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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 176

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 176 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 11A-2 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/11A-2) (from Ch. 122, par. 11A-2)

7 Sec. 11A-2. Organization of community unit districts;  
8 territorial requirement. (1) Any ~~Any~~ contiguous and compact  
9 territory of at least \$12,000,000 equalized assessed valuation  
10 and having a population of not less than 4,000 and not more  
11 than 500,000, no part of which is included within any unit  
12 district, may be organized into a community unit school  
13 district as provided in this Article; (2) the territory of 2 or  
14 more entire unit school districts that are contiguous to each  
15 other and the territory of which taken as a whole is compact  
16 may be organized into a community unit school district as  
17 provided in this Article; or (3) the territory of one or more  
18 entire unit school districts that are contiguous to each other  
19 plus any contiguous and compact territory, no part of which is  
20 included within any unit district, and the territory of which  
21 taken as a whole is compact may be organized into a community  
22 unit school district as provided in this Article; however, a  
23 petition or petitions may be filed hereunder proposing to  
24 divide a unit school district into 2 or more parts and

1 proposing to include all of such parts in 2 or more community  
2 unit districts. As used in this Section, a unit school district  
3 includes, but is not limited to, a special charter unit school  
4 district.

5 The regional superintendent shall not accept for filing  
6 hereunder any petition which includes therein any territory  
7 already included as part of the territory described in another  
8 petition filed hereunder. Hearings on a petition filed  
9 hereunder shall not be commenced so long as any part of the  
10 territory described therein shall include territory described,  
11 whether by amendment or otherwise, in another petition filed  
12 hereunder. A petition may be filed hereunder which contains  
13 less than the required minimum equalized assessed valuation or  
14 population requirements provided that such a petition shall not  
15 be approved by the regional superintendent and State  
16 Superintendent unless it is determined: (1) that there is a  
17 compelling reason for granting the petition; (2) that the  
18 territory involved cannot currently be organized as part of a  
19 petition which meets the minimum requirements; (3) that the  
20 granting of the petition will not interfere with the ultimate  
21 reorganization of the territory into a school district which  
22 meets the minimum requirements; (4) that the granting of the  
23 petition is in the best educational interests of the pupils  
24 affected; and (5) that the granting of the petition is  
25 financially beneficial to the affected school districts.

26 (Source: P.A. 88-555, eff. 7-27-94.)"