

HB4403



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

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Introduced 1/21/2022, by Rep. Chris Bos

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Thoughtful Reading Act. Specifies requirements concerning the reading of bills on second reading, on third reading, and on order of concurrence. Provides legislative intent.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Thoughtful Reading Act.

6 Section 5. Legislative intent. The intent of this Act is
7 to provide for the thoughtful consideration of the work of the
8 General Assembly of Illinois. Any future legislative work
9 enumerating a specific item or items of legislation for
10 enactment in violation of the standards set forth in this Act,
11 and excusing that legislation from the mandates contained
12 within this Act, should contain a statement setting forth the
13 reasons for urgent enactment in violation of the mandated
14 standards set forth in this Act.

15 Section 10. Reading of legislation.

16 (a) For bills on second reading, neither house of the
17 General Assembly shall consider any floor amendment to any
18 bill until the expiration of 24 hours after the floor
19 amendment has been filed, and its text has been made available
20 to the public on the Illinois General Assembly website.

21 (b) For bills on third reading, neither house of the
22 General Assembly shall consider any bill on third reading

1 until the expiration of 72 hours after the bill has been placed
2 on third reading, and its text has been made available to the
3 public on the Illinois General Assembly website. This 72-hour
4 period must contain no less than 3 separate legislative days.

5 (c) For bills on the order of concurrence, neither house
6 of the General Assembly shall consider any bill on concurrence
7 until the expiration of 24 hours after the house that is not
8 the house of origin has voted to pass the amended bill on third
9 reading, and the amended text has been made available to the
10 public on the Illinois General Assembly website.