

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 Adult Education Act is amended by changing
5 Section 2-4 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 405/2-4) (from Ch. 122, par. 202-4)

7 Sec. 2-4. Area Planning Councils. On or before October 15,
8 1982, an Area Planning Council shall be established within the
9 boundaries of each community college district. A
10 representative of each approved adult education provider is
11 required to participate on the Area Planning Council. Other
12 members may include:

13 (1) regional superintendents of schools;

14 (2) representatives of school districts;

15 (3) representatives of the community college
16 district's career and technical education program;

17 (4) representatives of the community college
18 district's financial aid office;

19 (5) representatives of the community college
20 district's student services office;

21 (6) representatives of local workforce boards under
22 the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act;

23 (7) persons with an interest in adult education

1 services provided within the community college district;

2 and

3 (8) persons with an interest in adult education
4 services provided within the Area Planning Council
5 district, including, but not limited to, representatives
6 of social service agencies, businesses and employers,
7 vocational rehabilitation services of the Department of
8 Human Services, and the Department of Employment Security.

9 Each Area Planning Council must elect officers and develop
10 bylaws that indicate the membership of the Council. The Area
11 Planning Council chairperson must be a representative of an
12 adult education provider approved by the Board. In areas where
13 large multiple-provider Area Planning Councils exist, the
14 Board may designate sub-areas within an Area Planning Council
15 district to ensure maximum representation of need. The Board
16 shall determine the guidelines for the bylaws and operation of
17 the Area Planning Council. ~~Each school district included within~~
18 ~~the boundaries of the community college district maintaining~~
19 ~~either grades kindergarten through 12 or grades 9 through 12;~~
20 ~~each regional superintendent of schools, the majority of whose~~
21 ~~region is included within the boundaries of the community~~
22 ~~college district; and the community college district shall be~~
23 ~~entitled to one representative on the Area Planning Council.~~
24 ~~Area Planning Councils may elect to form a joint Area Planning~~
25 ~~Council consisting of 2 or more community college districts as~~
26 ~~approved by the Board. School districts which are not included~~

1 ~~within the boundaries of a community college district may elect~~
2 ~~to participate in an Area Planning Council associated with a~~
3 ~~community college district with the approval of the Board; or~~
4 ~~they may elect to establish an Area Planning Council which is~~
5 ~~not associated with a community college district with the~~
6 ~~approval of the Board.~~

7 On or before March 1 of each year each Area Planning
8 Council shall submit an annual Adult Education Plan for the
9 area. The Area Adult Education Plan shall provide for the
10 development and coordination of adult education programs in the
11 area as prescribed by the Board. The Area Adult Education Plan
12 must be aligned with Title II of the federal Workforce
13 Innovation and Opportunity Act, the State Unified Plan, local
14 workforce boards, and one-stop activities and must include
15 involvement of the local Board-approved adult education
16 workforce board representative. The local adult education
17 workforce board representative is responsible for convening
18 Area Planning Council chairpersons in a local workforce area to
19 provide information regarding the development of the Area Adult
20 Education Plans and related federal Workforce Innovation and
21 Opportunity Act activities. If the Board finds that the annual
22 Area Adult Education Plan submitted by the Area Planning
23 Council meets the requirements of this amendatory Act of 1982
24 and the established standards and guidelines, the Board shall
25 approve the Plan. The approval of adult education programs by
26 the Board for reimbursement under Section 10-22.20 of the

1 School Code shall be based on the Adult Education Plan approved
2 for the Area. The Area Adult Education Plan must be approved
3 prior to funding being made available to an Area Planning
4 Council district.

5 On or before March 1, 2002 and each year thereafter, the
6 Board shall submit an annual report to the Governor and the
7 General Assembly for adult education for the preceding school
8 year. The annual report shall include a summary of adult
9 education needs and programs; the number of students served,
10 federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act activities,
11 high school equivalency information, credit hours or units of
12 instruction, performance data, total adult education
13 allocations ~~costs~~, and State reimbursement for adult basic
14 education, adult secondary education, English language
15 acquisition, integrated English literacy, civics education,
16 bridge and integrated education and training programs, and
17 vocational skills programs; the criteria used for program
18 approval; and any recommendations.

19 (Source: P.A. 91-830, eff. 7-1-01.)

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
21 becoming law.