

HB4016



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Introduced 1/20/2012, by Rep. Linda Chapa LaVia

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/22-45

Amends the School Code. Adds the current Illinois Teacher of the Year named by the State Board of Education to the Illinois P-20 Council. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 School Code is amended by changing Section
5 22-45 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/22-45)

7 Sec. 22-45. Illinois P-20 Council.

8 (a) The General Assembly finds that preparing Illinoisans
9 for success in school and the workplace requires a continuum of
10 quality education from preschool through graduate school. This
11 State needs a framework to guide education policy and integrate
12 education at every level. A statewide coordinating council to
13 study and make recommendations concerning education at all
14 levels can avoid fragmentation of policies, promote improved
15 teaching and learning, and continue to cultivate and
16 demonstrate strong accountability and efficiency. Establishing
17 an Illinois P-20 Council will develop a statewide agenda that
18 will move the State towards the common goals of improving
19 academic achievement, increasing college access and success,
20 improving use of existing data and measurements, developing
21 improved accountability, fostering innovative approaches to
22 education, promoting lifelong learning, easing the transition
23 to college, and reducing remediation. A pre-kindergarten

1 through grade 20 agenda will strengthen this State's economic
2 competitiveness by producing a highly-skilled workforce. In
3 addition, lifelong learning plans will enhance this State's
4 ability to leverage funding.

5 (b) There is created the Illinois P-20 Council. The
6 Illinois P-20 Council shall include all of the following
7 members:

8 (1) The Governor or his or her designee, to serve as
9 chairperson.

10 (1.5) The current Illinois Teacher of the Year named by
11 the State Board of Education.

12 (2) Four members of the General Assembly, one appointed
13 by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one
14 appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of
15 Representatives, one appointed by the President of the
16 Senate, and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the
17 Senate.

18 (3) Six at-large members appointed by the Governor as
19 follows, with 2 members being from the City of Chicago, 2
20 members being from Lake County, McHenry County, Kane
21 County, DuPage County, Will County, or that part of Cook
22 County outside of the City of Chicago, and 2 members being
23 from the remainder of the State:

24 (A) one representative of civic leaders;

25 (B) one representative of local government;

26 (C) one representative of trade unions;

1 (D) one representative of nonprofit organizations
2 or foundations;

3 (E) one representative of parents' organizations;
4 and

5 (F) one education research expert.

6 (4) Five members appointed by statewide business
7 organizations and business trade associations.

8 (5) Six members appointed by statewide professional
9 organizations and associations representing
10 pre-kindergarten through grade 20 teachers, community
11 college faculty, and public university faculty.

12 (6) Two members appointed by associations representing
13 local school administrators and school board members. One
14 of these members must be a special education administrator.

15 (7) One member representing community colleges,
16 appointed by the Illinois Council of Community College
17 Presidents.

18 (8) One member representing 4-year independent
19 colleges and universities, appointed by a statewide
20 organization representing private institutions of higher
21 learning.

22 (9) One member representing public 4-year
23 universities, appointed jointly by the university
24 presidents and chancellors.

25 (10) Ex-officio members as follows:

26 (A) The State Superintendent of Education or his or

1 her designee.

2 (B) The Executive Director of the Board of Higher
3 Education or his or her designee.

4 (C) The President and Chief Executive Officer of
5 the Illinois Community College Board or his or her
6 designee.

7 (D) The Executive Director of the Illinois Student
8 Assistance Commission or his or her designee.

9 (E) The Co-chairpersons of the Illinois Workforce
10 Investment Board or their designee.

11 (F) The Director of Commerce and Economic
12 Opportunity or his or her designee.

13 (G) The Chairperson of the Illinois Early Learning
14 Council or his or her designee.

15 (H) The President of the Illinois Mathematics and
16 Science Academy or his or her designee.

17 (I) The president of an association representing
18 educators of adult learners or his or her designee.

19 Ex-officio members shall have no vote on the Illinois P-20
20 Council.

21 Appointed members shall serve for staggered terms expiring
22 on July 1 of the first, second, or third calendar year
23 following their appointments or until their successors are
24 appointed and have qualified. Staggered terms shall be
25 determined by lot at the organizing meeting of the Illinois
26 P-20 Council.

1 Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original
2 appointments, and any member so appointed shall serve during
3 the remainder of the term for which the vacancy occurred.

4 (c) The Illinois P-20 Council shall be funded through State
5 appropriations to support staff activities, research,
6 data-collection, and dissemination. The Illinois P-20 Council
7 shall be staffed by the Office of the Governor, in coordination
8 with relevant State agencies, boards, and commissions. The
9 Illinois Education Research Council shall provide research and
10 coordinate research collection activities for the Illinois
11 P-20 Council.

12 (d) The Illinois P-20 Council shall have all of the
13 following duties:

14 (1) To make recommendations to do all of the following:

15 (A) Coordinate pre-kindergarten through grade 20
16 (graduate school) education in this State through
17 working at the intersections of educational systems to
18 promote collaborative infrastructure.

19 (B) Coordinate and leverage strategies, actions,
20 legislation, policies, and resources of all
21 stakeholders to support fundamental and lasting
22 improvement in this State's public schools, community
23 colleges, and universities.

24 (C) Better align the high school curriculum with
25 postsecondary expectations.

26 (D) Better align assessments across all levels of

1 education.

2 (E) Reduce the need for students entering
3 institutions of higher education to take remedial
4 courses.

5 (F) Smooth the transition from high school to
6 college.

7 (G) Improve high school and college graduation
8 rates.

9 (H) Improve the rigor and relevance of academic
10 standards for college and workforce readiness.

11 (I) Better align college and university teaching
12 programs with the needs of Illinois schools.

13 (2) To advise the Governor, the General Assembly, the
14 State's education and higher education agencies, and the
15 State's workforce and economic development boards and
16 agencies on policies related to lifelong learning for
17 Illinois students and families.

18 (3) To articulate a framework for systemic educational
19 improvement and innovation that will enable every student
20 to meet or exceed Illinois learning standards and be
21 well-prepared to succeed in the workforce and community.

22 (4) To provide an estimated fiscal impact for
23 implementation of all Council recommendations.

24 (e) The chairperson of the Illinois P-20 Council may
25 authorize the creation of working groups focusing on areas of
26 interest to Illinois educational and workforce development,

1 including without limitation the following areas:

2 (1) Preparation, recruitment, and certification of
3 highly qualified teachers.

4 (2) Mentoring and induction of highly qualified
5 teachers.

6 (3) The diversity of highly qualified teachers.

7 (4) Funding for highly qualified teachers, including
8 developing a strategic and collaborative plan to seek
9 federal and private grants to support initiatives
10 targeting teacher preparation and its impact on student
11 achievement.

12 (5) Highly effective administrators.

13 (6) Illinois birth through age 3 education,
14 pre-kindergarten, and early childhood education.

15 (7) The assessment, alignment, outreach, and network
16 of college and workforce readiness efforts.

17 (8) Alternative routes to college access.

18 (9) Research data and accountability.

19 (10) Community schools, community participation, and
20 other innovative approaches to education that foster
21 community partnerships.

22 The chairperson of the Illinois P-20 Council may designate
23 Council members to serve as working group chairpersons. Working
24 groups may invite organizations and individuals representing
25 pre-kindergarten through grade 20 interests to participate in
26 discussions, data collection, and dissemination.

1 (Source: P.A. 95-626, eff. 6-1-08; 95-996, eff. 10-3-08;
2 96-746, eff. 8-25-09.)

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