

Dear APIC-Chicago Chapter Members:

This is to make you aware that a hearing has been scheduled in the House Human Services Committee on SB 185, the “MRSA Screening, Prevention, and Reporting Act”, for February 25, 2009 at 8:00 am in Room D-1 of the Stratton Building in Springfield. This bill would create MRSA screening, prevention, and reporting procedures for residential facilities operated by the state departments of Human Services, Corrections, and Juvenile Justice.

In addition, **SB 1712**, the “K-12 Educational MRSA Prevention Act”, was introduced by Senator Martin Sandoval (D-12) on February 19, 2009. The bill would require that guidelines be established and amended annually for MRSA prevention and maintenance procedures in school facilities. Guidelines and specifications may include implementation practices, including inspection, and would be made available to the public and distributed to schools and regional education offices in the state.

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