

Illinois County Treasurers' Association

ILLINOIS COUNTY TREASURERS' ASSOCIATION

Zone II Meeting June 29, 2018 Carthage, Illinois

MINUTES

The group met at 10:30 am at the Hancock County Courthouse in Carthage. Hancock County Treasurer Kris Pilkington led the group on a tour of her office and other parts of the historic courthouse. After the tour, the group travelled to Lake Hill Winery for lunch and the business meeting.

Treasurers/Deputies in attendance were: Kris Pilkington, Hancock; Staci Mayall, Fulton; Kirby Ballard, Greene; Tom Cavanagh, Sangamon; Mark Ford, Scott; Chris Slusser, Madison; Candy Knight, Brown; Terry Asher, Adams; Nancy Clayton, Warren (retired); Susan Meyer, Henderson (retired); and Mark Crawford, Sangamon (deputy).

Others in attendance were: Rick Scheibal, Joseph E. Meyer & Associates; Scott LePenske, DevNet; Megan Cochran, Sikich; Rob Baren, Illinois State Treasurer's Office; and Brittan Bolin, Brittan Bolin Consulting.

Zone II Chairman Tom Cavanagh welcomed the group to Carthage and thanked Kris Pilkington for hosting.

Tom indicated that because of his impending retirement, Zone II would be in need of a new chairman in December. He urged those in attendance to consider stepping up to serve. Tom mentioned that Terry Asher and Dean Ross would also be retiring this year and asked the group if anyone was aware of other retirements.

The ICTA summer Conference will be held in Carbondale July 16-18 with Donna Masterson, Brent Williams and Patti Hahn coordinating. Tom suggested anyone considering attending should contact one of them for more information.

Tom reminded the group that the Zone II annual dues in the amount of \$10 were due. Many treasurers in attendance made payment.

Rick Scheibal, Scott LePenske and Megan Cochran made brief comments about their products and/or services. Rob Baren of the Illinois State Treasurer's Office introduced himself and gave a brief report.

Tom introduced Brittan Bolin who distributed an end-of-session legislative report (attached). She gave a presentation on many legislative topics, both in general and specific to the ICTA. A number of those in attendance had questions and/or comments.

After a delicious lunch at Lake Hill Winery a group photo was taken. The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Cavanagh, Sangamon County Treasurer and ICTA Zone II Chairman

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IL - HB4237 INC TX-CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION

Notes:

SALT Work-Around

Last Action: Placed on Calendar Order of Concurrence Senate Amendment(s) 1, 2 (May 24, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Representative Jonathan Carroll (D)

Summary: Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates an income tax credit in an amount equal to the contributions made by the taxpayer to the Illinois Excellence Fund during the taxable year. Amends the State Finance Act. Creates the Illinois Excellence Fund. Provides that moneys in the Fund shall be used for exclusively public purposes, as specified under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code relating to charitable contributions and gifts. Amends the Counties Code. Provides that the county board may establish a fund in the county treasury for the purpose of accepting contributions for exclusively public purposes, as specified under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code relating to charitable contributions and gifts and may provide for a credit against the taxpayer's property tax liability in an amount equal to the amount of the contribution. Effective immediately.

IL - HB4246 LOCAL GOV CONVENTION EXPENSES

Last Action: Referred to Rules Committee (January 16, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Representative David McSweeney (R)

Summary: Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a entered into before the effective date of the Act. Effective immediately.

IL - HB4248 CONVENTION EXPENSE LIMITATIONS

Last Action: Referred to Rules Committee (January 16, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Representative David McSweeney (R)

Summary: Creates the Local Government Convention Expense Control Act. Provides that on or after the effective date of the Act, public funds shall not be expended by a unit of local government for expenses connected with attendance by an employee or contractor of the unit of local government at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes public funds expended (1) at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel or (2) pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date of the Act. Amends the State Finance Act. Provides that, for contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act by units of local government, school districts, community college districts, or local taxing bodies, State appropriations shall not be expended to rent or pay for access to

physical space for booths, hospitality suites, or other physical space at a convention or gathering of personnel. Excludes appropriations for physical space expenditures at any convention or gathering of public safety personnel. Effective immediately.

IL - HB4804 PROP TX-SINGLE BIDDER

Notes:

Neutral if Amended

Last Action: Referred to Rules Committee (February 14, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Representative Joe Sosnowski (R)

Summary: Amends the Property Tax Code. Requires county collectors to adopt a single bidder rule sufficient to prohibit a tax purchaser from registering more than one related bidding entity. Provides that violation of a single bidder rule is a Class A misdemeanor for a first offense and a Class 4 felony for a second or subsequent offense. Provides that a second or subsequent offense shall operate as a bar to any future participation in tax sales within Illinois. Effective immediately.

IL - HB4822 LOCAL GOVT-ELECTRONIC NOTICES

Last Action: Sent to the Governor (June 22, 2018)
Primary Sponsor: Representative Brad Halbrook (R)

Summary: Creates the Local Government Electronic Notification Act. Allows a unit of local government to establish a process to allow people to select electronic notifications through an electronic notification delivery system for governmental mailings that are being sent by United States mail. Sets forth requirements for the process. Allows a unit of local government to utilize the electronic notification delivery system to notify people of information that is not statutorily required upon request of an electronic notification recipient. Provides that electronic notifications sent by a unit of local government through an electronic notification delivery system and email addresses provided to receive the electronic notifications regarding one's property or residence are not subject to the Freedom of Information Act. Provides that a unit of local government may enter into an intergovernmental agreement with another unit of local government to provide the electronic notifications and to share data for that purpose.

IL - HB5268 FOIA-GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS

Last Action: Referred to Rules Committee (February 16, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Representative Sam Yingling (D)

Summary: Amends the Freedom of Information Act. Defines "member-based organization" as any group, association, or organization that: (1) has a membership that includes one or more government taxing bodies; (2) lobbies on behalf of its governmental members; and (3) receives a majority of its

funding from its governmental members. Provides that a member-based organization is a public body under the Act; however, only records relating to the member-based organization's receipt of public funds or its expenditures made in whole or in part with public funds are public records subject to inspection and copying by the public.

IL - HB5633 MUNI/COUNTY-TRAVEL EXPENSES

Last Action: Referred to Rules Committee (February 16, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Representative Allen Skillicorn (R)

Summary: Amends the Counties Code and Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that a county or municipality may not use payments received from the Local Government Distributive Fund for payments for travel, lodging, or dining. Limits home rule powers. Effective immediately.

IL - \$8486 PROP TX-SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

Notes:

ICTA Neutral as Amended

Last Action: Passed Both Houses (May 31, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Senator Don Harmon (D)

Summary: Amends the Simplified Municipal Telecommunications Tax Act. Makes a technical change

in a Section concerning legislative intent.

IL - SB585 PROP TX-TAX PURCHASERS

Notes:

ICTA Initiative - SUPPORT

Last Action: Passed Both Houses (May 31, 2018)
Primary Sponsor: Senator Jason A. Barickman (R)

Summary: Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that each tax purchaser shall pay to the county collector an automation fee set by the county collector of not more than \$10 for each item purchased (currently, each county collector may assess such a fee). Provides that the indemnity fee in counties with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants shall be not more than \$20 (currently, the fee is \$20). Makes changes concerning the fee imposed by the county board on each person purchasing property at a sale under the Code for payment of interest and costs.

IL - SB1169 REVENUE-TECH

Last Action: Chief Sponsor Changed to Sen. William E. Brady (October 10, 2017)

Primary Sponsor: Senator William E. Brady (R)

Summary: Amends the Cigarette Machine Operators' Occupation Tax Act. Makes a technical change

in a Section concerning the short title.

IL - SB2065 CNTY CD-LOCAL GOVT REDUCTION

Last Action: Referred to Assignments (February 10, 2017)

Primary Sponsor: Senator Dale A. Righter (R)

Summary: Amends the Counties Code. Provides that the Local Government Reduction and Efficiency Division of the Counties Code applies to all counties (currently, only applies to DuPage, Lake, and

McHenry Counties).

IL - SB2539 PROP TX-NOTICE

Last Action: Sent to the Governor (June 22, 2018)
Primary Sponsor: Senator Scott M. Bennett (D)

Summary: Amends the Property Tax Code. In a Section requiring a receipt for payment of certain fees and costs incurred by a certificate holder, provides that the county clerk shall write or stamp the date of receiving upon the receipt. In a Section concerning notice of an extended period of redemption, provides that the county clerk shall write or stamp the date of receipt upon the notice, and provides that the county clerk is not required to extend the period of redemption unless the purchaser or his or her assignee obtains that acknowledgement of delivery. Effective immediately.

IL - SB2674 PROP TX-SINGLE BIDDER RULE

Notes:

ICTA Neutral as Amended

Last Action: Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee (May 18, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Senator Pamela J. Althoff (R)

Summary: Amends the Film Production Services Tax Credit Act of 2008. Makes a technical change in

a Section concerning the short title.

<u>IL - SB2857</u> STATE TREASURER-ADMIN CHARGE

Last Action: Sent to the Governor (June 22, 2018)
Primary Sponsor: Senator Heather A. Steans (D)

Summary: Amends the State Treasurer Act. Amends the State Treasurer Act. Provides that the State Treasurer may retain an administrative charge for both the costs of services associated with the deposit of moneys that are remitted directly to the State Treasurer and the investment or safekeeping of funds by the State Treasurer. Provides that administrative charges from the investment or

safekeeping of funds by the State Treasurer shall be charged no more than monthly and the total amount charged per fiscal year shall not exceed \$12,000,000 plus any amounts required as employer contributions under specified statutory Sections. Provides that moneys in the State Treasurer's Administrative Fund are subject to appropriation by the General Assembly. Amends the State Treasurer's Bank Services Trust Fund Act. Provides that Moneys deposited in the State Treasurer's Bank Services Trust Fund shall be used by the State Treasurer to pay the cost of, among other banking services, operational expenses of the State Treasurer's Office related to the investment or safekeeping of funds under the Treasurer's control. Makes conforming changes. Effective immediately.

IL - SB3215 PROP TX-SALE IN ERROR

Notes:

ICTA Initiative - SUPPORT

Last Action: Sent to the Governor (June 26, 2018) Primary Sponsor: Senator Jason A. Barickman (R)

Summary: Amends the Property Tax Code. In provisions concerning sales in error, provides that, in cases where improvements upon the property sold have been substantially destroyed or rendered uninhabitable or otherwise unfit for occupancy, the court may order the holder of the certificate of purchase to assign the certificate to the county collector, upon request of the county collector. Provides that the county collector may further assign the certificate to the county, acting as trustee for taxing districts, or to a taxing district having an interest in the taxes sold. Provides that, if the certificate of purchase is assigned to the county delinquent tax agent because the improvements have been substantially destroyed or rendered uninhabitable or otherwise unfit for occupancy, then the county delinquent tax agent shall extend the redemption period by 36 months.

IL - SB3238 USE/OCC TAX-COAL SUNSET

Notes:

Alternate SALT legislation - OPPOSE

Last Action: Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee (May 31, 2018)

Primary Sponsor: Senator Don Harmon (D)

Summary: Amends the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, and the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Provides that the exemption for coal and aggregate exploration, mining, off-highway hauling, processing, maintenance, and reclamation equipment sunsets on June

30, 2023 (currently, the exemption is subject to the Acts' automatic sunset provisions). Effective immediately.