

ABSTRACTS OF STATE REPORTS

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COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Reports Filed with the General Assembly

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Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Dept. of

Angel Investment Tax Credit Program, 2025

The program's purpose is to attract and encourage investments in innovative, early-stage companies in Illinois. Applicants received over \$4.1 million in tax credits in 2025. There were 81 businesses registered as qualified new ventures, and 91 investors got tax credits. (35 ILCS 5/220(h); filed by DCEO Feb. 19, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 20, 2026, 20 pp.; DON)

Business Information Center annual report, 2025

The First Stop Business Information Center answers questions on federal and state requirements, regulatory processes, and aid. It also continued to provide free business startup kits; guides on business topics; and access to an online database of licensing and regulatory information. It received 1,300 requests for help by phone, email, and

postal mail in 2025. (20 ILCS 608/15(q); filed by DCEO Feb. 19, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 24, 2026, 4 pp.; AER)

Economic Growth Plan, 2025 update

The state's 5-year Economic Growth Plan, released in 2024, identified 48 business attraction and development objectives. The report gives an update on actions toward each objective. DCEO determined that no modifications to the 2024 plan are needed. (20 ILCS 605/605-300; filed by DCEO Jan. 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 19, 2026, 13 pp. + 1 appendix; HUL)

Commission on Equity and Inclusion

Business Enterprise Program for Minorities, Women, and Persons with Disabilities annual report, FY 2024

State agencies and universities made just over \$1.3 billion in contracts with businesses certified under the program—up 1% from FY 2023. Some 5,049 certified vendors participated in FY 2024, down from 5,415 in FY 2023. The

Commission's certification unit held 35 virtual support sessions and 29 outreach events for vendors and applicants, and made over 107 vendor site visits. The compliance unit received 108 compliance plan submissions from state agencies and universities, and reviewed hundreds of utilization plans and buying goals. Statistics on each state agency and university are included. (30 ILCS 575/8f; filed by CEI Feb. 28, 2025, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 18, 2026, 113 pp.; HUL)

Illinois State Toll Highway Authority

Annual report, 2026

The Authority's FY 2026 budget projects \$1.79 billion in revenue. Spending is as follows: property renewal, replacement, and improvement, \$735.9 million; debt service transfers, \$581.9 million; and maintenance and operations, \$467.7 million. The Authority also plans to invest \$1.26 billion in capital spending for the 15th year of its Move Illinois capital program and the

second year of its Bridging the Future capital plan. It expects to have spent 92.7% of the \$15 billion Move Illinois budget by 2026 year-end. (605 ILCS 10/23(e); filed by ISTHA Dec. 2025, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 11, 2026, 180 pp. + appendix; HAP)

Legislative Audit Commission
Annual report, 2025

The Commission reviewed 169 financial audits and compliance examinations, 11 statewide single audits, and 6 performance audits in 2025. It reviewed statements for 164 emergency purchases totaling over \$161 million; monitored reports of travel control boards; and reviewed awards not made to lowest bidders. (25 ILCS 150/3; undated, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 17, 2026, 34 pp. + 4 appendices; HUL)

Public Health, Dept. of
Federal and state fines received for long-term care, FY 2025

IDPH received \$6.4 million in state fines from nursing homes, along with its \$6.0 million share of federal fines on such homes. In FY 2024 it had received \$7.0 million in state and \$4.6 million in federal fines. Expenditures from the funds receiving the fines are listed. (210 ILCS 45/3-518; filed by IDPH Jan. 15, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Jan. 21, 2026, 2 pp.; HUL)

Opioid overdose semiannual report, 2024

This report gives 2024 data on opioid overdose deaths

of Illinois residents. Overall drug overdose deaths fell 31% from 3,502 in 2023 to 2,419 in 2024. Opioid overdose deaths continued to be the highest portion of drug-related deaths, but fell 35% from 2,855 in 2023 to 1,838 in 2024. Heroin, cocaine, and alcohol deaths also declined. The report gives data on drug-related deaths by race or ethnicity, age, sex, and county. (210 ILCS 85/6.14g(d); filed by IDPH Dec. 2025, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 20, 2026, 15 pp.; DON)

State Board of Education
Early Childhood Prevention Initiative report, FYs 2024-25

The program began in 1988 to increase school success by coordinating and expanding services for children up to age 3 in high-risk areas. It served 15,828 children and 16,488 caregivers in FY 2024, and 16,669 children and 17,333 caregivers in FY 2025. The report includes program types, participant demographics, family surveys, and budget and service levels. (105 ILCS 5/2-3.89(c); issued by ISBE Feb. 10, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 10, 2026, 41 pp.; WOO)

Educational mandates report, FY 2025

The 2025 report lists 28 new school mandates. Of those, costs of 18 could not be projected, and 10 imposed no added costs. Among other things, schools must train substitute teachers on school evacuation drills and lockdown

drills; notify parents of their right to be accompanied at an Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting; and in high schools, designate a staff member to answer questions about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). (105 ILCS 5/2-3.104; filed by ISBE Feb. 26, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 26, 2026, 19 pp.; AER)

Preschool for All report, FYs 2024-2025

The Preschool for All (PFA) and Preschool for All Expansion (PFAE) programs served 82,476 students at an average cost of \$5,941 in FY 2024, and 83,661 students at an average cost of \$6,180 in FY 2025. Performance on the FY 2025 Illinois Assessment of Readiness by former PFA students who were in grade 3 showed about 75.3% approached, met, or exceeded expectations in math, and about 84.1% in English language arts. The report includes student demographics, statewide need, program quality measures, and budget and service levels. (105 ILCS 5/2-3.71(a)(6); filed by ISBE Feb. 10, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 10, 2026, 69 pp.; WOO)

School mandate waiver requests, spring 2026

The report summarizes 37 waiver requests—5 approved by ISBE, 25 transmitted to the General Assembly, 1 withdrawn or not needed, and 6 ineligible. Requests are classified by

topic and legislative action, and relevant statutes are listed. Common waiver topics included: administrative cost limitation (13 transmitted, 4 ineligible); statement of affairs (5 transmitted, 1 ineligible); school improvement (5 approved); driver education (4 transmitted, 1 ineligible); nonresident tuition (2 transmitted, 1 withdrawn or not needed); and physical education (1 transmitted). (105 ILCS 5/2-3.25g; filed by ISBE Feb. 20, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 20, 2026, 22 pp. + 1 appendix; DON)

State Fire Marshal

Annual report, 2025

The report gives information on the Office's activities, including grants and loans to fire departments; arson investigations; boiler and pressure vessel safety; elevator safety; petroleum and chemical safety; fire prevention; personnel standards and education; technical services support; and the Office's budget. The Office performed 977 arson investigations; 45,864 boiler and pressure vessel inspections; and 16,094 fire safety inspections. It also processed 8,380 elevator operation certificates, and registered 18,572 active petroleum chemical tanks. (50 ILCS 740/13; filed by State Fire Marshal Feb. 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 26, 2026, 30 pp.; AER)

Report on intentionally added PFAS in Illinois firefighting foam, 2025

The State Fire Marshal surveyed Illinois fire departments on the prevalence and use of Class B firefighting foam containing intentionally added PFAS (chemicals used in some industrial and consumer products, including firefighting foam, that can harm health) from October 2024 through September 2025. Responses from 188 departments reported 82,810 gallons of Class B firefighting foam on September 30, 2025. The Office worked with foam makers to determine the likely PFAS content of that foam. Some 33% probably contain intentionally added PFAS, and 53% unintentionally added PFAS. Responding departments discharged 25,407 gallons of Class B foam and disposed of 4,174 gallons, all likely containing intentionally added PFAS. Reported discharges were 4.2 times as high in 2025 as in 2024. Whether that is due to more use or increased reporting was not determined. (415 ILCS 170/25(b); filed by State Fire Marshal Feb. 11, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 11, 2026, 5 pp.; HAP)

State Police, Illinois

FOID Card Review Board monthly report, Dec. 2025

The Board hears petitions from persons whose FOID card applications were denied or whose cards are revoked. It received 38 cases in December. It granted relief in 22, denied relief in 3, and continued 13 cases. (430 ILCS 65/10(a-5) (9); filed by ISP Dec. 11, 2025, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 5, 2026, 1 p.; WOO)

FOID Card Review Board monthly report, Jan. 2026

The Board received 62 cases in January. It granted relief in 37, denied relief in 4, and continued 21 cases. (430 ILCS 65/10(a-5) (9); filed by ISP Feb. 3, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 5, 2026, 1 p.; WOO)

Veterans Affairs, Dept. of

Locally-held benefit funds quarterly report, Oct.-Dec. 2025

For each state veterans' home, the report describes monetary and nonmonetary donations received for residents' benefit; how and when they were disbursed; and fund balances at quarter-end. The length of this report was affected by formatting changes. (20 ILCS 2805/2.01a; filed by IDVA Jan. 30, 2026, rec'd by CGFA Feb. 3, 2026, 21 pp.; HAP)

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