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NEWS RELEASE

Illinois Chamber announces “Job Crusherz”

The “Job Crusherz” list highlights bills that are bad for Illinois employers and jobs

SPRINGFIELD, April 25, 2017 – The Illinois Chamber of Commerce today announced a new designation and web page called “Job Crusherz” designed to highlight legislation that is bad for the state’s business climate and employers’ ability to create and maintain jobs in Illinois.

The “Job Crusherz” list shines a spotlight on some of the worst bills currently pending in the statehouse.

“As the busiest month of legislative session approaches, people and employers alike, need to be aware that there are bills on the table in Springfield that would be devastating, or moreover, *crushing* to employers in Illinois. Illinois cannot afford to fall further behind other states, and that is why the Illinois Chamber is working to oppose these bills by highlighting them for policymakers, employers and residents,” said Illinois Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Todd Maisch.

According to the Illinois Department of Employment Security, Illinois lost nearly 9,000 jobs last month and continues to be over 19,000 jobs short of its high in 2000.

“We need pro-growth and business-friendly reforms to move the state in the right direction: forward. Raising taxes over and over is not the solution that we need to revitalize our businesses, and neither is overregulating our employers. This is just one of the many reasons legislators must oppose the bills on this list,” said Maisch.

The bills on the “Job Crusherz” list cover topics of minimum wage, workers’ compensation, income tax, recreational marijuana, overregulation issues and more.

“We have to stop the movement of these bills now, before they have a chance to negatively affect our communities statewide,” said Illinois Chamber of Commerce Director of Advocacy Nathan Hoffman.

For more information and to view the Illinois Chamber of Commerce’s “Job Crusherz” list visit www.jobcrusherz.com

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