

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB4836

Introduced 1/12/2010, by Rep. David Reis

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Sunshine Commission Act. Provides for the appointment by the legislative leaders of a Sunshine Commission, consisting of 4 legislators and 4 public members, to conduct a thorough review of the relevance, efficiency, and effectiveness of each "State executive branch program". Requires the Commission to report its recommendations to the General Assembly within 6 months after the Act's effective date. Requires the General Assembly, by joint resolution, to approve or reject the report within 60 session days after the report is filed. Repeals the Act 2 years after its effective date. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

- Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Sunshine Commission Act.
- 6 Section 5. Commission; members; compensation; 7 organization.
 - (a) The Sunshine Commission is created. The Commission shall consist of 4 members of the General Assembly and 4 public members. The President and Minority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives shall each appoint one of the legislative members and one of the public members.
 - (b) Each public member shall have professional, private sector experience in the field of banking, finance, or accounting, with at least one public member experienced in each of those fields.
 - A public member, and any of that member's immediate family, may not have a direct financial relationship with the State, including through current employment, a current elected or appointed position, a current contract, or a contract awarded during the 5 years before that member's appointment. A public member may not have had any public employment or position,

- other than elected office, during the 2 years before that
- 2 member's appointment.
- 3 (c) Members shall receive no compensation for, and shall
- 4 not be reimbursed for their expenses incurred with respect to,
- 5 their membership on the Sunshine Commission.
- 6 (d) The Commission members shall elect 2 of their number to
- 7 serve as co-chairs. The appointing authorities of the co-chairs
- 8 may not be affiliated with the same political party.
- 9 The Commission shall meet at the call of the co-chairs and
- 10 as frequently as necessary to perform its function.
- 11 Section 10. Review of programs. The Commission shall
- 12 conduct a thorough review of each State executive branch
- 13 program with respect to its relevance, efficiency, and
- 14 effectiveness in obtaining the results required by, or
- achieving the goals expressed in, the program's enacting
- 16 legislation.
- 17 The Auditor General and each State executive branch
- 18 official, agency, and department shall cooperate with and
- 19 provide information to the Commission in the Commission's
- 20 performance of the review.
- 21 Within 6 months after the effective date of this Act, the
- 22 Commission shall submit to the General Assembly a written,
- comprehensive, and detailed report of the Commission's review,
- 24 including without limitation recommendations as to:
- 25 (1) Elimination of obsolete or ineffective programs.

- 1 (2) Consolidation of duplicative programs.
- 2 (3) Steps to improve a program's efficiency or 3 effectiveness.
- 4 Section 15. Action upon report. Within 60 session days 5 after the Commission's report is filed with the General 6 Assembly, each house must vote upon the same joint resolution to accept the Commission's report. If the resolution is adopted 7 by a record vote of a majority of the members elected in each 8 house, the recommendations contained in the Commission's 9 10 report are approved in whole; if the resolution is not so 11 adopted, the recommendations in the Commission's report are 12 rejected in whole.
- Section 20. Repeal. This Act is repealed 2 years after its effective date.
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.