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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 579

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 579 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
5 21B-40 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21B-40)

7 Sec. 21B-40. Fees.

8 (a) Beginning with the start of the new licensure system
9 established pursuant to this Article, the following fees shall
10 be charged to applicants:

11 (1) A \$75 application fee for a Professional Educator
12 License or an Educator License with Stipulations and for
13 individuals seeking a Substitute Teaching License.
14 However, beginning on January 1, 2015, the application fee
15 for a Professional Educator License, Educator License with
16 Stipulations, or Substitute Teaching License shall be

1 \$100.

2 (2) A \$150 application fee for individuals who have
3 completed an approved educator preparation program outside
4 of this State or who hold a valid, comparable credential
5 from another state or country and are seeking any of the
6 licenses set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection
7 (a).

8 (3) A \$50 application fee for each endorsement or
9 approval an individual holding a license wishes to add to
10 that license.

11 (4) A \$10 per year registration fee for the course of
12 the validity cycle to register the license, which shall be
13 paid to the regional office of education having supervision
14 and control over the school in which the individual holding
15 the license is to be employed. If the individual holding
16 the license is not yet employed, then the license may be
17 registered in any county in this State. The registration
18 fee must be paid in its entirety the first time the
19 individual registers the license for a particular validity
20 period in a single region. No additional fee may be charged
21 for that validity period should the individual
22 subsequently register the license in additional regions.
23 An individual must register the license (i) immediately
24 after initial issuance of the license and (ii) at the
25 beginning of each renewal cycle if the individual has
26 satisfied the renewal requirements required under this

1 Code.

2 (b) All application fees paid pursuant to subdivisions (1)
3 through (3) of subsection (a) of this Section shall be
4 deposited into the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund and
5 shall be used, subject to appropriation, by the State Board of
6 Education to provide the technology and human resources
7 necessary for the timely and efficient processing of
8 applications and for the renewal of licenses. The Teacher
9 Certificate Fee Revolving Fund is not subject to administrative
10 charge transfers, authorized under Section 8h of the State
11 Finance Act, from the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund
12 into any other fund of this State, and moneys in the Teacher
13 Certificate Fee Revolving Fund shall not revert back to the
14 General Revenue Fund at any time.

15 The regional superintendent of schools shall deposit the
16 registration fees paid pursuant to subdivision (4) of
17 subsection (a) of this Section into the institute fund
18 established pursuant to Section 3-11 of this Code.

19 (c) The State Board of Education and each regional office
20 of education are authorized to charge a service or convenience
21 fee for the use of credit cards for the payment of license
22 fees. This service or convenience fee shall not exceed the
23 amount required by the credit card processing company or vendor
24 that has entered into a contract with the State Board or
25 regional office of education for this purpose, and the fee must
26 be paid to that company or vendor.

1 (d) If, at the time a certificate issued under Article 21
2 of this Code is exchanged for a license issued under this
3 Article, a person has paid registration fees for any years of
4 the validity period of the certificate and these years have not
5 expired when the certificate is exchanged, then those fees must
6 be applied to the registration of the new license.

7 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11.)

8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
9 becoming law."