

Business Regulation

Public Act [100-0346](#) prohibits a new or used auto dealer from allowing a person to leave their lot with a vehicle with sign, decals, paperwork, or other material that could block a driver's vision.

Public Act [100-0486](#) requires an LLC to first obtain a certificate of registration before providing professional services.

Public Act [100-0269](#) provides for specific notice requirements from lessor to lessee regarding disposition of security deposits. The lessor must - in person or by postmarked mail - deliver receipts or costs of repairs.

Public Act [100-0035](#) seeks to address challenges facing farmers' market vendors, and seeks to implement safe, fair, and consistent regulations throughout the state.

Public Act [100-0166](#) expands the cyberstalking offense to include installing tracking software and causing threats.

Public Act [100-0194](#) provides any individual who has completed a minimum of eight hours of Department of Public Health-approved training shall be considered a certified food sanitation manager or certified food sanitation manger instructor. Removes provisions allowing DPH to charge a \$35 fee for a certificate.

Public Act [100-0207](#) provides that it is not an unfair business practice to charge different prices based entirely on time, difficulty, and market conditions as it relates to hair stylists, barbers, alterations, dry cleaners.

Public Act [100-0090](#) makes participation in traveling elephant shows a Class A misdemeanor.

Public Act [100-0312](#) repeals the statutory limit on the amount a rental car company can charge per day for a damage waiver.

Public Act [100-0240](#) amends the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business Practices Act to add a non-disparagement clause in consumer contracts.

Cybersecurity

Public Act [100-0040](#) requires every state employee to undergo annual cyber-security training by the Department of Technology & Innovation.

Education

Public Act [100-0174](#) provides that the Illinois State Board of Education must post resources regarding teaching entrepreneurial skills in secondary schools. States that the ISBE shall gather input from universities and business groups when developing the list of resources.

Public Act [100-0175](#) requires ISBE to post resources on the teaching of high skilled manufacturing to be used in high schools and vocational education programs.

Employment and Labor Law

Public Act [100-0396](#) provides an employer shall not penalize an employee who does not disclose his or her genetic information or does not choose to participate in a program requiring disclosure of the employee's genetic information.

Energy

Public Act [100-0146](#) abolishes the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Task Group and makes corresponding changes, including removing provisions concerning the adoption of criteria for selection of a site for a regional disposal facility.

Public Act [100-0177](#) allows electric co-op type cities to sell their power in the wholesale markets such as PJM and MISO.

Environment

Public Act [100-0341](#) authorizes the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District to participate in any nutrient trading programs in Illinois, which are market-based programs that involve the exchange of pollution allocations between sources.

Healthcare and Insurance

Public Act [100-0543](#) would require life insurance companies to cross-match lapsed or expired policies against the Social Security Administration's Death Master File to find potential beneficiaries of unclaimed life insurance benefits. The bill as passed both chambers, requires all insurers to search policies in force as of Jan. 1, 2012, and to Jan. 1, 2000 if a company has electronically-searchable records. **The Chamber opposed this bill.**

Public Act [100-0355](#) creates a special enrollment period for state insurance for an adopted child.

Public Act [100-0475](#) removes requirements that the notice of cancellation be mailed by an insurance company to the mortgage or lien holder at the last mailing address known by the company.

Public Act [100-0378](#) clarifies chiropractic physicians' and licensed optometrists' rights and responsibilities and that the consent protections currently provided to minors under the Consent by Minors to Medical Procedures Act apply to the performance of health care services by chiropractic physicians and licensed optometrists.

Public Act [100-0385](#) eliminates the Medicaid requirement that healthcare providers be present in the room with a patient while receiving tele-health psychiatry services.

Public Act [100-0386](#) provides that no policy of individual or group accident and health insurance issued, amended, delivered, or renewed on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act, may impose any preexisting condition exclusion with respect to that plan or coverage. Supplemental policies are exempted from this mandate.

Public Act [100-0495](#) allows for the electronic delivery of auto insurance documents.

Public Act [100-0202](#) reinforces that no person can operate, register, or maintain registration of a motor vehicle in Illinois unless the motor vehicle is covered by a liability insurance policy.

Procurement

Public Act [100-0333](#) will require mobilization payments to be made to subcontractors when a contract with IDOT provides for mobilization payments.

Public Act 100-0376 prohibits contractors, subcontractors or material suppliers with DOT contracts from offsetting, decreasing, or diminishing payments due to subcontractors or material suppliers without reasonable cause.

Tax

Public Act 100-0348 allows the Fire Protection District Board of Trustees to levy a special tax for expenses for emergency and rescue crews and equipment via referendum.

Public Act 100-0551 would unjustly punish companies who engage in perfectly legal federal tax planning retroactively. Under the bill, the state would prohibit so-called "expatriated entities" who have engaged in corporate inversions from bidding on state contracts and prohibits the state's pension systems from investing in the stock of such companies. As a matter of fundamental tax policy, **the Chamber opposes using the state's procurement code to punish companies for engaging in perfectly legal federal tax planning.**

Public Act 100-0022, otherwise known as tax omnibus bill, that among other things included the new income tax rates, has provisions that are set to go into law Jan. 1 2018. While majority of the tax provisions are already in effect, two pertinent articles (Art. 15 and 17) make sweeping changes to the state's unclaimed property statutes. The most concerning aspects of the law would strip away the business-to-business exemption and allow third party auditors to retroactively audit businesses that have unclaimed property. The Chamber is working on legislation for 2018 to mitigate these provisions. Any member interested in learning more is encouraged to contact Keith Staats. **The Chamber opposed this bill in its entirety.**

Public Act 100-0415 extends the Live Theater Production Tax Credit for five years.

Public Act 100-0437 eliminates the use tax upfront and instead applies it to the final sale, so that rental purchase companies can warehouse in Illinois and lease to multi-state clients in border communities.

Public Act 100-0328 extends the Angel Investment Tax Credit from December 31, 2016 to December 31, 2021.

Transportation and Infrastructure

Public Act 100-0106 allows for a counties outside of Cook County to abolish a road district through public referendum.

Public Act 100-0343 changes the maximum semi-trailer length on all nonstate highways from 55 to 65 feet.

Public Act 100-0359 allows motorists to pass bicyclists in no-passing zones and allows bicyclists to drive on the shoulder.

Public Act 100-0366 provides the provisions in law governing size, weight, and load of vehicles does not apply to fire apparatus, and authorized emergency vehicles owned and operated by governmental bodies or non-for-profit fire protection service organization or agency.

Public Act 100-0160 provides that semitrucks be subject to a safety test at an official testing station at least every 12 months (rather than six months as provided by current law).

Public Act 100-0209 creates three new classifications of electric bicycles and allows local authorities to regulate low-speed electric and gas-bicycles.

Public Act 100-0423 requires each Class I railroad to submit an annual report containing procurement goals and actual spending for female-owned, minority-owned, veteran-owned and small business enterprises.