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AN ACT concerning schools.

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

- Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
 10-22.5a and adding Section 34-18.30 as follows:
- 6 (105 ILCS 5/10-22.5a) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-22.5a)

Sec. 10-22.5a. Attendance by <u>dependents of United States</u>
<u>military personnel</u>, foreign exchange students, and certain
nonresident pupils.

(a) To enter into written agreements with cultural exchange 10 organizations, or with nationally recognized eleemosynary 11 institutions that promote excellence in the arts, mathematics, 12 or science. The written agreements may provide for tuition free 13 14 attendance at the local district school by foreign exchange 15 students, or by nonresident pupils of eleemosynary institutions. The local board of education, as part of the 16 17 agreement, may require that the cultural exchange program or 18 the eleemosynary institutions provide services to the district 19 in exchange for the waiver of nonresident tuition.

To enter into written agreements with adjacent school 20 districts to provide for tuition free attendance by a student 21 22 of the adjacent district when requested for the student's health and safety by the student or parent and both districts 23 determine that the student's health or safety will be served by 24 25 such attendance. Districts shall not be required to enter into 26 such agreements nor be required to alter existing 27 transportation services due to the attendance of such 28 non-resident pupils.

29 <u>(a-5) If, at the time of enrollment, a dependent of United</u>
30 States military personnel is housed in temporary housing
31 located outside of a school district, but will be living within
32 the district within 60 days after the time of initial

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1 enrollment, the dependent must be allowed to enroll, subject to 2 the requirements of this subsection (a-5), and must not be charged tuition. Any United States military personnel 3 attempting to enroll a dependent under this subsection (a-5) 4 5 shall provide proof that the dependent will be living within the district within 60 days after the time of initial 6 enrollment. Proof of residency may include, but is not limited 7 to, postmarked mail addressed to the military personnel and 8 sent to an address located within the district, a lease 9 agreement for occupancy of a residence located within the 10 11 district, or proof of ownership of a residence located within 12 the district.

13 Nonresident pupils and foreign exchange students (b) attending school on a tuition free basis under such agreements 14 and nonresident dependents of United States military personnel 15 16 attending school on a tuition free basis may be counted for the 17 purposes of determining the apportionment of State aid provided under Section 18-8.05 18 8 of this Code, provided Act. Provided 18 19 any cultural exchange organization or eleemosynary that 20 institutions wishing to participate in an agreement authorized 21 under this Section must be approved in writing by the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education may establish 22 23 reasonable rules to determine the eligibility of cultural exchange organizations or eleemosynary institutions wishing to 24 25 participate in agreements authorized under this Section. No 26 organization or institution participating in agreements 27 authorized under this Section may exclude any individual for 28 participation in its program on account of the person's race, 29 color, sex, religion or nationality. 30 (Source: P.A. 89-480, eff. 1-1-97; 89-622, eff. 8-9-96; 90-14,

31 eff. 7-1-97.)

32 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.30 new)
 33 <u>Sec. 34-18.30. Dependents of military personnel; no</u>
 34 <u>tuition charge. If, at the time of enrollment, a dependent of</u>
 35 <u>United States military personnel is housed in temporary housing</u>

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located outside of the school district, but will be living 1 2 within the district within 60 days after the time of initial enrollment, the dependent must be allowed to enroll, subject to 3 the requirements of this Section, and must not be charged 4 5 tuition. Any United States military personnel attempting to enroll a dependent under this Section shall provide proof that 6 the dependent will be living within the district within 60 days 7 after the time of initial enrollment. Proof of residency may 8 9 include, but is not limited to, postmarked mail addressed to the military personnel and sent to an address located within 10 11 the district, a lease agreement for occupancy of a residence located within the district, or proof of ownership of a 12 residence located within the district. Non-resident dependents 13 of United States military personnel attending school on a 14 tuition-free basis may be counted for the purposes of 15 16 determining the apportionment of State aid provided under 17 Section 18-8.05 of this Code.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.