

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 SB2133

Introduced 2/20/2009, by Sen. Chris Lauzen

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

15 ILCS 20/50-7 new

Amends the State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Defines "zero-based budgeting" as a method of setting budgets that requires a justification of all expenditures, not only those that exceed the prior year's allocations. Thus, each budget line begins at a zero base and must be funded according to merit rather than according to the level approved for the preceding year, when circumstances were probably different. For fiscal year 2010, Provides that the budgets submitted by the Governor and appropriations made by the General Assembly for the following agencies must adhere to the principles of zero-based budgeting: the Department of Labor, the Historic Preservation Agency, the Department of Human Rights, the Department of Agriculture, and the Environmental Protection Agency. For fiscal year 2011 and thereafter, provides that the budgets submitted by the Governor and appropriations made by the General Assembly for all agencies under the jurisdiction of the Executive Ethics Commission must adhere to the principles of zero-based budgeting. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

- Section 5. The State Budget Law of the Civil Administrative

 Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section 50-7 as follows:
- 6 (15 ILCS 20/50-7 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 50-7. Zero-based budgeting.</u>
- 8 (a) "Zero-based budgeting" is a method of setting budgets
 9 that requires a justification of all expenditures, not only
 10 those that exceed the prior year's allocations. Thus, each
 11 budget line begins at a zero base and must be funded according
 12 to merit rather than according to the level approved for the
- preceding year, when circumstances were probably different.
- 14 (b) For fiscal year 2010, the budgets submitted by the
- Governor and appropriations made by the General Assembly for
- 16 the following agencies must adhere to the principles of
- zero-based budgeting: the Department of Labor, the Historic
- Preservation Agency, the Department of Human Rights, the
- Department of Agriculture, and the Environmental Protection
- 20 Agency.
- 21 <u>(c) For fiscal year 2011 and thereafter, the budgets</u>
- 22 <u>submitted by the Governor and appropriations made by the</u>
- 23 General Assembly for all agencies under the jurisdiction of the

- 1 <u>Executive Ethics Commission must adhere to the principles of</u>
- 2 zero-based budgeting.
- 3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 4 becoming law.