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HB1415

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.25f	from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.25f
105 ILCS 5/10-19.1	from Ch. 122, par. 10-19.1

Amends the School Code. Provides that if, after 2 years following its placement on academic watch status, a school district or school remains on academic watch status, then the State Board of Education shall direct the school board to operate its schools or the school on a full-year school plan approved by the State Board of Education upon expiration of its teachers' current collective bargaining agreement. Requires the school board, in such a case, to devise a plan so that a student's required attendance in school shall be for a minimum term of 180 days of actual attendance, including not more than 4 institute days, during a 12-month period (now, the minimum term under a full-year school plan must also not exceed 185 days).

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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:

Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Sections
2-3.25f and 10-19.1 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.25f) (from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.25f)

7 Sec. 2-3.25f. State interventions.

8 (a) The State Board of Education shall provide technical 9 assistance to assist with the development and implementation of 10 School and District Improvement Plans.

Schools or school districts that fail to make reasonable efforts to implement an approved Improvement Plan may suffer loss of State funds by school district, attendance center, or program as the State Board of Education deems appropriate.

(a-5) If, after 2 years following its placement on academic 15 16 watch status, a school district remains on academic watch 17 status, then the State Board of Education shall direct the school board to operate its schools on a full-year school plan 18 19 approved by the State Board of Education upon expiration of its 20 teachers' current collective bargaining agreement. If, after 2 21 years following its placement on academic watch status, a 22 school remains on academic watch status, then the State Board of Education shall direct the school board to operate that 23

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1 <u>school on a full-year school plan approved by the State Board</u> 2 <u>of Education upon expiration of its teachers' current</u> 3 <u>collective bargaining agreement.</u>

4 (b) In addition, if after 3 years following its placement 5 on academic watch status a school district or school remains on 6 academic watch status, the State Board of Education shall take 7 one of the following actions for the district or school:

8 (1) The State Board of Education may authorize the 9 State Superintendent of Education to direct the regional 10 superintendent of schools to remove school board members 11 pursuant to Section 3-14.28 of this Code. Prior to such 12 direction the State Board of Education shall permit members 13 of the local board of education to present written and oral 14 comments to the State Board of Education. The State Board 15 of Education may direct the State Superintendent of 16 Education to appoint an Independent Authority that shall 17 exercise such powers and duties as may be necessary to operate a school or school district for purposes of 18 19 improving pupil performance and school improvement. The 20 State Superintendent of Education shall designate one 21 member of the Independent Authority to serve as chairman. 22 The Independent Authority shall serve for a period of time 23 specified by the State Board of Education upon the 24 recommendation of the State Superintendent of Education.

(2) The State Board of Education may (A) change the
 recognition status of the school district or school to

nonrecognized, or (B) authorize the State Superintendent 1 2 of Education to direct the reassignment of pupils or direct 3 reassignment or replacement of school district the personnel who are relevant to the failure to meet adequate 4 5 yearly progress criteria. If a school district is nonrecognized in its entirety, it shall automatically be 6 7 dissolved on July 1 following that nonrecognition and its 8 territory realigned with another school district or 9 districts by the regional board of school trustees in 10 accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 7-11 of 11 the School Code. The effective date of the nonrecognition 12 of a school shall be July 1 following the nonrecognition.

13 (c) All federal requirements apply to schools and school 14 districts utilizing federal funds under Title I, Part A of the 15 federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

16 (Source: P.A. 93-470, eff. 8-8-03; 94-875, eff. 7-1-06.)

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(105 ILCS 5/10-19.1) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-19.1)

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Sec. 10-19.1. Full year school plan.

19 <u>(a)</u> Any school district may, by resolution of its board, 20 operate one or more schools within the district on a full year 21 school plan approved by the State Board of Education. Any board 22 which operates under this <u>subsection (a)</u> Section shall devise a 23 plan so that a student's required attendance in school shall be 24 for a minimum term of 180 days of actual attendance, including 25 not more than 4 institute days, during a 12 month period, but shall not exceed 185 days. Under such plan, no teacher shall be
 required to teach more than 185 days. A calendar of 180 days
 may be established with the approval of the State Board of
 Education.

5 (b) Any school board that operates one or more schools 6 within the school district on a full-year school plan under 7 subsection (a-5) of Section 2-3.25f of this Code shall devise a plan so that a student's required attendance in school shall be 8 9 for a minimum term of 180 days of actual attendance, including not more than 4 institute days, during a 12-month period. A 10 11 calendar of 180 days may be established with the approval of 12 the State Board of Education.

13 (Source: P.A. 81-1508.)