ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY AND LAND USE POLICY COMMITTEE Illinois State Association of Counties March 19, 2024

SB 2841 - CONSERVATION-OPEN SPACE FUND (Support)

Amends the Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development Act. Provides that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, moneys in the Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development Fund may not be appropriated, assigned, or transferred to another State fund. Effective immediately.

SB 3206 - ELECTRONICS-LITHIUM BATTERIES (No Position)

Amends the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act. Provides that, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a lithium-ion battery may not be disposed of in a mixed recycling waste bin. Requires the Environmental Protection Agency to encourage local authorities to use separate curbside recycling collection bins for the disposal of lithium-ion batteries. Requires the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to adopt rules requiring each manufacturer of an electric vehicle that is sold in the State and contains a lithium-ion battery and each manufacturer of lithium-ion batteries sold in the State to submit a battery recycling plan to the Agency by June 1, 2025. Prohibits the disposal of lithium-ion batteries in sanitary landfills, beginning July 1, 2025. Amends the Hazardous Materials Emergency Act. Provides that "hazardous material" includes lithium-ion batteries for purposes of specified provisions of the Act. Effective immediately.

SB 3483 - EPA-LOCAL GOV EV GRANT (Support)

Creates the Local Government Zero Emissions Transition Grant Program Act. Requires the Environmental Protection Agency to establish and administer a Local Government Zero Emissions Transition Grant Program. Delineates the program into two Phases. Provides that Phase 1 requires an application to the Agency by a local government stating a local ordinance or nonbinding declaration has been voted on regarding transition of the local government's vehicle fleet to zero emissions by 2030. Limits Phase 1 grants to a maximum of \$50,000 with at least a 20% match from the applicant. Requires applications under Phase 2 of the program to be predicated on either completion of an evaluative study regarding readiness for electric vehicles by the local government or completion of Phase 1 of the program. Provides that Phase 2 of the

program requires an application to the Agency by a local government stating defined goals and projects in the transition of the local government's vehicle fleet, including building electric vehicle infrastructure, increasing load capacity, training staff, and other defined goals and projects. Gives priority to applicants based on planned date for transition to zero emissions, the effects of climate change and carbon pollution on the local government, and the percentage of the local government's fleet converted. Defines local government units under the Act to municipalities, townships, and counties; defines other terms. Permits the adoption of rules by the Agency.