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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Illinois Literacy Act. Removes the representative of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity from the Illinois Literacy Council and removes an obsolete reference to the Prairie State 2000 Authority. Amends the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may (currently, must) develop an Engineering Excellence Program. Provides that certain actions concerning the new business permitting portal are permissive. Repeals certain provisions concerning the duties of the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. Amends the Illinois Emergency Employment Development Act. Repeals provisions concerning the Illinois 21st Century Workforce Development Fund Advisory Committee and the work incentive demonstration project. Amends the Local Government Consolidation Commission Act of 2011. Repeals provisions concerning compensation for the Local Government Consolidation Commission. Amends the Bikeway Act. Provides that a designee of the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (currently, the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity) may serve on the interagency council on the bikeways program. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Literacy Act is amended by
5 changing Section 20 as follows:

6 (15 ILCS 322/20)

7 Sec. 20. Illinois Literacy Council.

8 (a) The Council shall facilitate the improvement of
9 literacy levels of Illinois citizens by providing a forum from
10 which representatives from throughout the State can promote
11 literacy, share expertise, and recommend policy.

12 (b) The Council shall be appointed by and be responsible
13 to the Governor. The Secretary of State shall serve as
14 chairman. The Council shall advise the Governor and other
15 agencies on strategies that address the literacy needs of the
16 State, especially with respect to the needs of workplace
17 literacy, family literacy, program evaluation, public
18 awareness, and public and private partnerships.

19 (c) The Council will determine its own procedures and the
20 number, time, place, and conduct of its meetings. It shall
21 meet at least 4 times a year. The Council may be assisted in
22 its activities by the Literacy Office. Council members shall
23 not receive compensation for their services.

1 (d) The Council's membership shall consist of
2 representatives of public education, public and private sector
3 employment, labor organizations, community literacy
4 organizations, libraries, volunteer organizations, the Office
5 of the Secretary of State, ~~the Department of Commerce and~~
6 ~~Economic Opportunity~~, the Illinois Community College Board,
7 the Department of Employment Security, the Department of Human
8 Services, the State Board of Education, and the Department of
9 Corrections, ~~and the Prairie State 2000 Authority~~.

10 (e) The Council members representing State agencies shall
11 act as an interagency coordinating committee to improve the
12 system for delivery of literacy services, provide pertinent
13 information and agency comments to Council members, and
14 implement the recommendations forwarded by the Council and
15 approved by the Governor.

16 (f) The Secretary of State, in consultation with the
17 Council, shall expend moneys to perform Council functions as
18 authorized by this Act from the Literacy Advancement Fund, a
19 special fund hereby created in the State Treasury. All moneys
20 received from an income tax checkoff for the Literacy
21 Advancement Fund as provided in Section 507I of the Illinois
22 Income Tax Act shall be deposited into the Fund.

23 (Source: P.A. 94-793, eff. 5-19-06.)

24 Section 10. The Department of Commerce and Economic
25 Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois

1 is amended by changing Sections 605-460 and 605-1007 as
2 follows:

3 (20 ILCS 605/605-460)

4 Sec. 605-460. Engineering excellence program.

5 (a) Coordination between engineering schools and private
6 business is an important tool in fostering innovation.
7 Universities have eager students, experienced faculty, and
8 state-of-the-art research facilities. Businesses have existing
9 markets, production capital, and evolving needs. The General
10 Assembly believes that universities and businesses should
11 share resources to allow students to participate in the
12 research and development area of innovative design and to
13 allow businesses to benefit from the developing skills of
14 these students.

15 (b) In order to facilitate engineering excellence, the
16 Department ~~may shall~~ develop a program to achieve the goals
17 set forth in subsection (a). Under this program, the
18 Department ~~may must~~:

19 (1) Annually contact the State's major public and
20 private universities with engineering schools.

21 (2) Request a one-page written summary of the
22 internship, externship, or residency programs operated by
23 the engineering college of each of the contacted
24 universities.

25 (3) Identify the manufacturing businesses within 50

1 miles of each university that responded under paragraph
2 (2) that could benefit from assistance in the area of
3 innovative design.

4 (4) Send a letter to each manufacturer identified
5 under paragraph (3), informing it of the university's
6 program and advising the business to contact the
7 university if it wishes to participate in the engineering
8 school's program.

9 (c) The Department may ~~shall~~ adopt rules for the
10 implementation of this Section.

11 (Source: P.A. 97-721, eff. 6-29-12.)

12 (20 ILCS 605/605-1007)

13 Sec. 605-1007. New business permitting portal.

14 (a) By July 1, 2017, the Department shall create and
15 maintain, in consultation with the Department of Innovation
16 and Technology, a website to help persons wishing to create
17 new businesses or relocate businesses to Illinois. The
18 Department shall consult with at least one organization
19 representing small businesses in this State while creating the
20 website.

21 (b) The website may ~~shall~~ include:

22 (1) an estimate of license and permitting fees for
23 different businesses;

24 (2) State government application forms for business
25 licensing or registration;

1 (3) hyperlinks to websites of the responsible agency
2 or organization responsible for accepting the application;
3 and

4 (4) contact information for any local government
5 permitting agencies that may be relevant.

6 (c) The Department may ~~shall~~ contact all agencies to
7 obtain business forms and other information for this website.
8 Those agencies shall respond to the Department before July 1,
9 2016.

10 (d) The website may ~~shall~~ also include some mechanism for
11 the potential business owner to request more information from
12 the Department that may be helpful in starting the business,
13 including, but not limited to, State-based incentives that the
14 business owner may qualify for when starting or relocating a
15 business.

16 (e) The Department may ~~shall~~ update the website at least
17 once a year before July 1. The Department may ~~shall~~ request
18 that other State agencies report any changes in applicable
19 application forms to the Department by June 1 of every year
20 after 2016.

21 (Source: P.A. 99-134, eff. 1-1-16; 100-611, eff. 7-20-18.)

22 (20 ILCS 605/605-110 rep.)

23 (20 ILCS 605/605-205 rep.)

24 (20 ILCS 605/605-340 rep.)

25 (20 ILCS 605/605-575 rep.)

1 (20 ILCS 605/605-825 rep.)

2 (20 ILCS 605/605-860 rep.)

3 Section 15. The Department of Commerce and Economic
4 Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois
5 is amended by repealing Sections 605-110, 605-205, 605-340,
6 605-575, 605-825, and 605-860.

7 (20 ILCS 630/11 rep.)

8 (20 ILCS 630/17 rep.)

9 Section 20. The Illinois Emergency Employment Development
10 Act is amended by repealing Sections 11 and 17.

11 (20 ILCS 3987/20 rep.)

12 Section 25. The Local Government Consolidation Commission
13 Act of 2011 is amended by repealing Section 20.

14 (30 ILCS 375/3 rep.)

15 Section 30. The Local Government Debt Offering Act is
16 amended by repealing Section 3.

17 (310 ILCS 30/2 rep.)

18 Section 35. The Redevelopment Project Rehousing and
19 Capital Improvements Act is amended by repealing Section 2.

20 Section 40. The Bikeway Act is amended by changing Section
21 4 as follows:

1 (605 ILCS 30/4) (from Ch. 121, par. 604)

2 Sec. 4. In expending funds available for purposes of this
3 Act, the Department shall cooperate with municipalities,
4 townships, counties, road districts, park districts and other
5 appropriate agencies and organizations and, where possible and
6 practicable, shall allocate its expenditures among the several
7 regions of the State, proportionally to the bicycling
8 population.

9 The Secretary of Transportation shall serve as chairman of
10 and shall at least quarterly convene an interagency council on
11 the bikeways program, comprised of the Director of Natural
12 Resources, the Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
13 or his or her designee, the State Superintendent of Education,
14 a county engineer or county superintendent of highways chosen
15 by the statewide association of county engineers, a
16 representative of the Cook County Forest Preserve District,
17 and the Secretary of Transportation, for the purpose of
18 determining policy and priorities in effectuating the purposes
19 of this Act.

20 (Source: P.A. 94-793, eff. 5-19-06.)

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
22 becoming law.

1 INDEX

2 Statutes amended in order of appearance

3 15 ILCS 322/20

4 20 ILCS 605/605-460

5 20 ILCS 605/605-1007

6 20 ILCS 605/605-110 rep.

7 20 ILCS 605/605-205 rep.

8 20 ILCS 605/605-340 rep.

9 20 ILCS 605/605-575 rep.

10 20 ILCS 605/605-825 rep.

11 20 ILCS 605/605-860 rep.

12 20 ILCS 630/11 rep.

13 20 ILCS 630/17 rep.

14 20 ILCS 3987/20 rep.

15 30 ILCS 375/3 rep.

16 310 ILCS 30/2 rep.

17 605 ILCS 30/4 from Ch. 121, par. 604