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105 ILCS 5/18-8.05

Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the State aid formula.

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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:

Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
18-8.05 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/18-8.05)

Sec. 18-8.05. Basis for apportionment of general State
financial aid and supplemental general State aid to <u>the</u> the
common schools for the 1998-1999 and subsequent school years.

10 (A) General Provisions.

(1) The provisions of this Section apply to the 1998-1999 11 and subsequent school years. The system of general State 12 13 financial aid provided for in this Section is designed to assure that, through a combination of State financial aid and 14 15 required local resources, the financial support provided each 16 pupil in Average Daily Attendance equals or exceeds а 17 prescribed per pupil Foundation Level. This formula approach 18 imputes a level of per pupil Available Local Resources and provides for the basis to calculate a per pupil level of 19 20 general State financial aid that, when added to Available Local 21 Resources, equals or exceeds the Foundation Level. The amount of per pupil general State financial aid for school districts, 22

in general, varies in inverse relation to Available Local Resources. Per pupil amounts are based upon each school district's Average Daily Attendance as that term is defined in this Section.

5 (2) In addition to general State financial aid, school 6 districts with specified levels or concentrations of pupils 7 from low income households are eligible to receive supplemental 8 general State financial aid grants as provided pursuant to 9 subsection (H). The supplemental State aid grants provided for 10 school districts under subsection (H) shall be appropriated for 11 distribution to school districts as part of the same line item 12 in which the general State financial aid of school districts is appropriated under this Section. 13

14 (3) To receive financial assistance under this Section,
15 school districts are required to file claims with the State
16 Board of Education, subject to the following requirements:

17 (a) Any school district which fails for any given school year to maintain school as required by law, or to 18 19 maintain a recognized school is not eligible to file for 20 such school year any claim upon the Common School Fund. In case of nonrecognition of one or more attendance centers in 21 22 a school district otherwise operating recognized schools, 23 claim of the district shall be reduced the in the 24 proportion which the Average Daily Attendance in the 25 attendance center or centers bear to the Average Daily 26 Attendance in the school district. A "recognized school"

1 means any public school which meets the standards as 2 established for recognition by the State Board of 3 Education. A school district or attendance center not 4 having recognition status at the end of a school term is 5 entitled to receive State aid payments due upon a legal 6 claim which was filed while it was recognized.

7 (b) School district claims filed under this Section are
8 subject to Sections 18-9, 18-10, and 18-12, except as
9 otherwise provided in this Section.

10 (c) If a school district operates a full year school 11 under Section 10-19.1, the general State aid to the school 12 district shall be determined by the State Board of 13 Education in accordance with this Section as near as may be 14 applicable.

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(d) (Blank).

16 (4) Except as provided in subsections (H) and (L), the 17 board of any district receiving any of the grants provided for 18 in this Section may apply those funds to any fund so received 19 for which that board is authorized to make expenditures by law.

20 School districts are not required to exert a minimum 21 Operating Tax Rate in order to qualify for assistance under 22 this Section.

(5) As used in this Section the following terms, whencapitalized, shall have the meaning ascribed herein:

(a) "Average Daily Attendance": A count of pupil
attendance in school, averaged as provided for in

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subsection (C) and utilized in deriving per pupil financial support levels.

3 (b) "Available Local Resources": A computation of 4 local financial support, calculated on the basis of Average 5 Daily Attendance and derived as provided pursuant to 6 subsection (D).

7 (c) "Corporate Personal Property Replacement Taxes": 8 Funds paid to local school districts pursuant to "An Act in 9 relation to the abolition of ad valorem personal property 10 tax and the replacement of revenues lost thereby, and 11 amending and repealing certain Acts and parts of Acts in 12 connection therewith", certified August 14, 1979, as 13 amended (Public Act 81-1st S.S.-1).

14 (d) "Foundation Level": A prescribed level of per pupil15 financial support as provided for in subsection (B).

(e) "Operating Tax Rate": All school district property
taxes extended for all purposes, except Bond and Interest,
Summer School, Rent, Capital Improvement, and Vocational
Education Building purposes.

20 (B) Foundation Level.

(1) The Foundation Level is a figure established by the State representing the minimum level of per pupil financial support that should be available to provide for the basic education of each pupil in Average Daily Attendance. As set forth in this Section, each school district is assumed to exert 1 a sufficient local taxing effort such that, in combination with 2 the aggregate of general State financial aid provided the 3 district, an aggregate of State and local resources are 4 available to meet the basic education needs of pupils in the 5 district.

6 (2) For the 1998-1999 school year, the Foundation Level of support is \$4,225. For the 1999-2000 school year, the 7 8 Foundation Level of support is \$4,325. For the 2000-2001 school 9 year, the Foundation Level of support is \$4,425. For the 10 2001-2002 school year and 2002-2003 school year, the Foundation Level of support is \$4,560. For the 2003-2004 school year, the 11 12 Foundation Level of support is \$4,810. For the 2004-2005 school 13 year, the Foundation Level of support is \$4,964. For the 2005-2006 school year, the Foundation Level of support is 14 15 \$5,164.

16 (3) For the 2006-2007 school year and each school year 17 thereafter, the Foundation Level of support is \$5,334 or such 18 greater amount as may be established by law by the General 19 Assembly.

20 (C) Average Daily Attendance.

(1) For purposes of calculating general State aid pursuant to subsection (E), an Average Daily Attendance figure shall be utilized. The Average Daily Attendance figure for formula calculation purposes shall be the monthly average of the actual number of pupils in attendance of each school district, as

further averaged for the best 3 months of pupil attendance for each school district. In compiling the figures for the number of pupils in attendance, school districts and the State Board of Education shall, for purposes of general State aid funding, conform attendance figures to the requirements of subsection (F).

7 The Average Daily Attendance figures utilized in (2) 8 subsection (E) shall be the requisite attendance data for the 9 school year immediately preceding the school year for which 10 general State aid is being calculated or the average of the 11 attendance data for the 3 preceding school years, whichever is 12 greater. The Average Daily Attendance figures utilized in 13 subsection (H) shall be the requisite attendance data for the school year immediately preceding the school year for which 14 15 general State aid is being calculated.

16 (D) Available Local Resources.

(1) For purposes of calculating general State aid pursuant 17 18 subsection (E), a representation of Available Local to Resources per pupil, as that term is defined and determined in 19 20 this subsection, shall be utilized. Available Local Resources 21 per pupil shall include a calculated dollar amount representing 22 local school district revenues from local property taxes and 23 from Corporate Personal Property Replacement Taxes, expressed 24 on the basis of pupils in Average Daily Attendance. Calculation of Available Local Resources shall exclude any tax amnesty 25

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1 funds received as a result of Public Act 93-26.

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2 (2) In determining a school district's revenue from local 3 property taxes, the State Board of Education shall utilize the 4 equalized assessed valuation of all taxable property of each 5 school district as of September 30 of the previous year. The 6 equalized assessed valuation utilized shall be obtained and 7 determined as provided in subsection (G).

8 (3) For school districts maintaining grades kindergarten 9 through 12, local property tax revenues per pupil shall be 10 calculated as the product of the applicable equalized assessed 11 valuation for the district multiplied by 3.00%, and divided by 12 the district's Average Daily Attendance figure. For school 13 districts maintaining grades kindergarten through 8, local 14 property tax revenues per pupil shall be calculated as the 15 product of the applicable equalized assessed valuation for the 16 district multiplied by 2.30%, and divided by the district's 17 Daily Attendance figure. For school Average districts maintaining grades 9 through 12, local property tax revenues 18 per pupil shall be the applicable equalized assessed valuation 19 20 of the district multiplied by 1.05%, and divided by the district's Average Daily Attendance figure. 21

For partial elementary unit districts created pursuant to Article 11E of this Code, local property tax revenues per pupil shall be calculated as the product of the equalized assessed valuation for property within the elementary and high school classification of the partial elementary unit district 1 multiplied by 2.06% and divided by the Average Daily Attendance 2 figure for grades kindergarten through 8, plus the product of 3 the equalized assessed valuation for property within the high 4 school only classification of the partial elementary unit 5 district multiplied by 0.94% and divided by the Average Daily 6 Attendance figure for grades 9 through 12.

7 (4) The Corporate Personal Property Replacement Taxes paid to each school district during the calendar year 2 years before 8 9 the calendar year in which a school year begins, divided by the 10 Average Daily Attendance figure for that district, shall be 11 added to the local property tax revenues per pupil as derived 12 by the application of the immediately preceding paragraph (3). The sum of these per pupil figures for each school district 13 shall constitute Available Local Resources as that term is 14 15 utilized in subsection (E) in the calculation of general State 16 aid.

17 (E) Computation of General State Aid.

(1) For each school year, the amount of general State aid
allotted to a school district shall be computed by the State
Board of Education as provided in this subsection.

(2) For any school district for which Available Local Resources per pupil is less than the product of 0.93 times the Foundation Level, general State aid for that district shall be calculated as an amount equal to the Foundation Level minus Available Local Resources, multiplied by the Average Daily

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1 Attendance of the school district.

2 (3) For any school district for which Available Local 3 Resources per pupil is equal to or greater than the product of 0.93 times the Foundation Level and less than the product of 4 5 1.75 times the Foundation Level, the general State aid per pupil shall be a decimal proportion of the Foundation Level 6 7 derived using a linear algorithm. Under this linear algorithm, the calculated general State aid per pupil shall decline in 8 direct linear fashion from 0.07 times the Foundation Level for 9 10 a school district with Available Local Resources equal to the 11 product of 0.93 times the Foundation Level, to 0.05 times the 12 Foundation Level for a school district with Available Local 13 Resources equal to the product of 1.75 times the Foundation Level. The allocation of general State aid for school districts 14 15 subject to this paragraph 3 shall be the calculated general 16 State aid per pupil figure multiplied by the Average Daily 17 Attendance of the school district.

18 (4) For any school district for which Available Local 19 Resources per pupil equals or exceeds the product of 1.75 times 20 the Foundation Level, the general State aid for the school 21 district shall be calculated as the product of \$218 multiplied 22 by the Average Daily Attendance of the school district.

(5) The amount of general State aid allocated to a school district for the 1999-2000 school year meeting the requirements set forth in paragraph (4) of subsection (G) shall be increased by an amount equal to the general State aid that would have

been received by the district for the 1998-1999 school year by utilizing the Extension Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation as calculated in paragraph (4) of subsection (G) less the general State aid allotted for the 1998-1999 school year. This amount shall be deemed a one time increase, and shall not affect any future general State aid allocations.

7 (F) Compilation of Average Daily Attendance.

8 (1) Each school district shall, by July 1 of each year, 9 submit to the State Board of Education, on forms prescribed by 10 the State Board of Education, attendance figures for the school 11 year that began in the preceding calendar year. The attendance 12 information so transmitted shall identify the average daily 13 attendance figures for each month of the school year. Beginning 14 with the general State aid claim form for the 2002-2003 school 15 year, districts shall calculate Average Daily Attendance as 16 provided in subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) of this paragraph 17 (1).

(a) In districts that do not hold year-round classes,
days of attendance in August shall be added to the month of
September and any days of attendance in June shall be added
to the month of May.

(b) In districts in which all buildings hold year-round
classes, days of attendance in July and August shall be
added to the month of September and any days of attendance
in June shall be added to the month of May.

(c) In districts in which some buildings, but not all, 1 2 hold year-round classes, for the non-year-round buildings, days of attendance in August shall be added to the month of 3 September and any days of attendance in June shall be added 4 5 to the month of May. The average daily attendance for the year-round buildings shall be computed as provided in 6 subdivision (b) of this paragraph (1). To calculate the 7 8 Average Daily Attendance for the district, the average 9 daily attendance for the year-round buildings shall be 10 multiplied by the days in session for the non-year-round 11 buildings for each month and added to the monthly 12 attendance of the non-year-round buildings.

13 Except as otherwise provided in this Section, days of 14 attendance by pupils shall be counted only for sessions of not 15 less than 5 clock hours of school work per day under direct 16 supervision of: (i) teachers, or (ii) non-teaching personnel or 17 volunteer personnel when engaging in non-teaching duties and supervising in those instances specified in subsection (a) of 18 19 Section 10-22.34 and paragraph 10 of Section 34-18, with pupils 20 of legal school age and in kindergarten and grades 1 through 12. 21

Days of attendance by tuition pupils shall be accredited only to the districts that pay the tuition to a recognized school.

(2) Days of attendance by pupils of less than 5 clock hours
of school shall be subject to the following provisions in the

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1 compilation of Average Daily Attendance.

(a) Pupils regularly enrolled in a public school for 2 3 only a part of the school day may be counted on the basis of 1/6 day for every class hour of instruction of 40 4 5 minutes or more attended pursuant to such enrollment, unless a pupil is enrolled in a block-schedule format of 80 6 minutes or more of instruction, in which case the pupil may 7 8 be counted on the basis of the proportion of minutes of 9 school work completed each day to the minimum number of 10 minutes that school work is required to be held that day.

(b) Days of attendance may be less than 5 clock hours on the opening and closing of the school term, and upon the first day of pupil attendance, if preceded by a day or days utilized as an institute or teachers' workshop.

(c) A session of 4 or more clock hours may be counted
as a day of attendance upon certification by the regional
superintendent, and approved by the State Superintendent
of Education to the extent that the district has been
forced to use daily multiple sessions.

(d) A session of 3 or more clock hours may be counted
as a day of attendance (1) when the remainder of the school
day or at least 2 hours in the evening of that day is
utilized for an in-service training program for teachers,
up to a maximum of 5 days per school year of which a
maximum of 4 days of such 5 days may be used for
parent-teacher conferences, provided a district conducts

an in-service training program for teachers which has been 1 2 approved by the State Superintendent of Education; or, in 3 lieu of 4 such days, 2 full days may be used, in which event each such day may be counted as a day of attendance; 4 5 and (2) when days in addition to those provided in item (1) 6 are scheduled by а school pursuant to its school 7 improvement plan adopted under Article 34 or its revised or 8 amended school improvement plan adopted under Article 2, 9 provided that (i) such sessions of 3 or more clock hours 10 are scheduled to occur at regular intervals, (ii) the 11 remainder of the school days in which such sessions occur 12 are utilized for in-service training programs or other staff development activities for teachers, and (iii) a 13 14 sufficient number of minutes of school work under the 15 direct supervision of teachers are added to the school days 16 between such regularly scheduled sessions to accumulate 17 not less than the number of minutes by which such sessions of 3 or more clock hours fall short of 5 clock hours. Any 18 19 full days used for the purposes of this paragraph shall not 20 be considered for computing average daily attendance. Days 21 scheduled for in-service training programs, staff 22 development activities, or parent-teacher conferences may 23 be scheduled separately for different grade levels and 24 different attendance centers of the district.

(e) A session of not less than one clock hour of
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telephone to the classroom may be counted as 1/2 day of attendance, however these pupils must receive 4 or more clock hours of instruction to be counted for a full day of attendance.

(f) A session of at least 4 clock hours may be counted as a day of attendance for first grade pupils, and pupils in full day kindergartens, and a session of 2 or more hours may be counted as 1/2 day of attendance by pupils in kindergartens which provide only 1/2 day of attendance.

10 (g) For children with disabilities who are below the 11 age of 6 years and who cannot attend 2 or more clock hours 12 because of their disability or immaturity, a session of not 13 less than one clock hour may be counted as 1/2 day of 14 attendance; however for such children whose educational 15 needs so require a session of 4 or more clock hours may be 16 counted as a full day of attendance.

17 (h) A recognized kindergarten which provides for only 1/2 day of attendance by each pupil shall not have more 18 19 than 1/2 day of attendance counted in any one day. However, 20 kindergartens may count 2 1/2 days of attendance in any 5 21 consecutive school days. When a pupil attends such a 22 kindergarten for 2 half days on any one school day, the 23 pupil shall have the following day as a day absent from school, unless the school district obtains permission in 24 25 writing from the State Superintendent of Education. 26 Attendance at kindergartens which provide for a full day of

attendance by each pupil shall be counted the same as attendance by first grade pupils. Only the first year of attendance in one kindergarten shall be counted, except in case of children who entered the kindergarten in their fifth year whose educational development requires a second year of kindergarten as determined under the rules and regulations of the State Board of Education.

8 (i) On the days when the Prairie State Achievement 9 Examination is administered under subsection (c) of 10 Section 2-3.64 of this Code, the day of attendance for a 11 pupil whose school day must be shortened to accommodate 12 required testing procedures may be less than 5 clock hours 13 and shall be counted towards the 176 days of actual pupil 14 attendance required under Section 10-19 of this Code, 15 provided that a sufficient number of minutes of school work 16 in excess of 5 clock hours are first completed on other 17 school days to compensate for the loss of school work on 18 the examination days.

19 (G) Equalized Assessed Valuation Data.

(1) For purposes of the calculation of Available Local Resources required pursuant to subsection (D), the State Board of Education shall secure from the Department of Revenue the value as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue of all taxable property of every school district, together with (i) the applicable tax rate used in extending taxes for the 1 funds of the district as of September 30 of the previous year 2 and (ii) the limiting rate for all school districts subject to 3 property tax extension limitations as imposed under the 4 Property Tax Extension Limitation Law.

5 The Department of Revenue shall add to the equalized 6 assessed value of all taxable property of each school district situated entirely or partially within a county that is or was 7 8 the alternative general homestead exemption subject to 9 provisions of Section 15-176 of the Property Tax Code (a) an 10 amount equal to the total amount by which the homestead 11 exemption allowed under Section 15-176 of the Property Tax Code 12 for real property situated in that school district exceeds the 13 total amount that would have been allowed in that school district if the maximum reduction under Section 15-176 was (i) 14 15 \$4,500 in Cook County or \$3,500 in all other counties in tax 16 year 2003 or (ii) \$5,000 in all counties in tax year 2004 and 17 thereafter and (b) an amount equal to the aggregate amount for the taxable year of all additional exemptions under Section 18 15-175 of the Property Tax Code for owners with a household 19 20 income of \$30,000 or less. The county clerk of any county that subject to the alternative general homestead 21 is or was 22 exemption provisions of Section 15-176 of the Property Tax Code 23 shall annually calculate and certify to the Department of Revenue for each school district all homestead exemption 24 amounts under Section 15-176 of the Property Tax Code and all 25 26 amounts of additional exemptions under Section 15-175 of the

Property Tax Code for owners with a household income of \$30,000 1 2 or less. It is the intent of this paragraph that if the general 3 homestead exemption for a parcel of property is determined under Section 15-176 of the Property Tax Code rather than 4 5 Section 15-175, then the calculation of Available Local Resources shall not be affected by the difference, if any, 6 7 between the amount of the general homestead exemption allowed for that parcel of property under Section 15-176 of the 8 9 Property Tax Code and the amount that would have been allowed 10 had the general homestead exemption for that parcel of property 11 been determined under Section 15-175 of the Property Tax Code. 12 It is further the intent of this paragraph that if additional exemptions are allowed under Section 15-175 of the Property Tax 13 Code for owners with a household income of less than \$30,000, 14 then the calculation of Available Local Resources shall not be 15 16 affected by the difference, if any, because of those additional 17 exemptions.

18 This equalized assessed valuation, as adjusted further by 19 the requirements of this subsection, shall be utilized in the 20 calculation of Available Local Resources.

(2) The equalized assessed valuation in paragraph (1) shall
be adjusted, as applicable, in the following manner:

(a) For the purposes of calculating State aid under
 this Section, with respect to any part of a school district
 within a redevelopment project area in respect to which a
 municipality has adopted tax increment allocation

1 financing pursuant to the Tax Increment Allocation 2 Redevelopment Act, Sections 11-74.4-1 through 11-74.4-11 3 of the Illinois Municipal Code or the Industrial Jobs Recovery Law, Sections 11-74.6-1 through 11-74.6-50 of the 4 Illinois Municipal Code, no part of the current equalized 5 assessed valuation of real property located in any such 6 project area which is attributable to an increase above the 7 8 initial equalized assessed valuation of total such 9 property shall be used as part of the equalized assessed 10 valuation of the district, until such time as all 11 redevelopment project costs have been paid, as provided in 12 Section 11-74.4-8 of the Tax Increment Allocation Section 13 11-74.6-35 Redevelopment Act or in of the 14 Industrial Jobs Recovery Law. For the purpose of the 15 equalized assessed valuation of the district, the total 16 initial equalized assessed valuation or the current 17 equalized assessed valuation, whichever is lower, shall be used until such time as all redevelopment project costs 18 19 have been paid.

20 (b) The real property equalized assessed valuation for 21 a school district shall be adjusted by subtracting from the 22 real property value as equalized or assessed by the 23 Department of Revenue for the district an amount computed 24 by dividing the amount of any abatement of taxes under 25 Section 18-170 of the Property Tax Code by 3.00% for a 26 district maintaining grades kindergarten through 12, by 2.30% for a district maintaining grades kindergarten
 through 8, or by 1.05% for a district maintaining grades 9
 through 12 and adjusted by an amount computed by dividing
 the amount of any abatement of taxes under subsection (a)
 of Section 18-165 of the Property Tax Code by the same
 percentage rates for district type as specified in this
 subparagraph (b).

8 (3) For the 1999-2000 school year and each school year 9 thereafter, if a school district meets all of the criteria of 10 this subsection (G)(3), the school district's Available Local 11 Resources shall be calculated under subsection (D) using the 12 district's Extension Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation 13 as calculated under this subsection (G)(3).

14 For purposes of this subsection (G)(3) the following terms 15 shall have the following meanings:

16 "Budget Year": The school year for which general State17 aid is calculated and awarded under subsection (E).

18 "Base Tax Year": The property tax levy year used to19 calculate the Budget Year allocation of general State aid.

20 "Preceding Tax Year": The property tax levy year
21 immediately preceding the Base Tax Year.

"Base Tax Year's Tax Extension": The product of the equalized assessed valuation utilized by the County Clerk in the Base Tax Year multiplied by the limiting rate as calculated by the County Clerk and defined in the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law.

1 "Preceding Tax Year's Tax Extension": The product of 2 the equalized assessed valuation utilized by the County 3 Clerk in the Preceding Tax Year multiplied by the Operating 4 Tax Rate as defined in subsection (A).

5 "Extension Limitation Ratio": A numerical ratio, 6 certified by the County Clerk, in which the numerator is 7 the Base Tax Year's Tax Extension and the denominator is 8 the Preceding Tax Year's Tax Extension.

9 "Operating Tax Rate": The operating tax rate as defined
10 in subsection (A).

11 If a school district is subject to property tax extension 12 imposed under the Property Tax Extension limitations as Limitation Law, the State Board of Education shall calculate 13 14 the Extension Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation of that 15 district. For the 1999-2000 school year, the Extension 16 Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation of a school district as 17 calculated by the State Board of Education shall be equal to the product of the district's 1996 Equalized Assessed Valuation 18 and the district's Extension Limitation Ratio. 19 For the 20 2000-2001 school year and each school year thereafter, the 21 Extension Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation of a school 22 district as calculated by the State Board of Education shall be 23 equal to the product of the Equalized Assessed Valuation last used in the calculation of general State aid and the district's 24 25 Extension Limitation Ratio. If the Extension Limitation 26 Equalized Assessed Valuation of a school district as calculated 1 under this subsection (G)(3) is less than the district's 2 equalized assessed valuation as calculated pursuant to subsections (G)(1) and (G)(2), then for purposes of calculating 3 the district's general State aid for the Budget Year pursuant 4 5 to subsection (E), that Extension Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation shall utilized to calculate 6 be the district's Available Local Resources under subsection (D). 7

8 Partial elementary unit districts created in accordance 9 with Article 11E of this Code shall not be eligible for the 10 adjustment in this subsection (G)(3) until the fifth year 11 following the effective date of the reorganization.

12 (4) For the purposes of calculating general State aid for 13 1999-2000 school year only, if a school the district experienced a triennial reassessment on the equalized assessed 14 15 valuation used in calculating its general State financial aid 16 apportionment for the 1998-1999 school year, the State Board of 17 Education shall calculate the Extension Limitation Equalized 18 Assessed Valuation that would have been used to calculate the district's 1998-1999 general State aid. This amount shall equal 19 the product of the equalized assessed valuation used to 20 calculate general State aid for the 1997-1998 school year and 21 22 the district's Extension Limitation Ratio. If the Extension 23 Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation of the school district as calculated under this paragraph (4) is less than the 24 25 district's equalized assessed valuation utilized in 26 calculating the district's 1998-1999 general State aid allocation, then for purposes of calculating the district's general State aid pursuant to paragraph (5) of subsection (E), that Extension Limitation Equalized Assessed Valuation shall be utilized to calculate the district's Available Local Resources.

(5) For school districts having a majority of their 6 7 equalized assessed valuation in any county except Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, or Will, if the amount of general State 8 aid allocated to the school district for the 1999-2000 school 9 10 year under the provisions of subsection (E), (H), and (J) of 11 this Section is less than the amount of general State aid 12 allocated to the district for the 1998-1999 school year under these subsections, then the general State aid of the district 13 14 for the 1999-2000 school year only shall be increased by the 15 difference between these amounts. The total payments made under 16 this paragraph (5) shall not exceed \$14,000,000. Claims shall 17 be prorated if they exceed \$14,000,000.

18 (H) Supplemental General State Aid.

(1) In addition to the general State aid a school district 19 20 is allotted pursuant to subsection (E), qualifying school 21 districts shall receive a grant, paid in conjunction with a 22 district's payments of general State aid, for supplemental general State aid based upon the concentration level of 23 24 children from low-income households within the school 25 district. Supplemental State aid grants provided for school

districts under this subsection shall be appropriated for 1 2 distribution to school districts as part of the same line item 3 in which the general State financial aid of school districts is appropriated under this Section. If the appropriation in any 4 5 fiscal year for general State aid and supplemental general 6 State aid is insufficient to pay the amounts required under the 7 State aid and supplemental general State general aid calculations, then the State Board of Education shall ensure 8 9 that each school district receives the full amount due for 10 general State aid and the remainder of the appropriation shall 11 be used for supplemental general State aid, which the State 12 Board of Education shall calculate and pay to eligible 13 districts on a prorated basis.

(1.5) This paragraph (1.5) applies only to those school 14 15 years preceding the 2003-2004 school year. For purposes of this 16 subsection (H), the term "Low-Income Concentration Level" 17 shall be the low-income eligible pupil count from the most recently available federal census divided by the Average Daily 18 Attendance of the school district. If, however, (i) the 19 20 percentage decrease from the 2 most recent federal censuses in the low-income eligible pupil count of a high school district 21 22 with fewer than 400 students exceeds by 75% or more the 23 percentage change in the total low-income eligible pupil count of contiguous elementary school districts, whose boundaries 24 25 are coterminous with the high school district, or (ii) a high school district within 2 counties and serving 5 elementary 26

school districts, whose boundaries are coterminous with the 1 2 high school district, has a percentage decrease from the 2 most 3 recent federal censuses in the low-income eligible pupil count and there is a percentage increase in the total low-income 4 5 eligible pupil count of a majority of the elementary school 6 districts in excess of 50% from the 2 most recent federal censuses, then the high school district's low-income eligible 7 pupil count from the earlier federal census shall be the number 8 9 used as the low-income eligible pupil count for the high school 10 district, for purposes of this subsection (H). The changes made 11 to this paragraph (1) by Public Act 92-28 shall apply to 12 supplemental general State aid grants for school years preceding the 2003-2004 school year that are paid in fiscal 13 year 1999 or thereafter and to any State aid payments made in 14 fiscal year 1994 through fiscal year 1998 pursuant 15 to 16 subsection 1(n) of Section 18-8 of this Code (which was 17 repealed on July 1, 1998), and any high school district that is affected by Public Act 92-28 is entitled to a recomputation of 18 its supplemental general State aid grant or State aid paid in 19 20 any of those fiscal years. This recomputation shall not be affected by any other funding. 21

(1.10) This paragraph (1.10) applies to the 2003-2004 school year and each school year thereafter. For purposes of this subsection (H), the term "Low-Income Concentration Level" shall, for each fiscal year, be the low-income eligible pupil count as of July 1 of the immediately preceding fiscal year (as

determined by the Department of Human Services based on the 1 2 number of pupils who are eligible for at least one of the 3 following low income programs: Medicaid, KidCare, TANF, or Food Stamps, excluding pupils who are eligible for services provided 4 5 by the Department of Children and Family Services, averaged over the 2 immediately preceding fiscal years for fiscal year 6 7 2004 and over the 3 immediately preceding fiscal years for each 8 fiscal year thereafter) divided by the Average Daily Attendance 9 of the school district.

10 (2) Supplemental general State aid pursuant to this
11 subsection (H) shall be provided as follows for the 1998-1999,
12 1999-2000, and 2000-2001 school years only:

(a) For any school district with a Low Income
Concentration Level of at least 20% and less than 35%, the
grant for any school year shall be \$800 multiplied by the
low income eligible pupil count.

(b) For any school district with a Low Income Concentration Level of at least 35% and less than 50%, the grant for the 1998-1999 school year shall be \$1,100 multiplied by the low income eligible pupil count.

(c) For any school district with a Low Income
Concentration Level of at least 50% and less than 60%, the
grant for the 1998-99 school year shall be \$1,500
multiplied by the low income eligible pupil count.

(d) For any school district with a Low Income
 Concentration Level of 60% or more, the grant for the

1 1998-99 school year shall be \$1,900 multiplied by the low 2 income eligible pupil count.

3 (e) For the 1999-2000 school year, the per pupil amount 4 specified in subparagraphs (b), (c), and (d) immediately 5 above shall be increased to \$1,243, \$1,600, and \$2,000, 6 respectively.

7 (f) For the 2000-2001 school year, the per pupil 8 amounts specified in subparagraphs (b), (c), and (d) 9 immediately above shall be \$1,273, \$1,640, and \$2,050, 10 respectively.

11 (2.5) Supplemental general State aid pursuant to this 12 subsection (H) shall be provided as follows for the 2002-2003 13 school year:

14 (a) For any school district with a Low Income
15 Concentration Level of less than 10%, the grant for each
16 school year shall be \$355 multiplied by the low income
17 eligible pupil count.

(b) For any school district with a Low Income Concentration Level of at least 10% and less than 20%, the grant for each school year shall be \$675 multiplied by the low income eligible pupil count.

(c) For any school district with a Low Income
Concentration Level of at least 20% and less than 35%, the
grant for each school year shall be \$1,330 multiplied by
the low income eligible pupil count.

(d) For any school district with a Low Income

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1 Concentration Level of at least 35% and less than 50%, the 2 grant for each school year shall be \$1,362 multiplied by 3 the low income eligible pupil count.

4 (e) For any school district with a Low Income 5 Concentration Level of at least 50% and less than 60%, the 6 grant for each school year shall be \$1,680 multiplied by 7 the low income eligible pupil count.

8 (f) For any school district with a Low Income 9 Concentration Level of 60% or more, the grant for each 10 school year shall be \$2,080 multiplied by the low income 11 eligible pupil count.

12 (2.10) Except as otherwise provided, supplemental general 13 State aid pursuant to this subsection (H) shall be provided as 14 follows for the 2003-2004 school year and each school year 15 thereafter:

16 (a) For any school district with a Low Income
17 Concentration Level of 15% or less, the grant for each
18 school year shall be \$355 multiplied by the low income
19 eligible pupil count.

(b) For any school district with a Low Income
Concentration Level greater than 15%, the grant for each
school year shall be \$294.25 added to the product of \$2,700
and the square of the Low Income Concentration Level, all
multiplied by the low income eligible pupil count.

25 For the 2003-2004 school year, 2004-2005 school year, 26 2005-2006 school year, and 2006-2007 school year only, the

grant shall be no less than the grant for the 2002-2003 school 1 2 year. For the 2007-2008 school year only, the grant shall be no less than the grant for the 2002-2003 school year multiplied by 3 0.66. For the 2008-2009 school year only, the grant shall be no 4 5 less than the grant for the 2002-2003 school year multiplied by 6 0.33. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph to the 7 contrary, if for any school year supplemental general State aid 8 grants are prorated as provided in paragraph (1) of this 9 subsection (H), then the grants under this paragraph shall be 10 prorated.

11 For the 2003-2004 school year only, the grant shall be no 12 greater than the grant received during the 2002-2003 school 13 year added to the product of 0.25 multiplied by the difference between the grant amount calculated under subsection (a) or (b) 14 of this paragraph (2.10), whichever is applicable, and the 15 16 grant received during the 2002-2003 school year. For the 17 2004-2005 school year only, the grant shall be no greater than the grant received during the 2002-2003 school year added to 18 the product of 0.50 multiplied by the difference between the 19 20 grant amount calculated under subsection (a) or (b) of this paragraph (2.10), whichever is applicable, and the grant 21 22 received during the 2002-2003 school year. For the 2005-2006 23 school year only, the grant shall be no greater than the grant received during the 2002-2003 school year added to the product 24 25 of 0.75 multiplied by the difference between the grant amount 26 calculated under subsection (a) or (b) of this paragraph

(2.10), whichever is applicable, and the grant received during
 the 2002-2003 school year.

(3) School districts with an Average Daily Attendance of 3 more than 1,000 and less than 50,000 that qualify for 4 5 supplemental general State aid pursuant to this subsection shall submit a plan to the State Board of Education prior to 6 7 October 30 of each year for the use of the funds resulting from 8 grant of supplemental general State aid for the this 9 improvement of instruction in which priority is given to 10 meeting the education needs of disadvantaged children. Such 11 plan shall be submitted in accordance with rules and 12 regulations promulgated by the State Board of Education.

(4) School districts with an Average Daily Attendance of 50,000 or more that qualify for supplemental general State aid pursuant to this subsection shall be required to distribute from funds available pursuant to this Section, no less than \$261,000,000 in accordance with the following requirements:

(a) The required amounts shall be distributed to the
attendance centers within the district in proportion to the
number of pupils enrolled at each attendance center who are
eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunches or
breakfasts under the federal Child Nutrition Act of 1966
and under the National School Lunch Act during the
immediately preceding school year.

(b) The distribution of these portions of supplementaland general State aid among attendance centers according to

1 these requirements shall not be compensated for or 2 contravened by adjustments of the total of other funds 3 appropriated to any attendance centers, and the Board of 4 Education shall utilize funding from one or several sources 5 in order to fully implement this provision annually prior 6 to the opening of school.

7 (c) Each attendance center shall be provided by the 8 school district a distribution of noncategorical funds and 9 other categorical funds to which an attendance center is 10 entitled under law in order that the general State aid and 11 supplemental general State aid provided by application of 12 this subsection supplements rather than supplants the 13 noncategorical funds and other categorical funds provided 14 by the school district to the attendance centers.

(d) Any funds made available under this subsection that by reason of the provisions of this subsection are not required to be allocated and provided to attendance centers may be used and appropriated by the board of the district for any lawful school purpose.

20 (e) Funds received by an attendance center pursuant to 21 this subsection shall be used by the attendance center at 22 the discretion of the principal and local school council 23 for programs to improve educational opportunities at 24 qualifying schools through the following programs and 25 services: early childhood education, reduced class size or 26 improved adult to student classroom ratio, enrichment

1 programs, remedial assistance, attendance improvement, and 2 other educationally beneficial expenditures which 3 supplement the regular and basic programs as determined by 4 the State Board of Education. Funds provided shall not be 5 expended for any political or lobbying purposes as defined 6 by board rule.

7 (f) Each district subject to the provisions of this 8 subdivision (H)(4) shall submit an acceptable plan to meet 9 educational needs of disadvantaged children, the in 10 compliance with the requirements of this paragraph, to the 11 State Board of Education prior to July 15 of each year. 12 This plan shall be consistent with the decisions of local school councils concerning the school expenditure plans 13 14 developed in accordance with part 4 of Section 34-2.3. The 15 State Board shall approve or reject the plan within 60 days 16 after its submission. If the plan is rejected, the district shall give written notice of intent to modify the plan 17 within 15 days of the notification of rejection and then 18 19 submit a modified plan within 30 days after the date of the 20 written notice of intent to modify. Districts may amend 21 approved plans pursuant to rules promulgated by the State 22 Board of Education.

23 Upon notification by the State Board of Education that 24 the district has not submitted a plan prior to July 15 or a 25 modified plan within the time period specified herein, the 26 State aid funds affected by that plan or modified plan

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shall be withheld by the State Board of Education until a plan or modified plan is submitted.

If the district fails to distribute State aid to 3 attendance centers in accordance with an approved plan, the 4 plan for the following year shall allocate funds, in 5 6 addition to the funds otherwise required by this 7 subsection, to those attendance centers which were 8 underfunded during the previous year in amounts equal to 9 such underfunding.

10 For purposes of determining compliance with this 11 subsection in relation to the requirements of attendance 12 center funding, each district subject to the provisions of 13 this subsection shall submit as a separate document by 14 December 1 of each year a report of expenditure data for 15 the prior year in addition to any modification of its 16 current plan. If it is determined that there has been a 17 failure to comply with the expenditure provisions of this subsection regarding contravention or supplanting, the 18 19 State Superintendent of Education shall, within 60 days of 20 receipt of the report, notify the district and any affected local school council. The district shall within 45 days of 21 22 receipt of that notification inform the State 23 Superintendent of Education of the remedial or corrective 24 action to be taken, whether by amendment of the current 25 plan, if feasible, or by adjustment in the plan for the 26 following year. Failure to provide the expenditure report

1 or the notification of remedial or corrective action in a 2 timely manner shall result in a withholding of the affected 3 funds.

The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules and 4 provisions 5 regulations to implement the of this be 6 subsection. No funds shall released under this 7 subdivision (H) (4) to any district that has not submitted a 8 plan that has been approved by the State Board of 9 Education.

10 (I) (Blank).

11 (J) Supplementary Grants in Aid.

12 (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section, 13 the amount of the aggregate general State aid in combination 14 with supplemental general State aid under this Section for 15 which each school district is eligible shall be no less than the amount of the aggregate general State aid entitlement that 16 was received by the district under Section 18-8 (exclusive of 17 amounts received under subsections 5(p) and 5(p-5) of that 18 19 Section) for the 1997-98 school year, pursuant to the 20 provisions of that Section as it was then in effect. If a 21 school district qualifies to receive a supplementary payment 22 made under this subsection (J), the amount of the aggregate 23 general State aid in combination with supplemental general 24 State aid under this Section which that district is eligible to

1 receive for each school year shall be no less than the amount 2 of the aggregate general State aid entitlement that was 3 received by the district under Section 18-8 (exclusive of 4 amounts received under subsections 5(p) and 5(p-5) of that 5 Section) for the 1997-1998 school year, pursuant to the 6 provisions of that Section as it was then in effect.

7 (2) If, as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection (J), a school district is to receive aggregate general State 8 9 aid in combination with supplemental general State aid under 10 this Section for the 1998-99 school year and any subsequent 11 school year that in any such school year is less than the 12 amount of the aggregate general State aid entitlement that the 13 district received for the 1997-98 school year, the school 14 district shall also receive, from a separate appropriation made 15 for purposes of this subsection (J), a supplementary payment 16 that is equal to the amount of the difference in the aggregate 17 State aid figures as described in paragraph (1).

18 (3) (Blank).

19 (K) Grants to Laboratory and Alternative Schools.

In calculating the amount to be paid to the governing board of a public university that operates a laboratory school under this Section or to any alternative school that is operated by a regional superintendent of schools, the State Board of Education shall require by rule such reporting requirements as it deems necessary.

As used in this Section, "laboratory school" means a public 1 2 school which is created and operated by a public university and approved by the State Board of Education. The governing board 3 of a public university which receives funds from the State 4 5 Board under this subsection (K) may not increase the number of 6 students enrolled in its laboratory school from a single district, if that district is already sending 50 or more 7 8 students, except under a mutual agreement between the school 9 board of a student's district of residence and the university 10 which operates the laboratory school. A laboratory school may 11 not have more than 1,000 students, excluding students with 12 disabilities in a special education program.

13 As used in this Section, "alternative school" means a public school which is created and operated by a Regional 14 15 Superintendent of Schools and approved by the State Board of 16 Education. Such alternative schools may offer courses of 17 instruction for which credit is given in regular school programs, courses to prepare students for the high school 18 19 equivalency testing program or vocational and occupational 20 training. A regional superintendent of schools may contract with a school district or a public community college district 21 22 to operate an alternative school. An alternative school serving 23 more than one educational service region may be established by the regional superintendents of schools of the affected 24 educational service regions. An alternative school serving 25 26 more than one educational service region may be operated under

such terms as the regional superintendents of schools of those
 educational service regions may agree.

3 Each laboratory and alternative school shall file, on forms provided by the State Superintendent of Education, an annual 4 5 State aid claim which states the Average Daily Attendance of 6 the school's students by month. The best 3 months' Average 7 Daily Attendance shall be computed for each school. The general State aid entitlement shall be computed by multiplying the 8 9 applicable Average Daily Attendance by the Foundation Level as 10 determined under this Section.

11 (L) Payments, Additional Grants in Aid and Other Requirements.

12 (1) For a school district operating under the financial 13 supervision of an Authority created under Article 34A, the 14 general State aid otherwise payable to that district under this 15 Section, but not the supplemental general State aid, shall be 16 reduced by an amount equal to the budget for the operations of the Authority as certified by the Authority to the State Board 17 of Education, and an amount equal to such reduction shall be 18 paid to the Authority created for such district for its 19 20 operating expenses in the manner provided in Section 18-11. The 21 remainder of general State school aid for any such district 22 shall be paid in accordance with Article 34A when that Article 23 provides for a disposition other than that provided by this 24 Article.

25 (2) (Blank).

(3) Summer school. Summer school payments shall be made as
 provided in Section 18-4.3.

3 (M) Education Funding Advisory Board.

4 The Education Funding Advisory Board, hereinafter in this 5 subsection (M) referred to as the "Board", is hereby created. 6 The Board shall consist of 5 members who are appointed by the 7 Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The 8 members appointed shall include representatives of education, 9 business, and the general public. One of the members so 10 appointed shall be designated by the Governor at the time the 11 appointment is made as the chairperson of the Board. The 12 initial members of the Board may be appointed any time after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997. The regular 13 14 term of each member of the Board shall be for 4 years from the 15 third Monday of January of the year in which the term of the 16 member's appointment is to commence, except that of the 5 initial members appointed to serve on the Board, the member who 17 is appointed as the chairperson shall serve for a term that 18 commences on the date of his or her appointment and expires on 19 the third Monday of January, 2002, and the remaining 4 members, 20 21 by lots drawn at the first meeting of the Board that is held 22 after all 5 members are appointed, shall determine 2 of their number to serve for terms that commence on the date of their 23 24 respective appointments and expire on the third Monday of January, 2001, and 2 of their number to serve for terms that 25

commence on the date of their respective appointments and 1 2 expire on the third Monday of January, 2000. All members appointed to serve on the Board shall serve until their 3 respective successors are appointed and confirmed. Vacancies 4 5 shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments. If a vacancy in membership occurs at a time when the Senate is not 6 7 in session, the Governor shall make a temporary appointment 8 until the next meeting of the Senate, when he or she shall 9 appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, a 10 person to fill that membership for the unexpired term. If the 11 Senate is not in session when the initial appointments are 12 made, those appointments shall be made as in the case of 13 vacancies.

14 The Education Funding Advisory Board shall be deemed 15 established, and the initial members appointed by the Governor 16 to serve as members of the Board shall take office, on the date 17 that the Governor makes his or her appointment of the fifth initial member of the Board, whether those initial members are 18 19 then serving pursuant to appointment and confirmation or 20 pursuant to temporary appointments that are made by the Governor as in the case of vacancies. 21

The State Board of Education shall provide such staff assistance to the Education Funding Advisory Board as is reasonably required for the proper performance by the Board of its responsibilities.

26 For school years after the 2000-2001 school year, the

Education Funding Advisory Board, in consultation with the 1 2 State Board of Education, shall make recommendations as 3 provided in this subsection (M) to the General Assembly for the foundation level under subdivision (B) (3) of this Section and 4 5 for the supplemental general State aid grant level under subsection (H) of this Section for districts with high 6 7 concentrations of children from poverty. The recommended 8 foundation level shall be determined based on a methodology 9 which incorporates the basic education expenditures of 10 low-spending schools exhibiting high academic performance. The 11 Education Funding Advisory Board shall make such 12 recommendations to the General Assembly on January 1 of odd numbered years, beginning January 1, 2001. 13

14 (N) (Blank).

15 (O) References.

16 (1) References in other laws to the various subdivisions of 17 Section 18-8 as that Section existed before its repeal and 18 replacement by this Section 18-8.05 shall be deemed to refer to 19 the corresponding provisions of this Section 18-8.05, to the 20 extent that those references remain applicable.

(2) References in other laws to State Chapter 1 funds shall
be deemed to refer to the supplemental general State aid
provided under subsection (H) of this Section.

(P) Public Act 93-838 and Public Act 93-808 make inconsistent
changes to this Section. Under Section 6 of the Statute on
Statutes there is an irreconcilable conflict between Public Act
93-808 and Public Act 93-838. Public Act 93-838, being the last
acted upon, is controlling. The text of Public Act 93-838 is
the law regardless of the text of Public Act 93-808.
(Source: P.A. 93-21, eff. 7-1-03; 93-715, eff. 7-12-04; 93-808,

8 eff. 7-26-04; 93-838, eff. 7-30-04; 93-875, eff. 8-6-04; 94-69, 9 eff. 7-1-05; 94-438, eff. 8-4-05; 94-835, eff. 6-6-06; 94-1019, 10 eff. 7-10-06; revised 8-3-06.)