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SB3676

Introduced 2/14/2020, by Sen. Ram Villivalam

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 205/13 110 ILCS 805/3-8.5

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Requires every voting member of the governing board of a public university to complete professional development leadership training covering, among other topics, equity and student success. Amends the Public Community College Act. Requires every voting member of the board of trustees of a community college to complete professional development leadership training covering, among other topics, equity and student success.

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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 Board of Higher Education Act is amended by 5 changing Section 13 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 205/13)

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Sec. 13. Leadership training for university board members.

8 (a) The Board shall require every voting member of the 9 governing board of a public university appointed for a term beginning after January 1, 2016 to complete a minimum of 4 10 hours of professional development leadership training covering 11 topics that shall include, but are not limited to, public 12 13 university and labor law, contract law, ethics, sexual violence 14 on campus, financial oversight and accountability, audits, equity, student success, and fiduciary responsibilities of a 15 member of a governing board within 2 years after beginning 16 service and within every 2 years of service thereafter. 17

(b) A public university shall maintain on its Internet
website the names of all voting members of the governing board
who have successfully completed the training.

(c) Beginning after the effective date of this amendatory
 Act of the 99th General Assembly, by July 31 of each year, the
 chairperson of each governing board shall certify to the Board

1 the number of hours of training that each member received 2 during the preceding fiscal year.

(d) If the certification indicates that a board member has 3 not completed the training required under this Section, the 4 5 Board shall send a notice to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the 6 7 House of Representatives, and the Minority Leader of the House 8 of Representatives of that fact, and the governing board shall 9 suspend the board member from continued service, at which 10 point, the board member has 45 days to complete all training 11 deemed incomplete as provided by the certification. Failure of 12 the board member to complete the necessary training within this probationary period constitutes a resignation from and creates 13 14 a vacancy in the governing board, to be filled as provided by 15 law.

(e) The training under this Section may be provided by the
Board or by other qualified providers approved by the Board.
(Source: P.A. 99-695, eff. 1-1-17.)

Section 10. The Public Community College Act is amended by changing Section 3-8.5 as follows:

21 (110 ILCS 805/3-8.5)

Sec. 3-8.5. Community college trustee's leadership training.

24 (a) This Section applies to all community college districts

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with elected or appointed board trustees serving pursuant to this Article who have been elected or appointed after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly or appointed to fill a vacancy of at least one year's duration of an elected trustee after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly.

7 (b) Every voting member of a board under subsection (a) of this 8 Section shall complete a minimum of 4 hours of 9 professional development leadership training covering topics 10 that shall include, but are not limited to, open meetings law, 11 community college and labor law, freedom of information law, 12 contract law, ethics, sexual violence on campus, financial oversight and accountability, audits, equity, student success, 13 and fiduciary responsibilities of a community college trustee 14 15 during the first, third, and fifth year of his or her term. The 16 community college district shall maintain on its Internet 17 website, if any, the names of all elected or appointed voting trustees of the board who have successfully completed the 18 training, as well as the names of all elected or appointed 19 20 voting trustees of the board who have not successfully completed the training, as required under this Section. 21

(c) The training under this Section may be provided by an association established under this Code for the purpose of training community college district board trustees or by other qualified providers approved by the State Board, in consultation with an association so established.

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1 (d) The board member shall certify completion of the 2 training required under this Section to the secretary of the 3 board. If a board member does not satisfy all requirements provided in subsection (b) of this Section or the certification 4 5 indicates that a board member has not completed the training, 6 the secretary shall send a notice to all elected or appointed 7 members serving on the board and the president or acting chief executive officer of the community college of that fact. 8

9 (Source: P.A. 99-692, eff. 1-1-17.)

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