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10000HB3298ham001 LRB100 06272 MLM 23147 a 1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3298 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend House Bill 3298 by replacing 2 everything after the enacting clause with the following: 3 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section 4 21B-40 as follows: 5 6 (105 ILCS 5/21B-40) 7 Sec. 21B-40. Fees. (a) Beginning with the start of the new licensure system 8 established pursuant to this Article, the following fees shall 10 be charged to applicants: (1) A \$75 application fee for a Professional Educator 11 12 License or an Educator License with Stipulations. However, beginning on January 1, 2015, the application fee for a 13 Professional Educator License and Educator License with 14 15 Stipulations shall be \$100. (1.5) A \$50 application fee for a Substitute Teaching

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License. If the application is from a current holder of a Substitute Teaching License, this fee shall be waived if the holder proves to the State Board of Education that he or she has taught at least 10 full school days in the year prior to submitting the application. If the application is from an applicant not currently holding a Substitute Teaching License, the applicant, if granted a Substitute Teaching License, shall receive a refund of the full application fee if he or she proves to the State Board of Education that he or she has taught 10 full school days within a year of receiving the Substitute Teaching License.

- (2) A \$150 application fee for individuals who have not been entitled by an Illinois-approved educator preparation program at an Illinois institution of higher education and are seeking any of the licenses set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection (a).
- (3) A \$50 application fee for each endorsement or approval an individual holding a license wishes to add to that license.
- (4) A \$10 per year registration fee for the course of the validity cycle to register the license, which shall be paid to the regional office of education having supervision and control over the school in which the individual holding the license is to be employed. If the individual holding the license is not yet employed, then the license may be registered in any county in this State. The registration

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fee must be paid in its entirety the first time the individual registers the license for a particular validity period in a single region. No additional fee may be charged for that validity period should the individual subsequently register the license in additional regions. An individual must register the license (i) immediately after initial issuance of the license and (ii) at the beginning of each renewal cycle if the individual has satisfied the renewal requirements required under this Code.

(b) All application fees paid pursuant to subdivisions (1) through (3) of subsection (a) of this Section shall be deposited into the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund and shall be used, subject to appropriation, by the State Board of Education to provide the technology and human resources necessary for the timely and efficient processing of applications and for the renewal of licenses. Funds available from the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund may also be used by the State Board of Education to support the recruitment and retention of educators, to support educator preparation programs as they seek national accreditation, and to provide professional development aligned with the requirements set forth in Section 21B-45 of this Code. A majority of the funds in the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund must be dedicated to the timely and efficient processing of applications and for the renewal of licenses. The Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving

- 1 Fund is not subject to administrative charge transfers,
- authorized under Section 8h of the State Finance Act, from the 2
- 3 Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving Fund into any other fund of
- 4 this State, and moneys in the Teacher Certificate Fee Revolving
- 5 Fund shall not revert back to the General Revenue Fund at any
- 6 time.
- The regional superintendent of schools shall deposit the 7
- 8 registration fees paid pursuant to subdivision
- subsection (a) of this Section into the institute fund 9
- 10 established pursuant to Section 3-11 of this Code.
- 11 (c) The State Board of Education and each regional office
- of education are authorized to charge a service or convenience 12
- fee for the use of credit cards for the payment of license 13
- fees. This service or convenience fee shall not exceed the 14
- 15 amount required by the credit card processing company or vendor
- 16 that has entered into a contract with the State Board or
- 17 regional office of education for this purpose, and the fee must
- 18 be paid to that company or vendor.
- (d) If, at the time a certificate issued under Article 21 19
- 20 of this Code is exchanged for a license issued under this
- 2.1 Article, a person has paid registration fees for any years of
- 22 the validity period of the certificate and these years have not
- 23 expired when the certificate is exchanged, then those fees must
- 24 be applied to the registration of the new license.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 98-610, eff. 12-27-13; 99-58, eff. 7-16-15;
- 99-920, eff. 1-6-17.) 26

- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 1
- becoming law.".