months after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that, beginning December 15, 2023, a new membership position to the Board is created, which appointment shall be made by the Mayor. Provides that the Mayor and Governor shall not have the authority to make an appointment to the Board within the last 45 days of his or her term, except when the Mayor or Governor is re-elected and that re-election is certified by the relevant election authority. In provisions concerning the Chicago School Board, provides that all petitions for the nomination of members of a board of education shall be filed with the board of election commissioners of the jurisdiction in which the principal office of the school district is located. Provides that the electoral districts for the Chicago Board of Education must be drawn on or before April 1, 2024. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023; except changes to Section 3-6 of the Election Code are effective January 1, 2024.

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

# P.A. 103-0299 (HB 2219) (Rep. Evans Jr., Sen. Preston) — MWRD BOND AUTHORIZATION

Amends the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act. Authorizes the corporate authorities of a sanitary district to issue bonds prior to December 31, 2034, for the development of distributed renewable energy generation devices. Also authorizes a district to construct, maintain, finance and operate distributed renewable energy generation devices as necessary to sell or otherwise dispose of recovered resources or renewable energy resources resulting from the operation of district facilities. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0324 (HB 2782) (Rep. A. Williams, Sen. Villivalam) — SUSTAINABILITY DISCLOSURES

Amends the Illinois Sustainable Investing Act. Provides that, effective January 1, 2024, every investment manager shall comply with annual disclosure requirements that will require the investment manager to provide a description of the process through which the manager prudently integrates sustainability factors into its investment decision making, investment analysis, portfolio construction, due diligence and investment ownership in order to maximize anticipated financial returns, identify and minimize projected risk, and execute its fiduciary duties more effectively. Provides that the investment manager shall provide the annual disclosure to each public agency, pension fund, retirement system or governmental unit for whom the investment manager is acting as a fiduciary or seeking selection as a fiduciary prior to acting in this capacity and at least annually thereafter. Provides that annual disclosures shall be submitted by January 31st of every year after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0333 (HB 3095) (Rep. B. Hernandez, Sen. Holmes)—RULES FOR LIMESTONE RESIDUAL MATERIALS

Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Requires the Pollution Control Board to adopt rules for the placement of limestone residual materials generated from the treatment of drinking water by a municipal utility in an underground limestone mine located in whole or in part within the municipality that operates the municipal utility. Requires the rules to be consistent with the Board's Underground Injection Control regulations for Class V wells, provided that the rules shall allow for the limestone residual materials to be delivered to and placed in the mine by means other than an injection well. Provides that rules adopted under the provision shall be adopted in accordance with the provisions and requirements of Title VII of the Act and the procedures for rulemaking in the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, provided that a municipality proposing rules is not required to include in its proposal a petition signed by at least 200 persons. Provides that rules adopted under the provision shall not be considered a part of the State Underground Injection Control Program established under the Act. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0351 (HB 3508) (Rep. Moeller, Sen. Fine) — PFAS REDUCTION - FOREVER PATHWAY

Amends the PFAS Reduction Act. Requires the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a take-back program for fire departments that use and store firefighting foam containing PFAS. Provides that fire departments that participated in the most recent survey conducted under the Act by the Office of the State Fire Marshal shall be eligible to participate in the program, but participation in the program shall not be required. Requires the program to provide funding and resources to ensure the proper disposal or destruction of firefighting foam containing PFAS. Provides that the program shall continue for a period of five years or until the Office of the State Fire Marshal finds that no firefighting foam containing PFAS is reported. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0376 (SB 1160) (Sen. Fowler, Rep. Hoffman)—RENEWABLE ENERGY COMPONENT RECYCLING TASK FORCE

Provides that the Renewable Energy Component Recycling Task Force shall consider the benefits of prohibiting a person from mixing renewable energy generation components and energy storage systems with municipal waste that is intended for disposal at a landfill and consider the benefits of prohibiting a person from disposing of renewable energy generation components and energy storage systems in a sanitary landfill. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0380 (SB 1474) (Sen. Ventura, Rep. Hoffman)—HYDROPOWER GENERATION

Amends the Illinois Power Agency Act. Provides that the Illinois Power Agency is authorized to oversee the procurement by electric utilities of renewable energy credits from newly modernized or retooled hydropower dams or dams that have been converted to support hydropower generation. Provides that in developing the long-term renewable resources procurement plan: the Agency shall also consider other approaches, in addition to competitive procurements, to procure renewable energy credits from new and existing hydropower facilities to support the development and maintenance of these facilities; and the Agency shall explore options to convert existing dams but shall not consider approaches to develop new dams where they do not already exist. Provides that on and after the effective date of the amendatory Act, for all procurements of renewable energy credits from hydropower facilities, the Agency shall establish contract terms designed to optimize existing hydropower facilities through modernization or retooling and establish new hydropower facilities at existing dams, and that such procurements shall prioritize projects located in or adjacent to designated environmental justice communities or in projects located in units of local government with median incomes that do not exceed 82% of the median income of the state. Provides that all new, modernized or retooled hydropower facilities are subject to the prevailing wage requirements under the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the renewable energy access plan developed and adopted by the Illinois Commerce Commission shall make findings and policy recommendations based on analysis regarding the impact of converting non-powered dams to hydropower dams relative to the alternative renewable energy resources. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0223 (SB 1715) (Sen. Glowiak Hilton, Rep. Ladisch Douglass)—BOTTLE FILLING STATION REQUIREMENT

Provides that the Department of Public Health shall adopt a rule requiring that for each drinking fountain in any construction where a drinking fountain is required under the Illinois Plumbing Code, there shall also be a bottle filling station or a combined bottle filling station and drinking fountain. Provides that the rules required to be adopted shall take effect and be implemented by July 1, 2026. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024, rules must be implemented and take effect by July 1, 2026.

# P.A. 103-0230 (SB 1804) (Sen. Murphy, Rep. Costa Howard)—REFRIGERANTS

Amends the Environmental Protection Act. Provides that a refrigerant designated as approved in accordance with the safe alternatives policy of the United States Code shall be allowed for use in the state as long as any equipment containing such refrigerant is listed and installed in accordance with safety standards and use conditions imposed pursuant to such designation. Provides that no unit of local government or municipality shall be restricted from authorizing or prohibiting alternative refrigerants otherwise authorized for use in the state. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

#### **FIREFIGHTERS**

# P.A. 103-0521 (HB 1595) (Rep. A. Williams, Sen. Cunningham) — EMS SYSTEMS - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Amends the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act. Provides that specified Advisory Committees shall include one representative from the labor organization recognized as the exclusive representative of specified entities' employees. Provides that an EMS Medical Director may only suspend any EMS personnel, EMS Lead Instructor, individual, individual provider or other participant considered not to be meeting the requirements of the Program Plan if the EMS Medical Director obtains agreement from the Department of Public Health, Allows arbitration meeting specified requirements as alternative dispute resolution procedures for EMS System licensing and makes conforming changes throughout the Act. Provides that a member of a fire department's or fire protection district's collective bargaining unit shall be eligible to work under a silver spanner program for another fire department EMS System that is not the full-time employer of that member, for a period not to exceed 12 months, without being required to test into the EMS System of the fire department or fire protection district. Provides that an individual interviewed or investigated by an EMS Director or the Department of Public Health shall have the right to a union representative or legal counsel of the individual's choosing present at any interview or investigation and that the union representative must comply with the requirements for confidentiality and protection of patient information presented during the proceeding. Provides that a member of a fire department's or fire protection district's collective bargaining unit shall be eligible to work under a silver spanner program for another fire department EMS System that is not the full-time employer of that member, for a period not to exceed two weeks (rather than 12 months), if the member satisfies specified requirement. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0052 (HB 3769) (Rep. Stuart, Sen. Fowler) — INSURANCE - FIREMEN'S CONTINUANCE

Includes paramedics and EMTs in the definition of firefighter for the purposes of continued insurance coverage. IML was opposed to the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0220 (SB 1611) (Sen. Joyce, Rep. Didech) — FIREFIGHTER TRAINING LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Creates the Firefighter Training Leave of Absence Act. Provides that a state employee shall be granted leave from his or her state employment for firefighter training as follows: (1) on one occasion, for up to 200 hours, to participate in training necessary to obtain Basic Operations Firefighter certification from the State Fire Marshal while attending a State Fire Marshal-approved fire academy; and (2) special or advanced training annually, not to exceed 80 hours, after obtaining Basic Operations Firefighter certification from the State Fire Marshal for courses that will lead to additional certification by the State Fire Marshal. Provides that, during leaves for basic, special or advanced training, the state employee shall continue to receive his or her regular compensation as a state employee, but, if the state employee receives compensation for basic, special or advanced training, the state employee shall receive his or her regular compensation as a state employee minus the amount of his or her compensation for basic, special or advanced training. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0385 (SB 1707) (Sen. Preston, Rep. Guerrero-Cuellar) — FIRE DEPARTMENT PROMOTION

Amends the Fire Department Promotion Act. Modifies the definition of "affected department" for purposes of the Act to include a fire department operated by a municipality with a population over 1,000,000. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0226 (SB 1750) (Sen. Halpin, Rep. Kelly)—FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT - EMT TRAINING

Amends the Fire Protection District Act. Provides that the board of trustees of a fire protection district must, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly, reimburse the mandatory training expenses of an EMT, EMT-I, A-EMT or paramedic employed by or under contract with the fire protection district. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# **GAMING/LIQUOR**

# P.A. 103-0550 (SB 1462) (Sen. Peters, Rep. Buckner) — OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE STANDARDS

Provides that to be eligible for an occupational license, an applicant must not have been convicted of a felony offense, a violation of specified laws or a similar statute of any other jurisdiction if the applicant will perform any function involved in gaming by patrons (rather than must not have been convicted of a specified offense); and an applicant must not have been convicted of a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude if the applicant will perform any function involved in gaming by patrons (rather than must not have been convicted of a crime involving dishonesty or moral turpitude). Provides that the Illinois Gaming Board may in its discretion refuse an occupational license to any person who has a background that poses a threat to the public interests of the state or to the security and integrity of gaming. Sets forth provisions that the Board shall consider when considering criminal convictions of an applicant. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# **HEALTHCARE/INSURANCE**

# P.A. 103-0123 (HB 1384) (Rep. Cassidy, Sen. Loughran Cappel) — RECONSTRUCTIVE SERVICES

Provides that a managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2025 may not deny coverage for medically necessary reconstructive services that are intended to restore physical appearance. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024; companies must be in compliance for plans on or after January 1, 2025.

#### P.A 103-0420 (HB 1565) (Rep. Stuart, Sen. Loughran Cappel) — VAGINAL ESTROGEN COVERAGE

Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or a managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2024, and that provides coverage for prescription drugs shall provide coverage for vaginal estrogen, and that coverage for vaginal estrogen shall not impose a deductible, coinsurance, copayment or any other cost-sharing requirement. Provides that if (rather than if an individual's attending provider recommends) a particular vaginal estrogen product or its therapeutic equivalent version approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration is determined to be medically necessary (rather than based on the provider's determination), the issuer must cover that service or item pursuant to the cost-sharing requirement in specified provisions (rather than without cost sharing). IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2025.

#### P.A. 103-0325 (HB 2799) (Rep. Hammond, Sen. Koehler)—PROTON BEAM THERAPY COVERAGE

Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2025 (rather than after the effective date of the amendatory Act) that provides coverage for the treatment of cancer shall not apply a higher standard of clinical evidence for the coverage of proton beam therapy than the insurer applies for the coverage of any other form of radiation therapy treatment. Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance or managed care plan that is amended, delivered, issued or renewed on or after January

1, 2025 (rather than after the effective date of the amendatory Act) that provides coverage or benefits to any resident of the state for radiation oncology shall include coverage or benefits for medically necessary proton beam therapy for the treatment of cancer (rather than for physician-prescribed proton beam therapy for the treatment of cancer as recommended by the patient's physician). IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0535 (HB 2847) (Rep. LaPointe, Sen. Fine) — MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS ACT

Creates the Mental Health and Wellness Act (rather than the Mental Health Equity Access and Prevention Act). In provisions concerning coverage of no-cost mental health prevention and wellness visits, provides that a mental health prevention and wellness visit shall be in addition to an annual physical examination. Provides that the Department of Insurance shall update current procedural terminology codes through adoption of rules if the codes listed in the provisions are altered, amended, changed, deleted or supplemented. Provides that a mental health prevention and wellness visit may be incorporated into and reimbursed within any type of integrated primary care service delivery method. Provides that the Department shall adopt any rules necessary to implement the provisions by no later than October 31, 2024 (rather than 2023). IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0445 (HB 3202) (Rep. Sanalitro, Sen. Lewis)—SALIVA CANCER TEST

Provides that an individual or group policy of accident and health insurance that is amended, delivered, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2025, shall cover a medically necessary home saliva cancer screening every 24 months if the patient is asymptomatic and at high risk for the disease being tested for or demonstrates symptoms of the disease being tested for at a physical exam. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0454 (HB 3639) (Rep. Mason, Sen. Halpin) — EPINEPHRINE COST LIMIT

Provides that an insurer that provides coverage for medically necessary epinephrine injectors shall limit the total amount that an insured is required to pay for a twin-pack of medically necessary epinephrine injectors at an amount not to exceed \$60, regardless of the type of epinephrine injector. Provides that nothing in the provisions prevents an insurer from reducing an insured's cost sharing by an amount greater than the specified amount. Provides that the Department of Insurance may adopt rules as necessary to implement and administer the provisions. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2025.

# P.A. 103-0458 (HB 3809) (Rep. DeLuca, Sen. Joyce) — COVERAGE FOR IMPAIRED CHILDREN

Provides that a group or individual policy of accident and health insurance amended, delivered, issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2025 (rather than the effective date of the amendatory Act) shall provide coverage for therapy, diagnostic testing and equipment necessary to increase quality of life for children who have been clinically or genetically diagnosed with any disease, syndrome or disorder that includes low tone neuromuscular impairment, neurological impairment or cognitive impairment. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0084 (SB 1282) (Sen. Simmons, Rep. Huynh) — LIVER DISEASE SCREENINGS

Requires most health insurers to cover the cost of preventative liver disease screenings for those ages 35-65. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0091 (SB 1527) (Sen. Ellman, Rep. Gill)—COMPRESSION SLEEVE COVERAGE

Requires insurance coverage for medically-necessary compression sleeves. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0094 (SB 1568) (Sen. Morrison, Rep. Morgan)—HEALTH INSURANCE PARITY/DISABILITY

Requires the Department of Insurance to collect specified data concerning disability insurance plans and limitations on mental health and substance use disorder benefits. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0554 (SB 1670) (Sen. Feigenholtz, Rep. Evans Jr.)—FOIA - MEDICAL RECORDS

Provides that, for a public body that is a HIPAA-covered entity, "private information" includes electronic medical records and all information, including demographic information, contained within or extracted from an electronic medical records system operated or maintained by the public body in compliance with state and federal medical privacy laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and its regulations. Exempts from disclosure under the Act all information that is protected health information that may be contained within or extracted from any record held by a public body that is a HIPAA-covered entity. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0512 (SB 2195) (Sen. Gillespie, Rep. Guzzardi) — PROSTHETIC DEVICE COVERAGE

Provides that with respect to an enrollee at any age, in addition to coverage of a prosthetic or custom orthotic device, benefits shall be provided for a prosthetic or custom orthotic device determined by the enrollee's provider to be the most appropriate model that is medically necessary for the enrollee to perform physical activities, as applicable, such as running, biking, swimming and lifting weights, and to maximize the enrollee's whole body health and strengthen the lower and upper limb function. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2025.

# LABOR/WORKERS' COMPENSATION

# P.A. 103-0282 (HB 1363) (Rep. Guzzardi, Sen. Villa) — GENDER VIOLENCE - EMPLOYER DUTY

Provides that an employer is only liable for gender-related violence committed in the workplace (rather than work environment) by an employee or agent of the employer when the interaction giving rise to the gender-related violence arises out of and in the course of employment with the employer. Provides that nothing in the Act precludes a person who has been the victim of gender-related violence from pursuing any other right or cause of action created by statute or common law. Removes language providing that no person has the power to waive any of the provisions of the Act as part of a dissolution of marriage agreement, civil union, domestic partnership or custody agreement. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0327 (HB 2845) (Rep. Vella, Sen. Loughran Cappel) — BIOSOLIDS

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. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0539 (HB 3129) (Rep. Canty, Sen. Pacione-Zayas)—EQUAL PAY ACT - PAY SCALE

Provides that it is unlawful for an employer with 15 or more employees to fail to include the pay scale for a position in any job posting. Provides that if an employer engages a third party to announce, post, publish or otherwise make known a job posting, the employer shall provide the pay scale and benefits, or a hyperlink to the pay scale and benefits, to the third party and the third party shall include the pay scale

and benefits, or a hyperlink to the pay scale and benefits, in the job posting. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2025.

# P.A. 103-0346 (HB 3370) (Rep. Vella, Sen. Castro) — PREVAILING WAGE - POWER WASHING

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 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. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0045 (HB 3396) (Rep. Yednock, Sen. Villivalam) — LABOR DISPUTE VIOLATION

Provides that any person with the intent of obstructing, impeding or otherwise interfering with a picket line commits a Class A misdemeanor and a minimum fine of \$500. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0450 (HB 3516) (Rep. Syed, Sen. Villivalam) — EMPLOYEE ORGAN DONATION

Provides that an employee may use up to five days of leave in any 12-month period to serve as an organ donor. The definition of "employer" includes employers with 51 or more employees. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0359 (HB 3792) (Rep. Walsh Jr., Sen. Stadelman) — LIGHT POLES

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. Provides for an exception if the project is performed by employees employed directly by the public body. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0347 (HB 3400) (Rep. Guzzardi, Sen. Hunter) — PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Provides that the Department of Labor shall report quarterly (rather than annually) to the General Assembly and the Governor the number of people employed on public works in the state during the preceding three months (rather preceding calendar year). This report shall include the total number of people employed on each public works project during the preceding three months. Provides that the report shall identify every public works project in the state by project name and contractor name and include the demographics of the workers on the project by percentage, including gender, race and ethnicity, broken down by the following categories: (i) type of trade; (ii) whether the worker is a journey worker or apprentice; and, (iii) total work hours performed. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 102-1143 (SB 0208) (Sen. Lightford, Rep. Gordon-Booth) — PAID LEAVE FOR ALL WORKERS ACT

Creates the Paid Leave for All Workers Act. Requires employers to provide paid leave to employees for any purpose. Sets forth provisions regarding employer responsibilities, unlawful employer practices and other matters. Provides that an employee who works in this state is entitled to earn and use a minimum of 40 hours of paid leave during a 12-month period. Makes it unlawful for an employer to interfere with, restrain, deny, change scheduled work days or hours to avoid paid leave, or discipline an employee for the exercise of any right under the Act. Authorizes the Department of Labor to administer and enforce the Act. Creates the Paid Leave for All Workers Fund as a special fund in the State treasury. Effective January 1, 2024.

# **MEETINGS/PUBLIC RECORDS**

# P.A. 103-0311 (HB 2447) (Rep. Avelar, Sen. Loughran Cappel) — OPEN MEETINGS - SCHOOL EVENTS

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. 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. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0069 (SB 0325) (Sen. Cunningham, Rep. Didech)—FOIA - DISCLOSURE OF RECORDS BY ATTORNEY GENERAL

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. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# **MUNICIPAL GOVERNANCE**

# P.A. 103-0274 (HB 0475) (Rep. Didech, Rep. Johnson)—SANGAMON COUNTY VOLUNTARY RESCUE SQUAD

Provides that the Sangamon County Board may form, manage, fund and operate a volunteer rescue squad to provide assistance within Sangamon County to any public entity providing law enforcement, firefighting, emergency disaster response or first responder services. Provides that the volunteer rescue squad may (i) locate missing persons, including drowning victims, (ii) perform a supporting, and not direct, role in fighting fires, and (iii) extricate persons from unsafe conditions. Provides that the Sangamon County Board may provide benefits for rescue squad volunteers who suffer disease, injury or death in the line of duty. In provisions concerning membership on a community mental health board, provides that only one board member shall be a member of the governmental unit's governing body, with the term of membership on the board to run concurrently with the elected term of the member. Provides that the community mental health board has the responsibility to set, maintain and implement the budget. Provides that if a majority of all the votes cast upon a proposition are for the levy of an annual tax, the governing body of a governmental unit shall thereafter annually levy a tax (rather than the governing body of a governmental unit shall thereafter annually levy a tax, as deemed necessary by the community mental health board) not to exceed a specified rate. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0134 (HB 1740) (Rep. Meier, Sen. Plummer) — EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT ACT

Amends the Rescue Squad Districts Act. Changes the short title of the Act to the Emergency Services District Act. Provides that the board of trustees of an emergency services district may recruit, employ or contract with ambulance, rescue squad or both ambulance and rescue squad personnel (rather than may recruit rescue squad personnel). Sets forth powers of a district relating to ambulance services. Provides that the board of trustees of a district may fix, charge and collect fees not exceeding the reasonable cost of the service for ambulance services rendered by the district against persons who are not residents of the

district and against businesses and other entities that are not located within the district. Provides that a rescue squad district organized under the Act before the effective date of the amendatory Act may (i) continue to be named a rescue squad district or be renamed an emergency services district by ordinance of the board of trustees of the district, (ii) operate under the provisions of the Act as if they were organized as an emergency services district, and, (iii) continue exercising taxing authority that was approved before the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that an emergency services district may be organized in whole or in part within a fire protection district that provides rescue services if the emergency services district is formed and operated solely to provide ambulance services. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0137 (HB 2033) (Rep. Stephens, Sen. Chesney) — ELECTRONIC FILING OF ORDINANCE - LOCAL GOVERNMENT BONDS

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. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

## P.A. 103-0298 (HB 2217) (Rep. A. Williams, Sen. Ellman) — TENANT RADON PROTECTION ACT

Amends the Illinois Radon Awareness Act. Repeals a provision regarding the disclosure of radon hazard to current and prospective tenants. Provides instead that at the time of a prospective tenant's application to lease a dwelling unit, before a lease is entered into, or at any time during the leasing period upon request, the lessor shall provide the prospective tenant or tenant of a dwelling unit with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency's "Radon Guide for Tenants" pamphlet, copies of any records or reports pertaining to radon concentrations within the dwelling unit that indicate a radon hazard to the tenant, and the Disclosure of Information on Radon Hazards to Tenants form. Provides that at the commencement of the agreed leasing period, a tenant shall have 90 days to conduct his or her own radon test of the dwelling unit. Creates the Disclosure of Information on Radon Hazards to Tenants form. Requires a lessor or tenant who decides to have radon mitigation performed to have the radon mitigation system installed by a radon contractor. Requires a tenant who decides to have radon mitigation performed to have the express consent of the lessor prior to undertaking any mitigation activities. Provides that the new provisions apply to leases entered on and after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Includes home rule provisions. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0158 (HB 2464) (Rep. Cassidy, Sen. Simmons) — PEDESTRIAN HYBRID BEACONS

Provides that the provision requiring the driver of a vehicle approaching a traffic-control signal on which no signal light facing such vehicle is illuminated to stop before entering the intersection does not apply to the driver of a vehicle approaching a pedestrian hybrid beacon. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0316 (HB 2527) (Rep. Walsh Jr., Sen. Loughran Cappel) — MUNICIPAL WATER AND WASTEWATER FUNDING STUDY REPORT

Extends the date that the Municipal Water and Wastewater Funding Study Committee is required to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly to September 30, 2023. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0100 (HB 2789) (Rep. Stava-Murray, Sen. Murphy)—LIBRARY SYSTEMS - BOOK BANNING

Provides that it is the policy of the state to encourage the improvement of free public libraries and to encourage cooperation among all types of libraries in promoting the sharing of library resources, including digital resources, and to encourage and protect the freedom of libraries and library systems to

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acquire materials without external limitation and to be protected against attempts to ban, remove or otherwise restrict access to books or other materials. Provides that the State Librarian shall prescribe rules concerning the development of a written policy declaring the inherent authority of the public library or library system to prohibit the practice of banning specific books or resources. Provides that, in order to be eligible for state grants, a public library or library system shall develop a written statement prohibiting the practice of banning books within the public library or library system. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0340 (HB 3249) (Rep. Canty, Sen. Villa)—PUBLIC SAFETY - HEALTH INSURANCE

Amends the Public Safety Employee Benefits Act. In a provision requiring a public safety employer to pay the entire premium of its health insurance plan for a public safety employee, the employee's spouse, and the employee's dependent children after the employee suffers a fatal or catastrophic injury in the line of duty, requires the employer to offer any individual who qualifies for such premium payments the choice of any health insurance plan available to currently employed full-time public safety employees. Changes in coverage may only be elected during open enrollment or following a qualifying event. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

**P.A. 103-0186 (HB 3337) (Rep. Chung, Sen. Koehler) — MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS - TOWN OF NORMAL** Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that, for the Town of Normal, a president must be elected every four years at the general municipal election with other officers to be elected or appointed as set forth by ordinance of the corporate authorities. Provides that each officer shall continue to hold office until the officer's successor is selected and qualified. Sets forth how a vacancy must be filled. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0187 (HB 3340) (Rep. Burke, Sen. Cunningham) — MUNICIPAL BORROWING - ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY

Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. In provisions relating to a municipality borrowing money from a bank or other financial institution, modifies the definition of "financial institution" to include the Illinois Finance Authority. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0360 (HB 3808) (Rep. Andrade Jr., Sen. Cunningham) — VIDEO SERVICES

Provides that "video service" means video programming provided by a video service provider and subscriber interaction that is required for the selection or use of video programming services. Provides that the definition of "video service" does not include direct-to-home satellite services defined in federal law. In provisions concerning applicable fees payable to the local unit of government, provides that "gross revenues" do include any revenues received from video programming accessed via a service that enables users to access content, information, electronic mail or other services offered over the Internet, including Internet streaming content. IML opposed this legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

**P.A. 103-0364 (HB 3903) (Rep. Rita, Sen. Murphy) — RED LIGHT CAMERAS, ETHICS AND LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS** Includes several prohibitions on engagement with public officials for contractors that provide equipment and services for automated law enforcement, automated speed enforcement or automated railroad grade crossing enforcement systems to municipalities or counties. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

**P.A. 103-0063 (SB 0214) (Sen. Villivalam, Rep. Didech)**—**PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISABILITY ACT - ILLNESS DEFINITION**Amends the Public Employee Disability Act. Defines "illness" to mean any illness, disease or condition the presence of which in a community results in the declaration of a disaster or emergency by a state, county, or municipal official. Defines "eligible employee" to mean any full-time law enforcement officer

or full-time firefighter, including a full-time paramedic or a firefighter who performs paramedic duties, who is employed by any unit of local government, including any home rule unit. Provides that whenever an eligible employee suffers an illness in the line of duty which causes the employee to be unable to perform the employee's duties, the employee shall continue to be paid by the employing public entity on the same basis as the employee was paid before the illness, with no deduction from the employee's sick leave credits, compensatory time for overtime accumulations or vacation, or service credits in a public pension fund during the time the employee is unable to perform the employee's duties due to the result of the illness, but not longer than one year in relation to the same illness. Sets forth provisions concerning verification of illness and denial of other employment. Limits exclusive and concurrent home rule powers for home rule units under a population of 1,000,000. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0480 (SB 0684) (Sen. Koehler, Rep. Hoffman)—CENTRAL ILLINOIS REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY

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. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023.

# P.A 103-0547 (SB 0761) (Sen. Lightford, Rep. Collins) — EMT TRAINING, RECRUITMENT & RETENTION TASK FORCE

Creates the EMT Training, Recruitment, and Retention Task Force. Sets forth provisions concerning the purpose, membership, compensation and meetings of the Task Force. Provides that the membership shall include two EMS Medical Directors appointed by the Governor and makes other changes to the appointing authority for certain members of the Task Force. Provides that the EMS personnel licensed at the highest level shall provide the initial assessment of the patient to determine the level of care required for transport to the receiving health care facility, and that assessment shall be documented in the patient care report and documented with online medical control. Provides that the EMS personnel licensed at or above the level of care required by the specific patient as directed by the EMS Medical Director shall be the primary care provider en route to the destination facility or patient's residence. Sets forth provisions concerning EMS System Program Plan deployments for out-of-state disasters. Sets forth provisions concerning quality assurance reports. Sets forth provisions concerning a pilot program beginning July 1, 2023, that shall not exceed a term of three years. IML supported the legislation. Effective August 11, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0079 (SB 1098) (Sen. Fowler, Rep. Windhorst)—SALINE VALLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Amends the River Conservancy Districts Act. Provides that, in addition to the trustees appointed to the Saline Valley Conservancy District Board of Trustees, the mayor of each municipality with a population of 2,000 to 4,999 that purchases water from the District may appoint one member to the Board of Trustees beginning July 1, 2023, for a five-year term, and the member shall serve until the trustee's successor is appointed and qualified or the municipality no longer purchases water from the District. Provides that a vacancy shall be filled by the mayor of the municipality for the remainder of the term. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 9, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0215 (SB 1367) (Sen. Belt, Rep. Jimenez) — FEDERALLY ASSISTED HOUSING

Requires every housing authority organized under the Act to collect data on (i) the number of vacant rental units within each housing project operated by the housing authority and (ii) information on whether each waiting list maintained by the housing authority is open or closed. Requires the information to be

reported to the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and compiled and reported to the General Assembly annually by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. Provides that unless required by federal law, a housing authority shall not consider certain information when determining eligibility for federally assisted housing, including convictions occurring more than 180 days prior to the date the applicant's application for housing is reviewed for acceptance. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0487 (SB 1476) (Sen. Gillespie, Rep. Rashid)—AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANS

Amends the Affordable Housing Planning and Appeal Act. In provisions requiring non-exempt local governments to approve an affordable housing plan, provides that, in addition to other requirements, the affordable housing plan must consist of a description of any housing market conditions, infrastructure limitations, local government ordinances, local policies or practices that do not affirmatively further fair housing as defined in the federal Fair Housing Act, and other local factors that constrain the local government's ability to create and preserve affordable housing. Provides that to comply with the Act's affordable housing plan requirements, no later than four years (rather than 36 months) after adopting or updating an affordable housing plan the local government shall submit a report to the Illinois Housing Development Authority summarizing actions taken to implement the current plan. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0491 (SB 1570) (Sen. Lightford, Rep. DeLuca) — DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACTS

Creates the Municipal Design-build Contracts Division in the Illinois Municipal Code, which may be cited as the Municipal Design-build Authorization Act. Provides that a municipality may enter into design-build contracts. Includes scope and performance criteria for design-build contracts, a two-phase procedure for selection of contracts, requirements for submission of proposals, procedures for awarding contracts and requirements of reports and evaluation of contracts. Provides that, if the total overall cost of a project is estimated to be less than \$12,000,000, the municipality may combine the two-phase procedure for selection into one phase. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0386 (SB 1710) (Sen. Simmons, Rep. Huynh) — BICYCLE TRAIL SIGNAGE

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 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. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0242 (SB 1897) (Sen. Halpin, Rep. Johnson)—ROCK ISLAND REGIONAL PORT DISTRICT

Creates the Rock Island Regional Port District Act. Establishes the Rock Island Regional Port District within the corporate limits of the City of Rock Island. Provides that territory of adjacent municipalities may be annexed into the Port District. Provides that the governing and administrative body of the Rock Island Regional Port District initially consists of the Rock Island City Council but will later include the city councils of annexed territories of adjacent municipalities. Contains provisions related to the operation of the Port District, rights and powers of the Port District and participating municipalities, lease of property, easements and permits, bonds and tax levies, eminent domain powers and other provisions.

Limits the concurrent exercise of home rule powers. Amends the Foreign Trade Zones Act and Eminent Domain Act making conforming changes. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0247 (SB 2005) (Sen. Wilcox, Rep. Benton)—HOUSING - VETERANS PREFERENCE

Amends the Housing Authorities Act. Requires housing authorities to develop and implement policies granting housing preferences to veterans who are homeless. Provides that such preferences shall be cumulative with any other preference allowed by a housing authority for which the veteran qualifies. Provides that nothing in the amendatory Act shall be construed to supersede any federal law or regulation. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0260 (SB 2320) (Sen. DeWitte, Rep. Ugaste) — ADMININISTRATIVE ADJUDICATION DIVISION - ALL MUNICIPALITIES

Makes the Administration Adjudication Division applicable to all municipalities (rather than only home rule municipalities). Allows non-home rule municipalities to operate a code hearing unit under the Administration Adjudication Division of the Illinois Municipal Code. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### **PENSION BENEFITS**

# P.A. 103-0529 (HB 2352) (Rep. Evans Jr., Sen. Martwick)—TIER 2 - COOK COUNTY PENSIONS

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. In the General Provisions Article, provides that beginning on January 1, 2024, the annual earnings, salary or wages of a Tier 2 participant under the Cook County Article shall track with the Social Security wage base (rather than shall not exceed \$106,800, adjusted annually). Requires the retirement board to retain an actuary who is a member in good standing of the American Academy of Actuaries to produce an annual actuarial report of the Fund and provides criteria for the report. Makes changes concerning the minimum required employer contribution. Requires that the minimum required employer contribution shall be submitted annually by the county and provides the method of determining the minimum required employer contribution. IML opposed the legislation. Effective August 11, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0455 (HB 3646) (Rep. Evans Jr., Sen. Harris III)—CHICAGO MUNICIPAL - SERVICE CREDIT

Amends the Chicago Municipal Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In a provision authorizing certain employees to make a contribution and receive service credit for service with the Chicago Transit Authority or its predecessor, provides that the contribution shall be based on the assumption that the employee's salary throughout all of his or her service with the Chicago Transit Authority or its predecessor was at the rate of the employee's salary at the later of the date of his or her entrance or reentrance into the service as a municipal employee, as applicable (instead of at the date of his or her entrance into the service as a municipal employee). Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0553 (SB 1648) (Sen. Martwick, Rep. Delgado)—CHICAGO LABORERS - ANNUITY

Amends the Chicago Laborer Article of the Illinois Pension Code. For Tier 1 participants: provides that if the minimum annuity applies and is greater than the annuity provided under the annuity after withdrawal while disabled provisions, then the minimum annuity shall apply; provides that the annuity for withdrawal while disabled shall be subject to automatic annual increases; provides that if the minimum widow's annuity applies and is greater than the spouse's annuity under the annuity after withdrawal while disabled

provisions, then the minimum widow's annuity shall apply; and provides that any widow's annuity shall not be subject to any automatic annual increases. For Tier 2 participants: provides that an employee whose disability continues after the employee has received ordinary disability benefits for the maximum period of time and who withdraws before becoming eligible for a retirement annuity while still so disabled is entitled to receive an annuity in such amount as can be provided from the total sum accumulated to the employee's credit from employee and employer contributions, to be computed as of the employee's age on the date of withdrawal; provides that the annuity shall not be subject to any automatic annual increases and that the minimum annuity shall not apply; provides that the annuity to which the employee's spouse shall be entitled upon the employee's death shall be fixed on the date of the employee's withdrawal and shall be provided on a reversionary annuity basis; and provides that the annuity shall not be subject to any automatic annual increases and that the minimum widow's annuity shall not apply. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective August 11, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0464 (SB 1824) (Sen. Villa, Rep. Yang Rohr) — IMRF - VARIOUS CHANGES

Amends the General Provisions and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that an authorized agent appointed must complete a course of training regarding the duties and responsibilities of being an authorized agent no less than three months after his or her initial appointment. Provides that the training must be provided by the Fund and made available to all authorized agents online no less than quarterly at no cost to the authorized agent or his or her employer. In a provision that requires a participating municipality or participating instrumentality to make an additional contribution for earning increases greater than 6% or 1.5 times the increase in the consumer price index-u, provides that the Fund shall exclude earning increases due to amounts paid as required by federal or state law or court mandate or earnings increases due to the participating employee returning to the regular number of hours worked after having a temporary reduction in the number of hours worked. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

**P.A. 103-0110 (SB 1924) (Sen. Halpin, Rep. Yednock)**—**SICK LEAVE CREDIT - REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENTS**Amends the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In a provision concerning service credit for accumulated unused sick leave, provides that if the employee was in the service of more than one employer or regional office of education, then sick leave days from all such employers shall be credited. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective June 29, 2023.

# P.A 103-0506 (SB 2100) (Sen. Martwick, Rep. Didech)—POLICE OFFICERS' PENSION INVESTMENT FUND

Amends the Police Officers' Pension Investment Fund Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that a trustee shall qualify by taking an oath of office before the Secretary of State or the board's legal counsel. Provides that trustees shall be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred while on business for the board according to the General Provisions Article and rules adopted by the board. Provides that for a vacancy of an elected trustee, the vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the board for the unexpired term from a list of candidates recommended by the trustees from the category of trustee with the vacancy. Provides that the list of candidates shall be compiled and presented to the board by the executive director. Provides that a trustee appointed to fill the vacancy of an elected trustee shall serve until a successor is elected. Provides that special elections to fill the remainder of an unexpired term vacated by an elected trustee shall be held concurrently with and in the same manner as the next regular election for an elected trustee position. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023.

#### **POLICE OFFICERS**

# P.A. 103-0286 (HB 1727) (Rep. Jacobs, Sen. Fowler)—REPLACEMENT OF SHERIFF'S VEHICLES

Amends the Counties Code. Provides that a contract in excess of \$30,000 may be let without advertising for bids in the case of the expedited replacement of a disabled, inoperable or damaged patrol vehicle of the sheriff's department if authorized by the county board in a county with fewer than 2,000,000 inhabitants. IML supported the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0135 (HB 1865) (Rep. Hammond, Sen. Harriss)—COLLEGE POLICE VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Provides that beginning with the 2025 registration year, vehicles owned or operated by or for a private or public university police department or a private or public college police department, except for motor driven cycles or all-terrain vehicles, may have permanent registration plates for a one-time fee of \$8. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0300 (HB 2245) (Rep. Moylan, Sen. Hastings)—STOLEN VEHICLE HOTLINE

Provides that in a county having a population of 3,000,000 or more, the county sheriff shall establish with other law enforcement agencies a vehicle theft hotline to facilitate the location of stolen vehicles via their installed existing global positioning systems, collaborate with vehicle manufacturers and dealers to provide information and assistance to law enforcement officers in the investigation of vehicle theft, and ensure that consumers are provided with information concerning the hotline and any new or used vehicle manufactured with a global positioning system by publishing the information in a conspicuous location on the county sheriff's website. Provides that the manufacturer of any vehicle sold in this state shall establish a hotline available to state, county and local law enforcement agencies exclusively for the purposes of law enforcement information sharing and the electronic tracking of vehicles stolen in vehicular hijacking incidents or that have been used in the commission of kidnapping, aggravated battery with a firearm, attempted homicide, or homicide. Provides that the manufacturer's hotline shall relay vehicle location information, including real-time vehicle location information whenever possible, to the 9-1-1 call center or designated dispatch center for the responding agency, to the best of the manufacturer's technical capability. Requires state, county and local law enforcement agencies to use their respective 9-1-1 system call centers or designated dispatch centers for the purpose of verification of law enforcement officers' identities and bona fide incident report numbers related to incidents. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0032 (HB 2389) (Rep. Ford, Sen. Belt) — WINDSHIELD DRIVER'S VIEW

Prevents stops and searches by the police if a driver has an object hanging from the rearview mirror. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0033 (HB 2390) (Rep. Windhorst, Sen. Morrison) — POLICE OFFICERS - RETURN TO DUTY

Amends the Downstate Police Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In a provision concerning submission to an examination to determine fitness for duty for police officers whose duties have been suspended because of disability, certification that a police officer is no longer disabled, and authorizing disabled police officers to be assigned to duty during an emergency, excludes police officers who have attained the age of 60. Amend the Counties Code and the Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that a deputy sheriff or police officer who is retired for disability and is 60 years old or older may not be recalled to service in any capacity. IML opposed the legislation. Effective June 9, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0312 (HB 2475) (Rep. Guerrero-Cuellar, Sen. Joyce) — STATE POLICE - QUALIFICATIONS

Provides that the collegiate educational requirements for being appointed an Illinois State Police officer are met if the person: (1) has been honorably discharged by the United States Armed Forces and has been

awarded the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), or Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal, in addition to other specified medals; or (2) is an active member of the Illinois National Guard or a reserve component of the United States Armed Forces and who has been awarded the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), or Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal, in addition to other specified medals, as a result of honorable service during deployment on active duty. Provides that the collegiate educational requirements are satisfied by having at least three years of full active and continuous United States Armed Forces (rather than military) duty, and receiving an honorable discharge before hiring. Requirements are deemed to have been met if a person has successfully completed basic law enforcement training, has at least three years of continuous, full-time service as a peace officer with the same police department, and is currently serving as a peace officer when applying. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0341 (HB 3253) (Rep. Tarver II, Sen. Ventura) — CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - DECEPTIVE TACTICS

Amends the Juvenile Court Act of 1987 and the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963. Expands the definition of "protected person" in provisions prohibiting certain deceptive tactics during custodial interrogation to include persons with severe or profound intellectual or developmental disabilities. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0540 (HB 3326) (Rep. A. Williams, Sen. Feigenholtz)—LICENSE PLATE READERS - INFORMATION SHARING

Provides that an automated license plate reader (ALPR) user shall not sell, share, allow access to or transfer ALPR information to any state for the purpose of investigating or enforcing a law that: (1) denies or interferes with a person's right to choose or obtain reproductive health care services or any lawful health care services; or (2) permits the detention or investigation of a person based on the person's immigration status. Provides that any law enforcement agency that uses ALPR systems shall require other out-of-state law enforcement agencies to acknowledge that any shared ALPR images or data generated in the state will not be used in a manner that violates the provisions by executing a written declaration before obtaining that data, and if a written declaration is not executed before sharing or transfer of the data, the law enforcement agency shall not share the ALPR images or data with the out-of-state law enforcement agency. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0190 (HB 3406) (Rep. Cabello, Sen. Morrison) — EMERGENCY VEHICLE DEFINITION

Provides that the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle" includes emergency vehicles of municipal departments or public service corporations as are designated or authorized by proper state or county authorities. Provides that the definition of "police vehicle" includes any vehicle, recreational off-highway vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, watercraft, aircraft, bicycle or electric personal assistive mobility device that is designated or authorized by proper state or county authorities for police use. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0194 (HB 3559) (Rep. Yang Rohr, Sen. Morrison)—SCHOOL SAFETY - RAPID ENTRY

Provides that a school building's emergency and crisis response plan, protocol and procedures shall include a plan for local law enforcement to rapidly enter a school building in the event of an emergency. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0357 (HB 3751) (Rep. B. Hernandez, Sen. Edly-Allen) — NON-CITIZEN POLICE APPLICANTS

Provides that an individual who is not a citizen but is legally authorized to work in the United States under federal law is authorized to apply for the position of police officer, subject to all requirements and

limitations, other than citizenship, to which other applicants are subject. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0203 (HB 3755) (Rep. Hanson, Sen. Holmes) — TRANSFER OF CUSTODY TO SHERIFF

Provides that if the county jail located in the county where the committed person was residing immediately before his or her conviction for the offense for which he or she is serving a sentence in the Department of Corrections has a reentry program for committed persons, the Department may transfer the custody of the committed person to the sheriff of the county where the reentry program is located for up to 12 months before the committed person's release date for participation in the reentry program. Provides that no transfer of the committed person to the sheriff of the county where the reentry program is located shall be made without the written approval of the sheriff of that county. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0361 (HB 3819) (Rep. Hanson, Sen. Faraci)—LOCAL DEFLECTION PROGRAMS

Provides that a law enforcement agency, other first responder entity or local government agency (rather than only a law enforcement agency or other first responder entity) may establish a deflection program in partnership with one or more licensed providers of substance use disorder treatment services and one or more community members or organizations. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0101 (HB 3902) (Rep. B. Hernandez, Sen. Holmes) — DRONES AS FIRST RESPONDERS

Creates the Drones as First Responders Act. Amends the Freedom from Drone Surveillance Act. Defines the terms "parade," "routed event" and "special event." Authorizes the use of drones for additional specified law enforcement purposes. Prohibits the use of weapons and facial recognition technology on drones. Makes changes concerning the retention and disclosure of drone-acquired data. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 16, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0379 (SB 1463) (Sen. Peters, Rep. Slaughter) — MINORS - NO FEES OR FINES

Provides that, except for restitution and assessments issued for adjudications of traffic, boating or fish and game law, or a municipal or county ordinance, fines and assessments, such as fees or administrative costs, shall not be ordered or imposed on the following individuals as of the effective date of the amendatory Act: (1) a minor subject to the Minors Requiring Authoritative Intervention, Addicted Minors, or Delinquent Minors Articles of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, or the minor's parent, guardian or legal custodian; or (2) a minor under the age of 18 transferred to adult court or excluded from juvenile court jurisdiction under the delinquency Article of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987, or the minor's parent, guardian or legal custodian. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0490 (SB 1499) (Sen. Villa, Rep. Hirschauer) — COMPANION ANIMAL - FORFEITURE

Adds specified offenses of the Humane Care for Animals Act for which law enforcement making an arrest may take possession of a companion animal. Adds specified offenses of the Act for which a court may order the forfeiture of an animal. Provides that upon a violation (rather than conviction) of specified offenses, the court may order the person in violation to forfeit the animal or animals that are the basis of the violation. Provides that a court may order that the person in violation and certain persons in the person's household may not own, possess, harbor or have custody or control of any other animals for a reasonable period of time, including permanent relinquishment. Provides that a person who violates such a prohibition is subject to immediate forfeiture of any animal and subject to imprisonment for not more than 90 days, a fine of not more than \$2,500, or both. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0382 (SB 1543) (Sen. Cunningham, Rep. Rita) — STATEWIDE PTSD MENTAL HEALTH COORDINATOR

Creates the Statewide PTSD Mental Health Coordinator, appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for a term of four years. Provides that the Statewide PTSD Mental Health Coordinator shall receive a salary as provided by law and is eligible for reappointment. Provides that the Statewide PTSD Mental Health Coordinator shall be responsible for implementing a program of mental health support and education for law enforcement officers. Establishes qualifications for the Coordinator. Provides that the Statewide PTSD Mental Health Coordinator shall report to the Board on the development and implementation of programs and training for law enforcement officers and shall advise the Board and receive advice from the Board on direction and training needs for law enforcement agencies that vary in size, location and demographics. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0389 (SB 1754) (Sen. Belt, Rep. Slaughter)—POLICE TRAINING - OUT-OF-STATE

Provides that a waiver for specified training requirements for appointment as a full-time or part-time law enforcement or county corrections officer may be granted by reason of prior law enforcement or county corrections experience, and adds that the experience may be obtained in Illinois, in any other state, or with an agency of the federal government. Adds requirements for agencies seeking a reciprocity waiver for training completed outside of Illinois. Provides that the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board shall adopt uniform rules providing for a waiver process for a person previously employed and qualified as a law enforcement or county corrections officer under federal law or the laws of any other state or who has completed a basic law enforcement officer or correctional officer academy who would be qualified to be employed as a law enforcement officer or correctional officer by the federal government or any other state, including that the person shall successfully complete the following prior to the approval of a waiver: (1) a training program or set of coursework approved by the Board on the laws of the state relevant to the duties and training requirements of law enforcement and county correctional officers; (2) firearms training; and (3) successful passage of the equivalency certification examination. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# **PROPERTY TAXES**

#### P.A. 103-0369 (SB 0074) (Sen. Peters, Rep. Meyers-Martin) — PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT PLAN TASK FORCE

Creates the Property Tax Payment Plan Task Force to study and make recommendations for the implementation of one or more payment plan options in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants to prevent eligible tax-delinquent owner-occupied properties in those counties from being sold at the annual tax sale. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY**

# P.A. 103-0020 (HB 1557) (Rep. J. Williams, Sen. Villa) — OPIOID ANTAGONISTS - MUSIC VENUES

Requires that certain music venues have opioid antagonists and staff that are properly trained to administer opioid antagonists on the premises during its hours of operations as a music venue. Effective June 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0423 (HB 2039) (Rep. Moeller, Sen. Villa) — ACCESS TO PUBLIC HEALTH DATA ACT

Creates the Access to Public Health Data Act. Provides that the Department of Public Health, the Department of Human Services and the Department of Children and Family Services shall, at the request

of a local health department in Illinois, make any and all public health data related to residents of that local health department's jurisdiction available to that local health department for the purposes of preventing or controlling disease, injury or disability. Provides that no rule adopted by the Department of Public Health shall be construed as restricting access to vital records by any municipality, county, multicounty, public health district or regional health officer recognized by the Department for the purposes described in specified provisions. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0336 (HB 3203) (Rep. McCombie, Sen. S. Turner)—OVERDOSE PREVENTION - FENTANYL

Provides that a pharmacist or retailer may sell fentanyl test strips over-the-counter to the public to test for the presence of fentanyl, a fentanyl analogue or a drug adulterant within a controlled substance. Provides that a county health department may distribute fentanyl test strips at the county health department facility for no fee. Amends the Drug Paraphernalia Control Act. Provides that "drug paraphernalia" does not include equipment, products or materials to analyze or test for the presence of fentanyl, a fentanyl analogue or a drug adulterant within a controlled substance. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0345 (HB 3345) (Rep. Nichols, Sen. Preston) — IDENTIFICATION FOR FORMERLY INCARCERATED PRISONERS

Provides that the Secretary of State shall issue a standard Illinois Identification Card to a person committed to the Department of Corrections or Department of Juvenile Justice upon receipt of the person's birth certificate, social security card, photograph, proof of residency upon discharge and an identification card application transferred via a secure method as agreed upon by the Secretary of State and the Department of Corrections or Department of Juvenile Justice. Provides that Illinois residency shall be established by submission of a Secretary of State prescribed Identification Card verification form completed by the respective Department. Provides that no later than 45 days after a committed person is received by the Department, the Department shall begin the process of obtaining a certified copy of the person's birth certificate and a duplicate social security card if the person does not have access to those items. Provides that, 60 days before the scheduled discharge of a person committed to the custody of the Department of Corrections or upon receipt of the person's certified birth certificate and social security card as set forth in the Act, whichever occurs later, the Department shall transmit an application for an Identification Card to the Secretary of State, in accordance with the Illinois Identification Card Act. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0484 (SB 1251) (Sen. Johnson, Rep. Mayfield) — RESCUE VEHICLE TRAINING

Provides that the operator of the ambulance or rescue vehicle shall have documented training in the operation of an ambulance or rescue vehicle prior to operating that vehicle. Provides that the driver of an ambulance or rescue vehicle may proceed past a red traffic control signal or stop sign if the ambulance or rescue vehicle is making use of both the audible and visual signals meeting the required, but only after slowing down as necessary for safe operation. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# PUBLIC WORKS/TRANSPORTATION

# P.A. 103-0281 (HB 1342) (Rep. Buckner, Sen. Villivalam) — TRANSIT RIDING PRIVILEGES - FARE

Amends the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act. Provides that the powers of the Chicago Transit Board include the power to pass ordinances or adopt rules and regulations concerning the suspension of riding privileges or confiscation of fare media. Amends the Local Mass Transit District Act and the Regional

Transportation Authority Act. Provides that a local mass transit district's board and the Suburban Bus Board may adopt all ordinances and make all rules proper or necessary to regulate the use, operation and maintenance of its property and facilities, and to carry into effect the powers granted to each board with any necessary fines or penalties, including ordinances, rules or regulations concerning the suspension of riding privileges or confiscation of fare media, as each board deems proper. Provides that the Chicago Transit Board shall partner with the City of Chicago to provide transportation at reduced fares for participants in programs which offer employment and internship opportunities to youth and young adults ages 14 to 24. Requires the Regional Transportation Authority to study and submit a report to the Governor and General Assembly regarding the feasibility and cost of providing year-round reduced or free transit fares for veterans, returning residents and students who are not currently receiving a free or reduced fare. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023; some provisions take effect January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0291 (HB 2068) (Rep. Mah, Sen. Villivalam) — TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT PROGRAM ACT

Creates the Transportation Benefits Program Act. Requires all covered employers to provide a program that allows a covered employee to elect to exclude from taxable wages and compensation the employee's commuting costs incurred for the purchase of a transit pass to use public transit up to a maximum level allowed by federal tax law. Provides that all transit agencies shall market the existence of this program and the Act to their riders in order to inform affected employees and their employers. Provides that nothing in the Act shall be deemed to interfere with, impede or in any way diminish the right of employees to bargain collectively with their employers or affect the validity or change the terms of bona fide collective bargaining agreements in force on the effective date of the Act. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-2095 (HB 2131) (Rep. Huynh, Sen. Simmons) — ZERO TRAFFIC FATALITIES TASK FORCE

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. IML supported the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0317 (HB 2531) (Rep. Davis, Sen. Harris III) — SOUTH SUBURBAN AIRPORT ACT

Amends the Public-Private Agreements for the South Suburban Airport Act. Defines cargo-oriented development as the development of places that are both multimodal nodes of freight transportation and centers of employment in logistics and manufacturing businesses. Provides that the Department of Transportation shall (instead of may) establish a process for prequalification of offerors. Requires the Department to commence the prequalification process within six months after the effective date of the amendatory Act. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0167 (HB 2776) (Rep. Huynh, Sen. Simmons) — NOTICE OF LEAD PIPE REPLACEMENT

Provides that an owner or operator of a community water supply must provide a consumer notice by email (if an email address is available) when replacing a lead service line or repairing or replacing water mains with lead service lines or partial lead service lines attached to them. Provides that a municipality with a population of more than 1,000,000 inhabitants shall publicly post on its website or arrange with the

Environmental Protection Agency to have posted on the Agency's website data describing progress the municipality has made toward replacing lead service lines. Removes a provision from the introduced bill that amended the Residential Real Property Disclosure Act to require sellers to disclose discovered concentrations relating to specified lead materials. Provides that the duty to electronically post information concerning progress made toward the replacement of lead service lines begins in 2023. Describes the specific data to be posted on the municipality's website. Provides that an affected municipality's duty to post the specified data terminates only when all lead service lines within the municipality have been replaced. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0053 (SB 0040) (Sen Feigenholtz, Rep. Gabel)—ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING ACT

Establishes requirements for electric vehicle capable parking spaces. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0476 (SB 0273) (Sen. Joyce, Rep. Walsh Jr.) — MOBILE SAFETY INSPECTIONS

Provides that the Department of Transportation shall issue a permit to the proprietor of a company seeking to perform mobile safety inspections to operate an official mobile safety testing company. Provides that a permittee may test the permittee's own second division vehicles and issue certificates of safety and conduct emission inspections of the permittee's own second division vehicles. Adds language governing fees, bonding and oversight of official mobile safety testing companies. Provides that safety test shall be conducted in accordance with the Minimum Periodic Inspections Standards for all trucks, truck-tractors, trailers, semi-trailers, buses engaged in interstate commerce and first division vehicles. Provides that upon payment of \$50 and the filing of an application by the proprietor of a company or municipality and the giving on a bond in the amount of \$10,000, the Department of Transportation shall issue a permit to the proprietor of such company or municipality. Provides that the Department shall annually certify safety testers who have met its requirements. IML supported the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0373 (SB 0895) (Sen. Halpin, Rep. Johnson)—CROSS COUNTY BOUNDARY RESTRICTIONS

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. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0082 (SB 1212) (Sen. Rose, Rep. Niemerg)—CRASH MARKER MAINTENANCE

Lengthens the required maintenance period for memorial and fatal crash markers. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0099 (SB 1653) (Sen. Ventura, Rep. Syed)—UNDERPASS HAZARD BAR PILOT PROGRAM

Creates a pilot program to study the effectiveness of using early warning devices leading up to underpasses. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0392 (SB 1896) (Sen. Joyce, Rep. DeLuca) — OFF-SITE VEHICLE SALES

Provides that an Illinois licensed new or used motor vehicle dealer is authorized to conduct sales activities, including the collection of electronic signatures, via the Internet and deliver vehicles to a customer at the customer's residence or other suitable location, if the sale, lease or delivery is requested

by the customer. Provides that any documents that state or federal law require to be signed in person may be signed at the time of delivery without constituting an off-site sale that is subject to the permit requirements for off-site sales. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0502 (SB 2014) (Sen. Simmons, Rep. Buckner) — IDOT SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

Requires the Illinois Department of Transportation to develop a policy which ensures the safety of pedestrians and cyclists on roadways within the state. Establishes that improvements will be made during routine maintenance and within a distance of 500 feet of the maintenance work on any state road within a municipality to include high visibility signage, crosswalk improvements, curb bump outs, barrier protected bike lanes and bus shelters. Requires the Department to submit a semi-annual report on pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements on non-highway state routes that have been initiated, are in progress or are recently completed. IML supported the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0249 (SB 2028) (Sen. Murphy, Rep. Stuart)—IL RULES OF THE ROAD - BEST PRACTICES FOR STRANDED MOTORISTS

Provides that the Secretary of State shall include, in the Illinois Rules of Road publication, information advising drivers on best practices related to stranded motorists. Provides that such information may include, but is not limited to, how to safely pull the vehicle out of traffic, activating hazard lights, when to remain in a vehicle, how to safely exit a stranded vehicle, where to find a safe place outside the stranded vehicle and emergency numbers to call for assistance. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0258 (SB 2278) (Sen. Simmons, Rep. Buckner) — TRUCK MAX HEIGHT WEIGHT

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. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### **REVENUE & TAXATION**

# P.A. 103-0318 (HB 2539) (Rep. Hirschauer, Sen. Villa) — LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPENSATION

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. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0384 (SB 1705) (Sen. Porfirio, Rep. Kifowit) — TAX EXEMPTIONS — MILITARY

Amends the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act and the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Creates an exemption for property that is sold to an active duty member of the armed forces of the United States who presents valid military identification and purchases the property using a form of payment where the federal government is the payor. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0235 (SB 1840) (Sen. Sims Jr., Rep. Slaughter) — PUBLIC SAFETY - PARK DISTRICTS

Provides that a park district may levy and collect annually a tax for maintaining a police system, for implementing and maintaining public safety and security measures, or both (currently, only for maintaining a police system) within the parks, playgrounds and other facilities maintained by the district. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0009 (SB 1963) (Sen. Villanueva, Rep. Tarver II)—USE/OCCUPATION TAX - CROSS REFERENCE

Amends the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, and the Service Occupation Tax Act to update a cross reference. Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Makes changes concerning municipal tax review of public utilities. Amends the River Edge Redevelopment Zone Act. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may certify two additional pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zones in the City of Joliet and the City of Kankakee. Amends the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Act. Extends the sunset of the Act and provides for the authorization of additional credits. Makes changes concerning the Non-Home Rule Municipal Use Tax Act and the Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 7, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0396 (SB 2047) (Sen. Stoller, Rep. Reick)—INCOME TAX PASS THROUGH

Provides that, if the taxpayer is a partnership or Subchapter S corporation, the credit is allowed to pass through to the partners and shareholders in accordance with the determination of income and distributive share of income under Sections 702 and 704 and Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code, or as otherwise agreed by the partners or shareholders, provided that such agreement shall be executed in writing prior to the due date of the return for the taxable year and meet such other requirements as the Department of Revenue may establish by rule. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### STATE GOVERNANCE

#### P.A. 103-0514 (HB 0219) (Rep. Hoffman, Sen. Harmon) — WRONGFUL DEATH LIABILITY

Amends the Wrongful Death Act. Provides that an action under the Act may be filed to recover punitive damages. Provides that punitive damages are not available in actions against the state or an employee of the state in his or her official capacity. Amends the Probate Act of 1975. Provides that actions for punitive damages for an injury to the person survive. Provides that punitive damages are not available in actions against the state or an employee of the state in his or her official capacity. Provides that punitive damages are not available in an action against a unit of local government or an employee of a unit of local government in his or her official capacity. Provides that punitive damages are not available in an action for healing art malpractice or legal malpractice. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective August 11, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0517 (HB 1131) (Rep. Hoffman, Sen. Koehler) — SOUTHWEST ILLINOIS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Amends the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority Act. Adds Monroe County to the territory of the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority. Provides that the Chairman of the Authority shall be elected by the Board annually from the voting members. Provides that members of the Board may participate in Board meetings by teleconference or video conference. Allows the Authority to also enter into intergovernmental agreements with Bond, Clinton and Monroe counties, in addition to other entities. Amends the Quad Cities Regional Economic Development Authority Act. Adds Winnebago and Boone counties into the territory and jurisdiction of the Quad Cities Regional Economic Development Authority. Makes conforming changes, including adding Jo Daviess, Carroll, Whiteside, Stephenson, Lee, Knox, Winnebago and Boone counties to a list of counties with which the Authority may enter into intergovernmental agreements. Amends the Tri-County River Valley Development Authority Law. Adds McLean County to the territorial jurisdiction of the Tri-County River Valley Development Authority. Requires persons serving as Executive Director or otherwise involved with directing the affairs of a Regional Development Authority to file statements of economic interest with the Secretary of State. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective August 11, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0518 (HB 1286) (Rep. Stuart, Sen. Villanueva) — EQUITABLE RESTROOMS - ALL GENDER

Amends the Equitable Restrooms Act. Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, any multiple-occupancy restroom may be identified as an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom and designated for use by any person of any gender. Provides that any multiple-occupancy restroom may be converted into an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom. Provides that, if a facility commences construction, or commences alterations exceeding 50% of the facility, and implements an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom must satisfy or include specified requirements. Requires certain newly constructed or previously existing restrooms to be designated as all-gender multiple-occupancy restrooms. Provides that when plumbing fixtures in a facility must meet female-to-male ratio requirements, each individual fixture in an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom may be counted toward the required number of either female or male toilet stalls. Provides that an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom must include floor to ceiling stall dividers (rather than stall dividers). Provides that an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom shall not contain urinals. Effective August 11, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0105 (HB 1364) (Rep. Guzzardi, Sen. Fine) — 9-8-8 TASK FORCE

Creates the 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Task Force Act. Provides that the 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Task Force shall be composed of 12 appointed members and the state's Chief Behavioral Health Officer, or the Officer's representative. Provides that the two Task Force co-chairs shall appoint experts to contribute and participate in the Task Force as nonvoting members. Provides for meetings of the Task Force and responsibilities relating to examination of the first year of implementation and use of the 9-8-8 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline in Illinois. Requires the development of an action plan with specified recommendations to be filed with the Governor and General Assembly by December 31, 2023. Provides that the Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health, shall convene a working group that includes members of the General Assembly, representatives of state agencies, the state's Chief Behavioral Health Officer, the Director of the Children's Behavioral Health Transformation Initiative, service providers from the regional and statewide 9-8-8 call centers, representatives of organizations that represent people with mental health conditions or substance use disorders and that operate an Illinois social services helpline or crisis line other than 9-8-8, including veterans' crisis services, more than one individual with personal or family experience of a mental health condition or substance use disorder, experts in research and operational evaluation, and any other person or persons as determined by the Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health. Requires the Department of Human Services,

Division of Mental Health, to submit a report to the General Assembly regarding the Workgroup's findings related to the 9-8-8 call system. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 27, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0421 (HB 1571) (Rep. Cassidy, Sen. Feigenholtz)—CEMETERIES - DISINTERMENT

Provides that the amendatory Act may be referred to as the Michael Bauer Memorial Act. Amends the Cemetery Oversight Act. In the Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics, provides that licensed cemetery authorities shall have clear and specific cemetery rules and regulations and apply them equally to all consumers and individuals served. Provides that a cemetery authority shall make publicly available a copy of its bylaws, rules and regulations through continuous publication on an Internet website or social media page or, if it does not have a website or social media page, provide a copy to each person either prior to or contemporaneous with the cemetery authority's or its representative's presentment of any contract or legal agreement for services in relation to the cemetery or within five days of such a person's request. Provides that a cemetery authority shall make available for viewing and provide a copy of its current prices of disinterment. Provides that if a cemetery authority does not maintain, operate or use an Internet website or social media page, the cemetery authority must provide a consumer with either an email or paper copy of the rules and regulations at the execution of a contract or within five business days of request thereof. Allows a cemetery authority to charge a reasonable copying fee in exchange for a paper copy of the cemetery authority's rules and regulations. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0524 (HB 2086) (Rep. Stava-Murray, Sen. Edly-Allen) — CONSUMER-OWNED CONTAINERS

Amends the Illinois Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. In provisions allowing the filling or refilling of personal containers with bulk food, refers to restaurants and retailers. Allows restaurants and retailers to fill or refill a consumer-owned container with ready-made food. Allows clean consumer-owned containers provided or returned to a restaurant or retailer for filling or refilling to be filled or refilled and returned to the same consumer if the consumer-owned container is filled or refilled by either an employee of the restaurant or retailer or the owner of the consumer-owned container. Requires filled or refilled consumer-owned containers to be designed and constructed for reuse in accordance with specified federal requirements. Contains requirements for restaurants and retailers. Directs the Department of Public Health to produce materials for restaurants and retailers on or before January 1, 2024, indicating that consumerowned containers are not prohibited for use under Illinois law and specifying best practices for food safety requirements for consumer-owned containers. Provides that except as provided under specified provisions, county health departments and municipalities may regulate but shall not prohibit (rather than shall not prohibit) the ability of a retailer to allow a consumer to fill or refill a consumer-owned personal container with bulk food if the dispensers used prevent the direct handling of the bulk food or the ability of a restaurant or retailer to fill or refill a consumer-owned container with ready-to-eat or dry bulk foods. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0314 (HB 2493) (Rep. Ortiz, Sen. Peters) — VICTIMS ECONOMIC SECURITY AND SAFETY

Amends the Victims' Economic Security and Safety Act. Provides that an employee may take unpaid leave from work for specified reasons relating to a family or household member who is killed in a crime of violence. Provides that an employee shall be entitled to a total of not more than two workweeks of unpaid leave for specified reasons relating to a family or household member who is killed in a crime of violence, which must be completed within 60 days after the date on which the employee receives notice of the death of the victim. Provides that an employee may satisfy the certification requirement by providing an employer with a death certificate, published obituary or written verification of death, burial or memorial services from a mortuary, funeral home, burial society, crematorium, religious institution or

government agency, documenting that a victim was killed in a crime of violence. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0434 (HB 2500) (Rep. Benton, Sen. Loughran Cappel) — ANIMAL ADOPTION - VETERANS FEE WAIVER

Provides that an animal shelter or animal control facility shall waive the adoption fee if the person adopting the dog or cat (i) presents to the animal shelter or animal control facility a current and valid driver's license with the word "veteran" printed on its face, a current and valid Illinois Identification Card with the word "veteran" printed on its face or a certified copy of the person's Department of Defense form DD-214 (Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty) and a valid driver's license or valid Illinois Identification Card and (ii) complies with the adoption policies of the animal shelter or animal control facility. Limits the number of dogs or cats adopted under the provisions to one dog or cat each in a two-year period. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0321 (HB 2621) (Rep. Kifowit, Sen. Holmes)—MUNICIPAL PLUMBER AGREEMENTS

Provides that the Department of Public Health shall create a pilot program to allow the Department to enter into an agreement with a municipality that employs a State of Illinois certified plumbing inspector to do inspections on behalf of the Department and submit appropriate documentation as requested to verify the inspections were completed to the standards required by the Department and outlined in the partnership. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

### P.A. 103-0269 (HB 2831) (Rep. LaPointe, Sen. Johnson) — TASK FORCE ON HOMELESSNESS

Creates the Office to Prevent and End Homelessness (Office) within the Department of Human Services to facilitate the implementation of a strategic plan and initiatives aimed at decreasing homelessness and unnecessary institutionalization in Illinois, improving health and human services outcomes for people who experience homelessness, and strengthening the safety nets that contribute to housing stability. Provides that the Office shall be led by the State Homelessness Chief Officer who shall report to the Secretary of the Department. Creates the Interagency Task Force on Homelessness within the Department of Human Services to facilitate and implement initiatives related to decreasing homelessness and unnecessary institutionalization in this State, improving health and human services outcomes for people who experience homelessness, and strengthening the safety nets that contribute to housing stability. Requires the Task Force to submit annual reports to the Governor and General Assembly regarding the Task Force's work during the year prior, any new recommendations developed by the Task Force, any recommendations made by the Community Advisory Council on Homelessness, and any key outcomes and measures related to homelessness. IML supported the legislation. Effective July 26, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0188 (HB 3351) (Rep. Walsh Jr., Sen. Castro)—ILLINOIS SOLAR FOR ALL PROGRAM - PREVAILING WAGE

Provides that the projects under the Illinois Solar for All Program shall be subject to the prevailing wage requirements included in the Prevailing Wage Act. Provides that the prevailing wage requirements set forth in the Prevailing Wage Act apply to each Illinois Solar for All Program project for which a project application is submitted to the program after the effective date of the amendatory Act, except (i) projects that serve single-family or multi-family residential buildings and (ii) projects with an aggregate capacity of less than 100 kilowatts that serve houses of worship. Requires the Illinois Power Agency to verify that all construction performed on a project by the renewable energy credit delivery contract holder, its contractors, or its subcontractors relating to the construction of the facility is performed by workers receiving an amount for that work that is greater than or equal to the general prevailing rate of wages as that term is defined in the Prevailing Wage Act. Effective June 30, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0189 (HB 3405) (Rep. Cabello, Sen. Morrison) — MEDAL OF HONOR COMMITTEE

Amends the Law Enforcement and Fire Fighting Medal of Honor Act. Provides that the term of office of each Committee member is abolished on October 1, 2023. Provides that the terms of the Committee members shall be as follows: one of the members shall be appointed for a term of one year, one member shall be appointed for terms of two years and two members shall be appointed for terms of three years. Provides that thereafter, the Committee members shall hold office for four years. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0544 (HB 3743) (Rep. Rita, Sen. Hastings) — QUIT CLAIM DEED -TINLEY PARK - PARK DISTRICT

Authorizes the Director of Central Management Services to execute and deliver to the Tinley Park - Park District a quit claim deed, quit claim bill of sale and any ancillary documents, for \$1, to specified real property, subject to specified conditions. IML opposed the legislation. Effective August 11, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0214 (SB 0046) (Sen. Koehler, Rep. Chung) — ILLINOIS WATERWAY PORTS COMMISSION ACT

Creates the Illinois Waterway Ports Commission Act. Provides that the Illinois Waterway Ports Commission is created and shall exercise jurisdiction with respect to the duties and powers delegated to it under the Act within the following port districts and counties: the Seneca Regional Port District, the Ottawa Port District, the Illinois Valley Regional Port District, the Heart of Illinois Regional Port District, and the Havana Port District and Fulton, Mason, Tazewell, Peoria, Woodford, Marshall, Putnam, Bureau, LaSalle, and Grundy counties, Provides that the Commission shall (1) coordinate and synchronize common efforts and initiatives in the Commission area to enhance the reporting and benefits of statistical data; (2) make recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, Congress and federal agencies on regional issues that impact multimodal transportation, economic development, environmental sustainability and climate resiliency of the Commission area; (3) coordinate and synchronize common efforts and initiatives on the larger Illinois Waterway with the Mid-America Port Commission and the Joliet Regional Port District; (4) coordinate and synchronize federal activities associated with the nonfederal sponsorship of the M-55 Illinois-Gulf Marine Highway; and (5) request and assist in requesting funding for the Commission area and the surrounding areas, as the Commission deems necessary. Includes provisions relating to the organization of the Commission and the Commission's powers. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0004 (SB 0089) (Sen. Glowiak Hilton, Rep. Rita)—EXTENSIONS - VARIOUS

Extends the date through which a provision concerning the delivery and carry out of mixed drinks is permitted to August 1, 2028. Amends the Energy Efficient Building Act. Requires the Capital Development Board to consult with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to create and adopt the Illinois Stretch Energy Code. Extends various deadlines related to the Code. Amends the Public Building Commission Act. Extends the repeal date for various provisions in the Act from June 1, 2023, to July 1, 2025. Extends the date through which a provision concerning a licensee accepting a wager for a sports event involving an Illinois collegiate team is permitted. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective May 31, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0070 (SB 0328) (Sen. Glowiak Hilton, Rep. Hanson) — AUTOMATIC CONTRACT RENEWAL

Provides that the clear and conspicuous disclosure of an automatic renewal clause displayed during the contract formation process must require the consumer to affirmatively consent to the renewal terms. Provides for additional notice requirements concerning contracts that automatically renew for a specified term of more than one month unless the consumer cancels the contract. Provides for additional notice requirements concerning contracts that allow the consumer to accept a free gift or trial as part of an automatic renewal offer before the consumer makes any payment, or where such contract entitles the

consumer to an introductory reduced, promotional, or discounted rate before the customer begins paying the full rate. Provides that a person, firm, partnership, association or corporation that allows consumers to accept an automatic renewal or continuous service offer online shall allow a consumer to terminate the automatic renewal or continuous service exclusively online, at will, and without engaging any further steps that obstruct or delay the consumer's ability to terminate the automatic renewal or continuous service immediately. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0461 (SB 0849) (Sen. Villivalam, Rep. Kelly)—BLUE-RIBBION COMMISSION ON TRANSPORTATION

Reenacts the Blue-Ribbon Commission on Transportation Infrastructure Funding and Policy Act. Makes changes to the dates by which the Commission's members must be appointed, hold their first meeting and report their findings to the General Assembly. Extends the Act's repeal date to February 1, 2024. IML supported the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0561 (SB 0850) (Sen. Belt, Rep. Canty) — GROCERY INITIATIVE ACT

Creates the Grocery Initiative Act. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall study food insecurity in urban and rural food deserts. Provides that the Department shall establish a Grocery Initiative to expand access to healthy foods in food deserts in Illinois by providing assistance independently owned for-profit grocery stores, cooperative grocery stores or not-for-profit grocery stores. Provides that the Department may enter into contracts, grants or other agreements to administer grants and other financial support. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may designate an area as a food desert even if the area does not meet the qualifications set forth in the engrossed bill as long as the designation is made in accordance with criteria established by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by rule using data that includes, but is not limited to, poverty metrics and access to existing grocery stores. Effective January 1, 2024.

#### P.A. 103-0483 (SB 0851) (Sen. Ventura. Rep. Hoffman) — BROADBAND ADVISORY COUNCIL

Amends the Broadband Advisory Council Act. Provides that the Broadband Advisory Council shall evaluate the expansion of the Illinois Century Network to Illinois public schools, public libraries and state-owned correctional institutions or facilities, including issuing recommendations for increasing agency staffing, infrastructure development, price modeling and providing download speeds of at least one gigabyte per second. Requires the Council to study the feasibility of connecting all Illinois public schools, public libraries and state-owned correctional institutions or facilities to the Illinois Century Network by January 1, 2030. Provides that the Office of Broadband within the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall support and assist the Council in the development of the study. Provides that the Council shall issue a report on its findings, recommendations, options for expansion, and any recommended legislation to the General Assembly by January 1, 2024. IML supported the legislation. Effective August 4, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0374 (SB 0896) (Sen. D. Turner, Rep. Hanson) — MOTORCYCLE AUXILIARY LIGHTS

Provides that auxiliary lighting on a motorcycle may not emit blue lights. Provides that a motorcycle may be equipped with two forward facing electric turn signals mounted on or near the handlebar grip assembly, or on the front fork assembly, or front fender shroud. Requires that lamps shall be mounted on the same level and as widely spaced laterally as practicable, and when signaling, shall emit a white or amber light. Provides that a motorcycle may be equipped with two forward facing electric driving lights which display a steady-on white or amber light. Provides that the lights may be in addition to but not in lieu of the required lamps on motorcycles required under the Code. Provides that the driving lights may by the same lamp housing shall only be actuated to a flashing signal to comply with the requirements of other provisions under the Code. Provides that auxiliary accent lights that are authorized by the Code may

emit red light only while the stop lamp on a motorcycle is illuminated and the motorcycle is in the course of braking. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0089 (SB 1484) (Sen. Simmons, Rep. N. Hernandez)—COOPERATIVE HOUSING FUND

Creates the Cooperative Housing Fund as a special fund in the State treasury. Directs the Illinois Housing Development Authority to use appropriated monies from the Fund to award grants to various organizations for cooperative housing developments. Allows only \$5,000,000 in these grants to be issued by the Authority in each fiscal year. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 9, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0383 (SB 1555) (Sen. Koehler, Rep. Avelar) — STATEWIDE RECYCLING NEEDS ASSESSMENT ACT

Creates the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment Act. Creates the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment Advisory Council to provide advice and recommendations to the Environmental Protection Agency in the drafting, amendment and finalization of the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment. Provides that on or before January 1, 2024, the Director of the Environmental Protection Agency shall appoint members to the Advisory Council to provide advice and recommendations to the Agency in the drafting, amendment and finalization of the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment. Provides that persons with data or information required to complete the statewide needs assessment shall provide the Agency with such data or information in a timely fashion to assist in completing the statewide needs assessment. Provides that on or before December 1, 2026, the Statewide Recycling Needs Assessment Advisory Council shall prepare and submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor, which shall include an opportunity for a minority report. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0095 (SB 1595) (Sen. Plummer, Rep. Ladisch Douglass) — DEATH CERTIFICATES - HONORABLY **DISCHARGED VETERANS**

Allows death certificates for honorably discharged veterans (rather than just retired veterans) to be provided to family members at no charge. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective June 9, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0097 (SB 1623) (Sen. Koehler, Rep. Meyers-Martin) — UNDERGROUND RAILROAD TASK FORCE ACT

Creates the Illinois Underground Railroad Task Force Act. Creates the Illinois Underground Railroad Task Force. Provides that the Task Force shall develop a statewide plan to connect existing local projects and new projects to create a cohesive statewide history of the Underground Railroad in Illinois while creating new educational and tourism opportunities for the state. Establishes the membership of the Task Force. Provides that the members of the Task Force shall serve without compensation. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources shall provide administrative and technical support to the Task Force. Provides that all members of the Task Force shall be appointed within 30 days after the effective date of the Act. Provides that the Task Force shall review available research, existing infrastructure and projects, best practices, and effective interventions to formulate recommendations. Provides that the Task Force shall prepare a report detailing the Task Force's findings and recommendations and needed resources. Provides that the Task Force shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly and the Governor on or before July 1, 2024. Provides that the Task Force is dissolved, and the Act is repealed, on January 1, 2025. IML supported the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0466 (SB 2034) (Sen. Villa, Rep. West II)—CHILD EXTENDED LEAVE BEREAVEMENT ACT

Creates the Child Extended Bereavement Leave Act. Provides that the Act may be referred to as Zachary's Parent Protection Act. Provides that an employee of a large employer that employs 250 or more full-time employees is entitled to use a maximum of 12 weeks of unpaid leave if the employee experiences the loss of a child by suicide or homicide. Provides that an employee of a small employer that

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employs at least 50 but fewer than 250 full-time employees is entitled to use a maximum of six weeks of unpaid leave if the employee experiences the loss of a child by suicide or homicide. Provides that leave may be taken in a single continuous period or intermittently in increments of no less than four hours, but leave must be completed within one year after the employee notifies the employer of the loss. Permits an employer to require reasonable advance notice of the employee's intention to leave and reasonable documentation. Provides that an employee who takes leave under the Act is entitled to be restored to the position of employment held by the employee when the leave commenced or to be restored to an equivalent position. Prohibits an employer from taking any adverse action against an employee who exercises his or her rights under the Act. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0402 (SB 2243) (Sen. Lightford, Rep. Mayfield)—STATE LITERACY PLAN

Provides that the State Board of Education shall adopt and make available to school districts, by July 1, 2024, a rubric by which districts may evaluate curricula and select and implement evidence-based, culturally inclusive core reading instruction programs, a template to support districts when developing literacy plans and guidance on practices for effective structures for training and deploying literacy coaches. Requires the State Board of Education to develop and make available training opportunities for educators in teaching reading on or before January 1, 2025. Provides that, in consultation with education stakeholders, the State Board of Education shall develop and adopt a comprehensive literacy plan for the State on or before January 31, 2024. IML supported the legislation. Effective July 28, 2023.

# P.A. 103 0256 (SB 2247) (Sen. Faraci, Rep. Burke) — ABLE ACCOUNT PROGRAM

Amends the State Treasurer Act. Provides that any entity may make contributions to an ABLE account. Makes changes concerning privacy of ABLE account information. Provides that the ABLE Account Program may also be referred to as the Senator Scott Bennett ABLE Program. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0510 (SB 2368) (Sen. Koehler, Rep. Johnson)—STATEWIDE BUILDING AND RESIDENTIAL CODES ACT

Creates the State Building and Residential Codes Act. Provides that the Capital Development Board, in consultation with the Department of Natural Resources, shall adopt a Building Code that establishes minimum requirements for the construction of commercial buildings, that shall apply to the construction of, renovations to, and additions to all commercial buildings in the state. Provides that the Board, in consultation with the Environmental Protection Agency, shall also adopt a Residential Code as the minimum and maximum requirements for the construction of residential buildings, that shall apply to the construction of, renovations to, and additions to all residential buildings in the state. Contains provisions concerning applicability; technical assistance; enforcement; rules; input from interested parties; and a prohibition on grants. IML opposed the legislation. Effective January 1, 2025.

#### P.A. 103-0267 (SB 2419) (Sen. Murphy, Rep. Syed)—LICENSE TO READ ACT

Creates the License to Read Act. Provides that the State Librarian may negotiate with publishers of e-books and e-audiobooks on behalf of libraries on reasonable terms that would enable libraries to acquire necessary licenses to provide library users with access to e-books and e-audiobooks. Provides that the State Librarian may award grants that develop, expand or support the acquisition of access to e-books and e-audiobooks in Illinois. Creates the License to Read Fund to deposit fees or other funds received for the purposes of the Act. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

#### **UTILITIES**

# P.A. 103-0019 (HB 1541) (Rep. Delgado, Sen. Hunter) — NO TERMINATION - 90 DEGREES

Prevents utility providers from terminating service for nonpayment if there is an excessive heat warning and lowers the temperature threshold that shut-offs are prohibited from 95 to 90 degrees. Effective January 1, 2024.

# P.A. 103-0237 (SB 1879) (Sen. Cunningham, Rep. Evans Jr.) — UTILITIES - ALTERNATE ELECTRIC RETAIL SUPPLIERS

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Provides that if an alternative retail electric supplier warrants to an electric utility serving more than 500,000 retail customers that the alternative retail electric supplier's customer has provided consent to access interval data, then, until either the customer contacts the alternative retail electric supplier to opt out or the customer is no longer served by the alternative retail electric supplier, an electric utility serving more than 500,000 retail customers shall electronically transmit interval meter usage data for each residential retail customer that meets certain requirements. Provides that no costs incurred by an electric utility to provide data or services shall be paid by ratepayers. IML took no position on the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

# **ZONING/LAND USE**

# P.A. 103-0013 (HB 1105) (Rep. Hoffman, Sen. Belt)—ICC APPROVAL OF EMINENT DOMAIN

Requires the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) to provide approval prior to an entity taking a water or sewer company's property through eminent domain. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective June 9, 2023.

# P.A. 103-0136 (HB 1920) (Rep. Niemerg, Sen. Rose) — LAWRENCEVILLE LAND TRANSFER

Authorizes the Department of Military Affairs to convey described real estate in Lawrence County to the City of Lawrenceville. IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0141 (HB 2097) (Rep. Avelar, Sen. Loughran Cappel) — DOC LAND TRANSFER - CREST HILL

Authorizes the Director of Corrections (DOC) to execute and deliver a quit claim deed for specified real property located in Will County to the City of Crest Hill upon the payment of \$1, subject to specified conditions. Provides that if the Village of Hopkins Park ceases to use for public purposes certain real property located in Kankakee County conveyed to it by the Department of Corrections, then the property shall revert to the State of Illinois, Department of Natural Resources (rather than the State of Illinois, Department of Corrections). IML supported the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.

#### P.A. 103-0225 (SB 1745) (Sen. Tracy, Rep. Weaver) — WILDLIFE - NUISANCE ANIMALS

Amends the Wildlife Code. Repeals provisions authorizing, under certain conditions, drainage districts to control beaver populations. Provides that a drainage district, road district or similar body, landowner, tenant, or the designee of a drainage district, road district, landowner or tenant shall be exempt from the requirement to obtain a permit to control nuisance raccoons, opossums, muskrats, skunks, coyotes or beavers if all applicable provisions for licenses are complied with and any trap types and sizes used are in compliance with the Act, including marking or identification. Provides that for purposes of the provisions concerning the authority to kill wildlife causing damage, provides that a "road district" includes a township road district. IML was neutral on the legislation. Effective June 30, 2023.