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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 3975/4.5

Amends the Illinois Workforce Investment Board Act. Requires the Illinois Workforce Investment Board to annually, as soon as practical after the end of a fiscal year, retain a certified public accountant to perform an external financial and performance audit for that fiscal year and to file the certified audit with appropriate local and State officers and agencies. Effective January 1, 2011.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning audits.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Workforce Investment Board Act is
amended by changing Section 4.5 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3975/4.5)

7 Sec. 4.5. Duties.

(a) The Board must perform all the functions of a state 8 9 workforce investment board under the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, any amendments to that Act, and any 10 other applicable federal statutes. The Board must also perform 11 all other functions that are not inconsistent with the federal 12 Workforce Investment Act of 1998 or this Act and that are 13 14 assumed by the Board under its bylaws or assigned to it by the Governor. 15

16 (b) The Board must cooperate with the General Assembly and 17 make recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly concerning legislation necessary to improve upon statewide and 18 19 local workforce investment systems in order to increase 20 occupational skill attainment, employment, retention, or 21 earnings of participants and thereby improve the quality of the 22 workforce, reduce welfare dependency, and enhance the productivity and competitiveness of the State. The Board must 23

annually submit a report to the General Assembly on the 1 2 progress of the State in achieving state performance measures under the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998, including 3 information on the levels of performance achieved by the State 4 5 with respect to the core indicators of performance and the 6 customer satisfaction indicator under that Act. The report must 7 include any other items that the Governor may be required to report to the Secretary of the United States Department of 8 9 Labor under Section 136(d) of the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998. 10

11 (b-5) The Board shall implement a method for measuring the 12 progress of the State's workforce development system by using 13 benchmarks. Those benchmarks specified are: (i) the educational level of working adults; (ii) the percentage of the 14 15 adult workforce in education and training; (iii) adult 16 literacy; (iv) the percentage of high school graduates 17 transitioning to education or training; (v) the high school dropout rate; (vi) the number of youth transitioning from 8th 18 grade to 9th grade; (vii) the percentage of individuals and 19 20 families at economic self-sufficiency; (viii) the average 21 growth in pay; (ix) net job growth; and (x) productivity per 22 employee.

The Board shall identify the most significant early indicators for each benchmark, establish a mechanism to collect data and track the benchmarks on an annual basis, and then use the results to set goals for each benchmark, to inform

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1 planning, and to ensure the effective use of State resources.

Annually, as soon as practical after the end of a fiscal year, the Board must retain a certified public accountant to perform an external financial and performance audit for that fiscal year. The certified audit must be filed with the Governor, the Auditor General, and the Legislative Audit Commission.

8 (c) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to require or 9 allow the Board to assume or supersede the statutory authority 10 granted to, or impose any duties or requirements on, the State 11 Board of Education, the Board of Higher Education, the Illinois 12 Community College Board, any State agencies created under the 13 Civil Administrative Code of Illinois, or any local education 14 agencies.

15 (d) No actions taken by the Illinois Human Resource 16 Investment Council before the effective date of this amendatory 17 Act of the 92nd General Assembly and no rights, powers, duties, or obligations from those actions are impaired solely by this 18 19 amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly. All actions taken 20 by the Illinois Human Resource Investment Council before the 21 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General 22 Assembly are ratified and validated.

23 (Source: P.A. 92-588, eff. 7-1-02; 93-331, eff. 1-1-04.)

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 25 1, 2011.