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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1991

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1991 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

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

6 (105 ILCS 5/21B-5)

7 Sec. 21B-5. Licensure powers of the State Board of
8 Education.

9 (a) Recognizing that ~~that~~ the education of our citizens is
10 the single most important influence on the prosperity and
11 success of this State and recognizing that new developments in
12 education require a flexible approach to our educational
13 system, the State Board of Education, in consultation with the
14 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, shall have the
15 power and authority to do all of the following:

16 (1) Set standards for teaching, supervising, or

1 otherwise holding licensed employment in the public
2 schools of this State and administer the licensure process
3 as provided in this Article.

4 (2) Approve, evaluate, and sanction educator
5 preparation programs.

6 (3) Enter into agreements with other states relative to
7 reciprocal approval of educator preparation programs.

8 (4) Establish standards for the issuance of new types
9 of educator licenses.

10 (5) Establish a code of ethics for all educators.

11 (6) Maintain a system of licensure examination aligned
12 with standards determined by the State Board of Education.

13 (7) Take such other action relating to the improvement
14 of instruction in the public schools as is appropriate and
15 consistent with applicable laws.

16 (b) Only the State Superintendent of Education, acting in
17 accordance with the applicable provisions of this Article and
18 rules, shall have the authority to issue or endorse any license
19 required for teaching, supervising, or otherwise holding
20 licensed employment in the public schools; and no other State
21 agency shall have any power or authority (i) to establish or
22 prescribe any qualifications or other requirements applicable
23 to the issuance or endorsement of any such license or (ii) to
24 establish or prescribe any licensure or equivalent requirement
25 that must be satisfied in order to teach, supervise, or hold
26 licensed employment in the public schools.

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