

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 21B-65 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21B-65)

7 Sec. 21B-65. National Board for Professional Teaching
8 Standards. Individuals holding certification issued by the
9 National Board for Professional Teaching Standards shall be
10 issued a National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
11 designation on an existing Professional Educator License. The
12 designation shall be issued automatically and added to an
13 individual's Professional Educator License, and individuals
14 need not submit an application.

15 The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
16 designation must be issued only for the same validity period as
17 the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
18 certification, and the designation must be removed from the
19 Professional Educator License when the educator no longer holds
20 the certification from the National Board for Professional
21 Teaching Standards.

22 Any licensee holding a current National Board for
23 Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) Master Teacher

1 designation during any particular fiscal year shall complete a
2 minimum of 5 hours of professional development, which may
3 include providing professional development that aligns to
4 NBPTS standards, for each year of the renewal cycle. A total of
5 50 hours of professional development per 5-year renewal cycle
6 must be completed in order to renew a license.

7 Beginning on July 1, 2013, individuals holding an Illinois
8 National Board for Professional Teaching Standards endorsement
9 issued pursuant to the requirements of Section 21-2 of this
10 Code must have a current certificate issued by the National
11 Board for Professional Teaching Standards in order to maintain
12 the Illinois National Board for Professional Teaching
13 Standards endorsement.

14 Any individual who, on or after July 1, 2012, has been
15 issued a Master Certificate pursuant to Section 21-2 of this
16 Code or a National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
17 designation on a Professional Educator License pursuant to this
18 Section may work as a teacher only in an area for which he or
19 she holds the required Illinois endorsement. Any individual
20 who, prior to June 30, 2012, has been issued an endorsement for
21 a particular area on a Master Certificate may work as a teacher
22 in that area even without having been issued the required
23 Illinois endorsement.

24 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11.)

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
26 2013.