November 20, 2009

Mr. Mark Wancket  
Illinois State Board of Education  
100 N. 1st Street  
Springfield, IL 62777-0001

Re: Illinois Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Wancket:

This is a request for information under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140.

I request that the following information be provided to me:

- Data from the last five years on the number of international teachers who have applied to teach in Illinois.
- The number of requests that have been accepted and those rejected.
- The certification for which they are applying.
- Countries from which these applicants are coming.
- Which school districts currently employ or have employed international teachers.

I am requesting that the information be sent to me via e-mail at steefey@ift-aft.org, by fax (Attention: Sharon Teefey) or by hardcopy at the fax number and address listed above.

Disclosure of the requested information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in my commercial interest. We would like to share this information with our national organization, the American Federation of Teachers, in order to contribute to their research on the use of labor condition applications around the country.

Thank you for your time in preparing this information. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Sharon Teefey  
Legislative Director  
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