



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB5912

Introduced 11/13/2024, by Rep. Cyril Nichols

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 805/2-28 new

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that, subject to appropriation, the Illinois Community College Board shall, by rule, establish a program to provide grants to eligible nonprofit organizations to cover the application fees imposed on eligible individuals who apply for high school equivalency testing under the high school equivalency provisions of the School Code. Provides that the rules adopted by the Illinois Community College Board shall establish eligibility criteria for grant recipients and shall allow church-sponsored nonprofit organizations that meet the eligibility criteria to receive grant funds.

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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 Public Community College Act is amended by
5 adding Section 2-28 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 805/2-28 new)

7 Sec. 2-28. High school equivalency testing fee grant
8 program. Subject to appropriation, the State Board shall, by
9 rule, establish a program to provide grants to eligible
10 nonprofit organizations to cover the application fees imposed
11 on eligible individuals who apply for high school equivalency
12 testing under Section 3-15.12 of the School Code. The rules
13 adopted by the State Board shall establish eligibility
14 criteria for grant recipients and shall allow church-sponsored
15 nonprofit organizations that meet the eligibility criteria to
16 receive grant funds under this Section.