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## General Assembly Partisan Balance Unchanged

Preliminary results of the November 7 election showed Vice President Al Gore getting Illinois' electoral votes by one of the largest percentages in recent history—exceeded only by President Johnson's 1964 landslide, and equaling President Reagan's percentage in 1984. There was no election to the U.S. Senate or state-wide executive offices.

In General Assembly races, voters re-elected all incumbents who won the March primary. The partisan division of the House (62 Democrats to 56 Republicans) remains the second narrowest since the size of the House was reduced to 118 in 1982.

The partisan division of the Senate (32 Republicans to 27 Democrats) remains unchanged; Republicans have the same margin as in 1992 after re-districting. The only membership change in the Senate was the election of Representative Larry Woolard to the seat formerly held by Senator Jim Rea. Senator-elect Woolard had defeated Rea's appointed replacement, Ned Mitchell, in the March primary.

The state's Congressional delegation remained at 10 Democrats and 10 Republicans. Representative Tim

Johnson (R-Champaign), after defeating Representative William E. Brady (R-Bloomington) in the March primary, was elected to fill the 15th Congressional district seat held by Representative Tom Ewing (R). Representative Lauren Beth Gash was narrowly defeated in the 10th Congressional district by Mark Kirk, former chief of staff to retiring Representative John Porter (R).

### Recent Partisan Divisions

After losing 12 incumbents and one Democratic open seat in 1994, the House Democrats in 1996 regained a majority by defeating five Republican incumbents and picking up one Republican open seat. In 1998 the House Democrats increased their margin by defeating an appointed Republican incumbent and picking up a Republican open seat; the Senate Republicans defeated an appointed Democratic incumbent.

This year, six House members (five Democrats and one Republican) lost the March primary; one Democratic House member was elected to the Senate; three House members (two Republicans and one Democrat) ran for Congress; and one Democratic House member retired. □

### Partisan Division of Statewide Votes & General Assembly, 1960-2000

Election year*	Total ballots cast in state <sup>1</sup>	Votes cast for head of ticket		Illinois House of Representatives		Illinois Senate <sup>2</sup>	
		D	R	D	R	D	R
2000(P)**	4,711,404	2,566,489 (54.5)	2,012,154 (42.7)	62	56	27	32
1998(G)	3,541,379	1,594,191 (47.5)	1,714,094 (51.0)	62	56	27	32
1996(P)	4,418,270	2,341,744 (54.3)	1,587,021 (36.8)	60	58	28	31
1994(G)	3,219,122	1,069,850 (34.4)	1,984,318 (63.9)	54	64	26	33
1992(P)	5,164,357	2,453,350 (48.6)	1,734,096 (34.3)	67	51	27	32
1990(S)	3,420,720	2,115,377 (61.8)	1,135,628 (33.2)	72	46	31	28
1988(P)	4,697,192	2,215,940 (47.2)	2,310,939 (49.2)	67	51	31	28
1986(S)	3,322,450	2,033,783 (61.0)	1,053,734 (31.6)	67	51	31	28
1984(P)	4,969,352	2,086,499 (42.0)	2,707,103 (54.5)	67	51	31	28
1982(G)	3,856,875	1,811,027 (46.9)	1,816,101 (47.1)	70	48	33	26
1980(P)	4,868,890	1,981,413 (40.7)	2,358,049 (48.4)	86	91	30	29
1978(S)	3,342,985	1,448,187 (43.3)	1,698,711 (50.8)	89	88	32	27
1976(P)	4,838,961	2,271,295 (46.9)	2,384,269 (49.3)	94	83	34	25
1974(S)	3,084,675	1,811,496 (58.7)	1,084,884 (35.2)	101	76	34	25
1972(P)	4,882,865	1,913,472 (39.2)	2,788,179 (57.1)	88	89	29	30
1970(S)	3,731,006	2,065,054 (55.3)	1,519,718 (40.7)	87	90	29	29
1968(P)	4,714,943	2,039,814 (43.3)	2,174,774 (46.1)	83	94	20	38
1966(S)	3,928,478	1,678,147 (42.7)	2,100,449 (53.4)	78	99	20	38
1964(P)	4,805,928	2,796,833 (58.2)	1,905,946 (39.7)	118	59	25	33
1962(S)	3,812,120	1,748,007 (45.8)	1,961,202 (51.4)	87	90	23	35
1960(P)	4,845,319	2,377,846 (49.1%)	2,368,988 (48.9%)	88	89	27	31

\* The letter in parentheses—P for President, G for Governor, S for U.S. Senator—indicates the highest-ranking office on the ballot.

\*\* Unofficial returns.

1. Includes third-party votes and the votes of those who did not vote for head of ticket.

2. Includes incumbents whose seats were not up for election.

Source: Compiled by Legislative Research Unit from Illinois election statistics published by Secretary of State and State Board of Elections, various years and Illinois Legislative Handbooks, various years.

Members who did not run for re-election, lost in primary, or ran for another office:

Dist.	Representatives		Dist.	Senator
1	Sonia Silva (D)	Lost in primary	59	Ned Mitchell (D)
4	Edgar I. Lopez (D)	Lost in primary		
7	Wanda J. Sharp (D)	Lost in primary		
10	Coy Pugh (D)	Lost in primary		
29	Willis Harris (D)	Lost in primary		
64	Cal Skinner Jr. (R)	Lost in primary		
60	Lauren Beth Gash (D)	Ran for Congress, lost		
79	Michael Giglio (D)	Did not run		
88	William E. Brady (R)	Ran for Congress, lost in primary		
104	Timothy V. "Tim" Johnson (R)	Ran for Congress, won		
117	Larry D. Woolard (D)	Ran for Illinois Senate, won		

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## Biographies of New Senate Members November 2000 Election



**CAROL RONEN (D-9, Chicago)** was appointed in January 2000 to replace Senator Arthur Berman upon his retirement, and elected to the seat in November. She had served 7 years in the House of Representatives. In 1996 she was named to chair the newly created House Committee on Children and Youth. She has a bachelor's degree in political science from Bradley University, and a master's degree in public administration from Roosevelt University. She is a member of the Senate Revenue and Local Government Committees.



**PETER ROSKAM (R-20, Wheaton)** served in the House in the 88th through 90th General Assemblies (1993-1999). He was appointed to the Senate earlier this year when Senator Beverly Fawell resigned. (The unexpired term lasts through the 92nd General Assembly.) A lawyer in private practice, he has a B.A. from the University of Illinois and a J.D. from the IIT-Kent College of Law. He is a member of the Senate Judiciary, Transportation, and Revenue Committees.



**DAVE SULLIVAN (R-28, Park Ridge)** was appointed to fill the vacancy left by the death of Senator Marty Butler. He has a B.A. in political science from Marquette University. He was executive assistant for intergovernmental affairs to then-Secretary of State Ryan (1992-1998), and the political director of his 1998 gubernatorial campaign. He is vice-chairman of the Senate Licensed Activities Committee, and a member of the Environment and Energy, Public Health and Welfare, and State Government Operations Committees.



**LARRY D. WOOLARD (D-59, Carterville)** has served since 1989 in the House of Representatives, where he chaired the Elementary & Secondary Education Committee and vice-chaired the Insurance Committee among other memberships. He is a former business owner, Williamson County board chairman, and school board president. Senator-elect Woolard was instrumental in establishing the Williamson County Crisis Center, and is active in programs to prevent alcoholism and substance abuse. He is a deacon in his church and has served in the U.S. Army Reserves.

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# Senate

## 92nd General Assembly

### New Member (1)

Dist.

59 Woolard, Larry (D)

### Appointed to 91st General Assembly, elected to 92nd General Assembly (2)

Dist.

9 Ronen, Carol (D)

28 Sullivan, Dave (R)

### Appointed to 91st General Assembly, not up for re-election until 2002 (1)

Dist.

20 Roskam, Peter (R)

### Incumbents (55)

Dist.

1 Munoz, Antonio "Tony" (D)  
2 del Valle, Miguel (D)  
3 Smith, Margaret (D)  
4 Lightford, Kimberly A. (D)  
5 Hendon, Rickey R. (D)  
6 Cullerton, John J. (D)  
7 Dudycz, Walter W. (R)  
8 Silverstein, Ira I. (D)  
10 DeLeo, James A. (D)  
11 Viverito, Louis S. (D)  
12 Molaro, Robert S. (D)  
13 Obama, Barack (D)  
14 Jones, Emil Jr. (D)  
15 Shaw, William "Bill" (D)  
16 Trotter, Donne E. (D)  
17 Madigan, Lisa (D)  
18 O'Malley, Patrick J. (R)  
19 Mahar, William F. (R)  
21 Lauzen, Chris (R)  
22 Walsh, Thomas J. (R)  
23 Philip, James "Pate" (R)  
24 Radogno, Christine (R)  
25 Karpel, Doris C. (R)  
26 Peterson, William E. (R)  
27 Jones, Wendell (R)  
29 Parker, Kathleen K. (R)  
30 Link, Terry (D)  
31 Geo-Karis, Adeline Jay (R)

Dist.

32 Klemm, Dick (R)  
33 Rauschenberger, Steven J. (R)  
34 Syverson, Dave (R)  
35 Burzynski, J. Bradley "Brad" (R)  
36 Jacobs, Dennis J. "Denny" (D)  
37 Sieben, Todd (R)  
38 Welch, Patrick D. (D)  
39 Cronin, Daniel J. "Dan" (R)  
40 Halvorson, Debbie (D)  
41 Dillard, Kirk W. (R)  
42 Petka, Edward F. (R)  
43 Walsh, Lawrence M. "Larry" (D)  
44 Maitland, John W. Jr. (R)  
45 Madigan, Robert A. (R)  
46 Shadid, George P. (D)  
47 Hawkinson, Carl E. (R)  
48 Donahue, Laura Kent (R)  
49 Demuzio, Vince (D)  
50 Bomke, Larry K. (R)  
51 Noland, N. Duane (R)  
52 Weaver, Stanley B. (R)  
53 Myers, Judith A. (R)  
54 O'Daniel, William L. (D)  
55 Watson, Frank C. (R)  
56 Bowles, Evelyn M. (D)  
57 Clayborne, James F. Jr. (D)  
58 Luechtefeld, Dave (R)



Senate Chamber

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## Biographies of New House Members November 2000 Election



**TOM BERNS (R-104, Urbana)** is the president of both Berns, Clancy and Associates, P.C. and Aerial Mapping Services, Inc. in Urbana. He has a B.S. degree in civil engineering from the University of Illinois, and is an active member of many civil engineering professional organizations. He is co-author of the 4th edition (forthcoming) of *Fundamentals of Surveying* by Wong and Berns, and has been an instructor in civil engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and other places.



**DAN BRADY (R-88, Bloomington)** has served as McLean County coroner since 1992, after earlier serving as chief deputy coroner. He has an A.A. from Southern Illinois University and a B.A. from St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa. He has been a funeral home owner in Bloomington; President of the McLean County Young Republicans; and a member of the board of governors of the Illinois Young Republicans Organization. In 1997 he received an award from the National Association of Counties for creating the Model Youth DUI Offender Program to increase judges' options in DUI sentencing.



**ANNAZETTE R. COLLINS (D-10, Chicago)** is an administrator for the Chicago school board. She has a bachelor's degree in sociology from Chicago State University, and an M.S. in criminal justice and further graduate work in counseling from Chicago State University. She previously served in the Department of Children and Family Services, in the Cook County probation department, and as a prison correctional officer.



**GARY F. FORBY (D-117, Benton)** is a former farmer and currently owns Forby Excavating, Inc. in Benton. He has been a member and chairman of the Franklin County board. He serves on the Southern Illinois Workforce Man-Tra-Con Board and the Franklin-Williamson Human Services Board. He has been a member of the Operating Engineers and Laborers' International unions for 30 years.

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## Biographies of New House Members (cont'd from p. 5)



**ROSEMARY KURTZ (R-64, Crystal Lake)** has served as treasurer of Crystal Lake since 1997. She earlier served 20 years on the Crystal Lake Zoning Board of Appeals. A former high school and college teacher, she has a B.A. from the University of Oklahoma, an M.A. from the University of Kansas, and coursework toward a Ph.D. at the University of Iowa. She is a past member of the McHenry County Family Services and Mental Health Clinic board, and has been active in several local civic and social service organizations.



**KAREN MAY (D-60, Highland Park)** is a member of the Highland Park city council. She has a bachelor's degree in communications from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She is the founder and president of a public relations advertising agency. She has also served in many civic, educational, and charitable organizations in Highland Park and Lake County.



**SUSANA MENDOZA (D-1, Chicago)** spent her early childhood in Chicago before moving to Bolingbrook. She attended Northeast Missouri State University and earned a B.A. After returning to Chicago, she became coordinator of business outreach for the Chicago Department of Planning and Development.



**DAVID E. MILLER (D-29, Calumet City)** has a B.S. in biomedical engineering from Boston University and a D.D.S. from the University of Illinois. He has practiced dentistry for over 10 years, and has offices in both Dolton and Chicago. He is also president-elect of the Dolton Chamber of Commerce; president of the Illinois State Dental Society's Political Action Committee; and the American Dental Association's liaison to Congressman Jesse Jackson, Jr. He is a Fellow of Leadership of Greater Chicago, and has received the Illinois State Dental Society's William J. Greek Memorial Leadership Award.



**HARRY OSTERMAN (D-17, Chicago)** was appointed last January to fill the House seat vacated by Carol Ronen's appointment to the Senate, and then elected to the seat in November. He has been president of the Edgewater Community Council and served on the Edgewater Development Corporation, as well as being a deputy commissioner of the Chicago Department of Streets and Sanitation. He serves on the House Appropriations—Human Services, Children and Youth, Elections and Campaign Reform, Tourism, and Tobacco Settlement Proceeds Distribution Committees.



**ROBERT L. RYAN JR. (D-79, Lansing)** has been a bank examiner since 1983. He has a B.A. in business management from North Central College, and graduate work at DePaul University. He is a Certified Fraud Examiner. He has been an active member of several local organizations including the Sons of the American Legion. His grandfather was a member of the General Assembly for 30 years.



**CYNTHIA SOTO (D-4, Chicago)** is an Administrative Supervisor in the Cook County State's Attorney's office, Child Support Enforcement Division. She was educated at Harper College. She is also a member of the board of the Near North Civic Committee.



**KAREN A. YARBROUGH (D-7, Maywood)** is a licensed real estate broker, and the founder and president of Hathaway Insurance Agency. She has a B.A. in business administration from Chicago State University and an M.A. in inner city studies from Northeastern Illinois University. She served as president of the Maywood Chamber of Commerce for 8 years, and is now on the boards of the United Way of Suburban Chicago and the Oak Park YMCA. She is also a founder of Maywood's live theater, a member of the Maywood Youth Mentoring program, and a supporter of scholarship programs.

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# House of Representatives

## 92nd General Assembly

### New Members (11)

Dist.

- 1 Mendoza, Susan (D)
- 4 Soto, Cynthia (D)
- 7 Yarbrough, Karen A. (D)
- 10 Collins, Annazette R. (D)
- 29 Miller, David E. (D)
- 60 May, Karen (D)
- 64 Kurtz, Rosemary (R)
- 79 Ryan, Robert L. Jr. (D)
- 88 Brady, Dan (R)
- 104 Berns, Tom (R)
- 117 Forby, Gary F. (D)

### Appointed to 91st General Assembly, elected to 92nd General Assembly (1)

Dist.

- 17 Osterman, Harry (D)

### Incumbents (106)

Dist.

- 2 Acevedo, Edward (D)
- 3 Delgado, William "Willie" (D)
- 5 Jones, Lovana S. "Lou" (D)
- 6 Jones, Shirley M. (D)
- 8 Giles, Calvin L. (D)
- 9 Turner, Arthur L. (D)
- 11 Erwin, Judy (D)
- 12 Feigenholtz, Sara (D)
- 13 Capparelli, Ralph C. (D)
- 14 McAuliffe, Michael P. (R)
- 15 Lyons, Joseph M. (D)
- 16 Lang, Louis I. (D)
- 18 Hamos, Julie (D)
- 19 Bugielski, Robert J. (D)
- 20 Bradley, Richard T. (D)
- 21 Flowers, Mary E. (D)
- 22 Madigan, Michael J. (D)
- 23 Burke, Daniel J. "Dan" (D)
- 24 Kenner, Howard A. (D)
- 25 Currie, Barbara Flynn (D)
- 26 Morrow, Charles G. III (D)

Dist.

- 27 Davis, Monique D. (D)
- 28 Dart, Thomas J. (D)
- 30 Murphy, Harold (D)
- 31 Stroger, Todd H. (D)
- 32 Howard, Constance A. (D)
- 33 Fritchey, John A. (D)
- 34 McKeon, Larry (D)
- 35 Crotty, M. Maggie (D)
- 36 Brosnahan, James D. "Jim" (D)
- 37 McCarthy, Kevin A. (D)
- 38 Kosel, Renée (R)
- 39 Persico, Vincent A. (R)
- 40 Hultgren, Randall M. (R)
- 41 Cowlshaw, Mary Lou (R)
- 42 Schmitz, Timothy L. (R)
- 43 O'Connor, William A. (R)
- 44 Durkin, James B. (R)
- 45 Wojcik, Kathleen L. "Kay" (R)
- 46 Daniels, Lee A. (R)
- 47 Lyons, Eileen (R)
- 48 Zickus, Anne (R)
- 49 Pankau, Carole (R)
- 50 Johnson, Thomas L. (R)
- 51 Mathias, Sidney H. (R)
- 52 Beaubien, Mark H. Jr. (R)
- 53 Parke, Terry R. (R)
- 54 Bassi, Suzanne "Suzie" (R)
- 55 Mulligan, Rosemary (R)
- 56 Krause, Carolyn H. (R)
- 57 Coulson, Elizabeth (R)
- 58 Schoenberg, Jeffrey M. (D)
- 59 Garrett, Susan (D)
- 61 Moore, Andrea S. (R)
- 62 Osmond, Timothy H. (R)
- 63 Franks, Jack D. (D)
- 65 Lindner, Patricia Reid (R)
- 66 Hoeft, Douglas L. (R)
- 67 Scott, Douglas P. (D)
- 68 Wait, Ronald A. (R)
- 69 Winters, David (R)
- 70 Wirsing, David A. (R)
- 71 Boland, Mike (D)
- 72 Brunsvold, Joel D. (D)
- 73 Mitchell, Gerald L. (R)
- 74 Lawfer, I. Ronald (R)



Dist.

- 75 O'Brien, Mary K. (D)
- 76 Mautino, Frank J. (D)
- 77 Saviano, Angelo "Skip" (R)
- 78 Biggins, Robert A. "Bob" (R)
- 80 Scully, George F. Jr. (D)
- 81 Bellock, Patricia R. (R)
- 82 Meyer, James H. "Jim" (R)
- 83 Hassert, Brent (R)
- 84 Cross, Tom (R)
- 85 Novak, J. Philip "Phil" (D)
- 86 McGuire, John C. "Jack" (D)
- 87 Rutherford, Dan (R)
- 89 Sommer, Keith P. (R)
- 90 Turner, John W. (R)
- 91 Smith, Michael K. (D)
- 92 Slone, Ricca C. (D)
- 93 Leitch, David R. (R)
- 94 Moffitt, Donald L. (R)
- 95 Myers, Richard P. (R)
- 96 Tenhouse, Arthur "Art" (R)

Dist.

- 97 Ryder, Tom (R)
- 98 Hannig, Gary (D)
- 99 Poe, Raymond (R)
- 100 Klingler, Gwenn (R)
- 101 Curry, Julie A. (D)
- 102 Mitchell, Bill (R)
- 103 Winkel, Richard J. "Rick" (R)
- 105 Black, William B. (R)
- 106 Righter, Dale A. (R)
- 107 Jones, John O. (R)
- 108 Hartke, Charles A. (D)
- 109 Granberg, Kurt M. (D)
- 110 Stephens, Ron (R)
- 111 Davis, Steve (D)
- 112 Hoffman, Jay C. (D)
- 113 Holbrook, Thomas "Tom" (D)
- 114 Younge, Wyvetter H. (D)
- 115 Bost, Mike (R)
- 116 Reitz, Dan (D)
- 118 Fowler, James D. "Jim" (D)



House Chamber

## Abstracts of Reports Required to be Filed With General Assembly

The Legislative Research Unit staff is required to prepare abstracts of reports required to be filed with the General Assembly. Legislators may receive copies of entire reports by sending the enclosed form to the State Government Report Distribution Center at the Illinois State Library.

### Aging Department

#### *Elder Abuse and Neglect Act report, FY 1998*

The Elder Abuse and Neglect program received 6,213 reports of abuse (up 6% from FY 1997); abuse was substantiated in 60%. Percentages of reports that alleged each type of abuse (which total over 100% because more than one type can be alleged in a report) were financial exploitation 54%; emotional abuse 44%; passive neglect 38%; physical abuse 24%; willful deprivation 8%; confinement 7%; and sexual abuse 4%. Children were named as abusers in 41% of cases, spouses in 14%, and other relatives in

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23%. Reported victims averaged 79 years old; 71% were women. Nearly one-fourth of abusers depended financially on their victims. The Elder Abuse Advisory Committee continued quarterly meetings in FY 1998. The Department helped with a conference to train trial judges on elder abuse, and sponsored 11th annual Elder Rights Conference. (320 ILCS 20/11; Aug. 1999, 35 pp.)

### *Long-term care partnership insurance project report, 1999*

This program encourages people who expect to need long-term care to shield their assets by buying private insurance for it. If they do so, and later apply for medicaid to finance their care, some or all of their assets will be protected (while they live) from being spent down.

Over 700 pamphlets on the program were distributed, and 800 volunteer counselors statewide were trained on the program. Information is also available on a toll-free number and a Web site. But only 27 “Partnership” policies had been sold by 1999 yearend. The Department planned to survey agents selling such policies, and persons buying them, to try to improve marketing. (320 ILCS 35/55; Dec. 1999, 5 pp.)

## Attorney General

### *State collection statistics, 1999*

State agencies referred to the Attorney General 13,518 collection cases with \$119.7 million owed to the state. He collected \$103.5 million on referred cases. Nearly 93% were from two departments; the Department of Public Aid referred 11,511 cases (85.2%), and the Department of Employment Security 1,022 cases (7.5%). (30 ILCS 205/2(j); Feb. 2000, 2 pp.)

## Chicago Teachers’ Retirement Fund

### *Report on emerging minority - or female-owned investment managers, FY 1999*

By July 1999, 3.7% of the Fund’s assets were invested with six “emerging investment managers” (those with investment portfolios of \$10 to \$400 million, and minority - or female-owned). Over 45% of brokerage commissions went to minority- or female-owned firms. (40 ILCS 5/1-109.1; Aug. 1999, 5 pp.)

## Comptroller

### *Fiscal Responsibility Report Card, fiscal 1998*

The Fiscal Responsibility Law within the Property Tax Code requires the Comptroller to report on revenues and spending of local governments, except school districts. In fiscal 1998, 5,235 local governments reported (a 94% compliance rate). Their receipts from all sources were \$14.4 billion (\$1,215 per resident). The largest sources were property taxes (31.2%); state payments (21.6%); and other local taxes (17.5%). They spent \$14 billion (\$1,179 per resident). The largest categories of spending were public safety (23.5%); general government (19.1%); public works and transportation (13.7%); and debt service (11.1%). (35 ILCS 200/30-31; Dec. 1999, 45 pp.)

### *Receivables report, calendar 1999*

At yearend 1999, a total of \$9 billion (up \$1.1 billion from 1998) was owed to the state—excluding long-term loans. An estimated \$3.4 billion of that was considered uncollectible; \$3.7 billion was deferred receivables; and \$1.9 billion was believed collectible in the short term. (That was up from 1998’s \$1.6 billion but below 1997’s \$2.3 billion. A 1997 change in law requires agencies to report debts after 90 days rather than 1 year, allowing quicker offset of debts against

state payments to debtors.) The largest increases in gross receivables were at the Department of Public Aid (\$351 million) and Student Assistance Commission (\$288 million). Lists receivables by agency and age. (30 ILCS 210/5(d); Mar. 2000, 36 pp.)

## Corrections Department

### *Quarterly report on adult and juvenile facilities, July-September 1999*

DOC had 44,433 residents in adult institutions on August 31, versus rated capacity of 32,238. Adult population was projected at 46,634 by September 2000. Educational or vocational programs enrolled 11,935 adults. Juvenile institutions held 2,150 residents, versus rated capacity of 1,496. (730 ILCS 5/3-5-3.1; Oct. 1999, 23 pp.)

## Education, State Board of

### *Report on limitation of administrative costs*

Lists 105 school districts that voted, after public hearings, to raise their budgets for administrative expenses more than 5% in FY 1999. (105 ILCS 5/17-1.5; Oct. 1999, 4 pp.)

## Environmental Protection Agency

### *Nonhazardous solid waste management and landfill capacity—1998 annual report*

Illinois added 126.3 million cubic yards of landfill capacity in 1998, to a total of 749.3 million (17 years’ worth if current disposal rates did not change). The increase was due mainly to expanding existing landfills and creating 6 new ones. But the Chicago metropolitan area had only 6.8 years’ capacity at current disposal rates, and the Metro-East area 7.9 years. Illinois’ landfills and one incinerator (now closed) disposed of 44.8 million cubic yards of waste in 1998—up 10% from 1997. Reported waste disposal rates were: 75% landfilled, 2% incinerated, and 2% composted. Recycling rates are not

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mandatorily reported, but most of the remaining 21% of municipal waste may have been recycled. (415 ILCS 20/4; Nov. 1999, 330 pp.)

### **Human Services Department, Office of Rehabilitation Services**

*Home services annual report, FY 1999*

Some 19,000 people with disabilities got home services in FY 1999 at a cost of \$143.7 million—up from 18,076 people and \$126.9 million in FY 1998. Accomplishments include expanding a pilot program to re-integrate residents of nursing homes to private homes, and developing a pre-screening tool with other agencies for persons referred to nursing homes. Plans for FY 2000 included completing a comparison of that program's costs and benefits. (20 ILCS 2405/3; Sept. 1999, 7 pp.)

### **Legislative Audit Commission**

*Annual report 1998*

Commission acted on 168 compliance and performance audits, and held public hearings on 61 reports with 468 recommendations (167 repeated from earlier years). It reported weaknesses in many state agency and university computer systems' security and disaster recovery programs; the Department of State Police allowed some 800 employees to use 75 computer networks with little control. Following a program audit of the Department of Professional Regulation's physician disciplinary process, the Department promised to make several improvements, which the Commission planned to monitor. The Transportation Department's costs to build highways were higher than those of any adjoining state; and costs of major highway components (such as asphalt or concrete) varied by around 30% among the state's nine regions. A management audit of state university

tuition and fee waivers (worth \$117 million in FY 1996) found several problems, resulting in a recommendation of more legislative oversight.

Other major findings: Public Aid Department paid over \$2.78 million to nursing homes to care for people who no longer lived there; Racing Board's records of receipts and payments did not agree with those of the Comptroller, or of municipalities as to off-track facilities; Agriculture Department had operated a bank account without statutory authority since 1986; Veterans' Affairs Department operated three of four veterans' homes without nursing home licenses, jeopardizing federal matching funds; Chicago State University Foundation had several accounting deficiencies, including giving scholarships to ineligible students; and the Office of the Commissioner of Savings and Residential Finance and Office of Banks and Real Estate failed to comply with 10 mandatory duties including lacking real estate auditors, reports on final disciplinary matters, and annual committee meetings. (25 ILCS 150/3; July 1999; 40 pp.)

### **Public Health Department**

*Report under Nursing Home Care Act and Abused and Neglected Long-Term Care Facility Residents Reporting Act, 1998*

Illinois' 1,349 nursing homes had 128,580 beds in December 1998. Allegations of physical abuse by certified nurse aides rose from 421 in 1996 to 550 in 1997 and 575 in 1998; IDPH put findings of such abuse into the listings of 220 persons in the Nurse Aide Registry, making them ineligible to work in nursing homes. Total reports of abuse or neglect rose from 858 in 1996 to 1,010 in 1997 to 1,410 in 1998; IDPH found 24% of the individual allegations valid in both 1997 and 1998. There were 79 allegations of unlicensed nursing homes; IDPH

determined 58 to be valid and forwarded information to the Attorney General for prosecution. (210 ILCS 45/3-804 and 30/6; April 1999, rec'd September; 34 pp. + apps.)

*Report on post-transfusion hepatitis incidence*

The risk of contracting hepatitis Type B, or non-A, non-B from blood transfusions has declined in Illinois since 1990. The estimated current risk is 1 per 100,000 units transfused. All Illinois blood banks are members of the American Association of Blood Banks. It requires members to test blood for two markers of hepatitis B, and one of hepatitis C (which makes up 90% of non-A, non-B viral hepatitis cases). (20 ILCS 2310/55.36; June 1999, 2 pp.)

### **Revenue Department**

*Uniform Penalty and Interest Act—late filing and payment penalty provisions*

Late payment of estimated individual and corporate income tax payments rose from 3.42% in 1992 to 5.22% in 1997. The Department concludes that "the manner in which such late payment penalties are assessed has not been an effective deterrent to non-compliance with estimated tax payment requirements." (35 ILCS 735/3-3; Mar. 2000, 8 pp.) □

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