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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3218

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3218 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The University of Illinois Act is amended by
5 changing Section 8 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 305/8) (from Ch. 144, par. 29)

7 Sec. 8. Admissions.

8 (a) (Blank).

9 (b) ~~No In addition, commencing in the fall of 1993, no~~ new
10 student shall ~~then or thereafter~~ be admitted to instruction in
11 any of the departments or colleges of the University unless
12 such student also has satisfactorily completed:

13 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
14 the following 5 categories:

15 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
16 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2

1 years may be collegiate level instruction;

2 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
3 and government);

4 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
5 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
6 fundamentals of computer programming);

7 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
8 agricultural sciences); and

9 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
10 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
11 Language), music, career and technical education
12 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

13 (2) except that institutions may admit individual
14 applicants if the institution determines through
15 assessment or through evaluation based on learning
16 outcomes of the coursework taken, including career and
17 technical education ~~vocational education~~ courses and
18 courses taken in a charter school established under
19 Article 27A of the School Code, that the applicant
20 demonstrates knowledge and skills substantially equivalent
21 to the knowledge and skills expected to be acquired in the
22 high school courses required for admission. The Board of
23 Trustees of the University of Illinois shall not
24 discriminate in the University's admissions process
25 against an applicant for admission because of the
26 applicant's enrollment in a charter school established

1 under Article 27A of the School Code. Institutions may
2 also admit 1) applicants who did not have an opportunity
3 to complete the minimum college preparatory curriculum in
4 high school, and 2) educationally disadvantaged applicants
5 who are admitted to the formal organized special
6 assistance programs that are tailored to the needs of such
7 students, providing that in either case, the institution
8 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
9 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
10 course deficiencies; and

11 (3) except that up to 3 of the 15 units of coursework
12 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
13 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
14 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
15 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
16 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

17 (c) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
18 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
19 coursework required by subsection (b).

20 (d) A student who has graduated from high school and has
21 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
22 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
23 test as a prerequisite to admission.

24 (e) The Board of Trustees shall establish an admissions
25 process in which honorably discharged veterans are permitted
26 to submit an application for admission to the University as a

1 freshman student enrolling in the spring semester if the
2 veteran was on active duty during the fall semester. The
3 University may request that the Department of Veterans'
4 Affairs confirm the status of an applicant as an honorably
5 discharged veteran who was on active duty during the fall
6 semester.

7 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

8 Section 10. The Southern Illinois University Management
9 Act is amended by changing Section 8e as follows:

10 (110 ILCS 520/8e) (from Ch. 144, par. 658e)

11 Sec. 8e. Admissions.

12 (a) ~~No Commencing in the fall of 1993, no~~ new student shall
13 ~~then or thereafter~~ be admitted to instruction in any of the
14 departments or colleges of the University unless such student
15 also has satisfactorily completed:

16 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
17 the following 5 categories:

18 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
19 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
20 years may be collegiate level instruction;

21 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
22 and government);

23 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
24 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or

1 fundamentals of computer programming);

2 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
3 agricultural sciences); and

4 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
5 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
6 Language), music, career and technical education
7 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

8 (2) except that institutions may admit individual
9 applicants if the institution determines through
10 assessment or through evaluation based on learning
11 outcomes of the coursework taken, including career and
12 technical education ~~vocational education~~ courses and
13 courses taken in a charter school established under
14 Article 27A of the School Code, that the applicant
15 demonstrates knowledge and skills substantially equivalent
16 to the knowledge and skills expected to be acquired in the
17 high school courses required for admission. The Board of
18 Trustees of Southern Illinois University shall not
19 discriminate in the University's admissions process
20 against an applicant for admission because of the
21 applicant's enrollment in a charter school established
22 under Article 27A of the School Code. Institutions may
23 also admit 1) applicants who did not have an opportunity
24 to complete the minimum college preparatory curriculum in
25 high school, and 2) educationally disadvantaged applicants
26 who are admitted to the formal organized special

1 assistance programs that are tailored to the needs of such
2 students, providing that in either case, the institution
3 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
4 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
5 course deficiencies; and

6 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
7 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
8 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
9 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
10 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
11 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

12 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
13 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
14 coursework required by subsection (a).

15 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
16 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
17 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
18 test as a prerequisite to admission.

19 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in
20 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
21 application for admission to the University as a freshman
22 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
23 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
24 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
25 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who
26 was on active duty during the fall semester.

1 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

2 Section 15. The Chicago State University Law is amended by
3 changing Section 5-85 as follows:

4 (110 ILCS 660/5-85)

5 Sec. 5-85. Admissions.

6 (a) No new student shall be admitted to instruction in any
7 of the departments or colleges of the Chicago State University
8 unless such student also has satisfactorily completed:

9 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
10 the following 5 categories:

11 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
12 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
13 years may be collegiate level instruction;

14 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
15 and government);

16 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
17 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
18 fundamentals of computer programming);

19 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
20 agricultural sciences); and

21 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
22 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
23 Language), music, career and technical education
24 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

1 (2) except that Chicago State University may admit
2 individual applicants if it determines through assessment
3 or through evaluation based on learning outcomes of the
4 coursework taken, including career and technical education
5 ~~vocational education~~ courses and courses taken in a
6 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
7 Code, that the applicant demonstrates knowledge and skills
8 substantially equivalent to the knowledge and skills
9 expected to be acquired in the high school courses
10 required for admission. The Board of Trustees of Chicago
11 State University shall not discriminate in the
12 University's admissions process against an applicant for
13 admission because of the applicant's enrollment in a
14 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
15 Code. Chicago State University may also admit (i)
16 applicants who did not have an opportunity to complete the
17 minimum college preparatory curriculum in high school, and
18 (ii) educationally disadvantaged applicants who are
19 admitted to the formal organized special assistance
20 programs that are tailored to the needs of such students,
21 providing that in either case, the institution
22 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
23 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
24 course deficiencies; and

25 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
26 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be

1 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
2 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
3 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
4 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

5 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
6 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
7 coursework required by subsection (a).

8 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
9 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
10 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
11 test as a prerequisite to admission.

12 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in
13 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
14 application for admission to the University as a freshman
15 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
16 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
17 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
18 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who
19 was on active duty during the fall semester.

20 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

21 Section 20. The Eastern Illinois University Law is amended
22 by changing Section 10-85 as follows:

23 (110 ILCS 665/10-85)

24 Sec. 10-85. Admissions.

1 (a) No new student shall be admitted to instruction in any
2 of the departments or colleges of the Eastern Illinois
3 University unless such student also has satisfactorily
4 completed:

5 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
6 the following 5 categories:

7 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
8 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
9 years may be collegiate level instruction;

10 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
11 and government);

12 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
13 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
14 fundamentals of computer programming);

15 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
16 agricultural sciences); and

17 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
18 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
19 Language), music, career and technical education
20 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

21 (2) except that Eastern Illinois University may admit
22 individual applicants if it determines through assessment
23 or through evaluation based on learning outcomes of the
24 coursework taken, including career and technical education
25 ~~vocational education~~ courses and courses taken in a
26 charter school established under Article 27A of the School

1 Code, that the applicant demonstrates knowledge and skills
2 substantially equivalent to the knowledge and skills
3 expected to be acquired in the high school courses
4 required for admission. The Board of Trustees of Eastern
5 Illinois University shall not discriminate in the
6 University's admissions process against an applicant for
7 admission because of the applicant's enrollment in a
8 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
9 Code. Eastern Illinois University may also admit (i)
10 applicants who did not have an opportunity to complete the
11 minimum college preparatory curriculum in high school, and
12 (ii) educationally disadvantaged applicants who are
13 admitted to the formal organized special assistance
14 programs that are tailored to the needs of such students,
15 providing that in either case, the institution
16 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
17 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
18 course deficiencies; and

19 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
20 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
21 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
22 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
23 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
24 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

25 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
26 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the

1 coursework required by subsection (a).

2 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
3 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
4 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
5 test as a prerequisite to admission.

6 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in
7 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
8 application for admission to the University as a freshman
9 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
10 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
11 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
12 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who
13 was on active duty during the fall semester.

14 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

15 Section 25. The Governors State University Law is amended
16 by changing Section 15-85 as follows:

17 (110 ILCS 670/15-85)

18 Sec. 15-85. Admissions.

19 (a) No new student shall be admitted to instruction in any
20 of the departments or colleges of the Governors State
21 University unless such student also has satisfactorily
22 completed:

23 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
24 the following 5 categories:

1 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
2 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
3 years may be collegiate level instruction;

4 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
5 and government);

6 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
7 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
8 fundamentals of computer programming);

9 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
10 agricultural sciences); and

11 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
12 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
13 Language), music, career and technical education
14 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

15 (2) except that Governors State University may admit
16 individual applicants if it determines through assessment
17 or through evaluation based on learning outcomes of the
18 coursework taken, including career and technical education
19 ~~vocational education~~ courses and courses taken in a
20 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
21 Code, that the applicant demonstrates knowledge and skills
22 substantially equivalent to the knowledge and skills
23 expected to be acquired in the high school courses
24 required for admission. The Board of Trustees of Governors
25 State University shall not discriminate in the
26 University's admissions process against an applicant for

1 admission because of the applicant's enrollment in a
2 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
3 Code. Governors State University may also admit (i)
4 applicants who did not have an opportunity to complete the
5 minimum college preparatory curriculum in high school, and
6 (ii) educationally disadvantaged applicants who are
7 admitted to the formal organized special assistance
8 programs that are tailored to the needs of such students,
9 providing that in either case, the institution
10 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
11 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
12 course deficiencies; and

13 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
14 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
15 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
16 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
17 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
18 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

19 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
20 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
21 coursework required by subsection (a).

22 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
23 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
24 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
25 test as a prerequisite to admission.

26 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in

1 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
2 application for admission to the University as a freshman
3 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
4 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
5 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
6 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who
7 was on active duty during the fall semester.

8 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

9 Section 30. The Illinois State University Law is amended
10 by changing Section 20-85 as follows:

11 (110 ILCS 675/20-85)

12 Sec. 20-85. Admissions.

13 (a) No new student shall be admitted to instruction in any
14 of the departments or colleges of the Illinois State
15 University unless such student also has satisfactorily
16 completed:

17 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
18 the following 5 categories:

19 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
20 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
21 years may be collegiate level instruction;

22 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
23 and government);

24 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through

1 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
2 fundamentals of computer programming);

3 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
4 agricultural sciences); and

5 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
6 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
7 Language), music, career and technical education
8 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

9 (2) except that Illinois State University may admit
10 individual applicants if it determines through assessment
11 or through evaluation based on learning outcomes of the
12 coursework taken, including career and technical education
13 ~~vocational education~~ courses and courses taken in a
14 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
15 Code, that the applicant demonstrates knowledge and skills
16 substantially equivalent to the knowledge and skills
17 expected to be acquired in the high school courses
18 required for admission. The Board of Trustees of Illinois
19 State University shall not discriminate in the
20 University's admissions process against an applicant for
21 admission because of the applicant's enrollment in a
22 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
23 Code. Illinois State University may also admit (i)
24 applicants who did not have an opportunity to complete the
25 minimum college preparatory curriculum in high school, and
26 (ii) educationally disadvantaged applicants who are

1 admitted to the formal organized special assistance
2 programs that are tailored to the needs of such students,
3 providing that in either case, the institution
4 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
5 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
6 course deficiencies; and

7 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
8 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
9 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
10 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
11 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
12 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

13 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
14 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
15 coursework required by subsection (a).

16 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
17 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
18 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
19 test as a prerequisite to admission.

20 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in
21 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
22 application for admission to the University as a freshman
23 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
24 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
25 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
26 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who

1 was on active duty during the fall semester.

2 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

3 Section 35. The Northeastern Illinois University Law is
4 amended by changing Section 25-85 as follows:

5 (110 ILCS 680/25-85)

6 Sec. 25-85. Admissions.

7 (a) No new student shall be admitted to instruction in any
8 of the departments or colleges of the Northeastern Illinois
9 University unless such student also has satisfactorily
10 completed:

11 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
12 the following 5 categories:

13 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
14 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
15 years may be collegiate level instruction;

16 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
17 and government);

18 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
19 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
20 fundamentals of computer programming);

21 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
22 agricultural sciences); and

23 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
24 (which may be deemed to include American Sign

1 Language), music, career and technical education
2 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

3 (2) except that Northeastern Illinois University may
4 admit individual applicants if it determines through
5 assessment or through evaluation based on learning
6 outcomes of the coursework taken, including career and
7 technical education ~~vocational education~~ courses and
8 courses taken in a charter school established under
9 Article 27A of the School Code, that the applicant
10 demonstrates knowledge and skills substantially equivalent
11 to the knowledge and skills expected to be acquired in the
12 high school courses required for admission. The Board of
13 Trustees of Northeastern Illinois University shall not
14 discriminate in the University's admissions process
15 against an applicant for admission because of the
16 applicant's enrollment in a charter school established
17 under Article 27A of the School Code. Northeastern
18 Illinois University may also admit (i) applicants who did
19 not have an opportunity to complete the minimum college
20 preparatory curriculum in high school, and (ii)
21 educationally disadvantaged applicants who are admitted to
22 the formal organized special assistance programs that are
23 tailored to the needs of such students, providing that in
24 either case, the institution incorporates in the
25 applicant's baccalaureate curriculum courses or other
26 academic activities that compensate for course

1 deficiencies; and

2 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
3 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
4 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
5 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
6 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
7 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

8 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
9 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
10 coursework required by subsection (a).

11 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
12 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
13 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
14 test as a prerequisite to admission.

15 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in
16 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
17 application for admission to the University as a freshman
18 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
19 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
20 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
21 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who
22 was on active duty during the fall semester.

23 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

24 Section 40. The Northern Illinois University Law is
25 amended by changing Section 30-85 as follows:

1 (110 ILCS 685/30-85)

2 Sec. 30-85. Admissions.

3 (a) No new student shall be admitted to instruction in any
4 of the departments or colleges of the Northern Illinois
5 University unless such student also has satisfactorily
6 completed:

7 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
8 the following 5 categories:

9 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
10 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
11 years may be collegiate level instruction;

12 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
13 and government);

14 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
15 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
16 fundamentals of computer programming);

17 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
18 agricultural sciences); and

19 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
20 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
21 Language), music, career and technical education
22 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

23 (2) except that Northern Illinois University may admit
24 individual applicants if it determines through assessment
25 or through evaluation based on learning outcomes of the

1 coursework taken, including career and technical education
2 ~~vocational education~~ courses and courses taken in a
3 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
4 Code, that the applicant demonstrates knowledge and skills
5 substantially equivalent to the knowledge and skills
6 expected to be acquired in the high school courses
7 required for admission. The Board of Trustees of Northern
8 Illinois University shall not discriminate in the
9 University's admissions process against an applicant for
10 admission because of the applicant's enrollment in a
11 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
12 Code. Northern Illinois University may also admit (i)
13 applicants who did not have an opportunity to complete the
14 minimum college preparatory curriculum in high school, and
15 (ii) educationally disadvantaged applicants who are
16 admitted to the formal organized special assistance
17 programs that are tailored to the needs of such students,
18 providing that in either case, the institution
19 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
20 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
21 course deficiencies; and

22 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
23 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
24 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
25 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
26 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5

1 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

2 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
3 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
4 coursework required by subsection (a).

5 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
6 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or
7 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
8 test as a prerequisite to admission.

9 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in
10 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
11 application for admission to the University as a freshman
12 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
13 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
14 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
15 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who
16 was on active duty during the fall semester.

17 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)

18 Section 45. The Western Illinois University Law is amended
19 by changing Section 35-85 as follows:

20 (110 ILCS 690/35-85)

21 Sec. 35-85. Admissions.

22 (a) No new student shall be admitted to instruction in any
23 of the departments or colleges of the Western Illinois
24 University unless such student also has satisfactorily

1 completed:

2 (1) at least 15 units of high school coursework from
3 the following 5 categories:

4 (A) 4 years of English (emphasizing written and
5 oral communications and literature), of which up to 2
6 years may be collegiate level instruction;

7 (B) 3 years of social studies (emphasizing history
8 and government);

9 (C) 3 years of mathematics (introductory through
10 advanced algebra, geometry, trigonometry, or
11 fundamentals of computer programming);

12 (D) 3 years of science (laboratory sciences or
13 agricultural sciences); and

14 (E) 2 years of electives in foreign language
15 (which may be deemed to include American Sign
16 Language), music, career and technical education
17 ~~vocational education~~, agricultural education, or art;

18 (2) except that Western Illinois University may admit
19 individual applicants if it determines through assessment
20 or through evaluation based on learning outcomes of the
21 coursework taken, including career and technical education
22 ~~vocational education~~ courses and courses taken in a
23 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
24 Code, that the applicant demonstrates knowledge and skills
25 substantially equivalent to the knowledge and skills
26 expected to be acquired in the high school courses

1 required for admission. The Board of Trustees of Western
2 Illinois University shall not discriminate in the
3 University's admissions process against an applicant for
4 admission because of the applicant's enrollment in a
5 charter school established under Article 27A of the School
6 Code. Western Illinois University may also admit (i)
7 applicants who did not have an opportunity to complete the
8 minimum college preparatory curriculum in high school, and
9 (ii) educationally disadvantaged applicants who are
10 admitted to the formal organized special assistance
11 programs that are tailored to the needs of such students,
12 providing that in either case, the institution
13 incorporates in the applicant's baccalaureate curriculum
14 courses or other academic activities that compensate for
15 course deficiencies; and

16 (3) except that up to 3 of 15 units of coursework
17 required by paragraph (1) of this subsection may be
18 distributed by deducting no more than one unit each from
19 the categories of social studies, mathematics, sciences
20 and electives and completing those 3 units in any of the 5
21 categories of coursework described in paragraph (1).

22 (b) When allocating funds, local boards of education shall
23 recognize their obligation to their students to offer the
24 coursework required by subsection (a).

25 (c) A student who has graduated from high school and has
26 scored within the University's accepted range on the ACT or

1 SAT shall not be required to take a high school equivalency
2 test as a prerequisite to admission.

3 (d) The Board shall establish an admissions process in
4 which honorably discharged veterans are permitted to submit an
5 application for admission to the University as a freshman
6 student enrolling in the spring semester if the veteran was on
7 active duty during the fall semester. The University may
8 request that the Department of Veterans' Affairs confirm the
9 status of an applicant as an honorably discharged veteran who
10 was on active duty during the fall semester.

11 (Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15; 99-806, eff. 8-15-16.)".