

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act is  
5 amended by adding Section 23 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 150/23 new)

7 Sec. 23. Reverse transfer of credits.

8 (a) In this Section, "reverse transfer of credit" means the  
9 transfer of earned academic credit from a State university to a  
10 community college for the purpose of obtaining an associate  
11 degree at the community college.

12 (b) Beginning with the 2019-2020 academic year, the Board  
13 of Higher Education and the Illinois Community College Board  
14 shall develop a policy to foster the reverse transfer of credit  
15 for any student who has accumulated at least 15 hours of  
16 academic credit at a community college and a sufficient number  
17 of hours of academic credit at a State university in the  
18 prescribed courses necessary to meet a community college's  
19 requirements to be awarded an associate degree.

20 (c) A student wishing to reverse transfer earned academic  
21 credit under this Section to obtain an associate degree shall  
22 agree to the exchange of transcript information between each  
23 community college and State university that he or she has

1 attended. A student must submit an application and his or her  
2 transcripts to a community college in order to be considered  
3 for conferral of an associate degree. In awarding an associate  
4 degree, the community college shall evaluate the applicant's  
5 coursework completed, along with the transfer credit earned,  
6 and shall determine whether the associate degree requirements  
7 have been met. No later than 30 business days after receiving  
8 an application, a community college shall notify an applicant  
9 if he or she qualifies for an associate degree based on the  
10 total earned credits.

11 (d) The Board of Higher Education, the Illinois Community  
12 College Board, and the Midwestern Higher Education Compact's  
13 Multi-State Collaborative on Military Credit shall adopt a  
14 policy regarding the award of academic credit for military  
15 training applicable to meeting a community college's  
16 requirements for awarding an associate degree.

17 (e) The Board of Higher Education and the Illinois  
18 Community College Board shall adopt rules to implement this  
19 Section.

20 Section 10. The Illinois Articulation Initiative Act is  
21 amended by adding Section 30 as follows:

22 (110 ILCS 152/30 new)

23 Sec. 30. Degree program advice. To improve articulation and  
24 reduce excess academic credit hours, beginning with the

1 2019-2020 academic year, each public institution shall require  
2 any student who, upon completing 30 academic credit hours, is  
3 interested in pursuing an associate degree or baccalaureate  
4 degree at the public institution in which he or she is enrolled  
5 or at another public institution to indicate to the public  
6 institution in which he or she is enrolled all of his or her  
7 degree programs of interest. The public institution in which  
8 the student is enrolled shall make a reasonable attempt to  
9 conduct a meeting with the student and an academic advisor of  
10 the public institution, who shall inform the student of the  
11 prerequisite requirements for the student's degree programs of  
12 interest.

13 Section 15. The Board of Higher Education Act is amended by  
14 adding Section 9.37 as follows:

15 (110 ILCS 205/9.37 new)

16 Sec. 9.37. Tuition waiver. The Board may not limit the  
17 amount of tuition revenue that a public university may waive.

18 Section 20. The University of Illinois Act is amended by  
19 changing Section 7f as follows:

20 (110 ILCS 305/7f) (from Ch. 144, par. 28f)

21 Sec. 7f. Partial tuition waivers.

22 (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or

1 university" means any of the following: the University of  
2 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
3 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
4 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
5 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
6 University.

7 (b) Each year the Board of Trustees of the University of  
8 Illinois shall offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate  
9 education at any campus under its governance or supervision to  
10 the children of employees of an Illinois college or university  
11 who have been employed by any one or by more than one Illinois  
12 college or university for an aggregate period of at least 7  
13 years. To be eligible to receive a partial tuition waiver, the  
14 child of an employee of an Illinois college or university (i)  
15 must be under the age of 25 at the commencement of the academic  
16 year during which the partial tuition waiver is to be  
17 effective, and (ii) must qualify for admission to the  
18 University of Illinois under the same admissions requirements,  
19 standards and policies which the University of Illinois applies  
20 to applicants for admission generally to its respective  
21 undergraduate colleges and programs.

22 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
23 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
24 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
25 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
26 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition

1 waiver benefits under this Section.

2 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
3 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
4 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
5 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
6 ~~Education.~~

7 (e) The Board of Trustees shall prescribe rules and  
8 regulations as are necessary to implement and administer the  
9 provisions of this Section.

10 (Source: P.A. 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

11 (110 ILCS 305/7g rep.)

12 Section 25. The University of Illinois Act is amended by  
13 repealing Section 7g.

14 Section 30. The Southern Illinois University Management  
15 Act is amended by changing Section 8f as follows:

16 (110 ILCS 520/8f) (from Ch. 144, par. 658f)

17 Sec. 8f. Partial tuition waivers.

18 (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
19 university" means any of the following: the University of  
20 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
21 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
22 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
23 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois

1 University.

2 (b) Each year the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois  
3 University shall offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate  
4 education at any campus under its governance or supervision to  
5 the children of employees of an Illinois college or university  
6 who have been employed by any one or by more than one Illinois  
7 college or university for an aggregate period of at least 7  
8 years. To be eligible to receive a partial tuition waiver, the  
9 child of an employee of an Illinois college or university (i)  
10 must be under the age of 25 at the commencement of the academic  
11 year during which the partial tuition waiver is to be  
12 effective, and (ii) must qualify for admission to Southern  
13 Illinois University under the same admissions requirements,  
14 standards and policies which Southern Illinois University  
15 applies to applicants for admission generally to its respective  
16 undergraduate colleges and programs.

17 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
18 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
19 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
20 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
21 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
22 waiver benefits under this Section.

23 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
24 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
25 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
26 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~

1 ~~Education.~~

2 (e) The Board of Trustees shall prescribe rules and  
3 regulations as are necessary to implement and administer the  
4 provisions of this Section.

5 (Source: P.A. 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

6 (110 ILCS 520/8g rep.)

7 Section 35. The Southern Illinois University Management  
8 Act is amended by repealing Section 8g.

9 Section 40. The Chicago State University Law is amended by  
10 changing Section 5-90 as follows:

11 (110 ILCS 660/5-90)

12 Sec. 5-90. Partial tuition waivers.

13 (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
14 university" means any of the following: the University of  
15 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
16 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
17 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
18 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
19 University.

20 (b) Each year the Board of Chicago State University shall  
21 offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate education at any  
22 campus under its governance to the children of employees of an  
23 Illinois college or university who have been employed by any

1 one or by more than one Illinois college or university for an  
2 aggregate period of at least 7 years. To be eligible to receive  
3 a partial tuition waiver, the child of an employee of an  
4 Illinois college or university (i) must be under the age of 25  
5 at the commencement of the academic year during which the  
6 partial tuition waiver is to be effective, and (ii) must  
7 qualify for admission to Chicago State University under the  
8 same admissions requirements, standards and policies which  
9 Chicago State University applies to applicants for admission  
10 generally to its respective undergraduate colleges and  
11 programs.

12 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
13 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
14 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
15 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
16 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
17 waiver benefits under this Section.

18 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
19 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
20 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
21 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
22 ~~Education.~~

23 (e) The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations as are  
24 necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this  
25 Section.

26 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96; 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)



1 (110 ILCS 660/5-91 rep.)

2 Section 45. The Chicago State University Law is amended by  
3 repealing Section 5-91.

4 Section 50. The Eastern Illinois University Law is amended  
5 by changing Section 10-90 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 665/10-90)

7 Sec. 10-90. Partial tuition waivers.

8 (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
9 university" means any of the following: the University of  
10 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
11 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
12 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
13 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
14 University.

15 (b) Each year the Board of Eastern Illinois University  
16 shall offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate education at  
17 any campus under its governance to the children of employees of  
18 an Illinois college or university who have been employed by any  
19 one or by more than one Illinois college or university for an  
20 aggregate period of at least 7 years. To be eligible to receive  
21 a partial tuition waiver, the child of an employee of an  
22 Illinois college or university (i) must be under the age of 25  
23 at the commencement of the academic year during which the

1 partial tuition waiver is to be effective, and (ii) must  
2 qualify for admission to Eastern Illinois University under the  
3 same admissions requirements, standards and policies which  
4 Eastern Illinois University applies to applicants for  
5 admission generally to its respective undergraduate colleges  
6 and programs.

7 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
8 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
9 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
10 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
11 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
12 waiver benefits under this Section.

13 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
14 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
15 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
16 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
17 ~~Education.~~

18 (e) The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations as are  
19 necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this  
20 Section.

21 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96; 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

22 (110 ILCS 665/10-91 rep.)

23 (110 ILCS 665/10-92 rep.)

24 Section 55. The Eastern Illinois University Law is amended  
25 by repealing Sections 10-91 and 10-92.

1           Section 60. The Governors State University Law is amended  
2 by changing Section 15-90 as follows:

3           (110 ILCS 670/15-90)

4           Sec. 15-90. Partial tuition waivers.

5           (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
6 university" means any of the following: the University of  
7 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
8 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
9 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
10 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
11 University.

12           (b) Each year the Board of Governors State University shall  
13 offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate education at any  
14 campus under its governance to the children of employees of an  
15 Illinois college or university who have been employed by any  
16 one or by more than one Illinois college or university for an  
17 aggregate period of at least 7 years. To be eligible to receive  
18 a partial tuition waiver, the child of an employee of an  
19 Illinois college or university (i) must be under the age of 25  
20 at the commencement of the academic year during which the  
21 partial tuition waiver is to be effective, and (ii) must  
22 qualify for admission to Governors State University under the  
23 same admissions requirements, standards and policies which  
24 Governors State University applies to applicants for admission

1 generally to its respective undergraduate colleges and  
2 programs.

3 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
4 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
5 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
6 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
7 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
8 waiver benefits under this Section.

9 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
10 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
11 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
12 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
13 ~~Education.~~

14 (e) The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations as are  
15 necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this  
16 Section.

17 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96; 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

18 (110 ILCS 670/15-91 rep.)

19 Section 65. The Governors State University Law is amended  
20 by repealing Section 15-91.

21 Section 70. The Illinois State University Law is amended by  
22 changing Section 20-90 as follows:

23 (110 ILCS 675/20-90)

1           Sec. 20-90. Partial tuition waivers.

2           (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
3 university" means any of the following: the University of  
4 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
5 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
6 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
7 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
8 University.

9           (b) Each year the Board of Illinois State University shall  
10 offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate education at any  
11 campus under its governance to the children of employees of an  
12 Illinois college or university who have been employed by any  
13 one or by more than one Illinois college or university for an  
14 aggregate period of at least 7 years. To be eligible to receive  
15 a partial tuition waiver, the child of an employee of an  
16 Illinois college or university (i) must be under the age of 25  
17 at the commencement of the academic year during which the  
18 partial tuition waiver is to be effective, and (ii) must  
19 qualify for admission to Illinois State University under the  
20 same admissions requirements, standards and policies which  
21 Illinois State University applies to applicants for admission  
22 generally to its respective undergraduate colleges and  
23 programs.

24           (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
25 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
26 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his

1 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
2 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
3 waiver benefits under this Section.

4 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
5 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
6 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
7 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
8 ~~Education.~~

9 (e) The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations as are  
10 necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this  
11 Section.

12 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96; 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

13 (110 ILCS 675/20-91 rep.)

14 Section 75. The Illinois State University Law is amended by  
15 repealing Section 20-91.

16 Section 80. The Northeastern Illinois University Law is  
17 amended by changing Section 25-90 as follows:

18 (110 ILCS 680/25-90)

19 Sec. 25-90. Partial tuition waivers.

20 (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
21 university" means any of the following: the University of  
22 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
23 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State

1 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
2 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
3 University.

4 (b) Each year the Board of Northeastern Illinois University  
5 shall offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate education at  
6 any campus under its governance to the children of employees of  
7 an Illinois college or university who have been employed by any  
8 one or by more than one Illinois college or university for an  
9 aggregate period of at least 7 years. To be eligible to receive  
10 a partial tuition waiver, the child of an employee of an  
11 Illinois college or university (i) must be under the age of 25  
12 at the commencement of the academic year during which the  
13 partial tuition waiver is to be effective, and (ii) must  
14 qualify for admission to Northeastern Illinois University  
15 under the same admissions requirements, standards and policies  
16 which Northeastern Illinois University applies to applicants  
17 for admission generally to its respective undergraduate  
18 colleges and programs.

19 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
20 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
21 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
22 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
23 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
24 waiver benefits under this Section.

25 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
26 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~

1 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
2 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
3 ~~Education.~~

4 (e) The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations as are  
5 necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this  
6 Section.

7 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96; 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

8 (110 ILCS 680/25-91 rep.)

9 Section 85. The Northeastern Illinois University Law is  
10 amended by repealing Section 25-91.

11 Section 90. The Northern Illinois University Law is amended  
12 by changing Section 30-90 as follows:

13 (110 ILCS 685/30-90)

14 Sec. 30-90. Partial tuition waivers.

15 (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
16 university" means any of the following: the University of  
17 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
18 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
19 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
20 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
21 University.

22 (b) Each year the Board of Northern Illinois University  
23 shall offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate education at



1 any campus under its governance to the children of employees of  
2 an Illinois college or university who have been employed by any  
3 one or by more than one Illinois college or university for an  
4 aggregate period of at least 7 years. To be eligible to receive  
5 a partial tuition waiver, the child of an employee of an  
6 Illinois college or university (i) must be under the age of 25  
7 at the commencement of the academic year during which the  
8 partial tuition waiver is to be effective, and (ii) must  
9 qualify for admission to Northern Illinois University under the  
10 same admissions requirements, standards and policies which  
11 Northern Illinois University applies to applicants for  
12 admission generally to its respective undergraduate colleges  
13 and programs.

14 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
15 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
16 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
17 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
18 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
19 waiver benefits under this Section.

20 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
21 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
22 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
23 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
24 ~~Education.~~

25 (e) The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations as are  
26 necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this

1 Section.

2 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96; 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

3 (110 ILCS 685/30-91 rep.)

4 Section 95. The Northern Illinois University Law is amended  
5 by repealing Section 30-91.

6 Section 100. The Western Illinois University Law is amended  
7 by changing Section 35-90 as follows:

8 (110 ILCS 690/35-90)

9 Sec. 35-90. Partial tuition waivers.

10 (a) As used in this Section, "Illinois college or  
11 university" means any of the following: the University of  
12 Illinois, Southern Illinois University, Chicago State  
13 University, Eastern Illinois University, Governors State  
14 University, Illinois State University, Northeastern Illinois  
15 University, Northern Illinois University, and Western Illinois  
16 University.

17 (b) Each year the Board of Western Illinois University  
18 shall offer 50% tuition waivers for undergraduate education at  
19 any campus under its governance to the children of employees of  
20 an Illinois college or university who have been employed by any  
21 one or by more than one Illinois college or university for an  
22 aggregate period of at least 7 years. To be eligible to receive  
23 a partial tuition waiver, the child of an employee of an

1 Illinois college or university (i) must be under the age of 25  
2 at the commencement of the academic year during which the  
3 partial tuition waiver is to be effective, and (ii) must  
4 qualify for admission to Western Illinois University under the  
5 same admissions requirements, standards and policies which  
6 Western Illinois University applies to applicants for  
7 admission generally to its respective undergraduate colleges  
8 and programs.

9 (c) Subject to the provisions and limitations of subsection  
10 (b), an eligible applicant who has continued to maintain  
11 satisfactory academic progress toward graduation may have his  
12 or her partial tuition waiver renewed until the time as he or  
13 she has expended 4 years of undergraduate partial tuition  
14 waiver benefits under this Section.

15 (d) (Blank). ~~No partial tuition waiver offered or allocated~~  
16 ~~to any eligible applicant in accordance with the provisions of~~  
17 ~~this Section shall be charged against any tuition waiver~~  
18 ~~limitation established by the Illinois Board of Higher~~  
19 ~~Education.~~

20 (e) The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations as are  
21 necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this  
22 Section.

23 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96; 90-282, eff. 1-1-98.)

24 (110 ILCS 690/35-91 rep.)

25 Section 105. The Western Illinois University Law is amended

1 by repealing Section 35-91.

2 Section 999. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
3 becoming law.