

Taxpayers' Federation of Illinois
Sales/Excise Tax Committee
Jones Day, 77 West Wacker Drive, Chicago
March 16, 2018

Committee Chair Jennifer Zimmerman called the meeting to order and the minutes of the November 17, 2017, meeting were reviewed and approved. (motion by Mary Kay Martire, second by Mike Wynne)

The Committee discussed legislation pending in the General Assembly. Election years are notoriously slow, but a number of sales tax-related bills were officially pending, and it was too early in the legislative session to know for sure which bills (if any) were likely to move. The Committees discussed the Department of Revenue's legislative agenda, which included some fairly innocuous and non-controversial bills, but also Senate Bill 3141, which attempted to reduce taxpayers' ability to present evidence once an audit is complete.

There was very little pending regulatory activity—the Department's focus had been on income tax measures, after the legislative changes in mid-2017 and the federal income tax reforms passed in December. The Department has been working with interested parties on rules implementing the changes to the taxation of leased motor vehicles.

The Committee then discussed TFI's recent and pending research projects. The decision and the likely repercussions in Illinois of in the US Supreme Court's *Wayfair* case will be the subject of a Tax Facts article, once the case is decided. Committee members suggested additional ideas for articles, including Illinois' False Claims Act situation and a reminder of the local sales tax structure.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.