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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 106

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 106 as follows:

3 on page 1, lines 4 and 5, by replacing "Section 21B-20" with
4 "Sections 21B-20 and 21B-25"; and

5 on page 18, immediately below line 21, by inserting the
6 following:

7 "(105 ILCS 5/21B-25)

8 Sec. 21B-25. Endorsement on licenses. All licenses issued
9 under paragraph (1) of Section 21B-20 of this Code shall be
10 specifically endorsed by the State Board of Education for each
11 content area, school support area, and administrative area for
12 which the holder of the license is qualified. Recognized
13 institutions approved to offer educator preparation programs
14 shall be trained to add endorsements to licenses issued to
15 applicants who meet all of the requirements for the endorsement

1 or endorsements, including passing any required tests. The
2 State Superintendent of Education shall randomly audit
3 institutions to ensure that all rules and standards are being
4 followed for entitlement or when endorsements are being
5 recommended.

6 (1) The State Board of Education, in consultation with
7 the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, shall
8 establish, by rule, the grade level and subject area
9 endorsements to be added to the Professional Educator
10 License. These rules shall outline the requirements for
11 obtaining each endorsement.

12 (2) In addition to any and all grade level and content
13 area endorsements developed by rule, the State Board of
14 Education, in consultation with the State Educator
15 Preparation and Licensure Board, shall develop the
16 requirements for the following endorsements:

17 (A) General administrative endorsement. A general
18 administrative endorsement shall be added to a
19 Professional Educator License, provided that an
20 approved program has been completed. An individual
21 holding a general administrative endorsement may work
22 only as a principal or assistant principal or in a
23 related or similar position, as determined by the State
24 Superintendent of Education, in consultation with the
25 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board.

26 Beginning on September 1, 2014, the general

1 administrative endorsement shall no longer be issued
2 except to individuals who completed all coursework
3 requirements for the receipt of the general
4 administrative endorsement by September 1, 2014, who
5 have completed all testing requirements by June 30,
6 2016, and who apply for the endorsement on or before
7 June 30, 2016. Individuals who hold a valid and
8 registered administrative certificate with a general
9 administrative endorsement issued under Section 21-7.1
10 of this Code or a Professional Educator License with a
11 general administrative endorsement issued prior to
12 September 1, 2014 and who have served for at least one
13 full year during the 5 years prior in a position
14 requiring a general administrative endorsement shall,
15 upon request to the State Board of Education and
16 through July 1, 2015, have their respective general
17 administrative endorsement converted to a principal
18 endorsement on the Professional Educator License.
19 Candidates shall not be admitted to an approved general
20 administrative preparation program after September 1,
21 2012.

22 All other individuals holding a valid and
23 registered administrative certificate with a general
24 administrative endorsement issued pursuant to Section
25 21-7.1 of this Code or a general administrative
26 endorsement on a Professional Educator License issued

1 prior to September 1, 2014 shall have the general
2 administrative endorsement converted to a principal
3 endorsement on a Professional Educator License upon
4 request to the State Board of Education and by
5 completing one of the following pathways:

6 (i) Passage of the State principal assessment
7 developed by the State Board of Education.

8 (ii) Through July 1, 2019, completion of an
9 Illinois Educators' Academy course designated by
10 the State Superintendent of Education.

11 (iii) Completion of a principal preparation
12 program established and approved pursuant to
13 Section 21B-60 of this Code and applicable rules.

14 Individuals who do not choose to convert the
15 general administrative endorsement on the
16 administrative certificate issued pursuant to Section
17 21-7.1 of this Code or on the Professional Educator
18 License shall continue to be able to serve in any
19 position previously allowed under paragraph (2) of
20 subsection (e) of Section 21-7.1 of this Code.

21 The general administrative endorsement on the
22 Professional Educator License is available only to
23 individuals who, prior to September 1, 2014, had such
24 an endorsement on the administrative certificate
25 issued pursuant to Section 21-7.1 of this Code or who
26 already have a Professional Educator License and have

1 completed a general administrative program and who do
2 not choose to convert the general administrative
3 endorsement to a principal endorsement pursuant to the
4 options in this Section.

5 (B) Principal endorsement. A principal endorsement
6 shall be affixed to a Professional Educator License of
7 any holder who qualifies by having all of the
8 following:

9 (i) Successful completion of a principal
10 preparation program approved in accordance with
11 Section 21B-60 of this Code and any applicable
12 rules.

13 (ii) At least 4 total years of teaching or,
14 until June 30, 2021, 4 total years of working in
15 the capacity of school support personnel in an
16 Illinois public school or nonpublic school
17 recognized by the State Board of Education or in an
18 out-of-state public school or out-of-state
19 nonpublic school meeting out-of-state recognition
20 standards comparable to those approved by the
21 State Superintendent of Education; however, the
22 State Board of Education, in consultation with the
23 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board,
24 shall allow, by rules, for fewer than 4 years of
25 experience based on meeting standards set forth in
26 such rules, including without limitation a review

1 of performance evaluations or other evidence of
2 demonstrated qualifications.

3 (iii) A master's degree or higher from a
4 regionally accredited college or university.

5 (C) Chief school business official endorsement. A
6 chief school business official endorsement shall be
7 affixed to the Professional Educator License of any
8 holder who qualifies by having a master's degree or
9 higher, 2 years of full-time administrative experience
10 in school business management or 2 years of
11 university-approved practical experience, and a
12 minimum of 24 semester hours of graduate credit in a
13 program approved by the State Board of Education for
14 the preparation of school business administrators and
15 by passage of the applicable State tests. The chief
16 school business official endorsement may also be
17 affixed to the Professional Educator License of any
18 holder who qualifies by having a master's degree in
19 business administration, finance, ~~or~~ accounting, or
20 public administration and who completes an additional
21 6 semester hours of internship in school business
22 management from a regionally accredited institution of
23 higher education and passes the applicable State
24 tests. This endorsement shall be required for any
25 individual employed as a chief school business
26 official.

1 (D) Superintendent endorsement. A superintendent
2 endorsement shall be affixed to the Professional
3 Educator License of any holder who has completed a
4 program approved by the State Board of Education for
5 the preparation of superintendents of schools, has had
6 at least 2 years of experience employed full-time in a
7 general administrative position or as a full-time
8 principal, director of special education, or chief
9 school business official in the public schools or in a
10 State-recognized nonpublic school in which the chief
11 administrator is required to have the licensure
12 necessary to be a principal in a public school in this
13 State and where a majority of the teachers are required
14 to have the licensure necessary to be instructors in a
15 public school in this State, and has passed the
16 required State tests; or of any holder who has
17 completed a program that is not an Illinois-approved
18 educator preparation program at an Illinois
19 institution of higher education and that has
20 recognition standards comparable to those approved by
21 the State Superintendent of Education and holds the
22 general administrative, principal, or chief school
23 business official endorsement and who has had 2 years
24 of experience as a principal, director of special
25 education, or chief school business official while
26 holding a valid educator license or certificate

1 comparable in validity and educational and experience
2 requirements and has passed the appropriate State
3 tests, as provided in Section 21B-30 of this Code. The
4 superintendent endorsement shall allow individuals to
5 serve only as a superintendent or assistant
6 superintendent.

7 (E) Teacher leader endorsement. It shall be the
8 policy of this State to improve the quality of
9 instructional leaders by providing a career pathway
10 for teachers interested in serving in leadership
11 roles, but not as principals. The State Board of
12 Education, in consultation with the State Educator
13 Preparation and Licensure Board, may issue a teacher
14 leader endorsement under this subdivision (E). Persons
15 who meet and successfully complete the requirements of
16 the endorsement shall be issued a teacher leader
17 endorsement on the Professional Educator License for
18 serving in schools in this State. Teacher leaders may
19 qualify to serve in such positions as department
20 chairs, coaches, mentors, curriculum and instruction
21 leaders, or other leadership positions as defined by
22 the district. The endorsement shall be available to
23 those teachers who (i) hold a Professional Educator
24 License, (ii) hold a master's degree or higher from a
25 regionally accredited institution, (iii) have
26 completed a program of study that has been approved by

1 the State Board of Education, in consultation with the
2 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, and
3 (iv) have successfully demonstrated competencies as
4 defined by rule.

5 A teacher who meets the requirements set forth in
6 this Section and holds a teacher leader endorsement may
7 evaluate teachers pursuant to Section 24A-5 of this
8 Code, provided that the individual has completed the
9 evaluation component required by Section 24A-3 of this
10 Code and a teacher leader is allowed to evaluate
11 personnel under the respective school district's
12 collective bargaining agreement.

13 The State Board of Education, in consultation with
14 the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board,
15 may adopt such rules as may be necessary to establish
16 and implement the teacher leader endorsement program
17 and to specify the positions for which this endorsement
18 shall be required.

19 (F) Special education endorsement. A special
20 education endorsement in one or more areas shall be
21 affixed to a Professional Educator License for any
22 individual that meets those requirements established
23 by the State Board of Education in rules. Special
24 education endorsement areas shall include without
25 limitation the following:

26 (i) Learning Behavior Specialist I;

- 1 (ii) Learning Behavior Specialist II;
- 2 (iii) Speech Language Pathologist;
- 3 (iv) Blind or Visually Impaired;
- 4 (v) Deaf-Hard of Hearing; and
- 5 (vi) Early Childhood Special Education.

6 Notwithstanding anything in this Code to the contrary,
7 the State Board of Education, in consultation with the
8 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may
9 add additional areas of special education by rule.

10 (G) School support personnel endorsement. School
11 support personnel endorsement areas shall include, but
12 are not limited to, school counselor, marriage and
13 family therapist, school psychologist, school speech
14 and language pathologist, school nurse, and school
15 social worker. This endorsement is for individuals who
16 are not teachers or administrators, but still require
17 licensure to work in an instructional support position
18 in a public or State-operated elementary school,
19 secondary school, or cooperative or joint agreement
20 with a governing body or board of control or a charter
21 school operating in compliance with the Charter
22 Schools Law. The school support personnel endorsement
23 shall be affixed to the Professional Educator License
24 and shall meet all of the requirements established in
25 any rules adopted to implement this subdivision (G).
26 The holder of such an endorsement is entitled to all of

1 the rights and privileges granted holders of any other
2 Professional Educator License, including teacher
3 benefits, compensation, and working conditions.

4 Beginning on January 1, 2014 and ending on April
5 30, 2014, a person holding a Professional Educator
6 License with a school speech and language pathologist
7 (teaching) endorsement may exchange his or her school
8 speech and language pathologist (teaching) endorsement
9 for a school speech and language pathologist
10 (non-teaching) endorsement through application to the
11 State Board of Education. There shall be no cost for
12 this exchange.

13 (Source: P.A. 98-413, eff. 8-16-13; 98-610, eff. 12-27-13;
14 98-872, eff. 8-11-14; 98-917, eff. 8-15-14; 98-1147, eff.
15 12-31-14; 99-58, eff. 7-16-15; 99-623, eff. 7-22-16; 99-920,
16 eff. 1-6-17; revised 1-23-17.)".