EXECUTIVE ORDER 2021-11
(COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 80)

WHEREAS, since early March 2020, Illinois has faced a pandemic that has caused extraordinary sickness and loss of life, infecting over 1,380,000, and taking the lives of more than 22,700 residents; and,

WHEREAS, as Illinois continues to respond to the public health disaster caused by Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), a novel severe acute respiratory illness that spreads rapidly through respiratory transmissions, the burden on residents, healthcare providers, first responders, and governments throughout the State is unprecedented; and,

WHEREAS, protecting the health and safety of Illinoisans is among the most important functions of State government; and,

WHEREAS, social distancing, face coverings, and other public health precautions have proven to be critical in slowing and stopping the spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, public health guidance advises that minimizing physical interactions between people who are not fully vaccinated and who do not reside in the same household is critical to slowing the spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC continues to advise that cloth face coverings or masks protect persons who are not fully vaccinated from COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC advises that schools continue to use the COVID-19 prevention strategies outlined in the CDC’s Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools for at least the remainder of the 2020-2021 academic school year; and,

WHEREAS, the CDC continues to advise that day care providers continue to use COVID-19 prevention strategies, including masking and physical distancing, even after day care providers and their staff are vaccinated; and,

WHEREAS, as COVID-19 has spread in Illinois over the course of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, the circumstances causing a disaster throughout the State have changed and continue to change, making definitive predictions of the course the virus will take over the coming months extremely difficult; and,
WHEREAS, in addition to causing the tragic loss of more than 22,700 Illinoisans and wreaking havoc on the physical health of tens of thousands more, COVID-19 has caused extensive economic loss and continues to threaten the financial welfare of a significant number of individuals and businesses across the nation and the State; and,

WHEREAS, many executive agencies in the State have focused their limited resources on the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has required the Illinois Department of Agriculture (IDOA) to address the outbreak’s impact on the State’s food supply chain through regulation and oversight of meat and poultry facilities and livestock management facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic’s disruption to the livestock market has required IDOA to concentrate its resources on working with livestock owners and producers in addressing safe and environmental animal disposal concerns through its oversight and regulation of the Dead Animal Disposal Act; and,

WHEREAS, IDOA regulates and investigates many other industries that have been directly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic including, but not limited to, pesticide applicators, animal shelters, pet shops, and gas stations, and the continued, proper regulation of these industries requires IDOA to commit additional time and resources into creating new procedures for conducting remote investigations and trainings; and,

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic’s detrimental impact to IDOA’s regulated industries has required IDOA to place additional time and resources into organizing and managing the timely implementation of the Business Interruption Grant Program; and,

WHEREAS, on May 28, 2021, considering the expected continuing spread of COVID-19 and the ongoing health and economic impacts that that will be felt over the coming month by people across the State, I declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area; and,


THEREFORE, by the powers vested in me as the Governor of the State of Illinois, pursuant to the Illinois Constitution and Sections 7(1), 7(2), 7(3), 7(8), 7(9), and 7(12) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305, and consistent with the powers in public health laws, I hereby order the following, effective May 28, 2021:

Part 1: Re-Issue of Executive Orders.


Executive Order 2020-04 (Closure of James R. Thompson Center; waiver of sick leave requirement for State employees):

Sections 2 and 3 of Executive Order 2020-04 are re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021. Nothing in Section 2 precludes the Department of Central Management Services from designating specific points of ingress and egress and controlling traffic flow in the James R. Thompson Center for State employees, members of the public attending to State business, and members of the public patronizing the businesses and food court.

Executive Order 2020-07 (In-person meeting requirements):
Section 6 of Executive Order 2020-07, as amended by Executive Order 2020-33 and Executive Order 2020-44, is re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-09 (Telehealth):**

Executive Order 2020-09, as amended by Executive Order 2020-52, is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-11 (Illinois Department of Corrections notification period):**

Section 4 of Executive Order 2020-11 is re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-12 (Health care worker background checks; Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice notification period):**

Sections 1 and 3 of Executive Order 2020-12 are re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021, whereafter Section 1 shall be rescinded.

**Executive Order 2020-15 (Suspending provisions of the Illinois School Code):**

Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of Executive Order 2020-15 are re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-16 (Suspension of classroom training requirement for security services):**

Section 2 of Executive Order 2020-16 is re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021, whereafter Section 2 shall be rescinded.

**Executive Order 2020-20 (Public assistance requirements):**

Executive Order 2020-20 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-21 (Furlough of Illinois Department of Corrections inmates):**

Executive Order 2020-21 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-23 (Actions by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation for licensed professionals engaged in disaster response):**

Executive Order 2020-23 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-24 (Illinois Department of Human Services Forensic Treatment Program; investigations of Illinois Department of Human Services employees):**

Executive Order 2020-24 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-25 (Garnishment and wage deductions):**

Executive Order 2020-25, as amended by Executive Order 2020-55, is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Executive Order 2020-26 (Hospital capacity):**

Section 5 of Executive Order 2020-26 is re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021, whereafter Section 5 shall be rescinded.

**Executive Order 2020-27 (Cadavers testing positive for COVID-19):**

Executive Order 2020-27 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.
Executive Order 2020-29 (in-person education or exams for professional insurance licenses):

Executive Order 2020-29 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-30 (Expired consular identification documents; electronic filings for the Illinois Human Rights Commission):

Sections 1, 4, 5, and 6 of Executive Order 2020-30 are re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-34 (Cannabis requirements):

Executive Order 2020-34 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-35 (Illinois Department of Public Health regulatory activities):

Sections 14 and 15 of Executive Order 2020-35 are re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021, whereby Section 15 shall be rescinded.

Executive Order 2020-36 (Marriage licenses):

Executive Order 2020-36 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-40 (Child Labor Law):

Sections 2 and 4 of Executive Order 2020-40 are re-issued and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-45 (Cannabis licenses):

Executive Order 2020-45 is re-issued in its entirety and shall remain in effect as specified by Executive Order 2020-45.

Executive Order 2020-47 (in-person instruction at preK-12 schools):

Executive Order 2020-47, as amended and revised below, is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Section 1. All public and nonpublic schools in Illinois serving pre-kindergarten through 12th grade students may open for in-person educational purposes following the completion of the regular 2019-2020 school term. All public and nonpublic schools must follow IDPH and IDES guidance during Phase 4 through Phase 5 and take proactive measures to ensure the safety of students, staff, and visitors, including, but not limited to, the following public health guidelines, at least until the COVID-19 vaccine is available to all children aged two years and older:

a. Limiting the number of people in one space according to fifty-or-fewer the space’s ability to accommodate physical distancing of no less than 3 feet between students and fully vaccinated staff, and at least 6 feet for unvaccinated staff.

b. Ensuring compliance with social distancing requirements to the greatest extent possible. For purposes of this Executive Order, for students and fully vaccinated adults, social distancing includes maintaining at least three-foot distance from other individuals, and for adults who are not fully vaccinated, maintaining at least six-foot distance from other individuals and discouraging physical contact between individuals.

c. Requiring symptom screenings and temperature checks or requiring individuals to self-certify that they are free of COVID-19 symptoms before entering school buildings.

d. Ensuring appropriate hygienic practices, including washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds as frequently as possible or using alcohol-based...
hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol, covering coughs or sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), discouraging the sharing of personal items, and regularly cleaning and disinfecting high-touch surfaces at least once per day and more often as necessary according to CDC guidelines.

e. Requiring the use of appropriate personal protective equipment by students, staff, and visitors, including the use of face coverings by individuals who are over age two and able to medically tolerate a face covering. Schools must provide face coverings to all employees who are not able to maintain a minimum six-foot social distance at all times and, to the extent possible, make face coverings available for all students.

Executive Order 2020-50 (Resuming transfers from county jails to Illinois Department of Corrections):

Executive Order 2020-50 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-57 (Cannabis identification cards):

Executive Order 2020-57 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-68 (Cannabis registry identification card renewals):

Executive Order 2020-68, as amended by Executive Order 2021-05, is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2020-72 (Residential eviction moratorium):

Executive Order 2020-72, as amended by Executive Order 2020-74, Executive Order 2021-01, Executive Order 2021-05, and Executive Order 2021-06, is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2021-03 (Regional mitigation metrics):

Executive Order 2021-03 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2021-07 (Suspending provisions of the Illinois Energy Assistance Act):

Executive Order 2021-07 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

Executive Order 2021-10 (Bridge Phase):

Executive Order 2021-10 is re-issued in its entirety and extended through June 26, 2021.

**Part 2: Savings Clause.** If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, this invalidity does not affect any other provision or application of this Executive Order, which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are declared to be severable.

JB Pritzker, Governor