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Attorney General, Office of the

Lead poisoning cases, 2020

The Attorney General is required to report lead poisoning cases referred by the Illinois Department of Public Health. It referred none in 2020. (410 ILCS 45/12.1; issued and rec'd March 2021, 1 p.)

Central Management Services, Dept. of

Bilingual Employees, 2021

CMS had 4 bilingual employees in February; all spoke Spanish. The report also includes position descriptions. (5 ILCS 382/3-20; April 2021, rec'd May 2021, 34 pp.)

Flex time report, 2020

The Personnel Code requires agencies to have plans to reduce the use of day care through flex time for eligible

employees. Among the 46,911 Personnel Code employees, 13,030 (27.8%) used flex time in 2020: 10,313 worked flexible hours; 2,533 worked full-time compressed workweeks; 243 worked part-time; and 82 used job sharing. (20 ILCS 415/9(13); issued & rec'd March 2021, 2 pp.)

Service-disabled veteran-owned small business and veteran-owned small business report, FY 2020

To date, CMS has certified 208 vendors under the program: 130 as veteran-owned and 78 as service-disabled veteran-owned. In FY 2020 it awarded 202 contracts worth \$33.6 million under the program. CMS made 7 statewide presentations and workshops, serving 275 businesses. (30 ILCS 500/45-57(b); issued & rec'd March 2021, 3 pp.)

Commerce Commission

Accidents and incidents involving hazardous materials on railroads in Illinois, 2020

The Commission checked 8,745 railroad cars carrying hazardous materials in 2020. Inspectors found violations in 1.0% of inspections. Among 57 railway incidents involving hazardous materials, 4 derailments released hazardous materials and 7 did not; 46 releases occurred without derailment. For each incident, tables show location, railroad, material, suspected causes, amounts involved and released, and dates. (625 ILCS 5/18c-1204(3); issued & rec'd March 2021, 11 pp. + attachments)

Crossing Safety Improvement Program, FYs 2022-2026

Preliminary data showed 82 collisions at public highway-railroad crossings in 2020, compared to 104 in 2019. For fiscal year 2022, ICC

anticipates it will consider projects requiring some \$49.7 million from the Grade Crossing Protection Fund (GCPF) and \$34.5 million from the Rebuild Illinois capital plan (RBI). The report also lists \$250.4 million in proposed safety crossing improvements for FYs 2023-2026, also funded by the GCPF and the RBI. Projects are listed by county. (35 ILCS 505/8(c); issued & rec'd April 2021, 12 pp. + 9 appendices)

Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Dept. of

Illinois Film Office quarterly report, Jan.-Mar. 2021

The Illinois Film Office estimates that 1,795 crew, 170 production office, 227 talent, and 451 extra jobs were created or retained. According to the report, 31% of technical crew and office staff were minorities and 21% were white women. Reported production spending was \$22.4 million (\$16.2 million commercial; \$352,400 television; and \$5.9 million film). The Office is not able to track vendor jobs. It encourages educational opportunities for minorities to be trained for film and television work. (35 ILCS 16/45(b); undated, rec'd. May 2021, 2 pp.)

Live Theater Tax Credit report, Jan.-Mar. 2021

The report lists no live theater spending, production, or jobs brought to Illinois during the quarter. The required diversity assessment is not made as no credits were issued. (35 ILCS 17/10-50(b); undated, rec'd May 2021, 1 pp.)

Juvenile Justice, Dept. of

Quarterly report, Jan. 2021

On November 30, 2020 there were 123 youth in all juvenile facilities, below capacity of 915. Additionally, 436 youth were served on Aftercare. Enrollment in the general education program was 67—including 40 in special education and 20 in vocational programs. The ratio of youth to security staff was 1.7 from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 1.9 from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.; and 3.3 from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. The report also includes youth demographic data. (730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-61(b); Jan. 2021, rec'd July 2021, 7 pp.)

Quarterly report, Apr. 2021

On February 28, 2021 there were 136 youth in all juvenile facilities, below capacity of 915. Additionally, 388 youth were served on Aftercare. Enrollment in the general

education program was 81—including 45 in special education and 27 in vocational programs. The ratio of youth to security staff was 1.6 from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.; 1.7 from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.; and 3.1 from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. The report also includes youth demographic data. (730 ILCS 5/3-2.5-61(b); Apr. 2021, rec'd July 2021, 7 pp.)

Lottery, Dept. of the

Bilingual employees, 2021

The Department had 4 bilingual employees in 2021; all spoke Spanish. The report also includes position descriptions. (5 ILCS 382/3-20; issued & rec'd March 2021, 10 pp.)

Mid-Illinois Medical District Commission

Biennial report, 2017-2018

Actions in facility development during the reporting period included a new women and children's facility built and opened, a new YMCA facility announced for the area, and the opening of a 19-bed inpatient hospice unit. Medical research and development activities included two NIH grants for Alzheimer's research and a study of green tea extract to protect the hearing of

cancer patients. Continued assistance with the Springfield Rail Improvement Program Project is to remain a priority for the Commission. (70 ILCS 925/10(f); May 2019, rec'd March 2021, 19 pp.)

State Board of Education

Special education spending and receipts, FY 2020

The report lists school districts' special education spending; receipts from local, state, and federal sources; and net education spending exceeding such receipts based on the districts' FY 2020 financial reports. The net special education spending per child was \$5,889 in FY 2020. Statewide net special education spending increased to \$2.0 billion in FY 2020 from \$1.8 billion in FY 2019. (105 ILCS 5/2-3.145; issued and rec'd May 2021, 48 pp. + 2 appendices)

State Police, Illinois

Court decisions on FOID cards, 2020

The report says that the State Police received 27 decisions from Illinois courts on its denials of Firearm Owners Identification (FOID) cards; 26 were listed in the body of the report. Of these 26, 14 were upheld; 12 were reversed; and 2 are pending appeal (one decision upheld and one reversal). (430 ILCS 65/11; Feb. 2021, rec'd March 2021, 5 pp.)

Juvenile charge report, Oct.-Dec. 2020

ISP received 4,233 juvenile charge reports (up from 3,634 in the previous quarter). The charges are listed by county. (20 ILCS 2605/2605-355; Feb. 2021, rec'd April 2021, 3 pp.)

Veterans' Affairs, Dept. of
Semi-annual report, July-Dec. 2020

The report lists the number of staff employed in providing direct patient care at four state veterans' homes (Anna, LaSalle, Manteno, and Quincy). Each facility had sufficient staff to meet the standard 2.5 hours of care per day set by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. (20 ILCS 2805/2.07; Dec. 2020, rec'd March 2021, 2 pp.)

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