

## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 SB2847

Introduced 2/15/2008, by Sen. Dave Syverson

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Job Impact Note Act. Requires that a note be prepared for a bill before second reading in the house of introduction concerning the impact of the bill on employment opportunities in Illinois. Also, requires a note for administrative rules before approval by JCAR. Requires the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability to prepare the notes.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning job impact notes.

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

- Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Job

  Impact Note Act.
- 6 Section 5. Applicability.
  - (a) Every bill, except those making a direct appropriation, the purpose or effect of which is to directly increase or decrease employment opportunities in Illinois, shall have prepared for it, before second reading in the house of introduction, a brief explanatory statement or note that shall include a reliable estimate of the anticipated impact.
  - (b) Every proposed rule of an agency, the purpose or effect of which is to directly increase or decrease employment opportunities in Illinois, shall have prepared for it, before approval by the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules pursuant to the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, a brief explanatory statement or note that shall include a reliable estimate of the anticipated impact. As used in this Act, "rule" and "agency" have the same meanings as in the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act.
- 22 (c) These statements or notes shall be known as job impact notes.

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Section 10. Preparation. The sponsor of each bill, or the agency proposing a rule, to which Section 5 applies, shall present a copy of the bill or proposed rule, with the request for a job impact note, to the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability (the "Commission"). The job impact note shall be prepared by the Commission and submitted to the sponsor of the bill or the agency within 5 calendar days, except that whenever, because of the complexity of the measure, additional time is required for the preparation of the note, the Commission may inform the sponsor of the bill or the agency, and the sponsor or agency may approve an extension of the time within which the note is to be submitted, not to extend, however, beyond June 15, following the date of the request. If, in the opinion of the Commission, there is insufficient information to prepare a reliable estimate of the anticipated impact, a statement to that effect can be filed and shall meet the requirements of this Act.

Section 15. Vote on necessity of employment impact notes. Whenever the sponsor of any bill is of the opinion that no job impact note is required, any member of either house may request that a note be obtained, and in that case the applicability of this Act shall be decided by the majority of those present and voting in the house of which the sponsor is a member.

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Section 20. Requisites and contents. The note shall be factual in nature, as brief and concise as may be, and shall provide a reliable estimate of the employment opportunities that will be created or lost, and, in addition, it shall include both the immediate effect and, if determinable or reasonably foreseeable, the long range effect of the measure. If, after careful investigation, it is determined that no estimate is possible, the note shall contain a statement to that effect, setting forth the reasons why no estimate can be given. A brief summary or work sheet of computations used in arriving at job impact note figures shall be included.

Section 25. Comment or opinion; technical or mechanical defects. No comment or opinion shall be included in the job impact note with regard to the merits of the measure for which the note is prepared; however, technical or mechanical defects may be noted.

Section 30. Appearance of State officials and employees in support or opposition of measure. The fact that an job impact note is prepared for any bill or proposed rule shall not preclude or restrict the appearance before any committee of the General Assembly, or before the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, of any official or authorized employee of the Commission who desires to be heard in support of or in opposition to the measure.

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Section 35. Amendment of bill necessitating statement of effect of proposed amendment. Whenever any committee of either reports any bill with an amendment that substantially affect the figures stated in the job impact note attached to the measure at the time of its referral to the committee, there shall be included with the report of the committee a statement of the effect of the change proposed by the amendment reported if desired by a majority of the committee. Whenever any bill is amended on the floor of either house to substantially affect the figures as stated in the job impact note attached to the bill before the amendment, a majority of the members of that house may propose that no action shall be taken on the amendment until the sponsor of the amendment presents to the members a statement of the employment impact of the proposed amendment.