

Governmental Relations Committee of the Whole
February 18, 2009
11:15 a.m.

(This meeting will begin immediately following the previous session.)

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AGENDA (*timeframes are estimated for planning purposes*)

1. Roll Call
2. Board Member Participation by Other Means
3. Public Participation 11:15 – 11:30 a.m.
4. Minutes of the January Governmental Relations Committee Meeting (**pp. 2-3**)
- *5. Spring Waiver Report (*Winnie Tuthill*) 11:30 – 11:50 a.m. (**pp. 49-80**)
6. Legislative Proposals – Verbal Update (*Nicole Wills, Shawn Rotherham*) 11:50 – 11:55 a.m.
7. Legislative Update (*Nicole Wills, Shawn Rotherham*) 11:55 – 12:15 p.m. (**pp. 4-48**)
8. Committee Wrap-up (*Superintendent Koch*) 12:15 – 12:20 p.m.
9. Committee Agenda Planning/Additional Items
10. Adjourn

* Items listed with an asterisk (*) will be discussed in committee and Board action may be taken in the plenary session.

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, January 26, 2009

Chicago, Illinois

Committee Members Present

Brenda Holmes, Chair
Jesse Ruiz
Chris Ward
Lanita Koster
Vinni Hall
Andrea Brown
Dean Clark
David Fields
Joyce Karon

Staff Present

Chris Koch
Darren Reisberg
Nicole Wills
Jean Ladage
Marsha Moffett
Connie Wise
Linda Tomlinson
Don Evans
Beth Hanselman
Matt Vanover
Mary Fergus
Susie Morrison

1. ROLL CALL

See above.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Sue Walter from the Illinois Federation of Teachers testified regarding the agency's Longitudinal Data Systems legislative proposal. She stated that IFT is in support of the concept and looks forward to working with the agency to further develop the proposal, though IFT wishes to make sure that the teacher indicator system and higher education data will be used appropriately.

3. MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING

Board member David Fields made a motion to approve the December Committee minutes and the motion was seconded by Dean Clark. The minutes were approved with a unanimous voice vote.

4. LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

The Committee heard testimony from Governmental Relations staff on three additional legislative proposals that were recommended by the State Superintendent. The Superintendent recommended the Board approve legislative proposals (#1) Repeal of Obsolete and Duplicative Statutes, (#11) Longitudinal Data Systems and (#17) PSAE Changes.

- (#1) This proposal will a) combine statutory suggestions from all divisions within the agency for programs and functions that are no longer necessary and need to be repealed, b) revise and update current statutory provisions, and c) streamline current processes and procedures. All specific statutes and language to be included are still being determined.
- (#11) This proposal will provide for the Illinois Longitudinal Data System (ILDS) Project, which will a) allow for critical integration of ISBE student-level data collection systems with student-level data from other parts of the agency (e.g., staff data, special education, and school district finance) and b) establish the technical and management systems necessary for

ISBE and its education partners to manage, link and analyze P-20 education data.

- (#17) This proposal eliminates the requirement that the State pay for those students who wish to retake the Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE) in grade 12.

5. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Governmental Relations staff provided an update on the few education and ISBE related bills that have been introduced by the General Assembly as of January 20th. In particular, staff highlighted three bills:

- HB 6 (Franks) – This legislation creates the State Agency Director Legislative Accountability Act, which will require that the director of every agency under the jurisdiction of the Governor’s Executive Inspector General, as well as any assistant directors, be in Springfield during each legislative session day. In addition, only directors or assistant directors can testify before a legislative committee on behalf of the State agency unless it is provided for by the committee or other law.
- HB 80 (Lang) – This bill was first introduced last spring as HB 4232. The bill seeks to terminate the current board member terms, change the appointment terms for future board members, change the appointment provisions for the State Superintendent, create a State Board of Education Advisory Board and provide limitations governing ex parte communication received from the Governor or his or her official representative.
- HB 233 (Reitz) – This legislation requires that beginning FY 2010, the State Board reimburse school districts, other than the Chicago school district, for all costs incurred for educating students with disabilities.

In addition, board members asked about HB 176, which makes changes to contractual continued service in school districts outside of Chicago. Under the legislation, an individual who has taught four years in a district and gained tenure in that district would only have to teach two years (as opposed to four) in another district before having the right to be considered for tenure at the other district. This legislative change would also apply to special education joint agreements.

6. COMMITTEE AGENDA PLANNING/ADDITIONAL ITEMS



At its February meeting, the Governmental Relations Committee will discuss the spring waiver report and receive information and updates on ISBE legislative proposals and other education-related legislation.

7. ADJOURN

Board member Vinni Hall made the motion to adjourn the Committee at 2:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Dean Clark.

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
February 18, 2009

TO: Governmental Relations Committee of the Whole

FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D., State Superintendent of Education 
Darren Reisberg, General Counsel 

Agenda Topic: Legislative Update

Materials: Synopsis of Legislation

Staff Contact(s): Nicole Wills, Liaison, Governmental Relations
Shawn Rotherham, Liaison, Governmental Relations

Purpose of Agenda Item

To provide the Committee with a synopsis and status update of education-related legislation that the Agency is tracking.

Expected Outcome(s) of Agenda Item

This information is for discussion purposes.

All Bills (Bill Order)**February Gov. Relations Committee Priority Synopsis
Legislation**

Both Chambers

HB 6**Short Description:** ST AGENCY GA ACCOUNTABILITY**House Sponsors**

Rep. Jack D. Franks-Harry R. Ramey, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the State Agency Director Legislative Accountability Act. Requires that each director, secretary, assistant director, and assistant secretary of each State agency subject to the jurisdiction of the Governor's Executive Inspector General must be present in Springfield during each legislative session day. Prohibits anyone other than those persons from appearing or testifying before a legislative committee on behalf of their State agencies unless otherwise provided by the committee or by law. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 15**Short Description:** \$ISBE-AUTISM PROGRAMS**House Sponsors**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-Paul D. Froehlich-LaShawn K. Ford-Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced

Appropriates \$1,000,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for autism programs. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Approp-Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 16**Short Description:** SCH CD-4 YEAR OLDS-ATTEND SCH**House Sponsors**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Allows children who have attended preschool and will attain the age of 5 years on or before December 1 of the year of the 2009-2010 school term and each school term thereafter to attend school upon commencement of such term (now, a child must attain age 5 on or before September 1). Makes related changes. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action

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2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 17

Short Description: SCH CD-BLACK HISTORY STUDY

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Adds as commemorative holidays January 15 (to be known as Humanitarian Day and observed as a day of respect for the principles of human and civil rights and to involve the use of the color white as a visual affirmation to practice these principles), April 4 (to be known as Victims of Violence Wholly Day and observed as a day of respect for the principles of non-violence and to involve the use of the color black as a visual affirmation to practice these principles), and August 28 (to be known as Dream Day and observed as a day of respect for the spiritual and moral principles of peoplehood and to involve the use of the colors black and white as a visual affirmation to practice these principles). Requires the study of Black History to include the Gettysburg Address, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream Speech", and President Barack Obama's victory speech. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 18

Short Description: SCH CD-CHICAGO-YOUTH PROGRAM

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaShawn K. Ford-Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Allows the Chicago Board of Education to develop a plan for implementing a program that seeks to establish common bonds between youth of various backgrounds and ethnicities, which may be similar to that of the Challenge Day organization.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 19

Short Description: SCH CD-CHI-HAND WASHING REQ

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Provides that under the Chicago Board of Education's policies and rules concerning infectious disease, the Board shall require that all students wash their hands with an antiseptic soap or detergent before consuming any meal at school and

shall establish nationally accepted standards and provide the facilities, materials, and supervision necessary to implement the handwashing requirement. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 21

Short Description: SCH CD-STUDENT ATHLETE-EKG REQ

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall require students who participate in an interscholastic athletic program to undergo an electrocardiogram (EKG) test. Provides that the State Board of Education shall determine how often a student must undergo EKG testing.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 27

Short Description: SCH CD-STUDENT ATHLETE-EKG REQ

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Requires the Department of Public Health to establish a 3-year pilot program for the Chicago school district in which the Department shall require an electrocardiogram (EKG) test as part of the health examination that student athletes are required to undergo. Imposes conditions on any rulemaking authority.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 33

Short Description: SCH CD-ELEM SCH-RECESS REQ

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board shall require that schools provide recess for all students in kindergarten through grade 8. Provides that recess must be at least 10 minutes in length and must occur once in the middle of each morning. Provides that if the principal determines that the

weather is inclement, the principal shall direct that a recess be held indoors. Requires the principal to ensure that students are given the opportunity to engage in physical exercise during each recess. Provides that the time required for recesses is included in the minimum number of hours necessary to constitute a full day of attendance under the State aid formula provisions.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 34

Short Description: SCH CD-FIRE ALARM-BUILDING CAP

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the Chicago Board of Education, in each school building in the school district, to post the date of the last fire alarm inspection at the building and the capacity of the building. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Fire Protection

HB 78

Short Description: FARM FRESH SCHOOLS PROGRAM

House Sponsors

Rep. Sandy Cole-Sandra M. Pihos-Suzanne Bassi-Roger L. Eddy-LaShawn K. Ford, Elizabeth Coulson, Patricia R. Bellock, Keith Farnham, Monique D. Davis, Michael K. Smith and Kenneth Dunkin

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Farm Fresh Schools Program Act. Provides that the Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the State Board of Education and the Department of Public Health, shall create the Farm Fresh Schools Program. Provides that the intent of the Program is to reduce obesity and improve nutrition and public health, as well as strengthen local agricultural economies by increasing access to and promoting the consumption of locally grown fruits and vegetables in schools and increasing physical activities and programs that promote pupil wellness. Provides that the Department of Agriculture and the State Board of Education shall jointly administer a process to review grant proposals and award grants on a competitive basis to eligible applicants to implement the Program. Creates the Farm Fresh Schools Program Fund as a special fund in the State treasury.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Agriculture & Conservation Committee

HB 80

Short Description: SCH CD-ST BD ED-REPLACE MEMBRS

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Governor's Office of Management and Budget Act and the School Code. Provides that anything submitted by the State Board of Education to the Governor or the Governor's Office of Management and Budget under the Governor's Office of Management and Budget Act must also be submitted simultaneously to the General Assembly. Terminates the term of each member of the State Board of Education who is in office on the effective date of the amendatory Act and provides for new appointed members to take office. Provides for successors to be appointed for terms of 6 (instead of 4) years. Establishes a Nomination Panel to provide a list of nominees to the Governor for appointment to the State Board, with the Panel appointing those members not selected by the Governor within a certain timeframe. Provides that appointments by the Governor and Panel must be confirmed by the Senate by two-thirds of its members by record vote. Provides that any appointment not acted upon within a certain timeframe shall be deemed to have received the advice and consent of the Senate. Makes changes concerning vacancies on the State Board. Provides that the State Board may remove for incompetence, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office any member of the State Board by a two-thirds vote in favor of removal. Makes changes concerning the appointment of a State Superintendent of Education. Creates a State Board of Education Advisory Board. Adds provisions governing ex parte communications received from the Governor or his or her official representative, employee, or attorney. Makes other changes. Contains a severability clause. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 89

Short Description: SCH CD-INFECTIOUS DISEASE

House Sponsors

Rep. Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires school boards, prior to the 2010-2011 school year, to develop policies and adopt rules relating to the prevention of infections transmitted by contact with blood or bodily fluids. Sets forth what the policies and rules must include. Provides that no school shall be required to pay the cost of any testing recommended under these policies and rules. Requires the State Board of Education, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, to develop and disseminate to school boards a model exposure policy and training program, which shall be made available at no cost to schools by video, electronic, or other means. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 90

Short Description: COM DISEASE ACT-AIDS REPORTING

House Sponsors

Rep. LaShawn K. Ford-Lou Lang-Barbara Flynn Currie-Sara Feigenholtz-Elizabeth Coulson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Communicable Disease Prevention Act. Deletes a Section requiring the Illinois Department of Public Health or a local public health department to give notice to a principal of the school

in which a child is enrolled when a school aged child has acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) or AIDS-related complex (ARC) or has been shown to have been exposed to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or any other identified causative agent of AIDS. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Human Services Committee

HB 150

Short Description: 21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS PROGRAM

House Sponsors

Rep. David E. Miller-Robert W. Pritchard-Keith Farnham-LaShawn K. Ford, Lou Lang and Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the 21st Century Scholars Act to provide an incentive for low-income students in the 8th grade to improve their academic preparation for postsecondary education. Sets forth provisions concerning annual tuition scholarships to applicants who qualify; requiring the State, the participating school district, and the student to enter into a 3-part compact; rules to implement the Act; and reporting to the General Assembly on awards.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Higher Education Committee

HB 154

Short Description: COM DISEASE ACT-AIDS REPORTING

House Sponsors

Rep. LaShawn K. Ford-Barbara Flynn Currie-Greg Harris

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Communicable Disease Prevention Act. Deletes a Section requiring the Illinois Department of Public Health or a local public health department to give notice to a principal of the school in which a child is enrolled when a school aged child has acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) or AIDS-related complex (ARC) or has been shown to have been exposed to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or any other identified causative agent of AIDS. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Human Services Committee

HB 166

Short Description: VEH CD-SEAT BELTS-SCHOOL BUS

House Sponsors

Rep. Elizabeth Coulson-LaShawn K. Ford-Luis Arroyo-Sidney H. Mathias and Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that, beginning July 1, 2010, each school bus that is purchased new shall be equipped with seat safety belts for each passenger. Provides that the State Board of Education shall adopt rules to ensure that school districts require all passengers on those buses to wear seat safety belts. Provides that except for willful and wanton conduct, a school bus driver may not be held personally liable for the failure of passengers to wear seat safety belts. Denies home rule powers. Makes a corresponding change in the Illinois Municipal Code. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Vehicle & Safety Committee

HB 176

Short Description: SCH CD-TEACH TENURE-PRIOR SERV

House Sponsors

Rep. Robert F. Flider-Renée Kosel

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning contractual continued service in school districts other than the Chicago school district, adds an exception to the probationary period of 4 consecutive school terms for a teacher who is first employed as a full-time teacher by a school district on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act but who, prior to employment with the district, already entered upon contractual continued service in another school district, in which case the probationary period is 2 consecutive school terms. Makes a similar change with respect to a teacher employed in a program of a special education joint agreement. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 196

Short Description: STUDENT SILENT REFLECT/MED

House Sponsors

Rep. John A. Fritchey-Paul D. Froehlich-Luis Arroyo

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Silent Reflection and Student Prayer Act. Changes the short title of the Act to the Silent Reflection and Meditation Act. Provides that the brief period of silence at the opening of every school day must not exceed one minute and shall be an opportunity for silent reflection (instead of prayer) or for silent meditation (instead of relection) on the anticipated activities of the day. Repeals a Section concerning student prayer. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Tabled By Sponsor Rep. John A. Fritchey

HB 205

Short Description: SCH CD-EYE EXAM-DILATING DROPS

House Sponsors
Rep. David R. Leitch

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With respect to the requirement that children enrolling in kindergarten have an eye examination, requires the use of dilating drops for the internal and external examination.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 206

Short Description: PRIV BUS/VOC SCH-EXEMPTION

House Sponsors
Rep. David R. Leitch-Daniel J. Burke-Raymond Poe

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Private Business and Vocational Schools Act. Provides that schools accredited by an accrediting agency approved by the U.S. Department of Education seeking approval to operate in this State are exempt from the requirements of the Act, but must pay the annual renewal fee and must remit annually a current letter of accreditation status to the State Superintendent of Education. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 209

Short Description: SCH CD-CHARTER SCH-REVOCATION

House Sponsors
Rep. Esther Golar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. In a provision allowing a charter to be revoked or not renewed, provides that if the charter school committed a material violation of any of the conditions, standards, or procedures set forth in the charter, failed to meet generally accepted standards of fiscal management, or violated any provision of law from which the charter school was not exempted, then the local school board or the State Board of Education as the chartering entity shall notify the charter school in writing of the reason why the charter is subject to revocation or nonrenewal, and the charter school shall submit a written plan to the local school board or State Board to rectify the problem and shall begin implementation of the plan within one calendar year after notification. Provides that if the charter school failed to meet or make reasonable progress toward achievement of the content standards or pupil performance standards identified in the charter, then the charter school must be held to the terms as written in the charter. Provides that if the local school board or State Board as the chartering entity finds that the charter school has not rectified the problem, then the charter must be revoked or not renewed.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 233

Short Description: SCH CD-SPEC ED-FULL REIMBURSE

House Sponsors

Rep. Dan Reitz-Sidney H. Mathias-Keith Farnham-William B. Black, Roger L. Eddy, Fred Crespo, Charles E. Jefferson, Lou Lang, Jack D. Franks, Robert W. Pritchard and David Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Article, provides that, beginning with Fiscal Year 2010, the State Board of Education shall reimburse school districts, other than the Chicago school district, for all costs incurred by those school districts for the education of children with disabilities. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 272

Short Description: IHSA-PERFORM ENHANC SUBSTANC

House Sponsors

Rep. Jack D. Franks

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Interscholastic Athletic Organization Act. Requires an association that has as one of its purposes promoting, sponsoring, regulating, or in any manner providing for interscholastic athletics or any form of athletic competition among schools and students within this State and that has a performance-enhancing substance testing program to prohibit a student from participating in an athletic competition sponsored or sanctioned by the association unless (i) the student agrees not to use certain performance-enhancing substances, and, if the student is enrolled in high school, the student submits to random testing for the presence of these substances in the student's body and (ii) the association obtains from the student's parent a statement signed by the parent acknowledging certain information. Provides that a school district shall require that each district employee who serves as an athletic coach at or above the 9th grade level for an extracurricular athletic activity sponsored or sanctioned by an association complete an educational program on the prevention of abuse of performance-enhancing substances and complete a proficiency exam. Requires the Department of Public Health to provide oversight of the annual administration of a performance-enhancing substance testing program by an association under which high school students participating in an athletic competition sponsored or sanctioned by the association are tested at multiple times throughout the athletic season for the presence of certain performance-enhancing substances in the students' bodies. Contains provisions concerning confidentiality, funding, exceptions, and liability. Repeals these provisions on July 1, 2011. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 276

Short Description: ADMIN PROCEDURE-GRANT RULES

House Sponsors

Rep. John A. Fritchey

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. Provides that, unless specified otherwise in the Act, a State agency subject to the Act is not exempt from adopting rules pursuant to the Act covering the agency's statements of general applicability with respect to law or policy affecting persons or entities outside the agency, including grant-making policy. Requires that all State agencies subject to the Act with grant-making authority must adopt rules governing the various aspects of the grant-making process. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to State Government Administration Committee

HB 281

Short Description: SCHOOL CD-FOOD ALLERGIES MGMT

House Sponsors

Rep. Patricia R. Bellock-Tom Cross-Robert W. Pritchard-Deborah Mell, JoAnn D. Osmond, Jim Durkin and Michael W. Tryon

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code to require that the State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Department of Public Health, develop and make available to each school board guidelines for the management of students with life-threatening food allergies. Recommends that each school board be required to implement a policy based on these guidelines no later than January 1, 2011. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 288

Short Description: STUDENT SILENT REFLECTION

House Sponsors

Rep. John A. Fritchey-Roger L. Eddy-Paul D. Froehlich-Luis Arroyo-Sandra M. Pihos

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Silent Reflection and Student Prayer Act. Changes the short title of the Act to the Student Silent Reflection Act. Allows a teacher to conduct (instead of requiring a teacher to observe) a brief period of silence at the opening of every school day with the participation of all pupils assembled. Provides that this period shall be an opportunity for such silent reflection as may be desired by each individual pupil (instead of an opportunity for silent prayer or for silent reflection on the anticipated activities of the day). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate

HB 325

Short Description: SCH CD-BD MEMBER-TREASURER

House Sponsors
Rep. Mike Fortner

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With respect to a school board of an elementary school, high school, or unit school district that forms a part of a Class II county school unit that was under the jurisdiction and authority of the township treasurer and trustees of schools of a township at the time those offices were abolished in that township, allows the school treasurer to also be a member of the school board (now prohibited); provides that if a member of the school board is also school treasurer, he or she shall perform his or her duties as school treasurer without compensation. With respect to school districts having a population of not fewer than 1,000 and not more than 500,000 inhabitants, allows a member of the board of education to also be a school treasurer (now prohibited). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Placed on Calendar Order of 3rd Reading - Short Debate

HB 326

Short Description: SCH CD-CONFIDENTIALITY-COUNSEL

House Sponsors
Rep. Sandra M. Pihos

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that any information of a personal nature disclosed by a pupil 12 years of age or older in the process of receiving school counseling services from a school counselor or school counselor intern is confidential, and provides that any information of a personal nature disclosed to a school counselor or school counselor intern by a parent or guardian of such a pupil is confidential. Provides that the information must not become part of the pupil's record without the written consent of the pupil who disclosed the confidential information. Provides that the information must not be revealed, released, discussed, or referred to, with exceptions. Provides that except in cases of willful or wanton misconduct, no person required to keep the information confidential may incur any civil or criminal liability as a result of keeping that information confidential. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 337

Short Description: SCH CD-PE EXEMPTION-MARCH BAND

House Sponsors
Rep. Robert W. Pritchard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Allows a school board to excuse pupils enrolled in grades 11 and 12 from engaging in physical education courses for ongoing participation in a marching band program (instead of allowing pupils in grades 9 through 12 enrolled in a marching band program for credit to be excused).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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HB 363

Short Description: SCH CD-CHI-SCH FACILITY DEV

House Sponsors

Rep. Cynthia Soto-Luis Arroyo-Karen A. Yarbrough-Sara Feigenholtz-Maria Antonia Berrios, Marlow H. Colvin, William Davis, Paul D. Froehlich, Annazette Collins, Elizabeth Hernandez, LaShawn K. Ford, Esther Golar, Deborah Mell, Arthur L. Turner, Michael K. Smith, Thomas Holbrook, Monique D. Davis, Kenneth Dunkin, Constance A. Howard and Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Requires the Chairpersons of the House of Representatives' Committee on Elementary & Secondary Education and the Senate's Committee on Education to each appoint 5 members to a Special Joint Chicago Education Facilities Subcommittee. Requires the Joint Subcommittee, with the help of independent experts, to analyze past school district experience with respect to the closing or opening of schools, school repairs, school additions, school phase-outs, school consolidations, and school boundary changes; to consult widely with stakeholders about these facility issues; and to examine relevant best practices from other school systems for dealing with these issues systematically and equitably. Provides for a draft policy and a final proposed policy. Provides that there shall be a moratorium on school closings, consolidations, and phaseouts in the school district in the 2009-2010 school year, and provides that any of these actions that are subsequently appropriate shall be carried out no sooner than the end of the 2010-2011 school year. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 374

Short Description: ABUSIVE WORK ENVIRNMNT PREVENT

House Sponsors

Rep. Arthur L. Turner and Lou Lang

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Abusive Work Environment Act. Finds that the well-being of the State relies upon healthy employees free of abusive work environments. Defines "abusive conduct" as conduct of an employer or employee in the workplace, with malice, that a reasonable person would find hostile, offensive, and unrelated to an employer's legitimate business interests; and "abusive work environment" as a workplace where an employee is subjected to abusive conduct so severe that it causes physical or psychological harm to the employee. Provides that it is an unlawful to subject an employee to an abusive work environment or to retaliate against an employee who acted pursuant to the Act or filed an action or participated in any proceeding under the Act. Provides that an employer is liable for an abusive work environment under its control. Provides that it is an affirmative defense to an abusive work environment action: if the employer exercised reasonable care to prevent and correct abusive conduct and the employee failed to take advantage of those opportunities; or, if the filed action is based upon a negative employment decision that is consistent with the employer's legitimate interests. Provides that a defendant who engaged in abusive conduct or who maintained an unlawful abusive work environment may be enjoined and an order may provide other relief including reinstatement, removal of the offending party from the work environment, lost wages, medical expenses, emotional distress damages, punitive damages, and attorney's fees. Provides that if an employer maintained an abusive work environment that did not result in a negative employment decision, the employer's liability for damages for emotional distress may not exceed \$25,000 and no punitive damages may be awarded. Provides that the Act is enforceable by a civil action filed by an injured employee. Provides that an action may be filed no later

than one year after the last act that comprises the unlawful actions. Provides that no provision of the Act shall exempt any person from any liability, duty, or penalty provided by State law or rule. Provides that the Act's remedies are in addition to workers' compensation remedies.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Labor Committee

HB 380

Short Description: SCH CD-RETIREMENT TRUSTEE LEAV

House Sponsors

Rep. Elaine Nekritz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that each school board employing an employee who is an elected trustee of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall make available to the elected trustee at least 20 days of paid leave of absence per year for the purpose of attending meetings of the Fund's Board of Trustees, committee meetings of the Board, and seminars regarding issues for which the Board is responsible. The Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall reimburse affected school districts for the actual cost of hiring a substitute employee during such leaves of absence. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Personnel and Pensions Committee

HB 391

Short Description: \$ISBE-GROW YOUR OWN TEACHER

House Sponsors

Rep. Esther Golar

Synopsis As Introduced

Appropriates \$4,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Initiative. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Approp-Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 392

Short Description: EDUC-GROW YOUR OWN TEACHERS

House Sponsors

Rep. Esther Golar

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes concerning the purposes and goals of the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Initiative, the definitions of certain terms, including

adding a definition of "cohort", the composition of a consortium, candidate qualifications, a cohort's education (instead of training), collective consortium decision-making, supportive services, the program of forgivable loans, the award of grants under the Initiative, the inclusion of certain costs in program budgets, and funds to cover the salary of a site-based cohort coordinator. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 398

Short Description: RULEMAKING CONDITIONS

House Sponsors

Rep. Michael J. Madigan-Gary Hannig

Senate Sponsors

(Sen. James F. Clayborne, Jr.)

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act. Provides that all rulemaking authority exercised on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act is conditioned on the rules being adopted in accordance with all provisions of the Act and all rules and procedures of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR); any purported rule not so adopted, for whatever reason, including without limitation a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction holding any part of this Act or the rules or procedures of JCAR invalid, is unauthorized. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Passed Both Houses

HB 401

Short Description: SCH CD-CHARTER SCH-EMPLOYEES

House Sponsors

Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Provides that a charter school may not employ an individual in an instructional position or any paraprofessionals or school-related personnel who are not State-certified and highly qualified as defined in the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective August 15, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 412

Short Description: SCH CD-MIA/POW SCHOLARSHIP

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code with respect to MIA/POW scholarships. Provides that, for the purposes of the definition of "eligible veteran or serviceperson", a person shall be deemed to have entered service as an Illinois resident if he or she entered service while a resident of another state, left that service and became a resident of this State, and joined the Illinois National Guard or the reserves of the armed forces of the United States while a resident of this State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Veterans Affairs Committee

HB 421

Short Description: SCH CD-CHARTR SCH-CONTRACT SCH

House Sponsors

Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Prohibits a charter school from establishing or operating a contract school. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 449

Short Description: SCH CD-DISCIPLINE POLICY

House Sponsors

Rep. LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to establish a standard student expulsion policy that applies to each school district in this State. Requires a district's pupil discipline policy to conform to the standard student expulsion policy. Requires a school board to furnish a copy of the district's pupil discipline policy to the parents or guardian of each pupil within 15 days after the beginning of the school year or within 15 days after starting classes for a pupil who transfers into the district during the school year and to require that each school inform its pupils of the contents of its policy (now permissive with respect to school boards other than the Chicago Board of Education).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 473

Short Description: CNTY CD-SCHOOL TAX

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the County School Facility Occupation Tax Law in the Counties Code. Provides that a school district that receives proceeds from a county school facility occupation tax may enter into an intergovernmental agreement with a municipality to share those proceeds. Provides that the municipality may use its share of the proceeds only for municipal infrastructure purposes. Provides that the agreement is subject to referendum approval. Amends the School Code to make conforming changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 475

Short Description: SCH CD-TEXTBOOKS-FEE WAIVERS

House Sponsors

Rep. Dave Winters

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With respect to the purchase of textbooks for children whose parents are unable to buy them and the waiver of fees assessed on children whose parents are unable to afford them, changes a reference from children eligible for free lunches or breakfasts under the Community School Lunch Program to children living in households that meet the free lunch or breakfast eligibility guidelines established by the federal government pursuant to the federal Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act, subject to verification. Provides that any school board that participates in a federally funded, school-based child nutrition program and uses a student's application for, eligibility for, or participation in the federally funded, school-based child nutrition program as the basis for waiving fees assessed by the school district must follow the verification requirements of the federally funded, school-based child nutrition program. Provides that a school board that establishes a process for the determination of eligibility for waiver of fees assessed by the school district that is completely independent of a student's application for, eligibility for, or participation in a federally funded, school-based child nutrition program may provide for fee waiver verification no more often than every 60 calendar days, with conditions. Effective September 1, 2009 or immediately, whichever is later.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 481

Short Description: SCH CD-CHARTER PUBLIC SCH COMM

House Sponsors

Rep. William D. Burns

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Establishes the Illinois Charter Public School Commission as an independent, State-level, charter school authorizing entity working in collaboration with the State Board of Education. Includes provisions concerning membership, funding, staff, powers and duties, Commission charter school applications, Commission immunity, an annual report to the General Assembly and the State Board, oversight fees, and total pupil enrollment. Provides that every 2 years (instead of annually), the State Board shall compile evaluations of charter schools received from school boards. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 495**Short Description:** SCH CD-BUILDING INSPECTIONS**House Sponsors**

Rep. Sidney H. Mathias

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the regional superintendent of schools shall (1) oversee inspections of (rather than inspect) building plans and specifications submitted by school boards and (2) oversee inspections (rather than inspect) all public schools under his or her supervision. Provides that all inspections for construction and like activities shall be conducted by independent third parties not associated with the school's design or construction. Provides that such third party inspectors shall have a minimum of 6,000 hours of relevant training. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 498**Short Description:** SCH CD-SICK LEAVE-UNUSED AMT**House Sponsors**

Rep. Harry R. Ramey, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning sick leave for certain employees of school districts other than Chicago, provides that if an employee other than a teacher does not use the full amount of annual leave allowed, the unused amount shall be allowed to accumulate to a minimum available leave of 240 (instead of 180) days at full pay, including the leave of the current year. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 514**Short Description:** BONDS-SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION**House Sponsors**

Rep. Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the General Obligation Bond Act. Increases the authorization for school construction bonds by \$148,518,304. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 538**Short Description:** SCH CD-LOW INC/HIGH VIOLENCE**House Sponsors**

Rep. Charles E. Jefferson-LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that if a school is located in a low-income and high violence area, as determined by the State Board of Education, then the school board shall require that (1) the school have at least one full-time social worker available for students; (2) the school, if an elementary school, have a gymnasium available for recess; (3) the school, if an elementary school, have at least one recess per school day; and (4) the school offer at least one course in art.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 548**Short Description:** SCH CD-TEACHR-SICK LEAVE-ADOPT**House Sponsors**

Rep. Sandra M. Pihos

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With respect to sick leave for teachers (other than in the Chicago school district), provides that a school board may require a certificate from a physician, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, or spiritual adviser or practitioner as a basis for pay during leave after an absence of 30 days for birth. Provides that for paid sick leave for adoption or placement for adoption, the school board may require that the teacher or other employee provide evidence that the formal adoption process is underway, and such leave is limited to 30 days unless a longer leave has been negotiated with the exclusive bargaining representative. Imposes conditions on any rulemaking authority. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 605**Short Description:** SCH CD-ENSURING SUCCESS IN SCH**House Sponsors**

Rep. Karen A. Yarbrough

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the Ensuring Success in School Task Force to submit a report to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2009 (instead of January 1, 2009). Effective

immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 613

Short Description: SCH CD-CONTRACTS-BIDDING

House Sponsors

Rep. Roger L. Eddy and Michael G. Connelly

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In provisions requiring certain contracts to be awarded by competitive bid, provides that the acceptance of bids sealed by a bidder and the opening of these bids at a public bid opening may be permitted by an electronic process for communicating, accepting, and opening competitive bids; requires certain safeguards. Imposes conditions on any rulemaking authority. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 618

Short Description: LOTTERY-SCHOOLS

House Sponsors

Rep. LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Lottery Law. Creates the Lottery Supports Schools Fund. Provides that certain lottery revenues shall be deposited into the Fund. Provides that moneys in the fund shall be distributed to school districts based on the district's percentage of lottery sales. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 628

Short Description: SCH CD-SPEC ED-EXPERT WITNESS

House Sponsors

Rep. Harry Osterman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Provides that a private evaluator or expert retained by or on behalf a parent or guardian shall be afforded reasonable and unimpeded access to educational personnel, facilities, classrooms, and buildings and to the child for the purpose of conducting any appropriate interviews, observations, assessments, tests, or evaluations of the child and of the child's current or proposed educational program, placement, and educational environment.

Provides that a parent or guardian shall be afforded reasonable and unimpeded access to observe the child in his or her current or proposed educational program, placement, and educational environment. Provides that a parent or guardian who is a prevailing party in an impartial due process hearing or in a civil action may recover from an opposing party reasonable expert witness costs if the expert witness contributed to the relief obtained by the parent or guardian. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 634

Short Description: GOVT TORT IMMUNITY-SCHOOL ASSN

House Sponsors

Rep. Dan Brady-Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act. Adds to the definition of a "local public entity": an association of school districts, association of school boards, and any not-for-profit association, partnership, or other organization or entity organized for the purpose of conducting public business. Provides that these changes apply to pending actions as well as actions commenced on or after the effective date. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Judiciary I - Civil Law Committee

HB 640

Short Description: SCH CD-SCOLIOSIS SCREENING

House Sponsors

Rep. William B. Black

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires all children in the third and seventh grades of any public, private, or parochial school to have a scoliosis screening. Provides that each of these children shall present proof of having been examined by a chiropractor before May 15th of the school year. Provides that the Department of Public Health shall establish, by rule, a waiver for children who show an undue burden or a lack of access to a chiropractor. Requires each public, private, and parochial school to give notice of this scoliosis screening requirement to the parents and guardians of students at least 60 days before May 15th of each school year. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 645

Short Description: SCH CD-CERT-CHIROPRACTOR

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning an employee's sick leave and compulsory school age exemptions, provides that when required, certain certificates may be issued by a chiropractic physician licensed in this State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 655

Short Description: TASK FORCE--OPP. FOR DISABLED

House Sponsors

Rep. Esther Golar

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Employment and Economic Opportunity for Persons with Disabilities Task Force Act. Creates the Employment and Economic Opportunity for Persons with Disabilities Task Force. Requires the Task Force to analyze (i) programs and policies of the State to determine what changes, modifications, and innovations may be necessary to remove barriers to competitive employment and economic opportunity for persons with disabilities, (ii) State disability systems, including the mental health, developmental disabilities, veterans' assistance, workforce investment, and rehabilitation services systems, and their effect on employment of persons with disabilities, and (iii) applicable research and policy studies, innovations used in other States, and any federal policy initiatives such as customized employment, and federal funding opportunities that would increase competitive employment and economic opportunity for persons with disabilities in Illinois. Requires the Task Force to meet for the first time no later than 90 days after the effective date. Requires the Task Force to produce an annual report of its activities and recommendations and to issue that report no later than May 1st of each year, beginning May 1, 2010. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Disability Services Committee

HB 684

Short Description: SCH CD-COMMUNITY SCH-GRANTS

House Sponsors

Rep. William D. Burns-Deborah Mell

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Subject to an appropriation or the availability of funding for such purposes, requires the State Board of Education to make grants available to fund community schools (which are traditional schools that actively partner with their community to leverage existing resources and identify new resources to support the transformation of the school to provide enrichment and additional life skill opportunities for students, parents, and community members at-large) and to enhance programs at community schools. Requires a request-for-proposal process to be used in awarding grants. Provides that proposals may be submitted on behalf of a school, a school district, or a consortium of 2 or more schools or school districts. Requires a school to have certain components in order to qualify for a grant. Requires the State Superintendent of Education to appoint a 9-member Advisory Council on Community Schools. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 725**Short Description:** SCH CD-UNIV-SIGN LANGUAGE CRED**House Sponsors**

Rep. Jim Watson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code to encourage school boards to implement American Sign Language (ASL) courses into school foreign language curriculum. Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois. In provisions concerning admissions requirements, provides that ASL constitutes a foreign language for the purposes of meeting those requirements. Requires the governing board of each public university to award academic credit for the successful completion of any ASL course offered or approved by the university, which may be applied toward the satisfaction of the foreign language requirements of the university. Imposes conditions on any rulemaking authority. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 737**Short Description:** SCH CD-PRINCIPAL PROGRAMS**House Sponsors**

Rep. Michael K. Smith

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code to provide that principals hired on or after July 1, 2008 may participate in a second year of mentoring through the new principal mentoring program if it is determined by the State Superintendent of Education that sufficient funding exists for such participation. Removes a provision requiring the completion of a survey of progress. Requires the State Superintendent to annually determine whether appropriations are likely to be sufficient to require operation of the mentoring program for the coming year. Provides that the master principal designation program includes mentoring master level principals. Provides that the State Board of Education shall select, through a competitive process, statewide entities to receive funds appropriated for the purpose of providing a program (instead of the State Board adopting rules for entities seeking to provide a program). Provides that "master principal designation program" shall also be known as the Illinois Distinguished Principal Leadership Institute. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 739**Short Description:** SCH CD-FIN INCENTIV-ENERGY CON**House Sponsors**

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Energy Conservation Article of the School Code. Subject to appropriation, requires the State Board of Education to provide financial incentives to school districts that participate in energy conservation. Provides that the State Board of Education shall determine, by rule, what form of financial incentive is to be provided, which school districts are eligible for a financial incentive, what actions constitute energy conservation, and how a school district is to apply for a financial incentive. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 740

Short Description: SCH CD-GREEN CAREER/TECH PROG

House Sponsors

Rep. Michael K. Smith-Keith Farnham-Naomi D. Jakobsson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to establish a 2-year pilot program to assist in the creation and promotion of green career and technical education programs in public secondary schools in this State.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 742

Short Description: BIOMETRIC INFO-STUDY COMMITTEE

House Sponsors

Rep. Kathleen A. Ryg-Mike Fortner

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Biometric Information Privacy Act. Creates the Biometric Information Privacy Study Committee to examine: the use of biometric identifiers, information, and technology used by the State and local governments and report on current policies, procedures, and practices used by governmental entities to protect against unauthorized disclosure of information; best practices; and issues. Provides the Committee's report and recommendations shall be submitted to the General Assembly before December 31, 2010. Provides that members of the Committee shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Bio-Technology Committee

HB 744

Short Description: SCH CD-FINANCE ACCOUNTABILITY

House Sponsors

Rep. Kathleen A. Ryg-Karen A. Yarbrough-Robert Rita-Karen May

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Makes changes concerning school districts certified to be in financial difficulty, a district's account audit, the removal of school board members, the interest of a district's general counsel in contracts, the adoption by a school board of a formal, written financial policy, the development by a school board of a long-term financial plan and a 5-year capital improvement plan, the inclusion of a user-friendly executive summary as part of a district's budget, the inclusion of certain items in the full budget document, school board training on financial oversight, accountability, and fiduciary responsibilities, the establishment of an audit committee, an Education Inspector General, and school board associations. Effective immediately, except that certain provisions take effect July 1, 2010.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Public Policy & Accountability for Education Committee

HB 754

Short Description: DHS-MENTAL HEALTH WORK GROUP

House Sponsors

Rep. Sara Feigenholtz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Department of Human Services Act. Provides that the Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health under the leadership of Secretary of the Department of Human Services and as the State Mental Health Authority, in an effort to develop and establish a comprehensive State mental health plan for Illinois and to coordinate all policy making in mental health, shall convene and lead a Work Group composed of directors of State agencies and principal stakeholders in the public mental health system. Provides that the Work Group is charged with designing Illinois' mental health system to be more efficient and effective as well as reduce redundancies in the delivery of services to persons with mental illnesses. Sets forth items that must be included in the Illinois Comprehensive State Mental Health Plan. Sets forth other Work Group functions.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Executive Committee

HB 788

Short Description: SCH CD-MANAGEMENT DIFFICULTIES

House Sponsors

Rep. Robert Rita

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that the State Board of Education shall have the necessary powers to promote sound management of Illinois public schools. Allows the State Board to certify that a school district, other than the Chicago school district, is in management difficulty if the school district has been engaged in a continuing and repeated pattern of documented and substantiated mismanagement. Under certain circumstances, allows the State Board to require the development of a school district management improvement plan, advise a school district on recommended or suggested methods of improving managerial success, and appoint a Management Oversight Panel for the school district. Sets forth provisions concerning the composition and duties of a Management Oversight Panel and allows for

a combined Management Oversight Panel and Financial Oversight Panel in certain circumstances. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Public Policy & Accountability for Education Committee

HB 803

Short Description: SCHOOL DISTRICT INCOME TAX

House Sponsors

Rep. Ronald A. Wait

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the School District Income Tax Act. Allows school districts to tax income after referendum approval of district residents and record owners of property in the district. Provides for additional levies, administration and distribution of the tax, and penalties for violations. Applies only to income earned following 120 days after certification of the results of the referendum. Creates a credit against the tax in an amount not to exceed \$500 equal to 5% of the amounts spent by the taxpayer on monthly rent for the taxpayer's residence. Amends the Property Tax Code to provide for abatement of residential, farm, and small business property. Amends the School Code to require that school districts certify income tax levies and amounts realized for property tax abatement purposes and to coordinate the calculation of school aid with the income tax levies by adjusting the operating tax rate accordingly. Amends the State Finance Act to create the School District Income Tax Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Revenue & Finance Committee

HB 806

Short Description: SCH CD-FIRST GRADE-AGE 5

House Sponsors

Rep. Mike Fortner

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that children who have attended a State-certified, private preschool and continued their education at that school through kindergarten and who will attain the age of 6 years on or before December 31 of the year of the 2009-2010 school term and each school term thereafter may attend first grade upon commencement of such term. Makes related changes. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 809

Short Description: SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-JT AGREEMENT

House Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In a Section allowing school boards to enter into joint agreements with other school boards with respect to special education matters, provides that an amendment to an agreement may include the removal of a school district from or the addition of a school district to the joint agreement without a petition as otherwise required in the Section if all member districts adopt concurring resolutions to that effect. Makes changes concerning a petition for withdrawal of a district from the joint agreement, including requiring the hearing on the petition to be in accordance with State Board of Education rules and changing how the vote on approval of the petition is determined. Provides that the changes made by the amendatory Act apply to all changes to special education joint agreement membership initiated after July 1, 2009. Provides that the contract of a director of a joint agreement program may not be offered or accepted for less than one year or more than 3 years (instead of for less than or more than 3 years). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 835

Short Description: SCH CD-SPECIAL ED-IEP MEETING

House Sponsors

Rep. Elizabeth Coulson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Provides that the determination of eligibility for special education must be made and the individualized education program must be completed within 60 calendar days for children ages 3 and 4 and within 60 school days for children ages 5 through 21 (now, 60 school days regardless of age) from the date of written parental consent.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 836

Short Description: SCH CD-SPEC ED-IEP MEETING

House Sponsors

Rep. Elizabeth Coulson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Provides that the determination of eligibility for special education shall be made and the Individualized Education Program meeting shall be completed within 60 calendar (instead of school) days from the date of written parental consent.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Assigned to Elementary & Secondary Education Committee

HB 866

Short Description: DAY TEMP LABOR-LOCATION-SCHOOL

House Sponsors
Rep. Harry Osterman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Day and Temporary Labor Services Act. Provides that, in a municipality with more than 1,000,000 inhabitants, a day and temporary labor service agency may not operate or transact business at a location that is within 1,000 feet of a school building or a building in which a Boys and Girls Club is located or real property comprising a school or a Boys and Girls Club. Exempts a day and temporary labor service agency that registered with the Department of Labor before January 1, 2008 and received an occupancy permit from the municipality for that location before January 1, 2008. Defines "school" as a public or private pre-school, elementary school, or secondary school. Contains a home rule preemption.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 900

Short Description: SCH CD-TWICE EXCEPTIONAL CHILD

House Sponsors
Rep. Naomi D. Jakobsson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Advisory Council on the Education of Children with Disabilities and the Advisory Council on the Education of Gifted and Talented Children to research and discuss best practices for addressing the needs of "twice-exceptional" children, those who are gifted and talented and have a disability. Requires the Councils to then jointly make recommendations to the State Board of Education with respect to the State Board of Education providing guidance and technical assistance to school districts in furthering improved educational outcomes for gifted and twice-exceptional children. Sets forth what the recommendations must include. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 929

Short Description: SCH CD-ADVISORY REFERENDA

House Sponsors
Rep. Mike Boland-Paul D. Froehlich

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Authorizes a school board to place an advisory question on the ballot by a majority vote of the board.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 944**Short Description:** SCH CD-FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES**House Sponsors**

Rep. Roger L. Eddy-Sidney H. Mathias

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that a school district must not be certified by the State Board of Education to be in financial difficulty as a result of the failure of the Comptroller to disburse certain School Code reimbursements for receipt by the school district no later than June 30th of each year. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 945**Short Description:** SCH CD-CHI-PROHIB-CONTRACT SCH**House Sponsors**

Rep. Monique D. Davis

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Prohibits the Chicago Board of Education from establishing or operating a contract school. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 955**Short Description:** SCH CD-NON-RESIDENT TUITION**House Sponsors**

Rep. Dan Reitz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that a pupil who becomes non-resident during a grading period or school term, as determined by school board policy (instead of just a school term), shall not be charged tuition for the remainder of the grading period or school term in which he or she became a non-resident pupil, except that a pupil who began the school year as a resident pupil but becomes non-resident during that school year shall not be charged tuition for the remainder of the school year if he or she is graduating from high school that school year. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 972

Short Description: EDUC-VET DAY-MOMENT OF SILENCE

House Sponsors

Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code, various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois, and the Public Community College Act. Provides that if a public school, university, or community college holds any type of event at the institution on November 11, Veterans' Day, the governing board of the institution shall require a moment of silence at that event to recognize Veterans' Day. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 973

Short Description: HEALTH ED-TEEN DATING VIOLENCE

House Sponsors

Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act. Provides that the Comprehensive Health Education Program shall include instruction in grades 8 through 12 on teen dating violence.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 979

Short Description: SCH CD-SPEC ED-TRANSITION SERV

House Sponsors

Rep. Elizabeth Coulson

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Makes changes to a Section concerning transition goals, supports, and services. Removes certain provisions concerning transition goals and supports. Provides instead that beginning no later than the first individualized education plan (IEP) in effect when the student turns age 14 1/2 (or younger if determined appropriate by the IEP Team) and updated annually thereafter, the IEP must include (i) measurable postsecondary goals based upon age-appropriate transition assessments and other information available regarding the student that are related to training, education, employment, and, where appropriate, independent living skills and (ii) the transition services needed to assist the student in reaching those goals, including courses of study. Makes changes concerning the transition planning process, including additional participants, the IEP identifying each person responsible for transition services, the involvement of a public or private entity outside of the school district in transition services, the limit on a public school's responsibility for delivering educational services, and submitting a summary to the local Transition Planning Committee. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 987

Short Description: SCH CD-TRANSPORTATION-DISTANCE

House Sponsors

Rep. Kevin A. McCarthy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Transportation Article of the School Code. Provides that a school board shall provide free transportation for pupils residing at a distance of one mile (instead of one and one-half miles) or more from school. Makes related changes in provisions concerning transportation of pupils less than that distance from school, pupils attending a charter school or nonpublic school, and reimbursement of a custodian of a qualifying pupil for transportation expenses paid by the custodian. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 990

Short Description: SCH CD-ELIMINATE TRANS FATS

House Sponsors

Rep. LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules for the elimination of vegetable oils containing trans fats in foods served in public school cafeterias beginning on July 1, 2010 and for the elimination of all foods containing trans fats from public schools beginning on July 1, 2011. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 999

Short Description: SCH CD-LINES OF CREDIT

House Sponsors

Rep. Roger L. Eddy

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Allows a school district to establish a line of credit with a bank or other financial institution (instead of just a bank). Provides that the line of credit must be in an amount not to exceed 95% of the amount of property taxes most recently levied for educational, operations and maintenance, transportation, or other tax levy purposes or any combination thereof (instead of just for educational and building purposes). Provides that moneys thus borrowed shall be applied to the purposes for which the tax or any combination of the taxes may be levied (instead of the purposes for which they were obtained). Allows a school board to anticipate revenues due in the current fiscal year or expected to

be due in the next subsequent fiscal year and issue notes, bonds, or other obligations and, in connection with that issuance, establish a line of credit in a specified amount under certain conditions. Allows other educational entities or a regional superintendent of schools to anticipate revenues due in the current fiscal year or expected to be due in the next subsequent fiscal year and issue notes or other obligations and, in connection with that issuance, establish a line of credit in a specified amount under certain conditions. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 1001

Short Description: SCH CD-TAX EQUIVALENT GRANTS

House Sponsors

Rep. Raymond Poe

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Subject to appropriation, requires a tax-equivalent grant to be paid to any school district where a State-owned institution is located (now, a school district is entitled to a grant only if the State owns 45% or more of the total land area of the district). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HB 1013

Short Description: GREEN BUILDINGS ACT

House Sponsors

Rep. Mike Boland

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Green Buildings Act. Requires that State-funded building construction and major renovations of existing State-owned facilities must meet certain energy and environmental standards of the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design program rating system, the Green Building Initiative's Green Globes rating system, or an equivalent rating system. Permits waiver of the standards by the Capital Development Board or another agency. Specifies the criteria for waivers. Requires the Board to analyze and evaluate the Act's green building standards after the earlier of 5 years or the completion of 10 Board green projects. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	House	Filed with the Clerk by Rep. Mike Boland

SB 35

Short Description: SCH CD-TEACHR-SICK LEAVE-ADOPT

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Susan Garrett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With respect to sick leave for teachers (other than in the Chicago school district), provides that a school board may require a certificate from a physician, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, or spiritual adviser or practitioner as a basis for pay during leave after an absence of 30 days for birth. Provides that for paid sick leave for adoption or placement for adoption, the school board may require that the teacher or other employee provide evidence that the formal adoption process is underway, and such leave is limited to 30 days unless a longer leave has been negotiated with the exclusive bargaining representative. Imposes conditions on any rulemaking authority. Effective immediately.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Removes the amendatory language imposing conditions on any rulemaking authority.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 18, 2009

SB 37

Short Description: 21ST CENTURY SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Edward D. Maloney

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the 21st Century Scholars Act to provide an incentive for low-income students in the 8th grade to improve their academic preparation for postsecondary education. Sets forth provisions concerning annual tuition scholarships to applicants who qualify; requiring the State, the participating school district, and the student to enter into a 3-part compact; rules to implement the Act; and reporting to the General Assembly on awards.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 45

Short Description: USE/OCC-VENDOR DISCOUNT

Senate Sponsors

Sen. James T. Meeks

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Use Tax Act, Service Use Tax Act, Service Occupation Tax Act, and the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act. Provides that the vendors discount under the Acts may no longer be claimed for returns filed on or after January 1, 2009. Provides that the Department of Revenue shall pay into the Truant Officers and Preschool Support Fund an amount equal to the amount that would have been retained by vendors as a result of the discount that was eliminated under the amendatory Act. Amends the State Finance Act to create the Truant Officers and Preschool Support Fund. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 54**Short Description:** ST ETHICS-INSPECTOR REPORTS**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Susan Garrett-Kirk W. Dillard

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. With respect to an executive branch State employee who is the subject of an Executive Inspector General's investigation and whose agency head or ultimate jurisdictional authority agrees with the Inspector General as to disciplinary action against the employee, establishes procedures for providing a redacted version of the Inspector General's summary investigation report to the Executive Ethics Commission, to the employee, and to the public, under certain circumstances.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 67**Short Description:** VEH CD-SEAT BELTS-SCHOOL BUS**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Ira I. Silverstein

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that, beginning July 1, 2010, each school bus that is purchased new shall be equipped with seat safety belts for each passenger. Provides that the State Board of Education shall adopt rules to ensure that school districts require all passengers on those buses to wear seat safety belts. Provides that, except for willful or wanton misconduct, a school bus driver may not be held personally liable for the failure of passengers to wear seat safety belts. Pre-empts the exercise of home rule powers. Makes a corresponding change in the Illinois Municipal Code. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement by the State. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	Senate	Postponed - Transportation

SB 75**Short Description:** VEH CD-SCHOOL ZONES-SURCHARGES**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Michael Bond

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends provisions of the Illinois Vehicle Code setting forth the school safety purposes for which surcharges imposed for certain violations of the special school zone speed limit may be used by school districts. Provides that those purposes include the Safe Routes to School Program and safety programs within the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant Program (in addition to the existing purposes of school zone safety education and the purchase, installation, and maintenance of caution lights mounted on school speed zone signs). Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	Senate	Assigned to Transportation

SB 79

Short Description: SCH CD-PRESCH FOR ALL-HEAD ST

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Terry Link-Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires grantees under the Preschool for All Children program to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the appropriate local Head Start agency no later than 3 months after the award of a grantee's grant under the program and, in the case of the 2009-2010 program year, no later than the deadline set by the State Board of Education for applications to participate in the program in fiscal year 2011. Sets forth certain issues that the memorandum must address. Suspends the memorandum of understanding requirement if the local Head Start agency is unable or unwilling to enter into the memorandum. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 18, 2009

SB 95

Short Description: STUDENTS WITH DIABETES-TECH

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Don Harmon

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Care of Students with Diabetes Act. Contains only a short title provision.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
1/30/2009	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 102

Short Description: SCH CD-ELIMINATE TRANS FATS

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Donne E. Trotter

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education to adopt rules for the elimination of vegetable oils containing trans fats in foods served in public school cafeterias beginning on July 1, 2010 and for the elimination of all foods containing trans fats from public schools beginning on July 1, 2011. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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SB 123

Short Description: SCH CD-TEACH TENURE-PRIOR SERV

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning contractual continued service in school districts other than the Chicago school district, adds an exception to the probationary period of 4 consecutive school terms for a teacher who is first employed as a full-time teacher by a school district on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act but who, prior to employment with the district, already entered upon contractual continued service in another school district, in which case the probationary period is 2 consecutive school terms. Makes a similar change with respect to a teacher employed in a program of a special education joint agreement. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	Senate	Postponed - Education

SB 144

Short Description: SCH/COM COL-BUILDING-EMERGENCY

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code and the Public Community College Act. Provides that a school board shall make school buildings available for use as civil defense shelters for all persons; cooperate with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, local organizations for civil defense, disaster relief organizations, and federal agencies concerned with civil defense relative thereto; cooperate with these agencies and organizations in the use of other resources, equipment, and facilities; and cooperate with these agencies and organizations in the construction of new buildings to the end that the buildings be so designed that shelter facilities may be provided. Requires (instead of allows) a board of trustees of a community college district to make the buildings of the college available for emergency purposes, upon the request of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency or the State-accredited emergency management agency with jurisdiction, and to cooperate in all matters with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, local emergency management agencies, State-certified, local public health departments, the American Red Cross, and federal agencies concerned with emergency preparedness and response; provides that the request may also be made by the American Red Cross. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 152

Short Description: SCH CD-FOOD ALLERGY GUIDELINES

Senate Sponsors

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Requires the State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Department of Public Health, to develop and make available to each school board guidelines for the management of students with life-threatening food allergies. Requires each school board to implement a policy based on the guidelines for the management of students with life-threatening food allergies. Imposes conditions on any rulemaking authority.

Senate Committee Amendment No. 1

Removes the language imposing conditions on any rulemaking authority.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 18, 2009

SB 153

Short Description: SCH CD-RETIREMENT TRUSTEE LEAV

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Susan Garrett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that each school board employing an employee who is an elected trustee of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall make available to the elected trustee at least 20 days of paid leave of absence per year for the purpose of attending meetings of the Fund's Board of Trustees, committee meetings of the Board, and seminars regarding issues for which the Board is responsible. The Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall reimburse affected school districts for the actual cost of hiring a substitute employee during such leaves of absence. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	Senate	Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading February 18, 2009

SB 182

Short Description: SCH CD-REMOVE CHARTR SCH LIMIT

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Dan Cronin-Pamela J. Althoff

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Removes the limit on the total number of charter schools that may operate at any one time; makes related changes. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 186

Short Description: CNTY CD-COOK BD-REG SUP OF SCH

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Counties Code. With respect to a county having a population of 2,000,000 or more inhabitants, provides that the county board has the duty to provide for the regional superintendent of schools a suitable office with necessary furniture and office supplies. Denies home rule powers. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 187

Short Description: SCH CD-CHIEF SCH BUS OFFICIAL

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Edward D. Maloney

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code with respect to administrative certificates. Allows for a chief school business official endorsement if, among other conditions, the certificate holder has 2 years of university-approved practical experience (as an alternative to requiring 2 years of administrative experience in school business management).

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 204

Short Description: EDUC-BUILDING-EMERGENCY

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code, various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois, and the Public Community College Act. Provides that a school board shall make school buildings available for use as civil defense shelters for all persons; cooperate with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, local organizations for civil defense, disaster relief organizations, and federal agencies concerned with civil defense relative thereto; cooperate with these agencies and organizations in the use of other resources, equipment, and facilities; and cooperate with these agencies and organizations in the construction of new buildings to the end that the buildings be so designed that shelter facilities may be provided. Requires (instead of allows) a board of trustees of a community college district to make the buildings of the college available for emergency purposes, upon the request of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency or the State-accredited emergency management agency with jurisdiction, and to cooperate in all matters with the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, local emergency management agencies, State-certified, local public health departments, the American Red Cross, and federal agencies concerned with emergency preparedness and response; provides that the request may also be made by the American Red Cross. Adds a similar requirement for public universities. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

SB 225

Short Description: \$ISBE-GROW YOUR OWN TEACHER

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced

Appropriates \$4,500,000 from the General Revenue Fund to the State Board of Education for the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Initiative. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Appropriations II

SB 226

Short Description: EDUC-GROW YOUR OWN TEACHERS

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Act. Makes changes concerning the purposes and goals of the Grow Your Own Teacher Education Initiative, the definitions of certain terms, including adding a definition of "cohort", the composition of a consortium, candidate qualifications, a cohort's education (instead of training), collective consortium decision-making, supportive services, the program of forgivable loans, the award of grants under the Initiative, the inclusion of certain costs in program budgets, and funds to cover the salary of a site-based cohort coordinator.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 235

Short Description: SCH CD-PRINCIPAL PROGRAMS

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code to provide that principals hired on or after July 1, 2008 may participate in a second year of mentoring through the new principal mentoring program if it is determined by the State Superintendent of Education that sufficient funding exists for such participation. Removes a provision requiring the completion of a survey of progress. Requires the State Superintendent to annually determine whether appropriations are likely to be sufficient to require operation of the mentoring program for the coming year. Provides that the master principal designation program includes mentoring master level principals. Provides that the State Board of Education shall select, through a competitive process, statewide entities to receive funds appropriated for the purpose of providing a program (instead of the State Board adopting rules for entities seeking to provide a program). Provides that "master principal

designation program" shall also be known as the Illinois Distinguished Principal Leadership Institute. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 238

Short Description: SCH CD-CHARTER PUBLIC SCH COMM

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Heather Steans-Iris Y. Martinez-Dan Cronin

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Establishes the Illinois Charter Public School Commission as an independent, State-level, charter school authorizing entity working in collaboration with the State Board of Education. Includes provisions concerning membership, funding, staff, powers and duties, Commission charter school applications, Commission immunity, an annual report to the General Assembly and the State Board, oversight fees, and total pupil enrollment. Provides that every 2 years (instead of annually), the State Board shall compile evaluations of charter schools received from school boards. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 261

Short Description: SCH CD-NONCERT EMP-SICK LEAVE

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Michael Noland

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning sick leave for certain employees of school districts other than Chicago, provides that if an employee other than a teacher does not use the full amount of annual leave allowed, the unused amount shall be allowed to accumulate to a minimum available leave of 240 (instead of 180) days at full pay, including the leave of the current year. Provides that if an employee other than a teacher is subject to a reduction in force, the employing district shall maintain on its records all accumulated sick leave days, which must be recredited to the employee at the time of recall. Provides that if the employee is not recalled, then the district shall pay the employee, at the expiration of the recall period, the cash value for all accumulated sick leave at the daily rate of pay at the time of the layoff. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Education

SB 269

Short Description: SCHOOL BUS INSTRUCTION COURSES

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In provisions concerning the duty of the regional superintendent of schools to conduct courses of instruction for school bus drivers, allows for an increase in fees for providing such courses. Provides that, of the increase in course fees authorized, \$1 shall be deposited into a State Board of Education revolving account specifically dedicated to school bus safety for the conduct of business of the Illinois Pupil Transportation Advisory Committee and the certification and conduct of educational programs and training of Illinois school bus driver instructors.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Executive

SB 272

Short Description: VEH CD-NO PHONE IN SCHOOL ZONE

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Michael W. Frerichs-Pamela J. Althoff

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that a person, regardless of age, may not use a wireless telephone in a school speed zone or a construction or maintenance speed zone, except for a person engaged in a highway construction or maintenance project for which a construction or maintenance speed zone has been established when the person is using a wireless telephone in furtherance of that project.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Transportation

SB 287

Short Description: \$STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Gary Forby

Synopsis As Introduced

Make supplemental appropriations to the FY 09 budget of the State Board of Education

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Appropriations II

SB 1197

Short Description: \$STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Senate Sponsors

Sen. John M. Sullivan-Donne E. Trotter

Synopsis As Introduced

Appropriates \$2 from the General Revenue Fund to the Illinois State Board of Education for its FY 10 ordinary and contingent expenses. Effective July 1, 2009.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2009	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1258

Short Description: SCH CONSTRUCT-FED-FY02 GRANTS

Senate Sponsors

Sen. J. Bradley Burzynski

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Construction Law. Provides that any education construction funds that the Capital Development Board receives through the federal government as part of the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 must first be used to pay Fiscal Year 2002 School Construction Program grant recipients. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/6/2009	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1276

Short Description: SCH CD-SUPERINTENDENT MENTOR

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Deanna Demuzio

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that any individual, with exceptions, who begins serving as a superintendent in this State on or after July 1, 2009 and has not previously served as a school district superintendent in this State shall participate in a new superintendent mentoring program, established by the State Board of Education, for the duration of his or her first 2 school years as a superintendent. Contains provisions concerning program requirements, who may apply to be a mentor, mentoring training, assignment of a mentor by a provider selected by the State Board, identification of areas for improvement, a survey of progress, an annual report to the State Board, and a verification form. Provides that mentors of certified staff are protected from suit. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Referred to Assignments

SB 1293

Short Description: SCH CD-DEBT LIMIT EXCEPTION

Senate Sponsors

Sen. James F. Clayborne, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. In a Section concerning the debt limitations of school districts, allows Belle Valley School District 119 to issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$47,500,000 if, among other conditions, (i) the voters of the school district approve a proposition for the bond issuance at an election held on or after April 7, 2009; (ii) the building and equipping of a new school building is required as a result of mine subsidence in an existing school building and because of the age and condition of another existing school building; and (iii) the bonds are issued on or before December 31, 2013. Provides that the bonds must mature within not to exceed 40 years from their date, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary. Effective immediately.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Referred to Assignments

HR 56

Short Description: ISBE-CLOSE STU ACHIEVEMNT GAP

House Sponsors

Rep. LaShawn K. Ford

Synopsis As Introduced

Urges the State Board of Education to establish a comprehensive plan to close the student achievement gap by the 2010-2011 school year.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/9/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HJR 1

Short Description: SPEC EDUC FUNDING TASK FORCE

House Sponsors

Rep. Sandra M. Pihos-Al Riley-Patricia R. Bellock-Darlene J. Senger-Elizabeth Coulson, John D. Cavaletto, Renée Kosel, Ron Stephens, Jim Watson, Roger L. Eddy and Ronald A. Wait

Synopsis As Introduced

Extends the reporting deadline for the task force created by House Joint Resolution 24 of the 95th General Assembly.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Resolution Adopted 115-000-000

HJR 4

Short Description: TEACHR OF THE YEAR-NAME CHANGE

House Sponsors

Rep. David Reis

Synopsis As Introduced

Urges the State Board of Education to rename the Illinois Teacher of the Year Award the Willard Carl Widerberg Illinois Teacher of the Year Award.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/11/2009	House	Resolution Adopted

HJR 5

Short Description: SCHOOL SUCCESS TASK FORCE

House Sponsors
Rep. William Davis

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the School Success Task Force to examine issues and make recommendations related to current State Board of Education policies regarding suspensions, expulsions, and truancies.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/4/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

HJR 6

Short Description: SCHOOL TRANSPORTATN TASK FORCE

House Sponsors
Rep. Elaine Nekritz

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the School Transportation Task Force to study the possibility of enacting legislation making changes to current transportation programs offered by the Illinois State Board of Education.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/5/2009	House	Referred to Rules Committee

SJR 5

Short Description: PARENTS ACCOUNTABLTY COMMITTEE

Senate Sponsors
Sen. Mattie Hunter

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Parents and Community Accountability Study Committee to examine issues related to racial and socioeconomic disparities affecting the pro-social development of children and youth, to identify ways to engage more parents in being accountable for the actions of their children, and to identify ways to engage more communities in being accountable for investing in pro-social development of children and families.

Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
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Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Human Services

SJR 8

Short Description: HIGHER ED-MINORITIES-TASK FORC

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Kimberly A. Lightford

Synopsis As Introduced

Commissions a bi-partisan task force on the status of underrepresented minorities in higher education to evaluate the status of traditionally underrepresented populations, specifically African Americans, Latinos, and Native Americans, in this State's public and private institutions of higher education.



Last Action

Date	Chamber	Action
2/10/2009	Senate	Assigned to Higher Education

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ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
February 18-19, 2009

TO: Illinois State Board of Education

FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D., State Superintendent of Education 
Darren Reisberg, General Counsel 

Agenda Topic: Waiver Report to the General Assembly

Materials: Waiver Report

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Purpose of Agenda Item

The purpose of the agenda item is to inform the Board about requests for waivers and modifications that have been received since the last report in October 2008, and to secure approval of the Spring 2009 Waiver Report for submission to the General Assembly before March 1, as required by law.

Relationship to/Implications for the State Board's Strategic Plan

The waiver report is linked to Goal 1 in that applicants may request waivers of the School Code in order to improve student performance.

Expected Outcomes of Agenda Item

The Board will be asked to authorize submission of the Spring 2009 Waiver Report to the General Assembly.

Background Information

The Spring 2009 Waiver Report is the twenty-eighth report to be submitted to the General Assembly pursuant to Section 2-3.25g of the School Code. This report contains 100 requests that seek to waive mandates of School Code provisions upon which the General Assembly must act. These requests address driver education fees (29 requests), nonresident tuition (16 requests), limitation of administrative costs (15 requests), school improvement/in-service training (11 requests), parent-teacher conferences (nine requests), content of evaluation plans (eight requests), daily physical education (seven requests), and requests to use other practice driving methods in place of the required six hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in a dual control car on public roadways (four requests). There is one request addressing state graduation requirements.

Since the Fall 2008 waiver report, the State Superintendent has approved 100 requests that modify the School Code mandate pertaining to legally mandated school holidays, and one request that waives State Board rules pertaining to driver education.

Analysis and Policy Implications

In December 2007, the State Board voted to discontinue its voluntary practice of forwarding staff

analysis and related recommendations to the General Assembly on individual waiver requests unless extraordinary circumstances would warrant such recommendations.

Staff do not propose forwarding any recommendations on waiver requests contained in this report to the General Assembly; however, a synopsis of selected topics that may be of interest to Board members is provided below.

Physical Education. The report contains seven waiver requests from school districts seeking relief from the mandate to provide physical education on a daily basis. Of these seven petitions, two affect kindergarten through grade 5, one affects kindergarten through grade 6, one covers grades 6 through 12, and three affect high school grades only. All seven requests are renewals. Descriptions of each of these requests can be found on pages 11-12 of the waiver report attached.

In accordance with the waiver law, each of these waiver requests can be approved for a period of two years only, with the possibility of no more than two, two-year renewals, for a total of six years in which the applicant may waive or modify the daily physical education requirements.

Driver's Education – Behind-the-Wheel Instruction. Four districts have requested waivers from Section 27-24.3 of the School Code that requires the provision of six hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in a dual controlled car on public roadways. Previous to July 1, 2008, Section 27-24.3 authorized the State Board of Education to determine the type of practice driving instruction that school districts could provide in lieu of providing up to five hours of the required behind-the-wheel instruction. That provision has been removed, so approval is needed through the waiver process in order to continue local programs that use other ways to provide behind-the-wheel instruction.

The requesting districts wish to use computer simulators and/or range driving time to fulfill some portion of the required six hours of behind-the-wheel instruction. The details on each waiver can be found on page 5 of the draft waiver report attached.

Driver's Education Fees. The report contains 29 requests to increase fees for driver's education from the maximum of \$50 allowed under Section 27-23 of the School Code. Of the 29 districts requesting fee increases, six request fees not to exceed \$200, 16 request fees from \$250 to \$300, and seven request fees from \$350 to \$500. Twenty-two of these 29 requests are renewals.

Given that the law establishing the \$50 maximum is more than 20 years old and that the majority of the driver's education fee waiver requests granted since 1995 have been approved in the last five years, the State Board recommended in the 2009 Cumulative Waiver Report that the General Assembly introduce legislation to eliminate the fee limit of \$50 in Section 27-23 of the School Code, allowing districts to set the fee in response to local conditions, with the stipulation that fees are set only after provision of appropriate advance notices and the holding of a public hearing.

Non-resident tuition. This report contains 16 requests to waive or reduce the amount of tuition charged to non-resident students, the largest number of requests ever received for this subject in one waiver reporting cycle. In 14 instances, the waiver would be limited to students whose parents are district employees and no tuition would be charged. One application would charge reduced tuition to non-resident students; and one would charge no tuition to nonresident students (1) whose family members are full-time district employees; (2) who live close to district

boundaries; or (3) who previously attended the district and have since moved. Only two of these requests are renewals.

Slightly more than half (56 percent) of these requests are from districts in southern Illinois counties. The rationales cite the anticipated instructional benefits for all students when employees' interest in their work is enhanced by having their own children in attendance. Moreover, the flexibility afforded by such waivers is seen as a factor in recruiting highly qualified staff.

Parent-Teacher Conferences. The report includes nine requests to schedule parent-teacher conferences in ways other than those authorized by Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1) of the School Code. Seven of these requests are renewals. State Board staff drafted legislation for the Spring 2008 session that would have allowed school districts to use certain schedules that now require approval through the waiver process before being implemented. The legislation was not successful; had it been enacted, then waivers would not be needed for any of the current requests.

Superintendent's Recommendation

The State Superintendent recommends that the State Board of Education adopt the following motion:

The State Board of Education hereby forwards the 100 waiver requests summarized in the Spring 2009 report to the General Assembly without comment.

Next Steps

Staff will submit the Spring 2009 Waiver Report as presented to the General Assembly before March 1.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable John J. Cullerton, Senate President
The Honorable Christine Radogno, Senate Republican Leader
The Honorable Michael J. Madigan, Speaker of the House
The Honorable Tom Cross, House Republican Leader

FROM: Christopher A. Koch, Ed.D.
State Superintendent of Education

DATE: March 1, 2009

RE: Waivers of School Code Mandates: Spring 2009 Waiver Summary Report

As required by Section 2-3.25g of the School Code (105 ILCS 5/2-3.25g), the following report provides summaries of requests for waivers of School Code mandates being transmitted to the Illinois General Assembly for its consideration. Also included are summaries of requests for waivers and modifications acted on by the State Superintendent of Education in accordance with Section 1A-4 of the School Code (105 ILCS 5/1A-4) and of applications that have been returned to school districts or other eligible applicants.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Darren Reisberg, General Counsel, at 217/782-8535.

cc: The Honorable Pat Quinn, Governor
Mark Mahoney, Clerk of the House
Deborah Shipley, Secretary of the Senate
Legislative Research Unit
State Government Report Center

Executive Summary

The following report outlines waivers of School Code mandates that school districts, regional offices of education, or special education or vocational education cooperatives have requested since the last report, which was transmitted in September 2008. Pursuant to Section 2-3.25g of the School Code (105 ILCS 5/2-3.25g), these requests must be sent to the General Assembly for its consideration before March 1, 2009.

The report is organized by subject area and by school district, regional office, or special education or vocational education cooperative. The General Assembly may disapprove the report in whole or in part within 60 calendar days after each chamber next convenes once the report is filed. This is done by a joint resolution. If either chamber fails to reject a waiver request, then that request is deemed granted.

Section I summarizes the 100 requests received for waivers of School Code mandates for consideration by the General Assembly, which are presented alphabetically by topic area. The largest number of applications received (33 requests) seeks waivers from requirements for driver education, which includes 29 requests to increase the fee and four requests for the use of other practice driving methods in lieu of the required six hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in a dual control car on public roadways. In addition, 16 requests address nonresident tuition; 15 address limitation of administrative costs, 11 pertain to school improvement/in-service training, nine involve parent-teacher conferences, eight address the process for evaluating tenured teachers, seven address daily physical education, and one requests a waiver regarding state graduation requirements.

This document also contains three other sections beyond what is required under Section 2-3.25g of the School Code. Section II lists the modifications or waivers of State Board of Education rules and modifications of School Code mandates upon which the State Superintendent of Education has acted in accordance with Section 1A-4 of the School Code (105 ILCS 5/1A-4). The 61 approvals address legal school holidays and driver education.

Section III describes the 13 requests that have been returned to or withdrawn by the petitioning entities. Section IV shows all the requests submitted, organized by Senate and House districts.

In addition, the requests received are summarized by subject area in a table following this Executive Summary. Complete copies of the waiver requests for the General Assembly's consideration have been made available to legislative staff.

This is the twenty-eighth report submitted pursuant to Section 2-3.25g of the School Code, which requires that the State Board of Education through agency staff compile and submit requests for waivers of School Code mandates to the General Assembly before March 1 and October 1 of each year.

Summary of Applications for Waivers and Modifications
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Topic	Approved	Denied by SBE	Transmitted to GA	Withdrawn or Returned
Content of Evaluation Plans	0	0	8	0
Driver Education	1	0	33	1
Legal School Holidays	60	0	0	3
Limitation of Administrative Costs	0	0	15	4
Nonresident Tuition	0	0	16	2
Parent-Teacher Conferences	0	0	9	1
Principals – Duties	0	0	0	1
Physical Education	0	0	7	0
School Improvement/ Inservice Training	0	0	11	0
State Graduation Requirements	0	0	1	0
Superintendent – Duties	0	0	0	1
Petition Summary	61	0	100	13

TOTAL NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS: 174

SECTION I

Applications Transmitted to the General Assembly

Content of Evaluation Plans

East Moline SD 37 – Rock Island (SD 36/HD 71) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**
WM100-4915 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the district to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “meets district standards” and “does not meet district standards”.

Lombard SD 44 – DuPage (SD 21/HD 42) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**
WM100-4924 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the district to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “Professional Growth Track – no rating”, and “Professional Assistance Track – satisfactory or unsatisfactory”.

Spoon River Valley CUSD 4 – Fulton (SD 46/HD 91) / **Expiration: 2010-11 school year**
WM100-4962 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the district to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “meets district expectation” and “does not meet district expectation”.

Kaneland CUSD 302 – Kane, DeKalb (SD 25/HD 50) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**
WM100-4980 – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the district to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “meets/exceeds district learning standards for effective teaching” and “unsatisfactory”.

Streator ESD 44 – LaSalle (SD 38/HD 76) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**
WM100-5003 – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the district to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “meets or exceeds” and “does not meet”.

School Association for Special Education in DuPage County (SASED) – DuPage (SD 24/HD 48) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**
WM100-5020 – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the cooperative to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “meets/exceeds” and “does not meet”.

Crete-Monee CUSD 201U – Will (SD 40/HD 80) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**
WM100-5036 – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the district to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “meets/exceeds” and “does not meet”.

Marquardt SD 15 – DuPage (SD 23/HD 45) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5046-1 – Waiver of School Code (Section 24A-5) request to allow the district to replace the current rating scale of “excellent, satisfactory, and unsatisfactory” for a teacher evaluation process with ratings of “meeting district performance expectations (Proficient)” and “not meeting district performance expectations (Tier 1 support or Tier 2 support)”.

Driver Education

Fee Limits

Earlville CUSD 9 – LaSalle (SD 35/HD 70) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4927 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Bloom THSD 206 – Cook (SD 40/HD 80) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4932 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$350 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Lexington CUSD 7 – McLean (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4949-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$300 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Leyden CHSD 212 – Cook (SD 39/HD 77) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4953 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Dongola USD 66 – Union (SD 59/HD 118) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4955 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Canton Union SD 66 – Fulton (SD 46/HD 91) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4956 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$200 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Mt. Olive CUSD 5 – Macoupin (SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4972-1 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Adlai E. Stevenson HSD 125 – Lake (SD 30/HD 59) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4974 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$300 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Northfield THSD 225 – Cook (SD 09/HD 17) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4975 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the

district to charge a fee not to exceed \$350 of students who participate in driver education courses.

LaSalle – Peru THSD 120 – LaSalle (SD 38/HD 76) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4979 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$175 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Urbana SD 116 – Champaign (SD 52/HD 103) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4986 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$450 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Vernon Hills CHSD 128 – Lake (SD 26/HD 51) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4987 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$350 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Bloomington SD 87 – McLean (SD 44/HD 88) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4991 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Central A&M CUD 21 – Shelby (SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4994 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$150 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Tri-Valley CUSD 3 – McLean (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4997 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Mendota THSD 280 – LaSalle (SD 38/HD 76) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4998 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$175 of students who participate in driver education courses.

River Bend CUSD 2 – Whiteside (SD 36/HD 71) / Expiration: 2014-15 school year
WM100-5000 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$500 of students who participate in driver education courses. If approved, this request would take effect in the 2010-11 school year.

Pecatonica CUSD 321 – Winnebago, Stephenson (SD 45/HD 89) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5006 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$200 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Lisle CUSD 202 – DuPage (SD 21/HD 42) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5013-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow

the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$300 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Waukegan CUSD 60 – Lake (SD 30/HD 60) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5014 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Fenton CHSD 100 – DuPage (SD 23/HD 46) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5016 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

New Trier THSD 203 – Cook (SD 09/HD 17) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5017-2 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$500 of students who participate in driver education courses.

DeLand-Weldon CUSD 57 – Piatt (SD 55HD 110) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5024 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$500 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Elmwood Park CUSD 401 – Cook (SD 39/HD 77) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5029 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$300 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Westmont CUSD 201 – DuPage (SD 24/HD 47) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5030 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Richmond-Burton CHSD 157 – McHenry (SD 32/HD 63) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5038-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$200 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Valley View CUSD 365U – Will (SD 43/HD 85) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5049 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$300 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Lemont THSD 210 – Cook, Will (SD 41/HD 82) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5058 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the district to charge a fee not to exceed \$300 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Oregon CUSD 220 – Ogle (SD 45/HD 90) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5059 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23) request to allow the

district to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education courses.

Behind-the-Wheel Instruction

Rock Island SD 41 – Rock Island (SD 36/HD 72) / Expiration: 2010-11 school year
WM100-4911 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-24.3) request to allow the district to use computerized simulators for 12 hours of practice driving in lieu of three hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in a car with dual operating controls operated on public roadways. The district states that this method allows students to learn the mechanics of driving without danger to themselves, passengers or other motorists.

Reavis THSD 220 – Cook (SD 11/HD 22) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5002 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-24.3) request to allow the district to use four hours of range driving in lieu of two hours of behind-the-wheel instruction required to be conducted in a car with dual operating controls operated on public roadways. The district states that this format offers the best opportunity for improved student performance and the training of safe drivers.

Lyons THSD 204 – Cook (SD 41/HD 82) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5019 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-24.3) request to allow the district to use practice driving on a controlled course with a supervisor for 11 hours in lieu of four hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in a car with dual operating controls operated on public roadways. The district states that this schedule will allow for more time spent on each area of instruction and more time spent with each student.

Moline USD 40 – Rock Island (SD 36/HD 72) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5023 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-24.3) request to allow the district to use practice driving on a controlled course with a supervisor for eight hours in lieu of four hours of behind-the-wheel instruction in a car with dual operating controls operated on public roadways. The district states that this type of course instruction accommodates more learning styles in a safe and controlled environment.

Limitation of Administrative Costs

Dunlap CUSD 323 – Peoria (SD 37/HD 73) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4942 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. Two new positions in the school district have been added: a part-time director of curriculum with responsibilities for maintaining the district's academic record, and a deputy sheriff's officer to provide safety on campus. Expenses for these two positions have caused the district to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

Mannheim SD 83 – Cook (SD 39/HD 77) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4945 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district superintendent and assistant superintendent received a 20 percent salary increase in the 2007-08 school year due to retirement clauses in their contracts. Both administrators have met contract requirements focusing on increasing student achievement and implementing effective programs for the district's English language learners and preschool populations. The district has reduced other (non-salary)

administrative costs. This one-time increase in administrative costs has caused the district to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

Illini Central CUSD 189 – Mason (SD 47/HD 94) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4948 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. For the 2007-08 school year, the district employed an interim superintendent on a part-time basis with no benefits. A permanent superintendent was hired for the 2008-09 school year with full benefits and salary, causing the district to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

Ohio CHSD 505 – Bureau (SD 37/HD 74) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4966-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district hired a full-time provisional superintendent for the 2007-08 school year, who became fully certified in June 2008. Due to the superintendent's increased salary and benefits in the 2008-09 school year, the district exceeded the 5 percent limitation.

Deerfield SD 109 – Lake (SD 29/HD 58) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4969 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. An administrator's prolonged illness and another employee's planned extended medical leave have required unexpected expenses for hiring temporary employees and for recruitment efforts. Due to these charges, the district's budget for the 2008-09 school year exceeded the 5 percent limitation.

Scott-Morgan CUSD 2 – Scott, Morgan (SD 47/HD 93) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4976 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. For the 2007-08 school year, the district employed an interim superintendent. A full-time superintendent was hired for the 2008-09 school year but resigned after three months. Another interim superintendent was hired to finish out the year. Due to these charges, the district's budgeted expenditures for the 2008-09 school year exceeded the 5 percent limitation.

Kings CSD 144 – Ogle (SD 35/HD 70) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4983 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. For the 2007-08 school year, the district employed a retired superintendent as an interim for half of the year with no benefits; for the second half of the year, the superintendent returned to work full-time and received benefits. Due to these charges, the district's budgeted expenditures for the 2008-09 school year exceeded the 5 percent limitation.

Arcola CUSD 306 – Douglas (SD 55/HD 110) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4989-2 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district's superintendent left in late 2007. An interim superintendent worked for 108 days in 2008 while the board conducted two searches for a permanent superintendent, who began employment in the fall of 2008. Budgeted expenses for the 2008-09 school year, when compared to lower administrator expenses in the 2007-08 school year,

caused the district to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

River Forest SD 90 – Cook (SD 04/HD 07) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4995 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. For the 2007-08 school year, the district employed a part-time interim superintendent while conducting a search for a full-time superintendent, who was hired for the 2008-09 school year. Due to these charges, the district's budgeted expenditures for the 2008-09 school year exceeded the 5 percent limitation.

Minooka CHSD 111 – Grundy (SD 38/HD 75) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-5009 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district opened a south campus in 2008 in order to relieve overcrowding in the central building. Two new deans and support personnel were hired to staff the new campus site. These one-time expenses caused the district's budgeted expenditures for the 2008-09 school year to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

Morris SD 54 – Grundy (SD 38/HD 75) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-5015 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. For the 2006-07 and 2007-08 school years, the district employed a part-time interim superintendent. The district hired a full-time superintendent for the 2008-09 school year. The increase in the district's budgeted expenditures for the 2008-09 school year caused it to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

Carrollton CUSD 1 – Greene (SD 49/HD 97) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-5025 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The high school has failed to make Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) in math and reading. The school board hired a new superintendent in the 2008-09 school year, choosing an individual with an advanced degree and research skills to oversee a competitive grant received under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 designed to integrate technology with reading and math as a means to improving student performance. The increased costs in the 2008-09 school year budget caused the district to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

Cartersville CUSD 5 – Williamson (SD 59/HD 117) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-5026 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. During the 2007-08 school year, the position of one administrator, who provides leadership training to teachers and principals, was reclassified and funded from administrative expenses instead of fiscal services. In addition, another administrator was promoted to the position of chief school business official and this position was also reclassified. Due to these accounting changes, the district's budgeted expenditures for the 2008-09 school year exceeded the 5 percent limitation.

Sandridge SD 172 – Cook (SD 40/HD 80) / Expiration: 2007-08 school year
WM100-5050 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district employed a part-time superintendent prior to September of 2007. A new board

was elected in April of 2007 and a search commenced for a full-time superintendent. Salary differences between these two positions caused the district's budgeted expenditures for the 2008-09 school year to exceed the 5 percent limitation.

Pleasant Hill CUSD 3 – Pike, Calhoun (SD 49/HD 97) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year

WM100-5052 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5) request to allow the district to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. In previous years the position of Dean of Students had been paid out of elementary salaries rather than administrative expenses. The position will now be paid from an administrative line item. Due to this accounting change, the district's expenditures for the 2008-09 school year exceeded the 5 percent limitation.

Nonresident Tuition

Egyptian CUSD 5 – Alexander (SD 59/HD 118) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4912 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Pinckneyville CCSD 204 – Perry (SD 58/HD 115) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4937 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Waltonville CUSD 1 – Jefferson (SD 54/HD 107) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4947 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Grayville CUSD 1 – White (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4964 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Jasper CCSD 17 – Wayne (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4968 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Oglesby ESD 125 – LaSalle (SD 38/HD 76) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4977 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Arcola CUSD 306 – Douglas (SD 55/HD 110) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4989-1 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Deer Park CCSD 82 – LaSalle (SD 38/HD 76) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5001 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to allow the district to charge less than 100 percent of the per capita tuition cost to non-resident students wishing to attend school in the district. For the 2009-10 school year, an annual tuition rate of \$2,500 will be charged to the first student in a family attending Deer Park; other students in the same family would receive a reduced annual tuition rate of \$1,600.

Bluford CCSD 114 – Jefferson (SD 54/HD 107) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5010 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

VIT CUSD 2 – Fulton (SD 47/HD 94) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5022 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Unity Point CCSD 140 – Jackson (SD 58/HD 115) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5027 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

North Wayne CUSD 200 – Wayne (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5037 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Scales Mound CUSD 211 – Jo Daviess (SD 45/HD 89) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5040 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Dalzell SD 98 – Bureau (SD 38/HD 76) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5045-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students to attend its schools free of tuition if (1) their immediate family members are full-time employees in the district; (2) such students live in subdivisions contiguous to the Dalzell school district boundaries or within one-half mile of the village of Dalzell; or (3) such students were at one time legally enrolled at Dalzell Grade School and later moved outside district boundaries.

Edwards County CUSD 1 – Edwards (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5055 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge.

Bunker Hill CUSD 8 – Macoupin (SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5061 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a) request to enable the district to allow non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the

district to attend its schools free of charge.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Tuscola CUSD 301 – Douglas, Champaign (SD 55/HD 110) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4904-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district the option of scheduling parent-teacher conferences in the evening following at least five clock-hours of student attendance and to use the following morning for at least three hours of parent-teacher conferences. One day during that week will be a nonattendance day for students and staff. The evening and morning sessions will be counted among the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Meridian CUSD 223 – Ogle (SD 35/HD 70) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4916 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district the option of scheduling two evening parent-teacher conferences after full days of school attendance, followed by a nonattendance day for students and staff. The two evening sessions will be counted among the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Elgin SD U-46 – Kane (SD 22/HD 43) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4923-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district to schedule parent-teacher conferences in the evening following a regular school day. A morning session of at least three clock hours will be scheduled on Friday of the week of conferences, while the evening conferences could be scheduled on any of the remaining four days. The evening and morning sessions will be counted among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Pontiac – William Holliday SD 105 – St. Clair (SD 56/HD 112) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4931 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district the option of scheduling twice during the school year two parent-teacher conferences in the evening following full days of student attendance. One day during each week will be a nonattendance day. The four evening sessions will be counted as two of the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Benjamin SD 25 – DuPage (SD 28/HD 55) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4963 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district the option of scheduling twice during the school year two parent-teacher conferences in the evening after full days of school attendance followed by two non-attendance days for students and staff at some time during the year. The four evening sessions will be counted as two of the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Iroquois West CUSD 10 – Iroquois (SD 53/HD 105) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-4984 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district the option of scheduling two parent-teacher conferences in the evening following full days of student attendance. One day during that week will be a nonattendance day. The two evening sessions will be counted among the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Byron CUSD 226 – Ogle (SD 45/HD 89) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5031 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district the option of scheduling two evening parent-teacher conferences after full days of school attendance, followed by a nonattendance day for students and staff. The two evening sessions will be counted among the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Ogle County Education Cooperative – Ogle (SD 45/HD 89) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5043 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the special education cooperative the option of scheduling two evening parent-teacher conferences after full days of school attendance, followed by a nonattendance day for students and staff at some time during the year. The two evening sessions will be counted among the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Hillsboro CUSD 3 – Montgomery (SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2009-10 school year
WM100-5057 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)) request to allow the district the option of scheduling two parent-teacher conferences in the evening following full days of student attendance. One day during the week will be a nonattendance day. The two evening sessions will be counted among the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19.

Physical Education

Grayslake CHSD 127 – Lake (SD 31/HD 62) / Expiration: 2010-11 school year
WM100-4952 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-6) request to allow the district to excuse students in grades 11 and 12 from the daily physical education requirement for ongoing participation in varsity cheerleading and pom-pons squads. Both squads practice two hours each day in addition to participation in all games that are part of the season.

Chicago Ridge SD 127-5 – Cook (SD 18/HD 35) / Expiration: 2010-11 school year
WM100-4970 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-6) request to allow the district to permit students in kindergarten through grade 5 to participate in physical education three times a week for 35 minutes each session and students in grades 6 through 8 to participate in physical education three times a week for 43 minutes each session due to inadequate facilities.

Rockford SD 205 – Winnebago (SD 34/HD 67) / Expiration: 2010-11 school year
WM100-4973 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-6) request to allow the district to excuse students in grades 6 through 10 from the daily physical education requirement in order to participate in interscholastic athletics. In addition, students in grades 6 through 12 will be excused from the daily physical education requirement in order to take other elective courses, such as fine arts, foreign languages, technology, and advanced academic courses. Due to financial difficulties, the district has reduced its schedule to six periods a day, and it contends that the waiver will enable students to enroll in additional coursework needed for college admissions and to compete for scholarships.

Morton CUSD 709 – Tazewell (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2010-11 school year

WM100-4992 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-6) request to allow the district to permit students in kindergarten through grade 6 to participate in physical education for a minimum of twice a week for 30 minutes each session rather than daily. Classroom teachers will determine whether additional physical education activities will be offered, based on balancing physical and intellectual classroom activities. The request is being made due to inadequate facilities.

St. Joseph Ogden CHSD 305 – Champaign (SD 52/HD 104) / **Expiration: 2010-11 school year**

WM100-5034 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-6) request to allow the district to excuse students in grade 12 from the daily physical education requirement if they elect to enroll in other academic courses. This will allow students to take up to seven academic courses rather than five. The district states that the opportunity to take additional elective courses will better prepare students for future employment.

Belvidere CUSD 100 – Boone (SD 35/HD 69) / **Expiration: 2011-11 school year**

WM100-5044 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-6) request to allow the district to excuse students in grades 11 and 12 from the daily physical education requirement for enrollment in the Running Start Program at Rock Valley College. This dual-enrollment program allows students to complete high school graduation requirements while simultaneously completing requirements for an associate's degree from the college.

Marquardt SD 15 – DuPage (SD 23/HD 45) / **Expiration: 2010-11 school year**

WM100-5046-2 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-6) request to allow the district to permit students in kindergarten through grade 5 to participate in physical education five times in a two-week period (every other day) for 30 minutes each session due to inadequate facilities. Students receive wellness education as part of their science curriculum and participate in structured physical activities with a certified teacher for 15 to 20 minutes each day.

School Improvement/Inservice Training

Clinton CUSD 15 – DeWitt, Logan, Macon (SD 44/HD 87) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**

WM100-4929 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold two full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of four half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of actual pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

McLean CUD 5 – McLean (SD 44/HD 88) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**

WM100-4943 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold two full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of four half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

Roanoke Benson CUSD 60 – Woodford (SD 37/HD 73) / **Expiration: 2013-14 school year**

WM100-4978-1 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to dismiss students at 11:30 a.m. for three days the first week of the school year for the purpose of holding school improvement activities, and to accumulate sufficient student attendance time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement later in the school year to apply towards these days.

St. Charles CUSD 303 – Kane (SD 25/HD 49) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4988 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold two full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of four half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

Round Lake CUD 116 – Lake (SD 26/HD 52) / Expiration: 2009-10 school year
WM100-5011 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold four full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of eight half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

New Trier THSD 203 – Cook (SD 09/HD 17) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5017-1 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to schedule an inservice session on a Friday afternoon, followed by an inservice training session in the morning of the following Monday. Students would be in attendance on each of these days for no less than three or more than five hours. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

Springfield SD 186 – Sangamon (SD 50/HD 99) / Expiration: 2009-10 school year
WM100-5018 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold three full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of six half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

DuPage HSD 88 – DuPage (SD 21/HD 41) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5021 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to use accumulated time during the school year to apply to 34 “late start” Mondays, in which students would begin classes at 9:00 a.m. and end at 3:00 with 40 minutes for each instructional period. This extra time would allow teachers to engage in school improvement activities on a regular basis. The schedule would not be put in place until the conclusion of the first week of school.

Illini West HSD 307 – Hancock, Henderson, McDonough (SD 47/HD 94) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5053 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold up to five full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of ten half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

La Harpe CSD 347 – Hancock (SD 47/HD 94) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5056 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold four full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of eight half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

Dallas ESD 327 – Hancock (SD 47/HD 94) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5060 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(2)) request to allow the district to hold four full-day teacher inservice sessions instead of eight half days, and to count the days among the 176 days of pupil attendance required by Section 10-19. The district will accumulate sufficient time beyond the five-clock-hour requirement to apply towards these days.

State Graduation Requirements

Elgin SD U-46 – Kane (SD 22/HD 43) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-4990 – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-22.10) request to allow the district to permit students in grades 7 and 8 to take math courses required for high school graduation under Section 27-22 of the School Code at the middle school, provided that such courses are taught by a certified high school teacher. The district states that this waiver would increase curricular opportunities for middle school students without affecting high school students' scheduling choices.

SECTION II

Applications Approved by the State Superintendent of Education

Driver Education

Leyden CHSD 212 – Cook (SD 39/HD 77) / Expiration: 2014-15 school year
WM200-4939 (renewal) – Waiver of Administrative Rule (23 Illinois Administrative Code 252.20(b)) allows the district to offer the behind-the-wheel portion of driver education primarily during the summer for 40 minutes per day per student for a nine-day period (six hours total per student). In addition, the district will offer a limited number of summer sessions of the classroom portion of the course in order to accommodate honors students, music students, alternative school students and students in nonpublic schools. Classroom sessions will be 150 minutes, four days a week for three weeks. This waiver takes effect in the 2010-11 school year.

Holidays

Lake Villa CCSD 41 – Lake (SD 31/HD 62) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4903 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Tuscola CUSD 301 – Douglas, Champaign (SD 55/HD 110) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4904-2 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor.

Ashley CCSD 15 – Washington (SD 58/HD 115) / Expiration: 2011-12 school year
WM300-4905 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor.

North Palos SD 117 – Cook (SD 18/HD 36) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4906 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor.

Durand CCSD 322 – Winnebago (SD 45/HD 89) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4907 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor.

Belleville SD 118 – St. Clair (SD 57/HD 113) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4908 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski through instructional activities

rather than observing a school holiday in his honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Jamaica CUSD 12 – Champaign (SD 52/HD 104) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4909 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor.

Ludlow CCSD 142 – Champaign (SD 52/HD 104) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4910 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor.

Triopia CUSD 27 – Morgan (SD 49/HD 97) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4913 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor.

Rutland CCSD 230 – LaSalle (SD 38/HD 75) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4914 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor.

Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization – Cook (SD 33/HD 66) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4917 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the cooperative to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor.

Tazewell County Regional Safe School Program – Tazewell (SD 46/HD 91) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4918-1 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the regional office to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor.

Tazewell County Academy at ICC Alternative High School – Tazewell (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4918-2 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the regional office to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski and Christopher Columbus through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor.

Ridgeland SD 122 – Cook (SD 16/HD 31) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4919 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance, inservice training sessions, parent-teacher conferences, or a teachers' institute on the legal holidays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of

Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays.

ROE #40 Alternative Education Center/Safe Schools Program – Calhoun, Greene, Jersey, Macoupin (SD 49/HD 97, SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4920 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the regional office to schedule student attendance, inservice training sessions, parent-teacher conferences, school improvement sessions, or a teachers' institute on the legal holidays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays.

Washington SD 52 – Tazewell (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4921 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor.

Madison County Special Education Cooperative Region II – Madison (SD 51/HD 102) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4922 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the cooperative to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor.

Elgin SD U-46 – Kane (SD 22HD 43) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4923-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance, school improvement sessions or inservice training sessions on the legal holiday honoring Abraham Lincoln. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individual will be provided rather than observing the legal school holiday. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Wheaton CUSD 200 – DuPage (SD 48/HD 95) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4925 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Limestone Walters CCSD 316 – Peoria (SD 37/HD 73) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4926 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Saunemin CCSD 438 – Livingston (SD 53/HD 105) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4928 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, and Christopher Columbus through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Catlin CUSD 5 – Vermilion (SD 52/HD 104) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4930 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor.

Morrison CUSD 6 – Whiteside (SD 36/HD 71) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4933 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

A-C Central CUSD 262 – Cass (SD 47/HD 93) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4934 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance, inservice training sessions, parent-teacher conferences, or a teachers' institute on the legal holidays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Armstrong THSD 225 – Vermilion (SD 52/HD 104) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4935 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities and to schedule a teachers' institute on the legal holiday honoring Casimir Pulaski. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays.

Armstrong-Ellis CSD 61 – Vermilion (SD 52/HD 104) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4936 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities and to schedule a teachers' institute on the legal holiday honoring Casimir Pulaski. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays.

Berwyn South SD 100 – Cook (SD 12/HD 23) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4940 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance or parent-teacher conferences (full-day or half-day) on the legal holidays honoring Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Hinsdale CCSD 181 – DuPage (SD 21/HD 41) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4941 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln,

Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Flanagan-Cornell District 74 – Livingston (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year

WM300-4946 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor.

Lexington CUSD 7 – McLean (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4949-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Pontiac CCSD 429 – Livingston (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4950 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Fairfield PSD 112 – Wayne (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2014-15 school year

WM300-4951 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor. This modification takes effect in the 2010-11 school year.

Massac UD 1 – Massac (SD 59/HD 118) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4957 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Pekin CSD 303 – Tazewell (SD 46/HD 91) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4958 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Medinah SD 11 – DuPage (SD 23/HD 45) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4959 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Kirby SD 140 – Cook (SD 19/HD 37) / Expiration: 2011-12 school year

WM300-4960 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Casimir Pulaski, and Christopher Columbus through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor.

Nokomis CUSD 22 – Montgomery (SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4961 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, and Christopher Columbus through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Geff CCSD 14 – Wayne (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4965 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor.

Ohio CHSD 505 – Bureau, Lee (SD 37/HD 74) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4966-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Ohio CCSD 17 – Bureau, Lee (SD 37/HD 74) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4967 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Washington District 50 Schools – Tazewell (SD 53/HD 106) / Expiration: 2010-11 school year
WM300-4971 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor.

Mt. Olive CUSD 5 – Macoupin (SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4972-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Roanoke Benson CUSD 60 – Woodford (SD 37/HD 73) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-4978-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Cass SD 63 – DuPage (SD 41/HD 82) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4981 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Regional Office of Education #12 (Truant Alternative Optional Education Program and Regional Safe Schools Program) – Clay, Crawford, Jasper, Lawrence, Richland (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4982 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the regional office to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, and Christopher Columbus through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Leland CUSD 1 – LaSalle (SD 35/HD 70) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4985 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance or school improvement sessions on the legal holidays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Monroe SD 70 – Peoria (SD 46/HD 92) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4993 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance, parent-teacher conferences, school improvement activities, or a teachers' institute on the legal holidays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, and all veterans of foreign wars. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Griggsville-Perry CUSD 4 – Pike (SD 47/HD 93) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-4999 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the cooperative to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Lyons SD 103 – Cook (SD 11/HD 21) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5007 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Winthrop Harbor SD 1 – Lake (SD 31/HD 61) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year

WM300-5008 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Abraham Lincoln through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor.

Proviso THSD 209 – Cook (SD 04/HD 07) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year

WM300-5012 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor.

Lisle CUSD 202 – DuPage (SD 21/HD 42) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5013-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Casimir Pulaski through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in his honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Oak Park-River Forest SD 200 – Cook (SD 39/HD 78) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5032 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Kildeer Countryside CCSD 96 – Lake (SD 30/HD 59) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5033 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Hollis CSD 328 – Peoria (SD 46/HD 91) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5035 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Richmond-Burton CHSD 157 – McHenry (SD 32/HD 63) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5038-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance, inservice training sessions, parent-teacher conferences, school improvement sessions, or a teachers' institute on the legal holidays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Nippersink SD 2 – McHenry (SD 32/HD 63) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5039 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance, inservice training sessions, parent-teacher conferences, school improvement sessions, or a teachers' institute on the legal holidays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Prairie-Hills ESD 144 – Cook (SD 19/HD 38) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5047 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to schedule student attendance, parent-teacher conferences, or a teachers' institute on the legal holidays honoring Abraham Lincoln and all veterans of foreign wars. The institute program is subject to prior approval from the Regional Office of Education. Instruction pertaining to the contributions of the honored individuals will be provided rather than observing the legal school holidays. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Wethersfield CUSD 230 – Henry (SD 37/HD 74) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5048 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Abraham Lincoln, Casimir Pulaski, Christopher Columbus, and all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing school holidays in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

Oak Park ESD 97 – Cook (SD 04/HD 07) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM300-5051 – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2) allows the district to recognize the contributions of all veterans of foreign wars through instructional activities rather than observing a school holiday in their honor. This modification takes effect in the 2009-10 school year.

SECTION III

Applications Returned to Applicants

Listed below are several categories of requests that have been returned to applicants. Some of these applicants sought permission for actions that were already permissible under the law or rules. Other requests were returned because they were ineligible under the law (e.g., mandates not found in the School Code, applicant is not eligible to apply, application incomplete).

NO WAIVER NEEDED

Limitation of Administrative Costs

LaGrange SD 102 – Cook (SD 21/HD 41) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-5005 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5). The district requested to be allowed to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district's administrative expenses per pupil for the 2008-09 school year were within the limits set by Section 17-1.5 of the School Code.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Tolono CUSD 7 – Champaign (SD 52/HD 104) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM100-4938 – Waiver of School Code (Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1)). The district requested to be allowed to hold parent-teacher conferences in the evening after three hours of student attendance, followed by school improvement activities, with a full day of parent-teacher conferences to follow. This configuration is a permissible use of Section 18-8.05(F)(2)(d)(1) of the School Code.

Principals – Duties

Dalzell SD 98 – Bureau (SD 38/HD 76) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5045-3 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-21.4a). The district requested to be allowed to employ a retired administrator as a part-time principal and part-time physical education teacher. The individual is certified in both fields. Section 10-21.4a of the School Code does not specify that the job of school principal must be a full-time position.

Superintendent – Duties

Dalzell SD 98 – Bureau (SD 38/HD 76) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM100-5045-2 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-21.4). The district requested to be allowed to employ an interim superintendent on a part-time basis for the district. The Dalzell district has 61 students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 8, with five classroom teachers. Section 10-21.4 of the School Code does not specify that the job of district superintendent must be a full-time position.

INELIGIBLE

Driver Education

Oregon CUSD 220 – Ogle (SD 45/HD 90) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-4996 (renewal) – Waiver of School Code (Section 27-23). The district requested to be allowed to charge a fee not to exceed \$250 of students who participate in driver education. The district failed to provide the required public notices about the hearing held to consider the request.

Holidays

Coulterville USD 1 – Randolph (SD 58/HD 116) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year
WM300-5041 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2). The district requested to be allowed to hold school on the legal school holiday honoring Abraham Lincoln. The district failed to publish the required public notices in advance of the hearing held to consider the request.

Rantoul SD 137 – Champaign (SD 52/HD 104) / Expiration: 2012-13 school year
WM300-5042 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2). The district requested to be allowed to hold school on the legal school holiday honoring Abraham Lincoln. The district failed to provide the required public notices about the hearing held to consider the request.

Century CUSD 100 – Pulaski (SD 59/HD 118) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM300-5054-2 (renewal) – Modification of School Code (Section 24-2). The district requested to be allowed to hold school on the legal school holiday honoring Casimir Pulaski. The district failed to provide the required public notices about the hearing held to consider the request.

Limitation of Administrative Costs

Kings CSD 144 – Ogle (SD 35/HD 70) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4944 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5). The district requested to be allowed to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district failed to hold a public hearing to consider the request.

Carrollton CUSD 1 – Greene (SD 49/HD 97) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-4954 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5). The district requested to be allowed to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district failed to hold its public hearing before a quorum of the school board.

Century CUSD 100 – Pulaski (SD 59/HD 118) / Expiration: 2008-09 school year
WM100-5054-1 – Waiver of School Code (Section 17-1.5). The district requested to be allowed to waive the limitation of administrative costs due to circumstances beyond its control. The district failed to provide the required public notices about the public hearing held to consider the request.

Nonresident Tuition

Edwards County CUSD 1 – Edwards (SD 54/HD 108) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-5004 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a). The district requested to be allowed to permit non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge. The district failed to provide adequate notice of the hearing held to consider the request.

Bunker Hill CUSD 8 – Macoupin (SD 49/HD 98) / Expiration: 2013-14 school year

WM100-5028 – Waiver of School Code (Section 10-20.12a). The district requested to be allowed to permit non-resident students whose parents are full-time employees of the district to attend its schools free of charge. The district failed to publish the required public notices in advance of the hearing held to consider the request.