



# ILLINOIS CHAMBER

## Rail Report

February 9th, 2022

### *Highlights from Today:*

The Senate was once again in Springfield today for in-person session. Floor action was brief with no substantive action taking place. Numerous committee hearings were held throughout the day. The Senate returns tomorrow, February 10th at 12 pm.

### **Committee Action of Note:**

[HB 1780](#), **Drug Takeback** passed out of the House Prescription Drug Affordability & Accessibility Committee by a vote of 15-2-0. This bill provides that each covered manufacturer must, beginning January 1, 2024 (rather than no later than July 1, 2022) or 6 months after becoming a covered

manufacturer, individually or collectively implement (rather than participate in) an approved drug take-back program. Requires a drug take-back program to provide for the collection, transportation, and disposal of covered drugs. Provides that specified requirements shall be undertaken by a drug take-back program or a covered manufacturer.

[HB 4600](#), **One Day Rest in Seven** passed out of the House Labor & Commerce Committee by a vote of 17-9-0. This bill provides that any employer who violates any of the provisions of the Act, shall be guilty of a civil offense (rather than a petty offense), and shall be subject to a civil penalty of up to \$500 per offense, payable to the Department of Labor, and damages of up to \$500 per offense, payable to the employee or employees affected (rather than be fined for each offense in a sum of not less than \$25 nor more than \$100).

[SB 3007](#), **SOS Driver License Omnibus** passed out of the Senate Transportation Committee by a vote of 19-0-0. This bill provides that the Secretary of State is authorized to suspend or revoke the driving privileges of any person without a preliminary hearing upon a showing of the person's records or other sufficient evidence that the person has committed an out-of-State offense similar to the Illinois prohibition on the unlawful use of a license, has possessed cannabis while under 21 years of age, or has provided false information about his or her age to a cannabis establishment. Provides that driver rehabilitation specialists or programs are permitted to give driving instruction without being issued a license, except when the client of the specialist or program has never held a driver's license. Changes the implementation date concerning changes to the Secretary of State's requirements regarding the posting of certain information to the Commercial Driver's License Information System from June 22, 2021 to June 23, 2025. Provides that an individual shall be disqualified from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life if that individual uses a commercial motor vehicle in the commission of a felony involving an act or practice of severe forms of human trafficking.

[SB 3096](#), **Digital Driver's License** passed out of the Senate Transportation Committee by a vote of 19-0-0. This bill provides that a person may drive a motor vehicle if in possession of a digitized driver's license. Defines "digitized driver's license". Provides that a person shall not be issued a citation for driving a motor vehicle without a physical driver's license in his or her possession if the person presents a digitized driver's license to a law enforcement officer in connection with a traffic stop or checkpoint.

[SB 3629](#), **Vehicle Towing** passed out of Committee by a vote of 19-0-0. This bill provides that if the owner or other legally authorized person in control of a vehicle has an agreement with the owner or owner's agent of the property from which the vehicle was nonconsensually towed permitting the vehicle to be

parked on the property, and the property owner or owner's agent fails to give personal notice of the tow to the owner of the vehicle, the property owner or owner's agent shall be liable to the owner or other legally authorized person in control of the vehicle for towing charges and storage charges accrued through release of the vehicle.

[SB 3707](#), **Dementia Training** passed out of the Healthcare Access and Availability Committee by a vote of 7-0-0. This bill requires dementia training of at least 2 hours to be completed at the start of employment with the Department or contractor. Provides that persons who are employees of the Department or a contractor on the effective date of the amendatory Act shall complete this training within 6 months after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Requires the training to cover the following subjects: Alzheimer's disease and dementia, safety risks, and communication and behavior. Requires annual continuing education training to include at least 2 hours of dementia training covering those subjects.

[SB 3795](#), **County Design Build** passed out of the Local Government Committee by a vote of 8-0-0. This bill creates the County Design-Build Authorization Division in the Counties Code. Provides that a county 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 county may combine the two-phase procedure for selection into one phase.

[SB 3894](#), **Property Tax** Passed out of the Senate Revenue committee after a fairly spirited discussion on amendments. This bill limits the increase in the assessment of any commercial or residential property to 15% over the assessed value in the previous tax year and 40% in any 3-year period. Provides that the limitation shall apply in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants and may apply in other counties by ordinance or resolution of the county board. Provides that, in counties with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants, whenever the chief county assessment officer of the county substantively changes the procedure by which he or she assesses properties, the chief county assessment officer shall hold a 60-day public comment period to receive input from members of the public before the change takes effect.

[SB 3917](#), **Microchip Incentives** passed out of the Senate Revenue Committee. This bill creates the Manufacturing Illinois Chips for Real Opportunity (MICRO) Program to be administered by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. Creates various tax incentives for manufacturers of semiconductors, microchips, or semiconductor or microchip

component parts, subject to an agreement with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

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