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AN ACT concerning education.

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

Section 1. This Act may be referred to as the Evidence-Based Funding for Student Success Act.

Section 5. The Economic Development Area Tax Increment
Allocation Act is amended by changing Section 7 as follows:

(20 ILCS 620/7) (from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 1007)

Sec. 7. Creation of special tax allocation fund. If a municipality has adopted tax increment allocation financing for an economic development project area by ordinance, the county clerk has thereafter certified the "total initial equalized assessed value" of the taxable real property within such economic development project area in the manner provided in Section 6 of this Act, and the Department has approved and certified the economic development project area, each year after the date of the certification by the county clerk of the "total initial equalized assessed value" until economic development project costs and all municipal obligations financing economic development project costs have been paid, the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon the taxable real property in the economic development project area

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by taxing districts and tax rates determined in the manner provided in subsection (b) of Section 6 of this Act shall be divided as follows:

(1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable lot, block, tract or parcel of real property which is attributable to the lower of the current equalized assessed value or the initial equalized assessed value of each such taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property existing at the time

tax increment allocation financing was adopted, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to the respective affected taxing districts in the manner required by law in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

(2) That portion, if any, of those taxes which is attributable to the increase in the current equalized assessed valuation of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the economic development project area, over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property existing at the time tax increment allocation financing was adopted, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid to the municipal treasurer, who shall deposit those taxes into a special fund called the special tax allocation fund of the municipality for the purpose of paying economic development project costs and obligations incurred in the payment thereof.

The municipality, by an ordinance adopting tax increment allocation financing, may pledge the funds in and to be

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deposited in the special tax allocation fund for the payment of obligations issued under this Act and for the payment of economic development project costs. No part of the current equalized assessed valuation of each property in the economic development project area attributable to any increase above the total initial equalized assessed value, of such properties shall be used in calculating the general State school aid formula, provided for in Section 18-8 of the School Code, or the evidence-based funding formula, provided for in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code, until such time as all economic development projects costs have been paid as provided for in this Section.

When the economic development project costs, including without limitation all municipal obligations financing economic development project costs incurred under this Act, have been paid, all surplus funds then remaining in the special tax allocation fund shall be distributed by being paid by the municipal treasurer to the county collector, who shall immediately thereafter pay those funds to the taxing districts having taxable property in the economic development project

- 21 area in the same manner and proportion as the most recent
- distribution by the county collector to those taxing districts
- of real property taxes from real property in the economic
- 24 development project area.
- Upon the payment of all economic development project costs,
- retirement of obligations and the distribution of any excess

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- monies pursuant to this Section the municipality shall adopt an
- ordinance dissolving the special tax allocation fund for the
- economic development project area, terminating the economic
- development project area, and terminating the use of tax
- 5 increment allocation financing for the economic development
- 6 project area. Thereafter the rates of the taxing districts
- 7 shall be extended and taxes levied, collected and distributed
- $^{\rm 8}$ $\,$ in the manner applicable in the absence of the adoption of tax
- 9 increment allocation financing.
- Nothing in this Section shall be construed as relieving
- property in economic development project areas from being
- assessed as provided in the Property Tax Code, or as relieving
- owners of that property from paying a uniform rate of taxes, as
- 14 required by Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois
- 15 Constitution.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13.)
- Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by changing
- 18 Section 13.2 as follows:
- 19 (30 ILCS 105/13.2) (from Ch. 127, par. 149.2)
- Sec. 13.2. Transfers among line item appropriations.
- 21 (a) Transfers among line item appropriations from the same
- treasury fund for the objects specified in this Section may be
- made in the manner provided in this Section when the balance
- remaining in one or more such line item appropriations is

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(a-1) No transfers may be made from one agency to another agency, nor may transfers be made from one institution of higher education to another institution of higher education except as provided by subsection (a-4).

(a-2) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, transfers may be made only among the objects of expenditure enumerated in this Section, except that no funds may be transferred from any appropriation for personal services, from any appropriation for State contributions to the State Employees' Retirement System, from any separate appropriation for employee retirement contributions paid by the employer, nor from any appropriation for State contribution for employee group insurance. During State fiscal year 2005, an agency may transfer amounts among its appropriations within the same treasury fund for personal services, employee retirement contributions paid by employer, and State Contributions to retirement systems; notwithstanding and in addition to the transfers authorized in subsection (c) of this Section, the fiscal year 2005 transfers authorized in this sentence may be made in an amount not to exceed 2% of the aggregate amount appropriated to an agency within the same treasury fund. During State fiscal year 2007, the Departments of Children and Family Services, Corrections, Human Services, and Juvenile Justice may transfer amounts among their respective appropriations

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- within the same treasury fund for personal services, employee
- 2 retirement contributions paid by employer, and State
- 3 contributions to retirement systems. During State fiscal year
- 4 2010, the Department of Transportation may transfer amounts
- 5 among their respective appropriations within the same treasury
- 6 fund for personal services, employee retirement contributions
- 7 paid by employer, and State contributions to retirement
- 8 systems. During State fiscal years 2010 and 2014 only, an
- 9 agency may transfer amounts among its respective
- appropriations within the same treasury fund for personal
- services, employee retirement contributions paid by employer,
- 12 and State contributions to retirement systems.
- Notwithstanding, and in addition to, the transfers authorized
- in subsection (c) of this Section, these transfers may be made

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in an amount not to exceed 2% of the aggregate amount appropriated to an agency within the same treasury fund.

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(a-2.5) During State fiscal year 2015 only, the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor may transfer amounts among its respective appropriations contained in operational line items within the same treasury fund. Notwithstanding, and in addition to, the transfers authorized in subsection (c) of this Section, these transfers may be made in an amount not to exceed 4% of the aggregate amount appropriated to the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor within the same treasury fund.

(a-3) Further, if an agency receives a separate appropriation for employee retirement contributions paid by

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the employer, any transfer by that agency into an appropriation for personal services must be accompanied by a corresponding transfer into the appropriation for employee retirement contributions paid by the employer, in an amount sufficient to meet the employer share of the employee contributions required to be remitted to the retirement system.

(a-4) Long-Term Care Rebalancing. The Governor may designate amounts set aside for institutional services appropriated from the General Revenue Fund or any other State fund that receives monies for long-term care services to be transferred to all State agencies responsible for the administration of community-based long-term care programs, including, but not limited to, community-based long-term care programs administered by the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the Department of Human Services, and the Department on Aging, provided that the Director of Healthcare and Family Services first certifies that the amounts being transferred are necessary for the purpose of assisting persons in or at risk of being in institutional care to transition to community-based settings, including the financial data needed to prove the need for the transfer of funds. The total amounts transferred shall not exceed 4% in total of the amounts appropriated from the General Revenue Fund or any other State fund that receives monies for long-term care services for each fiscal year. A notice of the fund transfer must be made to the General Assembly and posted at a minimum on the Department of

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Healthcare and Family Services website, the Governor's Office of Management and Budget website, and any other website the Governor sees fit. These postings shall serve as notice to the General Assembly of the amounts to be transferred. Notice shall be given at least 30 days prior to transfer.

(b) In addition to the general transfer authority provided under subsection (c), the following agencies have the specific transfer authority granted in this subsection:

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services is authorized to make transfers representing savings attributable to not increasing grants due to the births of additional children from line items for payments of cash grants to line items for payments for employment and social services for the purposes outlined in subsection (f) of Section 4-2 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.

The Department of Children and Family Services is authorized to make transfers not exceeding 2% of the aggregate amount appropriated to it within the same treasury fund for the following line items among these same line items: Foster Home and Specialized Foster Care and Prevention, Institutions and Group Homes and Prevention, and Purchase of Adoption and Guardianship Services.

The Department on Aging is authorized to make transfers not exceeding 2% of the aggregate amount appropriated to it within the same treasury fund for the following Community Care Program line items among these same line items: purchase of services

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1 covered by the Community Care Program and Comprehensive Case 2 Coordination.

3 The State Treasurer is authorized to make transfers among line item appropriations from the Capital Litigation Trust 5 Fund, with respect to costs incurred in fiscal years 2002 and

- 6 2003 only, when the balance remaining in one or more such line
- 7 item appropriations is insufficient for the purpose for which
- 8 the appropriation was made, provided that no such transfer may

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be made unless the amount transferred is no longer required for the purpose for which that appropriation was made.

The State Board of Education is authorized to make transfers from line item appropriations within the same treasury fund for General State Aid, and General State Aid. Hold Harmless, Evidence-Based Funding, provided that no such transfer may be made unless the amount transferred is no longer required for the purpose for which that appropriation was made, to the line item appropriation for Transitional Assistance when the balance remaining in such line item appropriation is insufficient for the purpose for which the appropriation was made.

The State Board of Education is authorized to make
transfers between the following line item appropriations
within the same treasury fund: Disabled Student
Services/Materials (Section 14-13.01 of the School Code),
Disabled Student Transportation Reimbursement (Section
14-13.01 of the School Code), Disabled Student Tuition -

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- Private Tuition (Section 14-7.02 of the School Code),
- 2 Extraordinary Special Education (Section 14-7.02b of the
- 3 School Code), Reimbursement for Free Lunch/Breakfast Program,
- 4 Summer School Payments (Section 18-4.3 of the School Code), and
- 5 Transportation Regular/Vocational Reimbursement (Section
- 6 29-5 of the School Code). Such transfers shall be made only
- 7 when the balance remaining in one or more such line item
- 8 appropriations is insufficient for the purpose for which the
- 9 appropriation was made and provided that no such transfer may
- be made unless the amount transferred is no longer required for
- the purpose for which that appropriation was made.

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services is authorized to make transfers not exceeding 4% of the aggregate amount appropriated to it, within the same treasury fund, among the various line items appropriated for Medical Assistance.

- (c) The sum of such transfers for an agency in a fiscal year shall not exceed 2% of the aggregate amount appropriated to it within the same treasury fund for the following objects:
- 19 Personal Services; Extra Help; Student and Inmate
- 20 Compensation; State Contributions to Retirement Systems; State

- 21 Contributions to Social Security; State Contribution for
- 22 Employee Group Insurance; Contractual Services; Travel;
- 23 Commodities; Printing; Equipment; Electronic Data Processing;
- Operation of Automotive Equipment; Telecommunications
- 25 Services; Travel and Allowance for Committed, Paroled and
- Discharged Prisoners; Library Books; Federal Matching Grants

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- for Student Loans; Refunds; Workers' Compensation,
- Occupational Disease, and Tort Claims; and, in appropriations
- 3 to institutions of higher education, Awards and Grants.
- 4 Notwithstanding the above, any amounts appropriated for
- 5 payment of workers' compensation claims to an agency to which
- 6 the authority to evaluate, administer and pay such claims has
- been delegated by the Department of Central Management Services
- 8 may be transferred to any other expenditure object where such
- 9 amounts exceed the amount necessary for the payment of such
- 10 claims.
- 11 (c-1) Special provisions for State fiscal year 2003.
- Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section to the
- contrary, for State fiscal year 2003 only, transfers among line
- item appropriations to an agency from the same treasury fund
- may be made provided that the sum of such transfers for an
- agency in State fiscal year 2003 shall not exceed 3% of the
- aggregate amount appropriated to that State agency for State
- fiscal year 2003 for the following objects: personal services,
- except that no transfer may be approved which reduces the
- aggregate appropriations for personal services within an
- 21 agency; extra help; student and inmate compensation; State
- contributions to retirement systems; State contributions to
- 23 social security; State contributions for employee group
- insurance; contractual services; travel; commodities;
- printing; equipment; electronic data processing; operation of
- automotive equipment; telecommunications services; travel and

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- allowance for committed, paroled, and discharged prisoners;
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refunds; workers' compensation, occupational disease, and tort claims; and, in appropriations to institutions of higher education, awards and grants.

- (c-2) Special provisions for State fiscal year 2005. Notwithstanding subsections (a), (a-2), and (c), for State fiscal year 2005 only, transfers may be made among any line item appropriations from the same or any other treasury fund for any objects or purposes, without limitation, when the balance remaining in one or more such line item appropriations is insufficient for the purpose for which the appropriation was made, provided that the sum of those transfers by a State agency shall not exceed 4% of the aggregate amount appropriated to that State agency for fiscal year 2005.
- (c-3) Special provisions for State fiscal year 2015.

 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, for State fiscal year 2015, transfers among line item appropriations to a State agency from the same State treasury fund may be made for operational or lump sum expenses only, provided that the sum of such transfers for a State agency in State fiscal year 2015 shall not exceed 4% of the aggregate amount appropriated to that State agency for operational or lump sum expenses for State fiscal year 2015. For the purpose of this subsection, "operational or lump sum expenses" includes the following objects: personal services; extra help; student and inmate

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- compensation; State contributions to retirement systems; State
- contributions to social security; State contributions for
- 9 employee group insurance; contractual services; travel;
- commodities; printing; equipment; electronic data processing;
- operation of automotive equipment; telecommunications
- 6 services; travel and allowance for committed, paroled, and
- discharged prisoners; library books; federal matching grants
- 8 for student loans; refunds; workers' compensation,
- 9 occupational disease, and tort claims; lump sum and other
- purposes; and lump sum operations. For the purpose of this
- subsection (c-3), "State agency" does not include the Attorney
- General, the Secretary of State, the Comptroller, the
- 13 Treasurer, or the legislative or judicial branches.
- 14 (d) Transfers among appropriations made to agencies of the

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- 15 Legislative and Judicial departments and to the
- 16 constitutionally elected officers in the Executive branch
- require the approval of the officer authorized in Section 10 of
- this Act to approve and certify vouchers. Transfers among
- appropriations made to the University of Illinois, Southern
- 20 Illinois University, Chicago State University, Eastern
- 21 Illinois University, Governors State University, Illinois
- 22 State University, Northeastern Illinois University, Northern
- 23 Illinois University, Western Illinois University, the Illinois
- 24 Mathematics and Science Academy and the Board of Higher
- 25 Education require the approval of the Board of Higher Education
- and the Governor. Transfers among appropriations to all other

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agencies require the approval of the Governor.

The officer responsible for approval shall certify that the transfer is necessary to carry out the programs and purposes for which the appropriations were made by the General Assembly and shall transmit to the State Comptroller a certified copy of the approval which shall set forth the specific amounts transferred so that the Comptroller may change his records accordingly. The Comptroller shall furnish the Governor with information copies of all transfers approved for agencies of the Legislative and Judicial departments and transfers approved by the constitutionally elected officials of the Executive branch other than the Governor, showing the amounts transferred and indicating the dates such changes were entered on the Comptroller's records.

- (e) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Comptroller, may transfer line item appropriations for General State Aid <u>or Evidence-Based Funding</u> between the Common School Fund and the Education Assistance Fund. With the advice and consent of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget, the State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Comptroller, may transfer line item appropriations between the General Revenue Fund and the Education Assistance Fund for the following programs:
 - (1) Disabled Student Personnel Reimbursement (Section 14-13.01 of the School Code);
 - (2) Disabled Student Transportation Reimbursement

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              (3) Disabled Student Tuition - Private Tuition
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         (Section 14-7.02 of the School Code);
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              (4) Extraordinary Special Education (Section 14-7.02b
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         of the School Code);
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              (5) Reimbursement for Free Lunch/Breakfast Programs;
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              (6) Summer School Payments (Section 18-4.3 of the
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         School Code);
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              (7) Transportation - Regular/Vocational Reimbursement
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         (Section 29-5 of the School Code);
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              (8) Regular Education Reimbursement (Section 18-3 of
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         the School Code); and
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              (9) Special Education Reimbursement (Section 14-7.03
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         of the School Code).
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     (Source: P.A. 98-24, eff. 6-19-13; 98-674, eff. 6-30-14; 99-2,
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     eff. 3-26-15.)
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         Section 15. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing
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     Sections 18-200 and 18-249 as follows:
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         (35 ILCS 200/18-200)
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         Sec. 18-200. School Code. A school district's State aid
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     shall not be reduced under the computation under subsections
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     5(a) through 5(h) of Part A of Section 18-8 of the School Code
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     or under Section 18-8.15 of the School Code due to the
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     operating tax rate falling from above the minimum requirement
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     of that Section of the School Code to below the minimum
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     requirement of that Section of the School Code due to the
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     operation of this Law.
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     (Source: P.A. 87-17; 88-455.)
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         (35 ILCS 200/18-249)
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         Sec. 18-249. Miscellaneous provisions.
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         (a) Certification of new property. For the 1994 levy year,
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the chief county assessment officer shall certify to the county clerk, after all changes by the board of review or board of appeals, as the case may be, the assessed value of new property by taxing district for the 1994 levy year under rules promulgated by the Department.

- (b) School Code. A school district's State aid shall not be reduced under the computation under subsections 5(a) through 5(h) of Part A of Section 18-8 of the School Code or under Section 18-8.15 of the School Code due to the operating tax rate falling from above the minimum requirement of that Section of the School Code to below the minimum requirement of that Section of the School Code due to the operation of this Law.
- (c) Rules. The Department shall make and promulgate reasonable rules relating to the administration of the purposes and provisions of Sections 18-246 through 18-249 as may be necessary or appropriate.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 89-1, eff. 2-12-95.)

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Section 17. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing Section 16-158 as follows:

3 (40 ILCS 5/16-158) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 16-158)
4 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
5 which has been held unconstitutional)

Sec. 16-158. Contributions by State and other employing units.

(a) The State shall make contributions to the System by means of appropriations from the Common School Fund and other State funds of amounts which, together with other employer contributions, employee contributions, investment income, and other income, will be sufficient to meet the cost of maintaining and administering the System on a 90% funded basis in accordance with actuarial recommendations.

The Board shall determine the amount of State contributions required for each fiscal year on the basis of the actuarial tables and other assumptions adopted by the Board and the recommendations of the actuary, using the formula in subsection (b-3).

20 (a-1) Annually, on or before November 15 until November 15,

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- 21 2011, the Board shall certify to the Governor the amount of the
- required State contribution for the coming fiscal year. The
- certification under this subsection (a-1) shall include a copy
- of the actuarial recommendations upon which it is based and
- 25 shall specifically identify the System's projected State

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normal cost for that fiscal year.

On or before May 1, 2004, the Board shall recalculate and recertify to the Governor the amount of the required State contribution to the System for State fiscal year 2005, taking into account the amounts appropriated to and received by the System under subsection (d) of Section 7.2 of the General Obligation Bond Act.

On or before July 1, 2005, the Board shall recalculate and recertify to the Governor the amount of the required State contribution to the System for State fiscal year 2006, taking into account the changes in required State contributions made by this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly.

On or before April 1, 2011, the Board shall recalculate and recertify to the Governor the amount of the required State contribution to the System for State fiscal year 2011, applying the changes made by Public Act 96-889 to the System's assets and liabilities as of June 30, 2009 as though Public Act 96-889 was approved on that date.

(a-5) On or before November 1 of each year, beginning November 1, 2012, the Board shall submit to the State Actuary, the Governor, and the General Assembly a proposed certification of the amount of the required State contribution to the System for the next fiscal year, along with all of the actuarial assumptions, calculations, and data upon which that proposed certification is based. On or before January 1 of each year, beginning January 1, 2013, the State Actuary shall issue a

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- preliminary report concerning the proposed certification and
- identifying, if necessary, recommended changes in actuarial
- 3 assumptions that the Board must consider before finalizing its

certification of the required State contributions. On or before January 15, 2013 and each January 15 thereafter, the Board shall certify to the Governor and the General Assembly the amount of the required State contribution for the next fiscal year. The Board's certification must note any deviations from the State Actuary's recommended changes, the reason or reasons for not following the State Actuary's recommended changes, and the fiscal impact of not following the State Actuary's recommended changes on the required State contribution.

- (b) Through State fiscal year 1995, the State contributions shall be paid to the System in accordance with Section 18-7 of the School Code.
- (b-1) Beginning in State fiscal year 1996, on the 15th day of each month, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable, the Board shall submit vouchers for payment of State contributions to the System, in a total monthly amount of one-twelfth of the required annual State contribution certified under subsection (a-1). From the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly through June 30, 2004, the Board shall not submit vouchers for the remainder of fiscal year 2004 in excess of the fiscal year 2004 certified contribution amount determined under this Section after taking into consideration the transfer to the System under subsection (a) of Section

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6z-61 of the State Finance Act. These vouchers shall be paid by the State Comptroller and Treasurer by warrants drawn on the funds appropriated to the System for that fiscal year.

If in any month the amount remaining unexpended from all other appropriations to the System for the applicable fiscal year (including the appropriations to the System under Section 8.12 of the State Finance Act and Section 1 of the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act) is less than the amount lawfully vouchered under this subsection, the difference shall be paid from the Common School Fund under the continuing appropriation authority provided in Section 1.1 of the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act.

(b-2) Allocations from the Common School Fund apportioned to school districts not coming under this System shall not be diminished or affected by the provisions of this Article.

(b-3) For State fiscal years 2012 through 2045, the minimum contribution to the System to be made by the State for each fiscal year shall be an amount determined by the System to be sufficient to bring the total assets of the System up to 90% of the total actuarial liabilities of the System by the end of State fiscal year 2045. In making these determinations, the required State contribution shall be calculated each year as a level percentage of payroll over the years remaining to and including fiscal year 2045 and shall be determined under the projected unit credit actuarial cost method.

For State fiscal years 1996 through 2005, the State

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contribution to the System, as a percentage of the applicable employee payroll, shall be increased in equal annual increments so that by State fiscal year 2011, the State is contributing at the rate required under this Section; except that in the following specified State fiscal years, the State contribution to the System shall not be less than the following indicated percentages of the applicable employee payroll, even if the indicated percentage will produce a State contribution in excess of the amount otherwise required under this subsection and subsection (a), and notwithstanding any contrary certification made under subsection (a-1) before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1998: 10.02% in FY 1999; 10.77% in FY 2000; 11.47% in FY 2001; 12.16% in FY 2002; 12.86% in FY 2003; and 13.56% in FY 2004.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the total required State contribution for State fiscal year 2006 is \$534,627,700.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the total required State contribution for State fiscal year 2007 is \$738,014,500.

For each of State fiscal years 2008 through 2009, the State contribution to the System, as a percentage of the applicable employee payroll, shall be increased in equal annual increments from the required State contribution for State fiscal year 2007, so that by State fiscal year 2011, the State is contributing at the rate otherwise required under this Section.

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Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the total required State contribution for State fiscal year 2010 is \$2,089,268,000 and shall be made from the proceeds of bonds sold in fiscal year 2010 pursuant to Section 7.2 of the General Obligation Bond Act, less (i) the pro rata share of bond sale expenses determined by the System's share of total bond proceeds, (ii) any amounts received from the Common School Fund in fiscal year 2010, and (iii) any reduction in bond proceeds due to the issuance of discounted bonds, if applicable.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the total required State contribution for State fiscal year 2011 is the amount recertified by the System on or before April 1, 2011 pursuant to subsection (a-1) of this Section and shall be made from the proceeds of bonds sold in fiscal year 2011 pursuant to Section 7.2 of the General Obligation Bond Act, less (i) the pro rata share of bond sale expenses determined by the System's share of total bond proceeds, (ii) any amounts received from the Common School Fund in fiscal year 2011, and (iii) any reduction in bond proceeds due to the issuance of discounted bonds, if applicable. This amount shall include, in addition to the amount certified by the System, an amount necessary to meet employer contributions required by the State as an employer under paragraph (e) of this Section, which may also be used by the System for contributions required by paragraph (a) of Section 16-127.

Beginning in State fiscal year 2046, the minimum State

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1 contribution for each fiscal year shall be the amount needed to maintain the total assets of the System at 90% of the total 3 actuarial liabilities of the System.

Amounts received by the System pursuant to Section 25 of the Budget Stabilization Act or Section 8.12 of the State Finance Act in any fiscal year do not reduce and do not constitute payment of any portion of the minimum State contribution required under this Article in that fiscal year.

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calculation of, the required State contributions under this Article in any future year until the System has reached a funding ratio of at least 90%. A reference in this Article to the "required State contribution" or any substantially similar term does not include or apply to any amounts payable to the System under Section 25 of the Budget Stabilization Act.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the required State contribution for State fiscal year 2005 and for fiscal year 2008 and each fiscal year thereafter, as calculated under this Section and certified under subsection (a-1), shall not exceed an amount equal to (i) the amount of the required State contribution that would have been calculated under this Section for that fiscal year if the System had not received any payments under subsection (d) of Section 7.2 of the General Obligation Bond Act, minus (ii) the portion of the State's total debt service payments for that fiscal year on the bonds issued in fiscal year 2003 for the purposes of that Section

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- 1 7.2, as determined and certified by the Comptroller, that is
- 2 the same as the System's portion of the total moneys
- distributed under subsection (d) of Section 7.2 of the General
- 4 Obligation Bond Act. In determining this maximum for State
- ⁵ fiscal years 2008 through 2010, however, the amount referred to
- 6 in item (i) shall be increased, as a percentage of the
- 7 applicable employee payroll, in equal increments calculated
- 8 from the sum of the required State contribution for State
- 9 fiscal year 2007 plus the applicable portion of the State's
- total debt service payments for fiscal year 2007 on the bonds
- issued in fiscal year 2003 for the purposes of Section 7.2 of
- the General Obligation Bond Act, so that, by State fiscal year
- 2011, the State is contributing at the rate otherwise required
- under this Section.
 - (c) Payment of the required State contributions and of all pensions, retirement annuities, death benefits, refunds, and other benefits granted under or assumed by this System, and all expenses in connection with the administration and operation thereof, are obligations of the State.
- 20 If members are paid from special trust or federal funds 21 which are administered by the employing unit, whether school

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- 22 district or other unit, the employing unit shall pay to the
- 23 System from such funds the full accruing retirement costs based
- upon that service, which, beginning July 1, 2018 2014, shall be
- 25 at a rate, expressed as a percentage of salary, equal to the
- total employer's minimum contribution to the System to be made

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1 by the State for that fiscal year, including both normal cost 2 and unfunded liability components, expressed as a percentage of 3 payroll, as determined by the System under subsection (b-3) of 4 this Section. Employer contributions, based on salary paid to 5 members from federal funds, may be forwarded by the 6 distributing agency of the State of Illinois to the System 7 prior to allocation, in an amount determined in accordance with 8 quidelines established by such agency and the System. Any 9 contribution for fiscal year 2015 collected as a result of the 10 change made by this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly

(d) Effective July 1, 1986, any employer of a teacher as defined in paragraph (8) of Section 16-106 shall pay the employer's normal cost of benefits based upon the teacher's service, in addition to employee contributions, as determined by the System. Such employer contributions shall be forwarded monthly in accordance with guidelines established by the System.

shall be considered a State contribution under subsection (b-3)

16-133.4 or 16-133.5 to a teacher as defined in paragraph (8) of Section 16-106, the employer's contribution shall be 12% (rather than 20%) of the member's highest annual salary rate for each year of creditable service granted, and the employer shall also pay the required employee contribution on behalf of the teacher. For the purposes of Sections 16-133.4 and

However, with respect to benefits granted under Section

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- 1 16-133.5, a teacher as defined in paragraph (8) of Section
- 2 16-106 who is serving in that capacity while on leave of
- 3 absence from another employer under this Article shall not be

considered an employee of the employer from which the teacher is on leave.

- (e) Beginning July 1, 1998, every employer of a teacher shall pay to the System an employer contribution computed as follows:
 - (1) Beginning July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999, the employer contribution shall be equal to 0.3% of each teacher's salary.
 - (2) Beginning July 1, 1999 and thereafter, the employer contribution shall be equal to 0.58% of each teacher's salary.

The school district or other employing unit may pay these employer contributions out of any source of funding available for that purpose and shall forward the contributions to the System on the schedule established for the payment of member contributions.

These employer contributions are intended to offset a portion of the cost to the System of the increases in retirement benefits resulting from this amendatory Act of 1998.

Each employer of teachers is entitled to a credit against the contributions required under this subsection (e) with respect to salaries paid to teachers for the period January 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, equal to the amount paid by that

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employer under subsection (a-5) of Section 6.6 of the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 with respect to salaries paid to teachers for that period.

The additional 1% employee contribution required under Section 16-152 by this amendatory Act of 1998 is the responsibility of the teacher and not the teacher's employer, unless the employer agrees, through collective bargaining or otherwise, to make the contribution on behalf of the teacher.

If an employer is required by a contract in effect on May 1, 1998 between the employer and an employee organization to pay, on behalf of all its full-time employees covered by this Article, all mandatory employee contributions required under this Article, then the employer shall be excused from paying the employer contribution required under this subsection (e) for the balance of the term of that contract. The employer and

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the employee organization shall jointly certify to the System the existence of the contractual requirement, in such form as the System may prescribe. This exclusion shall cease upon the termination, extension, or renewal of the contract at any time after May 1, 1998.

(f) If the amount of a teacher's salary for any school year used to determine final average salary exceeds the member's annual full-time salary rate with the same employer for the previous school year by more than 6%, the teacher's employer shall pay to the System, in addition to all other payments required under this Section and in accordance with guidelines

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established by the System, the present value of the increase in benefits resulting from the portion of the increase in salary that is in excess of 6%. This present value shall be computed by the System on the basis of the actuarial assumptions and tables used in the most recent actuarial valuation of the System that is available at the time of the computation. If a teacher's salary for the 2005-2006 school year is used to determine final average salary under this subsection (f), then the changes made to this subsection (f) by Public Act 94-1057 shall apply in calculating whether the increase in his or her salary is in excess of 6%. For the purposes of this Section, change in employment under Section 10-21.12 of the School Code on or after June 1, 2005 shall constitute a change in employer. The System may require the employer to provide any pertinent information or documentation. The changes made to this subsection (f) by this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly apply without regard to whether the teacher was in service on or after its effective date.

Whenever it determines that a payment is or may be required under this subsection, the System shall calculate the amount of the payment and bill the employer for that amount. The bill shall specify the calculations used to determine the amount due. If the employer disputes the amount of the bill, it may, within 30 days after receipt of the bill, apply to the System in writing for a recalculation. The application must specify in detail the grounds of the dispute and, if the employer asserts

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that the calculation is subject to subsection (g) or (h) of this Section, must include an affidavit setting forth and attesting to all facts within the employer's knowledge that are pertinent to the applicability of that subsection. Upon receiving a timely application for recalculation, the System shall review the application and, if appropriate, recalculate the amount due.

The employer contributions required under this subsection (f) may be paid in the form of a lump sum within 90 days after receipt of the bill. If the employer contributions are not paid within 90 days after receipt of the bill, then interest will be charged at a rate equal to the System's annual actuarially assumed rate of return on investment compounded annually from the 91st day after receipt of the bill. Payments must be concluded within 3 years after the employer's receipt of the bill.

(g) This subsection (g) applies only to payments made or salary increases given on or after June 1, 2005 but before July 1, 2011. The changes made by Public Act 94-1057 shall not require the System to refund any payments received before July 31, 2006 (the effective date of Public Act 94-1057).

When assessing payment for any amount due under subsection (f), the System shall exclude salary increases paid to teachers under contracts or collective bargaining agreements entered into, amended, or renewed before June 1, 2005.

When assessing payment for any amount due under subsection

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(f), the System shall exclude salary increases paid to a teacher at a time when the teacher is 10 or more years from retirement eligibility under Section 16-132 or 16-133.2.

When assessing payment for any amount due under subsection (f), the System shall exclude salary increases resulting from overload work, including summer school, when the school district has certified to the System, and the System has

8 approved the certification, that (i) the overload work is for

9 the sole purpose of classroom instruction in excess of the

standard number of classes for a full-time teacher in a school district during a school year and (ii) the salary increases are equal to or less than the rate of pay for classroom instruction computed on the teacher's current salary and work schedule.

When assessing payment for any amount due under subsection (f), the System shall exclude a salary increase resulting from a promotion (i) for which the employee is required to hold a certificate or supervisory endorsement issued by the State Teacher Certification Board that is a different certification or supervisory endorsement than is required for the teacher's previous position and (ii) to a position that has existed and been filled by a member for no less than one complete academic year and the salary increase from the promotion is an increase that results in an amount no greater than the lesser of the average salary paid for other similar positions in the district requiring the same certification or the amount stipulated in the collective bargaining agreement for a similar position

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requiring the same certification.

When assessing payment for any amount due under subsection (f), the System shall exclude any payment to the teacher from the State of Illinois or the State Board of Education over which the employer does not have discretion, notwithstanding that the payment is included in the computation of final average salary.

- (h) When assessing payment for any amount due under subsection (f), the System shall exclude any salary increase described in subsection (g) of this Section given on or after July 1, 2011 but before July 1, 2014 under a contract or collective bargaining agreement entered into, amended, or renewed on or after June 1, 2005 but before July 1, 2011. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, any payments made or salary increases given after June 30, 2014 shall be used in assessing payment for any amount due under subsection (f) of this Section.
- (i) The System shall prepare a report and file copies of the report with the Governor and the General Assembly by January 1, 2007 that contains all of the following information:
 - (1) The number of recalculations required by the

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22	changes made to this Section by Public Act 94-1057 for each
23	employer.
24	(2) The dollar amount by which each employer's
25	contribution to the System was changed due to
26	recalculations required by Public Act 94-1057.
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1	(3) The total amount the System received from each
2	employer as a result of the changes made to this Section by
3	Public Act 94-4.
4	(4) The increase in the required State contribution
5	resulting from the changes made to this Section by Public
6	Act 94-1057.
7	(j) For purposes of determining the required State
8	contribution to the System, the value of the System's assets
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10	shall be equal to the actuarial value of the System's assets,
11	which shall be calculated as follows:
12	As of June 30, 2008, the actuarial value of the System's
13	assets shall be equal to the market value of the assets as of
	that date. In determining the actuarial value of the System's
14	assets for fiscal years after June 30, 2008, any actuarial
15	gains or losses from investment return incurred in a fiscal
16	year shall be recognized in equal annual amounts over the
17	5-year period following that fiscal year.
18	(k) For purposes of determining the required State
19	contribution to the system for a particular year, the actuarial
20	value of assets shall be assumed to earn a rate of return equal
21	to the system's actuarially assumed rate of return.
22	(Source: P.A. 96-43, eff. 7-15-09; 96-1497, eff. 1-14-11;
23	96-1511, eff. 1-27-11; 96-1554, eff. 3-18-11; 97-694, eff.
24	6-18-12; 97-813, eff. 7-13-12; 98-674, eff. 6-30-14.)
25	Section 20. The Innovation Development and Economy Act is
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1	amended by changing Section 33 as follows:

(50 ILCS 470/33)

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Sec. 33. STAR Bonds School Improvement and Operations Trust Fund.

- (a) The STAR Bonds School Improvement and Operations Trust Fund is created as a trust fund in the State treasury. Deposits into the Trust Fund shall be made as provided under this Section. Moneys in the Trust Fund shall be used by the Department of Revenue only for the purpose of making payments to school districts in educational service regions that include or are adjacent to the STAR bond district. Moneys in the Trust Fund are not subject to appropriation and shall be used solely as provided in this Section. All deposits into the Trust Fund shall be held in the Trust Fund by the State Treasurer as ex officio custodian separate and apart from all public moneys or funds of this State and shall be administered by the Department exclusively for the purposes set forth in this Section. All moneys in the Trust Fund shall be invested and reinvested by the State Treasurer. All interest accruing from these investments shall be deposited in the Trust Fund.
 - (b) Upon approval of a STAR bond district, the political subdivision shall immediately transmit to the county clerk of the county in which the district is located a certified copy of the ordinance creating the district, a legal description of the district, a map of the district, identification of the year

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- that the county clerk shall use for determining the total initial equalized assessed value of the district consistent with subsection (c), and a list of the parcel or tax identification number of each parcel of property included in the district.
- (c) Upon approval of a STAR bond district, the county clerk immediately thereafter shall determine (i) the most recently ascertained equalized assessed value of each lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property within the STAR bond district, from which shall be deducted the homestead exemptions under Article 15 of the Property Tax Code, which value shall be the initial equalized assessed value of each such piece of property, and (ii) the total equalized assessed value of all taxable real property within the district by adding together the most recently ascertained equalized assessed value of each taxable

- lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property within the
- district, from which shall be deducted the homestead exemptions
- under Article 15 of the Property Tax Code, and shall certify
- 19 that amount as the total initial equalized assessed value of
- the taxable real property within the STAR bond district.
- 21 (d) In reference to any STAR bond district created within
- any political subdivision, and in respect to which the county
- clerk has certified the total initial equalized assessed value
- of the property in the area, the political subdivision may
- thereafter request the clerk in writing to adjust the initial
- equalized value of all taxable real property within the STAR

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- bond district by deducting therefrom the exemptions under
- 2 Article 15 of the Property Tax Code applicable to each lot,
- 3 block, tract, or parcel of real property within the STAR bond
- district. The county clerk shall immediately, after the written
- request to adjust the total initial equalized value is
- 6 received, determine the total homestead exemptions in the STAR
- bond district as provided under Article 15 of the Property Tax
- 8 Code by adding together the homestead exemptions provided by
- 9 said Article on each lot, block, tract, or parcel of real
- property within the STAR bond district and then shall deduct
- 11 the total of said exemptions from the total initial equalized
- assessed value. The county clerk shall then promptly certify
- that amount as the total initial equalized assessed value as
- adjusted of the taxable real property within the STAR bond
- ¹⁵ district.
- (e) The county clerk or other person authorized by law
 shall compute the tax rates for each taxing district with a
- shall compute the tax rates for each taxing district with all
- or a portion of its equalized assessed value located in the
- 19 STAR bond district. The rate per cent of tax determined shall
- be extended to the current equalized assessed value of all
- 21 property in the district in the same manner as the rate per
- cent of tax is extended to all other taxable property in the
- taxing district.
- 24 (f) Beginning with the assessment year in which the first
- 25 destination user in the first STAR bond project in a STAR bond
- district makes its first retail sales and for each assessment

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year thereafter until final maturity of the last STAR bonds issued in the district, the county clerk or other person authorized by law shall determine the increase in equalized assessed value of all real property within the STAR bond district by subtracting the initial equalized assessed value of all property in the district certified under subsection (c) from the current equalized assessed value of all property in the district. Each year, the property taxes arising from the increase in equalized assessed value in the STAR bond district shall be determined for each taxing district and shall be certified to the county collector.

- (g) Beginning with the year in which taxes are collected based on the assessment year in which the first destination user in the first STAR bond project in a STAR bond district makes its first retail sales and for each year thereafter until final maturity of the last STAR bonds issued in the district, the county collector shall, within 30 days after receipt of property taxes, transmit to the Department to be deposited into the STAR Bonds School Improvement and Operations Trust Fund 15% of property taxes attributable to the increase in equalized assessed value within the STAR bond district from each taxing district as certified in subsection (f).
- (h) The Department shall pay to the regional superintendent of schools whose educational service region includes Franklin and Williamson Counties, for each year for which money is remitted to the Department and paid into the STAR Bonds School

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- Improvement and Operations Trust Fund, the money in the Fund as
- provided in this Section. The amount paid to each school
- district shall be allocated proportionately, based on each
- 4 qualifying school district's fall enrollment for the
- then-current school year, such that the school district with
- 6 the largest fall enrollment receives the largest proportionate
- share of money paid out of the Fund or by any other method or
- 8 formula that the regional superintendent of schools deems fit,
- 9 equitable, and in the public interest. The regional

superintendent may allocate moneys to school districts that are outside of his or her educational service region or to other regional superintendents.

The Department shall determine the distributions under this Section using its best judgment and information. The Department shall be held harmless for the distributions made under this Section and all distributions shall be final.

(i) In any year that an assessment appeal is filed, the extension of taxes on any assessment so appealed shall not be delayed. In the case of an assessment that is altered, any taxes extended upon the unauthorized assessment or part thereof shall be abated, or, if already paid, shall be refunded with interest as provided in Section 23-20 of the Property Tax Code. In the case of an assessment appeal, the county collector shall notify the Department that an assessment appeal has been filed and the amount of the tax that would have been deposited in the STAR Bonds School Improvement and Operations Trust Fund. The

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county collector shall hold that amount in a separate fund until the appeal process is final. After the appeal process is finalized, the county collector shall transmit to the Department the amount of tax that remains, if any, after all required refunds are made. The Department shall pay any amount deposited into the Trust Fund under this Section in the same proportion as determined for payments for that taxable year under subsection (h).

(j) In any year that ad valorem taxes are allocated to the STAR Bonds School Improvement and Operations Trust Fund, that allocation shall not reduce or otherwise impact the school aid provided to any school district under the general State school aid formula provided for in Section 18-8.05 of the School Code or the evidence-based funding formula provided for in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code.

16 (Source: P.A. 96-939, eff. 6-24-10.)

Section 25. The County Economic Development Project Area Property Tax Allocation Act is amended by changing Section 7 as follows:

20 (55 ILCS 85/7) (from Ch. 34, par. 7007)

21	Sec. 7. Creation of special tax allocation fund. If a
22	county has adopted property tax allocation financing by
23	ordinance for an economic development project area, the
24	Department has approved and certified the economic development

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project area, and the county clerk has thereafter certified the "total initial equalized value" of the taxable real property within such economic development project area in the manner provided in subsection (b) of Section 6 of this Act, each year after the date of the certification by the county clerk of the "initial equalized assessed value" until economic development project costs and all county obligations financing economic development project costs have been paid, the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon the taxable real property in the economic development project area by taxing districts and tax rates determined in the manner provided in subsection (b) of Section 6 of this Act shall be divided as follows:

- (1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable lot, block, tract or parcel of real property which is attributable to the lower of the current equalized assessed value or the initial equalized assessed value of each such taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property existing at the time property tax allocation financing was adopted shall be allocated and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to the respective affected taxing districts in the manner required by the law in the absence of the adoption of property tax allocation financing.
- (2) That portion, if any, of those taxes which is attributable to the increase in the current equalized assessed valuation of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the economic development project

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- are, over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property existing at the time property tax allocation
- financing was adopted shall be allocated to and when

collected shall be paid to the county treasurer, who shall deposit those taxes into a special fund called the special tax allocation fund of the county for the purpose of paying economic development project costs and obligations incurred in the payment thereof.

The county, by an ordinance adopting property tax allocation financing, may pledge the funds in and to be deposited in the special tax allocation fund for the payment of obligations issued under this Act and for the payment of economic development project costs. No part of the current equalized assessed valuation of each property in the economic development project area attributable to any increase above the total initial equalized assessed value of such properties shall be used in calculating the general State school aid formula, provided for in Section 18-8 of the School Code, or the evidence-based funding formula, provided for in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code, until such time as all economic development projects costs have been paid as provided for in this Section.

Whenever a county issues bonds for the purpose of financing economic development project costs, the county may provide by ordinance for the appointment of a trustee, which may be any trust company within the State, and for the establishment of

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the funds or accounts to be maintained by such trustee as the county shall deem necessary to provide for the security and payment of the bonds. If the county provides for the appointment of a trustee, the trustee shall be considered the assignee of any payments assigned by the county pursuant to the ordinance and this Section. Any amounts paid to the trustee as assignee shall be deposited in the funds or accounts established pursuant to the trust agreement, and shall be held by the trustee in trust for the benefit of the holders of the bonds, and the holders shall have a lien on and a security interest in those bonds or accounts so long as the bonds remain outstanding and unpaid. Upon retirement of the bonds, the trustee shall pay over any excess amounts held to the county

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16 without limitation all county obligations financing economic 17 development project costs incurred under this Act, have been 18 paid, all surplus funds then remaining in the special tax 19 allocation funds shall be distributed by being paid by the 20 county treasurer to the county collector, who shall immediately 21 thereafter pay those funds to the taxing districts having 22 taxable property in the economic development project area in 23 the same manner and proportion as the most recent distribution 24 by the county collector to those taxing districts of real 25 property taxes from real property in the economic development 26 project area.

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Upon the payment of all economic development project costs, retirement of obligations and the distribution of any excess monies pursuant to this Section and not later than 23 years from the date of adoption of the ordinance adopting property tax allocation financing, the county shall adopt an ordinance dissolving the special tax allocation fund for the economic development project area and terminating the designation of the economic development project area as an economic development project area; however, in relation to one or more contiguous parcels not exceeding a total area of 120 acres within which an electric generating facility is intended to be constructed, and with respect to which the owner of that proposed electric generating facility has entered into a redevelopment agreement with Grundy County on or before July 25, 2017, the ordinance of the county required in this paragraph shall not dissolve the special tax allocation fund for the existing economic development project area and shall only terminate the designation of the economic development project area as to those portions of the economic development project area excluding the area covered by the redevelopment agreement between the owner of the proposed electric generating facility and Grundy County; the county shall adopt an ordinance dissolving the special tax allocation fund for the economic development project area and terminating the designation of the economic development project area as an economic development project area with regard to the electric generating facility

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- the ordinance adopting property tax allocation financing.
- 3 Thereafter the rates of the taxing districts shall be extended
- 4 and taxes levied, collected and distributed in the manner
- 5 applicable in the absence of the adoption of property tax
- 6 allocation financing.
- Nothing in this Section shall be construed as relieving
- 8 property in economic development project areas from being
- 9 assessed as provided in the Property Tax Code or as relieving
- 10 owners of that property from paying a uniform rate of taxes, as
- 11 required by Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois
- 12 Constitution of 1970.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13; 99-513, eff. 6-30-16.)
- Section 30. The County Economic Development Project Area
- Tax Increment Allocation Act of 1991 is amended by changing
- 16 Section 50 as follows:
- 17 (55 ILCS 90/50) (from Ch. 34, par. 8050)
- Sec. 50. Special tax allocation fund.
- 19 (a) If a county clerk has certified the "total initial
- equalized assessed value" of the taxable real property within
- 21 an economic development project area in the manner provided in
- Section 45, each year after the date of the certification by
- the county clerk of the "total initial equalized assessed
- value", until economic development project costs and all county

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- obligations financing economic development project costs have
- been paid, the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the
- 3 levies upon the taxable real property in the economic
- development project area by taxing districts and tax rates
- determined in the manner provided in subsection (b) of Section
- 6 45 shall be divided as follows:
- 7 (1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable
- 8 lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property that is
- 9 attributable to the lower of the current equalized assessed

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value or the initial equalized assessed value of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property existing at the time tax increment financing was adopted shall be allocated to (and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to) the respective affected taxing districts in the manner required by law in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

(2) That portion, if any, of the taxes that is attributable to the increase in the current equalized assessed valuation of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the economic development project area, over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property existing at the time tax increment financing was adopted, shall be allocated to (and when collected shall be paid to) the county treasurer, who shall deposit the taxes into a special fund (called the special tax allocation fund of the county) for the purpose of

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paying economic development project costs and obligations incurred in the payment of those costs.

- (b) The county, by an ordinance adopting tax increment allocation financing, may pledge the monies in and to be deposited into the special tax allocation fund for the payment of obligations issued under this Act and for the payment of economic development project costs. No part of the current equalized assessed valuation of each property in the economic development project area attributable to any increase above the total initial equalized assessed value of those properties shall be used in calculating the general State school aid formula under Section 18-8 of the School Code or the evidence-based funding formula under Section 18-8.15 of the School Code until all economic development projects costs have been paid as provided for in this Section.
- (c) When the economic development projects costs, including without limitation all county obligations financing economic development project costs incurred under this Act, have been paid, all surplus monies then remaining in the special tax allocation fund shall be distributed by being paid

- 21 by the county treasurer to the county collector, who shall
- 22 immediately pay the monies to the taxing districts having
- 23 taxable property in the economic development project area in
- 24 the same manner and proportion as the most recent distribution
- 25 by the county collector to those taxing districts of real
- 26 property taxes from real property in the economic development

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- (d) Upon the payment of all economic development project costs, retirement of obligations, and distribution of any excess monies under this Section, the county shall adopt an ordinance dissolving the special tax allocation fund for the economic development project area and terminating the designation of the economic development project area as an economic development project area. Thereafter, the rates of the taxing districts shall be extended and taxes shall be levied, collected, and distributed in the manner applicable in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.
- (e) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as relieving property in the economic development project areas from being assessed as provided in the Property Tax Code or as relieving owners of that property from paying a uniform rate of taxes as required by Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.
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- 18 (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13.)
- 19 Section 35. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by 20 changing Sections 11-74.4-3, 11-74.4-8, and 11-74.6-35 as 21 follows:
- 22 (65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-3) (from Ch. 24, par. 11-74.4-3)
- 23 Sec. 11-74.4-3. Definitions. The following terms, wherever
- 24 used or referred to in this Division 74.4 shall have the

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- 1 following respective meanings, unless in any case a different
- 2 meaning clearly appears from the context.

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(a) For any redevelopment project area that has been designated pursuant to this Section by an ordinance adopted prior to November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), "blighted area" shall have the meaning set forth in this Section prior to that date.

On and after November 1, 1999, "blighted area" means any improved or vacant area within the boundaries of a redevelopment project area located within the territorial limits of the municipality where:

- (1) If improved, industrial, commercial, and residential buildings or improvements are detrimental to the public safety, health, or welfare because of a combination of 5 or more of the following factors, each of which is (i) present, with that presence documented, to a meaningful extent so that a municipality may reasonably find that the factor is clearly present within the intent of the Act and (ii) reasonably distributed throughout the improved part of the redevelopment project area:
 - (A) Dilapidation. An advanced state of disrepair or neglect of necessary repairs to the primary structural components of buildings or improvements in such a combination that a documented building condition analysis determines that major repair is required or the defects are so serious and so extensive

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that the buildings must be removed.

- (B) Obsolescence. The condition or process of falling into disuse. Structures have become ill-suited for the original use.
- (C) Deterioration. With respect to buildings, defects including, but not limited to, major defects in the secondary building components such as doors, windows, porches, gutters and downspouts, and fascia. With respect to surface improvements, that the condition of roadways, alleys, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, off-street parking, and surface storage areas evidence deterioration, including, but not limited to, surface cracking, crumbling, potholes,

- (E) Illegal use of individual structures. The use of structures in violation of applicable federal, State, or local laws, exclusive of those applicable to the presence of structures below minimum code standards.
 - (F) Excessive vacancies. The presence of buildings

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that are unoccupied or under-utilized and that represent an adverse influence on the area because of the frequency, extent, or duration of the vacancies.

- (G) Lack of ventilation, light, or sanitary facilities. The absence of adequate ventilation for light or air circulation in spaces or rooms without windows, or that require the removal of dust, odor, gas, smoke, or other noxious airborne materials. Inadequate natural light and ventilation means the absence of skylights or windows for interior spaces or rooms and improper window sizes and amounts by room area to window area ratios. Inadequate sanitary facilities refers to the absence or inadequacy of garbage storage and enclosure, bathroom facilities, hot water and kitchens, and structural inadequacies preventing ingress and egress to and from all rooms and units within a building.
- (H) Inadequate utilities. Underground and overhead utilities such as storm sewers and storm drainage, sanitary sewers, water lines, and gas, telephone, and electrical services that are shown to be inadequate. Inadequate utilities are those that are: (i) of insufficient capacity to serve the uses in the redevelopment project area, (ii) deteriorated,

antiquated, obsolete, or in disrepair, or (iii) lacking within the redevelopment project area.

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1	(I) Excessive land coverage and overcrowding of
2	structures and community facilities. The
3	over-intensive use of property and the crowding of
4	buildings and accessory facilities onto a site.
5	Examples of problem conditions warranting the
6	designation of an area as one exhibiting excessive land
7	coverage are: (i) the presence of buildings either
8	improperly situated on parcels or located on parcels of
9	inadequate size and shape in relation to present-day
10	standards of development for health and safety and (ii)
11	the presence of multiple buildings on a single parcel.
12	For there to be a finding of excessive land coverage,
13	these parcels must exhibit one or more of the following
14	conditions: insufficient provision for light and air
15	within or around buildings, increased threat of spread
16	of fire due to the close proximity of buildings, lack
17	of adequate or proper access to a public right-of-way,
18	lack of reasonably required off-street parking, or
19	inadequate provision for loading and service.
20	(J) Deleterious land use or layout. The existence
21	of incompatible land-use relationships, buildings
22	occupied by inappropriate mixed-uses, or uses
23	considered to be novious offensive or unsuitable for

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(K) Environmental clean-up. The proposed

redevelopment project area has incurred Illinois

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remediation has determined a need for, the clean-up of hazardous waste, hazardous substances, or underground storage tanks required by State or federal law, provided that the remediation costs constitute a material impediment to the development or redevelopment of the redevelopment project area.

(L) Lack of community planning. The proposed redevelopment project area was developed prior to or without the benefit or guidance of a community plan. This means that the development occurred prior to the adoption by the municipality of a comprehensive or other community plan or that the plan was not followed at the time of the area's development. This factor must be documented by evidence of adverse or incompatible land-use relationships, inadequate street layout, improper subdivision, parcels of inadequate shape and size to meet contemporary development standards, or other evidence demonstrating an absence of effective community planning.

(M) The total equalized assessed value of the proposed redevelopment project area has declined for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the year in which

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1 the redevelopment project area is designated or is 2 increasing at an annual rate that is less than the 3 balance of the municipality for 3 of the last 5 4 calendar years for which information is available or is 5 increasing at an annual rate that is less than the 6 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published 7 by the United States Department of Labor or successor 8 agency for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the 9 year in which the redevelopment project area is 10 designated.

(2) If vacant, the sound growth of the redevelopment project area is impaired by a combination of 2 or more of the following factors, each of which is (i) present, with that presence documented, to a meaningful extent so that a municipality may reasonably find that the factor is clearly

present within the intent of the Act and (ii) reasonably
distributed throughout the vacant part of the
redevelopment project area to which it pertains:

(A) Obsolete platting of vacant land that results
in parcels of limited or narrow size or configurations
of parcels of irregular size or shape that would be

(A) Obsolete platting of vacant land that results in parcels of limited or narrow size or configurations of parcels of irregular size or shape that would be difficult to develop on a planned basis and in a manner compatible with contemporary standards and requirements, or platting that failed to create rights-of-ways for streets or alleys or that created inadequate right-of-way widths for streets, alleys, or

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other public rights-of-way or that omitted easements for public utilities.

- (B) Diversity of ownership of parcels of vacant land sufficient in number to retard or impede the ability to assemble the land for development.
- (C) Tax and special assessment delinquencies exist or the property has been the subject of tax sales under the Property Tax Code within the last 5 years.
- (D) Deterioration of structures or site improvements in neighboring areas adjacent to the vacant land.
- (E) The area has incurred Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or United States Environmental Protection Agency remediation costs for, or a study conducted by an independent consultant recognized as having expertise in environmental remediation has determined a need for, the clean-up of hazardous waste, hazardous substances, or underground storage tanks required by State or federal law, provided that the remediation costs constitute a material impediment to the development or redevelopment of the redevelopment project area.
- (F) The total equalized assessed value of the proposed redevelopment project area has declined for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the year in which

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increasing at an annual rate that is less than the balance of the municipality for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the United States Department of Labor or successor agency for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the year in which the redevelopment project area is designated.

- (3) If vacant, the sound growth of the redevelopment project area is impaired by one of the following factors that (i) is present, with that presence documented, to a meaningful extent so that a municipality may reasonably find that the factor is clearly present within the intent of the Act and (ii) is reasonably distributed throughout the vacant part of the redevelopment project area to which it pertains:
 - (A) The area consists of one or more unused quarries, mines, or strip mine ponds.
 - (B) The area consists of unused rail yards, rail tracks, or railroad rights-of-way.
 - (C) The area, prior to its designation, is subject to (i) chronic flooding that adversely impacts on real property in the area as certified by a registered professional engineer or appropriate regulatory agency or (ii) surface water that discharges from all or a

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part of the area and contributes to flooding within the same watershed, but only if the redevelopment project provides for facilities or improvements to contribute to the alleviation of all or part of the flooding.

(D) The area consists of an unused or illegal disposal site containing earth, stone, building

debris, or similar materials that were removed from construction, demolition, excavation, or dredge sites.

(E) Prior to November 1, 1999, the area is not less than 50 nor more than 100 acres and 75% of which is vacant (notwithstanding that the area has been used for commercial agricultural purposes within 5 years prior to the designation of the redevelopment project area), and the area meets at least one of the factors itemized in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the area has been designated as a town or village center by ordinance or comprehensive plan adopted prior to January 1, 1982, and the area has not been developed for that designated purpose.

(F) The area qualified as a blighted improved area immediately prior to becoming vacant, unless there has been substantial private investment in the immediately surrounding area.

(b) For any redevelopment project area that has been designated pursuant to this Section by an ordinance adopted prior to November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act

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91-478), "conservation area" shall have the meaning set forth in this Section prior to that date.

On and after November 1, 1999, "conservation area" means any improved area within the boundaries of a redevelopment project area located within the territorial limits of the municipality in which 50% or more of the structures in the area have an age of 35 years or more. Such an area is not yet a blighted area but because of a combination of 3 or more of the following factors is detrimental to the public safety, health, morals or welfare and such an area may become a blighted area:

(1) Dilapidation. An advanced state of disrepair or neglect of necessary repairs to the primary structural components of buildings or improvements in such a combination that a documented building condition analysis determines that major repair is required or the defects are so serious and so extensive that the buildings must be removed.

(2) Obsolescence. The condition or process of falling into disuse. Structures have become ill-suited for the original use.

(3) Deterioration. With respect to buildings, defects including but not limited to major defects in the

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surface storage areas evidence deterioration, including, but not limited to, surface cracking, crumbling, potholes, depressions, loose paving material, and weeds protruding through paved surfaces.

- (4) Presence of structures below minimum code standards. All structures that do not meet the standards of zoning, subdivision, building, fire, and other governmental codes applicable to property, but not including housing and property maintenance codes.
- (5) Illegal use of individual structures. The use of structures in violation of applicable federal, State, or local laws, exclusive of those applicable to the presence of structures below minimum code standards.
- (6) Excessive vacancies. The presence of buildings that are unoccupied or under-utilized and that represent an adverse influence on the area because of the frequency, extent, or duration of the vacancies.
- (7) Lack of ventilation, light, or sanitary facilities. The absence of adequate ventilation for light or air circulation in spaces or rooms without windows, or that require the removal of dust, odor, gas, smoke, or other noxious airborne materials. Inadequate natural light and ventilation means the absence or inadequacy of skylights or windows for interior spaces or rooms and improper window sizes and amounts by room area to window area ratios. Inadequate sanitary facilities refers to the

absence or inadequacy of garbage storage and enclosure, bathroom facilities, hot water and kitchens, and structural inadequacies preventing ingress and egress to and from all rooms and units within a building.

- (8) Inadequate utilities. Underground and overhead utilities such as storm sewers and storm drainage, sanitary sewers, water lines, and gas, telephone, and electrical services that are shown to be inadequate. Inadequate utilities are those that are: (i) of insufficient capacity to serve the uses in the redevelopment project area, (ii) deteriorated, antiquated, obsolete, or in disrepair, or (iii) lacking within the redevelopment project area.
- (9) Excessive land coverage and overcrowding of structures and community facilities. The over-intensive use of property and the crowding of buildings and accessory facilities onto a site. Examples of problem conditions warranting the designation of an area as one exhibiting excessive land coverage are: the presence of buildings either improperly situated on parcels or located on parcels of inadequate size and shape in relation to present-day standards of development for health and safety and the presence of multiple buildings on a single parcel. For there to be a finding of excessive land coverage, these parcels must exhibit one or more of the following conditions: insufficient provision for light and air within or around buildings, increased threat of spread of

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fire due to the close proximity of buildings, lack of adequate or proper access to a public right-of-way, lack of reasonably required off-street parking, or inadequate provision for loading and service.

(10) Deleterious land use or layout. The existence of incompatible land-use relationships, buildings occupied by inappropriate mixed-uses, or uses considered to be noxious, offensive, or unsuitable for the surrounding

area.

10	(11) Lack of community planning. The proposed
11	redevelopment project area was developed prior to or
12	without the benefit or guidance of a community plan. This
13	means that the development occurred prior to the adoption
14	by the municipality of a comprehensive or other community
15	plan or that the plan was not followed at the time of the
16	area's development. This factor must be documented by
17	evidence of adverse or incompatible land-use
18	relationships, inadequate street layout, improper
19	subdivision, parcels of inadequate shape and size to meet
20	contemporary development standards, or other evidence
21	demonstrating an absence of effective community planning.
22	(12) The area has incurred Illinois Environmental

(12) The area has incurred Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or United States Environmental Protection Agency remediation costs for, or a study conducted by an independent consultant recognized as having expertise in environmental remediation has

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determined a need for, the clean-up of hazardous waste, hazardous substances, or underground storage tanks required by State or federal law, provided that the remediation costs constitute a material impediment to the development or redevelopment of the redevelopment project area.

- (13) The total equalized assessed value of the proposed redevelopment project area has declined for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the balance of the municipality for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the United States

 Department of Labor or successor agency for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available.
- (c) "Industrial park" means an area in a blighted or conservation area suitable for use by any manufacturing, industrial, research or transportation enterprise, of

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- 20 facilities to include but not be limited to factories, mills,
- 21 processing plants, assembly plants, packing plants,
- 22 fabricating plants, industrial distribution centers,
- 23 warehouses, repair overhaul or service facilities, freight
- 24 terminals, research facilities, test facilities or railroad
- 25 facilities.
- 26 (d) "Industrial park conservation area" means an area

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- 1 within the boundaries of a redevelopment project area located 2 within the territorial limits of a municipality that is a labor 3 surplus municipality or within 1 1/2 miles of the territorial 4 limits of a municipality that is a labor surplus municipality 5 if the area is annexed to the municipality; which area is zoned 6 as industrial no later than at the time the municipality by 7 ordinance designates the redevelopment project area, and which 8 area includes both vacant land suitable for use as an 9 industrial park and a blighted area or conservation area 10 contiguous to such vacant land.
 - (e) "Labor surplus municipality" means a municipality in which, at any time during the 6 months before the municipality by ordinance designates an industrial park conservation area, the unemployment rate was over 6% and was also 100% or more of the national average unemployment rate for that same time as published in the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics publication entitled "The Employment Situation" or its successor publication. For the purpose of this subsection, if unemployment rate statistics for the municipality are not available, the unemployment rate in the municipality shall be deemed to be the same as the unemployment rate in the principal county in which the municipality is located.
 - (f) "Municipality" shall mean a city, village, incorporated town, or a township that is located in the unincorporated portion of a county with 3 million or more

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1 inhabitants, if the county adopted an ordinance that approved http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/100/SB/10000SB0001enr.htm

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(g) "Initial Sales Tax Amounts" means the amount of taxes paid under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Use Tax Act, Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, the Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act by retailers and servicemen on transactions at places located in a State Sales Tax Boundary during the calendar year 1985.

- (g-1) "Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts" means the amount of taxes paid under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Use Tax Act, Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, the Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act by retailers and servicemen on transactions at places located within the State Sales Tax Boundary revised pursuant to Section 11-74.4-8a(9) of this Act.
- (h) "Municipal Sales Tax Increment" means an amount equal to the increase in the aggregate amount of taxes paid to a municipality from the Local Government Tax Fund arising from sales by retailers and servicemen within the redevelopment project area or State Sales Tax Boundary, as the case may be, for as long as the redevelopment project area or State Sales Tax Boundary, as the case may be, exist over and above the aggregate amount of taxes as certified by the Illinois Department of Revenue and paid under the Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax Act and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act

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- by retailers and servicemen, on transactions at places of
 business located in the redevelopment project area or State
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 which shall be the calendar year immediately prior to the year
- which shall be the calendar year immediately prior to the year in which the municipality adopted tax increment allocation
- financing. For purposes of computing the aggregate amount of
- 7 such taxes for base years occurring prior to 1985, the
- 8 Department of Revenue shall determine the Initial Sales Tax
- 9 Amounts for such taxes and deduct therefrom an amount equal to
- 10 4% of the aggregate amount of taxes per year for each year the
- base year is prior to 1985, but not to exceed a total deduction
- of 12%. The amount so determined shall be known as the
- 13 "Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts". For purposes of

- 14 determining the Municipal Sales Tax Increment, the Department
- of Revenue shall for each period subtract from the amount paid
- to the municipality from the Local Government Tax Fund arising
- from sales by retailers and servicemen on transactions located
- in the redevelopment project area or the State Sales Tax
- Boundary, as the case may be, the certified Initial Sales Tax
- Amounts, the Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised
- 21 Initial Sales Tax Amounts for the Municipal Retailers'
- Occupation Tax Act and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax
- Act. For the State Fiscal Year 1989, this calculation shall be
- made by utilizing the calendar year 1987 to determine the tax
- amounts received. For the State Fiscal Year 1990, this
- 26 calculation shall be made by utilizing the period from January

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- 1, 1988, until September 30, 1988, to determine the tax amounts
- 2 received from retailers and servicemen pursuant to the
- Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and the Municipal Service
- Occupation Tax Act, which shall have deducted therefrom
- ⁵ nine-twelfths of the certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts, the
- 6 Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales
- 7 Tax Amounts as appropriate. For the State Fiscal Year 1991,
- 8 this calculation shall be made by utilizing the period from
- 9 October 1, 1988, to June 30, 1989, to determine the tax amounts
- 10 received from retailers and servicemen pursuant to the
- Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and the Municipal Service
- 12 Occupation Tax Act which shall have deducted therefrom
- 13 nine-twelfths of the certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts,
- Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales
- Tax Amounts as appropriate. For every State Fiscal Year
- thereafter, the applicable period shall be the 12 months
- beginning July 1 and ending June 30 to determine the tax
- amounts received which shall have deducted therefrom the
- certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts, the Adjusted Initial Sales
- Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts, as the
- case may be.
- 22 (i) "Net State Sales Tax Increment" means the sum of the
- following: (a) 80% of the first \$100,000 of State Sales Tax
- Increment annually generated within a State Sales Tax Boundary;
- 25 (b) 60% of the amount in excess of \$100,000 but not exceeding

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1 a State Sales Tax Boundary; and (c) 40% of all amounts in 2 excess of \$500,000 of State Sales Tax Increment annually 3 generated within a State Sales Tax Boundary. If, however, a 4 municipality established a tax increment financing district in 5 a county with a population in excess of 3,000,000 before 6 January 1, 1986, and the municipality entered into a contract 7 or issued bonds after January 1, 1986, but before December 31, 8 1986, to finance redevelopment project costs within a State 9 Sales Tax Boundary, then the Net State Sales Tax Increment 10 means, for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990, and July 1, 11 1991, 100% of the State Sales Tax Increment annually generated 12 within a State Sales Tax Boundary; and notwithstanding any 13 other provision of this Act, for those fiscal years the 14 Department of Revenue shall distribute to those municipalities 15 100% of their Net State Sales Tax Increment before any 16 distribution to any other municipality and regardless of 17 whether or not those other municipalities will receive 100% of 18 their Net State Sales Tax Increment. For Fiscal Year 1999, and 19 every year thereafter until the year 2007, for any municipality 20 that has not entered into a contract or has not issued bonds 21 prior to June 1, 1988 to finance redevelopment project costs 22 within a State Sales Tax Boundary, the Net State Sales Tax 23 Increment shall be calculated as follows: By multiplying the 24 Net State Sales Tax Increment by 90% in the State Fiscal Year 25 1999; 80% in the State Fiscal Year 2000; 70% in the State 26 Fiscal Year 2001; 60% in the State Fiscal Year 2002; 50% in the

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State Fiscal Year 2003; 40% in the State Fiscal Year 2004; 30% in the State Fiscal Year 2005; 20% in the State Fiscal Year

3 2006; and 10% in the State Fiscal Year 2007. No payment shall

be made for State Fiscal Year 2008 and thereafter.

Municipalities that issued bonds in connection with a redevelopment project in a redevelopment project area with

redevelopment project in a redevelopment project area within

⁷ the State Sales Tax Boundary prior to July 29, 1991, or that

- 8 entered into contracts in connection with a redevelopment 9 project in a redevelopment project area before June 1, 1988, 10 shall continue to receive their proportional share of the 11 Illinois Tax Increment Fund distribution until the date on 12 which the redevelopment project is completed or terminated. If, 13 however, a municipality that issued bonds in connection with a 14 redevelopment project in a redevelopment project area within 15 the State Sales Tax Boundary prior to July 29, 1991 retires the 16 bonds prior to June 30, 2007 or a municipality that entered 17 into contracts in connection with a redevelopment project in a 18 redevelopment project area before June 1, 1988 completes the 19 contracts prior to June 30, 2007, then so long as the 20 redevelopment project is not completed or is not terminated, 21 the Net State Sales Tax Increment shall be calculated, 22 beginning on the date on which the bonds are retired or the 23 contracts are completed, as follows: By multiplying the Net 24 State Sales Tax Increment by 60% in the State Fiscal Year 2002; 25 50% in the State Fiscal Year 2003; 40% in the State Fiscal Year 26 2004; 30% in the State Fiscal Year 2005; 20% in the State
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- Fiscal Year 2006; and 10% in the State Fiscal Year 2007. No payment shall be made for State Fiscal Year 2008 and thereafter. Refunding of any bonds issued prior to July 29, 1991, shall not alter the Net State Sales Tax Increment.
- 5 (i) "State Utility Tax Increment Amount" means an amount 6 equal to the aggregate increase in State electric and gas tax 7 charges imposed on owners and tenants, other than residential 8 customers, of properties located within the redevelopment 9 project area under Section 9-222 of the Public Utilities Act, 10 over and above the aggregate of such charges as certified by 11 the Department of Revenue and paid by owners and tenants, other 12 than residential customers, of properties within the 13 redevelopment project area during the base year, which shall be 14 the calendar year immediately prior to the year of the adoption 15 of the ordinance authorizing tax increment allocation 16 financing.
 - (k) "Net State Utility Tax Increment" means the sum of the following: (a) 80% of the first \$100,000 of State Utility Tax Increment annually generated by a redevelopment project area;

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- 20 (b) 60% of the amount in excess of \$100,000 but not exceeding
- 21 \$500,000 of the State Utility Tax Increment annually generated
- 22 by a redevelopment project area; and (c) 40% of all amounts in
- 23 excess of \$500,000 of State Utility Tax Increment annually
- 24 generated by a redevelopment project area. For the State Fiscal
- 25 Year 1999, and every year thereafter until the year 2007, for
- 26 any municipality that has not entered into a contract or has

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- 1 not issued bonds prior to June 1, 1988 to finance redevelopment
- 2 project costs within a redevelopment project area, the Net
- 3 State Utility Tax Increment shall be calculated as follows: By
- 4 multiplying the Net State Utility Tax Increment by 90% in the
- 5 State Fiscal Year 1999; 80% in the State Fiscal Year 2000; 70%
- 6 in the State Fiscal Year 2001; 60% in the State Fiscal Year
- 7 2002; 50% in the State Fiscal Year 2003; 40% in the State
- 8 Fiscal Year 2004; 30% in the State Fiscal Year 2005; 20% in the
- 9 State Fiscal Year 2006; and 10% in the State Fiscal Year 2007.
- 10 No payment shall be made for the State Fiscal Year 2008 and

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Municipalities that issue bonds in connection with the redevelopment project during the period from June 1, 1988 until

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shall receive the Net State Utility Tax Increment, subject to

appropriation, for 15 State Fiscal Years after the issuance of

17 such bonds. For the 16th through the 20th State Fiscal Years

- 18 after issuance of the bonds, the Net State Utility Tax
- 19 Increment shall be calculated as follows: By multiplying the
- 20 Net State Utility Tax Increment by 90% in year 16; 80% in year
- 21 17; 70% in year 18; 60% in year 19; and 50% in year 20.
- 22 Refunding of any bonds issued prior to June 1, 1988, shall not
- 23 alter the revised Net State Utility Tax Increment payments set
- 24 forth above.
- 25 (l) "Obligations" mean bonds, loans, debentures, notes,
- 26 special certificates or other evidence of indebtedness issued

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revenues from real property in a redevelopment project area derived from real property that has been acquired by a municipality which according to the redevelopment project or plan is to be used for a private use which taxing districts would have received had a municipality not acquired the real property and adopted tax increment allocation financing and which would result from levies made after the time of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing to the time the current equalized value of real property in the redevelopment project area exceeds the total initial equalized value of real property in said area.

(m) "Payment in lieu of taxes" means those estimated tax

(n) "Redevelopment plan" means the comprehensive program of the municipality for development or redevelopment intended by the payment of redevelopment project costs to reduce or eliminate those conditions the existence of which qualified the redevelopment project area as a "blighted area" or "conservation area" or combination thereof or "industrial park conservation area," and thereby to enhance the tax bases of the taxing districts which extend into the redevelopment project area, provided that, with respect to redevelopment project areas described in subsections (p-1) and (p-2), "redevelopment plan" means the comprehensive program of the affected municipality for the development of qualifying transit

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facilities. On and after November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), no redevelopment plan may be approved or amended that includes the development of vacant land (i) with a golf course and related clubhouse and other facilities or (ii) designated by federal, State, county, or municipal government as public land for outdoor recreational activities or for nature preserves and used for that purpose within 5 years prior to the adoption of the redevelopment plan. For the purpose of this subsection, "recreational activities" is limited to mean camping and hunting. Each redevelopment plan shall set forth in writing the program to be undertaken to accomplish the objectives and shall include but not be limited to:

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- (B) evidence indicating that the redevelopment project area on the whole has not been subject to growth and development through investment by private enterprise, provided that such evidence shall not be required for any redevelopment project area located within a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3;
- (C) an assessment of any financial impact of the redevelopment project area on or any increased demand for services from any taxing district affected by the plan and any program to address such financial impact or increased demand;

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- (D) the sources of funds to pay costs;
- (E) the nature and term of the obligations to be issued;
- (F) the most recent equalized assessed valuation of the redevelopment project area;
- (G) an estimate as to the equalized assessed valuation after redevelopment and the general land uses to apply in the redevelopment project area;
- (H) a commitment to fair employment practices and an affirmative action plan;
- (I) if it concerns an industrial park conservation area, the plan shall also include a general description of any proposed developer, user and tenant of any property, a description of the type, structure and general character of the facilities to be developed, a description of the type, class and number of new employees to be employed in the operation of the facilities to be developed; and
- (J) if property is to be annexed to the municipality, the plan shall include the terms of the annexation agreement.

The provisions of items (B) and (C) of this subsection (n) shall not apply to a municipality that before March 14, 1994 (the effective date of Public Act 88-537) had fixed, either by its corporate authorities or by a commission designated under

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11-74.4-5. No redevelopment plan shall be adopted unless a municipality complies with all of the following requirements:

- (1) The municipality finds that the redevelopment project area on the whole has not been subject to growth and development through investment by private enterprise and would not reasonably be anticipated to be developed without the adoption of the redevelopment plan, provided, however, that such a finding shall not be required with respect to any redevelopment project area located within a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3.
 - (2) The municipality finds that the redevelopment plan and project conform to the comprehensive plan for the development of the municipality as a whole, or, for municipalities with a population of 100,000 or more, regardless of when the redevelopment plan and project was adopted, the redevelopment plan and project either: (i) conforms to the strategic economic development or redevelopment plan issued by the designated planning authority of the municipality, or (ii) includes land uses that have been approved by the planning commission of the municipality.
 - (3) The redevelopment plan establishes the estimated dates of completion of the redevelopment project and retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs. Those dates may not be later than the dates

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1 set forth under Section 11-74.4-3.5.

A municipality may by municipal ordinance amend an existing redevelopment plan to conform to this paragraph (3) as amended by Public Act 91-478, which municipal

5 ordinance may be adopted without further hearing or notice

7 8 9 and without complying with the procedures provided in this Act pertaining to an amendment to or the initial approval of a redevelopment plan and project and designation of a redevelopment project area.

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- (3.5) The municipality finds, in the case of an industrial park conservation area, also that the municipality is a labor surplus municipality and that the implementation of the redevelopment plan will reduce unemployment, create new jobs and by the provision of new facilities enhance the tax base of the taxing districts that extend into the redevelopment project area.
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- (4) If any incremental revenues are being utilized under Section 8(a)(1) or 8(a)(2) of this Act in redevelopment project areas approved by ordinance after January 1, 1986, the municipality finds: (a) that the redevelopment project area would not reasonably be developed without the use of such incremental revenues, and (b) that such incremental revenues will be exclusively utilized for the development of the redevelopment project area.
 - (5) If: (a) the redevelopment plan will not result in

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1 displacement of residents from 10 or more inhabited 2 residential units, and the municipality certifies in the 3 plan that such displacement will not result from the plan; 4 or (b) the redevelopment plan is for a redevelopment 5 project area located within a transit facility improvement 6 area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3, and the 7 applicable project is subject to the process for evaluation 8 of environmental effects under the National Environmental 9 Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seg., then a 10 housing impact study need not be performed. If, however, 11 the redevelopment plan would result in the displacement of 12 residents from 10 or more inhabited residential units, or 13 if the redevelopment project area contains 75 or more 14 inhabited residential units and no certification is made, 15 then the municipality shall prepare, as part of the

separate feasibility report required by subsection (a) of Section 11-74.4-5, a housing impact study.

Part I of the housing impact study shall include (i) data as to whether the residential units are single family or multi-family units, (ii) the number and type of rooms within the units, if that information is available, (iii) whether the units are inhabited or uninhabited, as determined not less than 45 days before the date that the ordinance or resolution required by subsection (a) of Section 11-74.4-5 is passed, and (iv) data as to the racial and ethnic composition of the residents in the inhabited

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residential units. The data requirement as to the racial and ethnic composition of the residents in the inhabited residential units shall be deemed to be fully satisfied by data from the most recent federal census.

Part II of the housing impact study shall identify the inhabited residential units in the proposed redevelopment project area that are to be or may be removed. If inhabited residential units are to be removed, then the housing impact study shall identify (i) the number and location of those units that will or may be removed, (ii) the municipality's plans for relocation assistance for those residents in the proposed redevelopment project area whose residences are to be removed, (iii) the availability of replacement housing for those residents whose residences are to be removed, and shall identify the type, location, and cost of the housing, and (iv) the type and extent of relocation assistance to be provided.

- (6) On and after November 1, 1999, the housing impact study required by paragraph (5) shall be incorporated in the redevelopment plan for the redevelopment project area.
- (7) On and after November 1, 1999, no redevelopment plan shall be adopted, nor an existing plan amended, nor shall residential housing that is occupied by households of low-income and very low-income persons in currently existing redevelopment project areas be removed after November 1, 1999 unless the redevelopment plan provides,

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with respect to inhabited housing units that are to be removed for households of low-income and very low-income persons, affordable housing and relocation assistance not less than that which would be provided under the federal Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 and the regulations under that Act, including the eligibility criteria. Affordable housing may be either existing or newly constructed housing. For purposes of this paragraph (7), "low-income households", "very low-income households", and "affordable housing" have the meanings set forth in the Illinois Affordable Housing Act. The municipality shall make a good faith effort to ensure that this affordable housing is located in or near the redevelopment project area within the municipality.

- (8) On and after November 1, 1999, if, after the adoption of the redevelopment plan for the redevelopment project area, any municipality desires to amend its redevelopment plan to remove more inhabited residential units than specified in its original redevelopment plan, that change shall be made in accordance with the procedures in subsection (c) of Section 11-74.4-5.
- (9) For redevelopment project areas designated prior to November 1, 1999, the redevelopment plan may be amended without further joint review board meeting or hearing, provided that the municipality shall give notice of any

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such changes by mail to each affected taxing district and registrant on the interested party registry, to authorize the municipality to expend tax increment revenues for redevelopment project costs defined by paragraphs (5) and (7.5), subparagraphs (E) and (F) of paragraph (11), and paragraph (11.5) of subsection (q) of Section 11-74.4-3, so

long as the changes do not increase the total estimated redevelopment project costs set out in the redevelopment plan by more than 5% after adjustment for inflation from the date the plan was adopted.

- (o) "Redevelopment project" means any public and private development project in furtherance of the objectives of a redevelopment plan. On and after November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), no redevelopment plan may be approved or amended that includes the development of vacant land (i) with a golf course and related clubhouse and other facilities or (ii) designated by federal, State, county, or municipal government as public land for outdoor recreational activities or for nature preserves and used for that purpose within 5 years prior to the adoption of the redevelopment plan. For the purpose of this subsection, "recreational activities" is limited to mean camping and hunting.
- (p) "Redevelopment project area" means an area designated by the municipality, which is not less in the aggregate than 1 1/2 acres and in respect to which the municipality has made a finding that there exist conditions which cause the area to be

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classified as an industrial park conservation area or a blighted area or a conservation area, or a combination of both blighted areas and conservation areas.

- (p-1) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the contrary, on and after August 25, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-680), a redevelopment project area may include areas within a one-half mile radius of an existing or proposed Regional Transportation Authority Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR Line) station without a finding that the area is classified as an industrial park conservation area, a blighted area, a conservation area, or a combination thereof, but only if the municipality receives unanimous consent from the joint review board created to review the proposed redevelopment project area.
- (p-2) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the contrary, on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly, a redevelopment project area may include areas within a transit facility improvement area

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- that has been established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3 without a finding that the area is classified as an industrial park conservation area, a blighted area, a conservation area, or any combination thereof.
- (q) "Redevelopment project costs", except for redevelopment project areas created pursuant to <u>subsection</u> <u>subsections</u> (p-1) or (p-2), means and includes the sum total of all reasonable or necessary costs incurred or estimated to be

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incurred, and any such costs incidental to a redevelopment plan and a redevelopment project. Such costs include, without limitation, the following:

(1) Costs of studies, surveys, development of plans, and specifications, implementation and administration of the redevelopment plan including but not limited to staff and professional service costs for architectural, engineering, legal, financial, planning or other services, provided however that no charges for professional services may be based on a percentage of the tax increment collected; except that on and after November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), no contracts for professional services, excluding architectural and engineering services, may be entered into if the terms of the contract extend beyond a period of 3 years. In addition, "redevelopment project costs" shall not include lobbying expenses. After consultation with the municipality, each tax increment consultant or advisor to a municipality that plans to designate or has designated a redevelopment project area shall inform the municipality in writing of any contracts that the consultant or advisor has entered into with entities or individuals that have received, or are receiving, payments financed by tax increment revenues produced by the redevelopment project area with respect to which the consultant or advisor has performed, or will be performing, service for the

municipality. This requirement shall be satisfied by the consultant or advisor before the commencement of services for the municipality and thereafter whenever any other contracts with those individuals or entities are executed by the consultant or advisor;

- (1.5) After July 1, 1999, annual administrative costs shall not include general overhead or administrative costs of the municipality that would still have been incurred by the municipality if the municipality had not designated a redevelopment project area or approved a redevelopment plan;
- (1.6) The cost of marketing sites within the redevelopment project area to prospective businesses, developers, and investors;
- (2) Property assembly costs, including but not limited to acquisition of land and other property, real or personal, or rights or interests therein, demolition of buildings, site preparation, site improvements that serve as an engineered barrier addressing ground level or below ground environmental contamination, including, but not limited to parking lots and other concrete or asphalt barriers, and the clearing and grading of land;
- (3) Costs of rehabilitation, reconstruction or repair or remodeling of existing public or private buildings, fixtures, and leasehold improvements; and the cost of replacing an existing public building if pursuant to the

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implementation of a redevelopment project the existing public building is to be demolished to use the site for private investment or devoted to a different use requiring private investment; including any direct or indirect costs relating to Green Globes or LEED certified construction elements or construction elements with an equivalent certification;

(4) Costs of the construction of public works or improvements, including any direct or indirect costs relating to Green Globes or LEED certified construction 11 elements or construction elements with an equivalent 12 certification, except that on and after November 1, 1999, 13 redevelopment project costs shall not include the cost of 14 constructing a new municipal public building principally 15 used to provide offices, storage space, or conference 16 facilities or vehicle storage, maintenance, or repair for 17 administrative, public safety, or public works personnel 18 and that is not intended to replace an existing public 19 building as provided under paragraph (3) of subsection (g) 20 of Section 11-74.4-3 unless either (i) the construction of 21 the new municipal building implements a redevelopment 22 project that was included in a redevelopment plan that was 23 adopted by the municipality prior to November 1, 1999, (ii) 24 the municipality makes a reasonable determination in the 25 redevelopment plan, supported by information that provides 26 the basis for that determination, that the new municipal

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building is required to meet an increase in the need for public safety purposes anticipated to result from the implementation of the redevelopment plan, or (iii) the new municipal public building is for the storage, maintenance, or repair of transit vehicles and is located in a transit facility improvement area that has been established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3;

- (5) Costs of job training and retraining projects, including the cost of "welfare to work" programs implemented by businesses located within the redevelopment project area;
- (6) Financing costs, including but not limited to all necessary and incidental expenses related to the issuance of obligations and which may include payment of interest on any obligations issued hereunder including interest accruing during the estimated period of construction of any redevelopment project for which such obligations are issued and for not exceeding 36 months thereafter and including reasonable reserves related thereto;
 - (7) To the extent the municipality by written agreement

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accepts and approves the same, all or a portion of a taxing				
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redevelopment plan and project; -				

(7.5) For redevelopment project areas designated (or

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redevelopment project areas amended to add or increase the number of tax-increment-financing assisted housing units) on or after November 1, 1999, an elementary, secondary, or unit school district's increased costs attributable to assisted housing units located within the redevelopment project area for which the developer or redeveloper receives financial assistance through an agreement with the municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the assisted housing sites necessary for the completion of that housing as authorized by this Act, and which costs shall be paid by the municipality from the Special Tax Allocation Fund when the tax increment revenue is received as a result of the assisted housing units and shall be calculated annually as follows:

(A) for foundation districts, excluding any school district in a municipality with a population in excess of 1,000,000, by multiplying the district's increase in attendance resulting from the net increase in new students enrolled in that school district who reside in housing units within the redevelopment project area that have received financial assistance through an agreement with the municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the housing sites necessary for the completion of that

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housing as authorized by this Act since the designation of the redevelopment project area by the most recently available per capita tuition cost as defined in Section 10-20.12a of the School Code less any increase in general State aid as defined in Section 18-8.05 of the School Code or evidence-based funding as defined in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code attributable to these added new students subject to the following annual limitations:

- (i) for unit school districts with a district average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge of less than \$5,900, no more than 25% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have received tax increment finance assistance under this Act;
- (ii) for elementary school districts with a district average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge of less than \$5,900, no more than 17% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have received tax increment finance assistance under this Act; and
- (iii) for secondary school districts with a district average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge of less than \$5,900, no more than 8% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have received tax

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increment finance assistance under this Act.

(B) For alternate method districts, flat gra

(B) For alternate method districts, flat grant districts, and foundation districts with a district average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge equal to or more than \$5,900, excluding any school district with a population in excess of 1,000,000, by multiplying the district's increase in attendance resulting from the net increase in new students enrolled in that school district who reside in housing units within the redevelopment project area that have received financial assistance through an agreement with the

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municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the housing sites necessary for the completion of that housing as authorized by this Act since the designation of the redevelopment project area by the most recently available per capita tuition cost as defined in Section 10-20.12a of the School Code less any increase in general state aid as defined in Section 18-8.05 of the School Code or evidence-based funding as defined in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code attributable to these added new students subject to the following annual limitations:

(i) for unit school districts, no more than 40% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have

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1 received tax increment finance assistance under 2 this Act; 3 (ii) for elementary school districts, no more 4 than 27% of the total amount of property tax 5 increment revenue produced by those housing units 6 that have received tax increment finance 7 assistance under this Act; and 8 (iii) for secondary school districts, no more 9 than 13% of the total amount of property tax 10 increment revenue produced by those housing units 11 that have received tax increment finance 12 assistance under this Act. 13 (C) For any school district in a municipality with 14 a population in excess of 1,000,000, the following 15 restrictions shall apply to the reimbursement of 16 increased costs under this paragraph (7.5): 17 (i) no increased costs shall be reimbursed 18 unless the school district certifies that each of 19 the schools affected by the assisted housing 20 project is at or over its student capacity;

(ii) the amount reimbursable shall be reduced

by the value of any land donated to the school

23 district by the municipality or developer, and by 24 the value of any physical improvements made to the 25 schools by the municipality or developer; and 26 (iii) the amount reimbursed may not affect

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1 amounts otherwise obligated by the terms of any 2 bonds, notes, or other funding instruments, or the 3 terms of any redevelopment agreement. 4 Any school district seeking payment under this 5 paragraph (7.5) shall, after July 1 and before 6 September 30 of each year, provide the municipality 7 with reasonable evidence to support its claim for 8 reimbursement before the municipality shall be 9 required to approve or make the payment to the school 10 district. If the school district fails to provide the 11 information during this period in any year, it shall 12 forfeit any claim to reimbursement for that year. 13 School districts may adopt a resolution waiving the 14 right to all or a portion of the reimbursement 15 otherwise required by this paragraph (7.5). By 16 acceptance of this reimbursement the school district 17 waives the right to directly or indirectly set aside, 18 modify, or contest in any manner the establishment of 19 the redevelopment project area or projects; 20 (7.7) For redevelopment project areas designated (or 21 redevelopment project areas amended to add or increase the 22 number of tax-increment-financing assisted housing units) 23 on or after January 1, 2005 (the effective date of Public 24 Act 93-961), a public library district's increased costs

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attributable to assisted housing units located within the

redevelopment project area for which the developer or

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3 municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure 4 improvements within the boundaries of the assisted housing 5 sites necessary for the completion of that housing as 6 authorized by this Act shall be paid to the library 7 district by the municipality from the Special Tax 8 Allocation Fund when the tax increment revenue is received 9 as a result of the assisted housing units. This paragraph 10 (7.7) applies only if (i) the library district is located 11 in a county that is subject to the Property Tax Extension 12 Limitation Law or (ii) the library district is not located 13 in a county that is subject to the Property Tax Extension 14 Limitation Law but the district is prohibited by any other 15 law from increasing its tax levy rate without a prior voter 16 referendum.

The amount paid to a library district under this paragraph (7.7) shall be calculated by multiplying (i) the net increase in the number of persons eligible to obtain a library card in that district who reside in housing units within the redevelopment project area that have received financial assistance through an agreement with the municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the housing sites necessary for the completion of that housing as authorized by this Act since

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1 the designation of the redevelopment project area by (ii) 2 the per-patron cost of providing library services so long 3 as it does not exceed \$120. The per-patron cost shall be 4 the Total Operating Expenditures Per Capita for the library 5 in the previous fiscal year. The municipality may deduct 6 from the amount that it must pay to a library district 7 under this paragraph any amount that it has voluntarily 8 paid to the library district from the tax increment 9 revenue. The amount paid to a library district under this 10 paragraph (7.7) shall be no more than 2% of the amount 11 produced by the assisted housing units and deposited into 12 the Special Tax Allocation Fund.

A library district is not eligible for any payment

under this paragraph (7.7) unless the library district has
experienced an increase in the number of patrons from the
municipality that created the tax-increment-financing
district since the designation of the redevelopment
project area.

Any library district seeking payment under this paragraph (7.7) shall, after July 1 and before September 30 of each year, provide the municipality with convincing evidence to support its claim for reimbursement before the municipality shall be required to approve or make the payment to the library district. If the library district fails to provide the information during this period in any year, it shall forfeit any claim to reimbursement for that

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year. Library districts may adopt a resolution waiving the right to all or a portion of the reimbursement otherwise required by this paragraph (7.7). By acceptance of such reimbursement, the library district shall forfeit any right to directly or indirectly set aside, modify, or contest in any manner whatsoever the establishment of the redevelopment project area or projects;

- (8) Relocation costs to the extent that a municipality determines that relocation costs shall be paid or is required to make payment of relocation costs by federal or State law or in order to satisfy subparagraph (7) of subsection (n);
 - (9) Payment in lieu of taxes;
- (10) Costs of job training, retraining, advanced vocational education or career education, including but not limited to courses in occupational, semi-technical or technical fields leading directly to employment, incurred by one or more taxing districts, provided that such costs (i) are related to the establishment and maintenance of additional job training, advanced vocational education or career education programs for persons employed or to be employed by employers located in a redevelopment project area; and (ii) when incurred by a taxing district or taxing

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districts other than the municipality, are set forth in a written agreement by or among the municipality and the taxing district or taxing districts, which agreement

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describes the program to be undertaken, including but not				
limited to the number of employees to be trained, a				
description of the training and services to be provided,				
the number and type of positions available or to be				
available, itemized costs of the program and sources of				
funds to pay for the same, and the term of the agreement.				
Such costs include, specifically, the payment by community				
college districts of costs pursuant to Sections 3-37, 3-38,				
3-40 and 3-40.1 of the Public Community College Act and by				
school districts of costs pursuant to Sections 10-22.20a				
and 10-23.3a of <u>the</u> T he School Code;				

- (11) Interest cost incurred by a redeveloper related to the construction, renovation or rehabilitation of a redevelopment project provided that:
 - (A) such costs are to be paid directly from the special tax allocation fund established pursuant to this Act;
 - (B) such payments in any one year may not exceed 30% of the annual interest costs incurred by the redeveloper with regard to the redevelopment project during that year;
 - (C) if there are not sufficient funds available in the special tax allocation fund to make the payment pursuant to this paragraph (11) then the amounts so due shall accrue and be payable when sufficient funds are available in the special tax allocation fund;

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1	(D) the total of such interest payments paid
2	pursuant to this Act may not exceed 30% of the total
3	(i) cost paid or incurred by the redeveloper for the
4	redevelopment project plus (ii) redevelopment project

costs excluding any property assembly costs and any relocation costs incurred by a municipality pursuant to this Act; and

(E) the cost limits set forth in subparagraphs (F)

- (E) the cost limits set forth in subparagraphs (B) and (D) of paragraph (11) shall be modified for the financing of rehabilitated or new housing units for low-income households and very low-income households, as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act. The percentage of 75% shall be substituted for 30% in subparagraphs (B) and (D) of paragraph (11); and -
- (F) <u>instead</u> Instead of the eligible costs provided by subparagraphs (B) and (D) of paragraph (11), as modified by this subparagraph, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act to the contrary, the municipality may pay from tax increment revenues up to 50% of the cost of construction of new housing units to be occupied by low-income households and very low-income households as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act. The cost of construction of those units may be derived from the proceeds of bonds issued by the municipality under this

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Act or other constitutional or statutory authority or from other sources of municipal revenue that may be reimbursed from tax increment revenues or the proceeds of bonds issued to finance the construction of that housing.

The eligible costs provided under this subparagraph (F) of paragraph (11) shall be an eligible cost for the construction, renovation, and rehabilitation of all low and very low-income housing units, as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act, within the redevelopment project area. If the low and very low-income units are part of a residential redevelopment project that includes units not affordable to low and very

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15	low-income households, only the low and very
16	low-income units shall be eligible for benefits under
17	this subparagraph (F) of paragraph (11). The standards
18	for maintaining the occupancy by low-income households
19	and very low-income households, as defined in Section 3
20	of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act, of those units
21	constructed with eligible costs made available under
22	the provisions of this subparagraph (F) of paragraph
23	(11) shall be established by guidelines adopted by the
24	municipality. The responsibility for annually
25	documenting the initial occupancy of the units by
26	low-income households and very low-income households.

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low-income households and very low-income households,

as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act, shall be that of the then current owner of the property. For ownership units, the guidelines will provide, at a minimum, for a reasonable recapture of funds, or other appropriate methods designed to preserve the original affordability of the ownership units. For rental units, the guidelines will provide, at a minimum, for the affordability of rent to low and very low-income households. As units become available, they shall be rented to income-eligible tenants. The municipality may modify these guidelines from time to time; the guidelines, however, shall be in effect for as long as tax increment revenue is being used to pay for costs associated with the units or for the retirement of bonds issued to finance the units or for the life of the redevelopment project area, whichever is later; -

(11.5) If the redevelopment project area is located within a municipality with a population of more than 100,000, the cost of day care services for children of employees from low-income families working for businesses located within the redevelopment project area and all or a portion of the cost of operation of day care centers established by redevelopment project area businesses to serve employees from low-income families working in

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businesses located in the redevelopment project area. For

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the purposes of this paragraph, "low-income families" means families whose annual income does not exceed 80% of the municipal, county, or regional median income, adjusted for family size, as the annual income and municipal, county, or regional median income are determined from time to time by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(12) Unless explicitly stated herein the cost of construction of new privately-owned buildings shall not be an eligible redevelopment project cost.

(13) After November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), none of the redevelopment project costs enumerated in this subsection shall be eligible redevelopment project costs if those costs would provide direct financial support to a retail entity initiating operations in the redevelopment project area while terminating operations at another Illinois location within 10 miles of the redevelopment project area but outside the boundaries of the redevelopment project area municipality. For purposes of this paragraph, termination means a closing of a retail operation that is directly related to the opening of the same operation or like retail entity owned or operated by more than 50% of the original ownership in a redevelopment project area, but it does not mean closing an operation for reasons beyond the control of the retail entity, as documented by the retail entity, subject to a reasonable finding by the municipality that the current location contained

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inadequate space, had become economically obsolete, or was no longer a viable location for the retailer or serviceman.

3 (14) No cost shall be a redevelopment project cost in a 4 redevelopment project area if used to demolish, remove, or 5 substantially modify a historic resource, after August 26, 2008

6 (the effective date of Public Act 95-934), unless no prudent

and feasible alternative exists. "Historic resource" for the purpose of this <u>paragraph</u> <u>item (14)</u> means (i) a place or structure that is included or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places or (ii) a contributing structure in a district on the National Register of Historic Places. This <u>paragraph</u> <u>item (14)</u> does not apply to a place or structure for which demolition, removal, or modification is subject to review by the preservation agency of a Certified Local Government designated as such by the National Park Service of the United States Department of the Interior.

If a special service area has been established pursuant to the Special Service Area Tax Act or Special Service Area Tax Law, then any tax increment revenues derived from the tax imposed pursuant to the Special Service Area Tax Act or Special Service Area Tax Law may be used within the redevelopment project area for the purposes permitted by that Act or Law as well as the purposes permitted by this Act.

(q-1) For redevelopment project areas created pursuant to subsection (p-1), redevelopment project costs are limited to those costs in paragraph (q) that are related to the existing

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or proposed Regional Transportation Authority Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR Line) station.

- (q-2) For a redevelopment project area located within a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3, redevelopment project costs means those costs described in subsection (q) that are related to the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, remodeling, or repair of any existing or proposed transit facility.
- (r) "State Sales Tax Boundary" means the redevelopment project area or the amended redevelopment project area boundaries which are determined pursuant to subsection (9) of Section 11-74.4-8a of this Act. The Department of Revenue shall certify pursuant to subsection (9) of Section 11-74.4-8a the appropriate boundaries eligible for the determination of State Sales Tax Increment.
- (s) "State Sales Tax Increment" means an amount equal to the increase in the aggregate amount of taxes paid by retailers and servicemen, other than retailers and servicemen subject to

- 19 the Public Utilities Act, on transactions at places of business
- located within a State Sales Tax Boundary pursuant to the
- 21 Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the Use Tax Act, the Service Use
- Tax Act, and the Service Occupation Tax Act, except such
- portion of such increase that is paid into the State and Local
- Sales Tax Reform Fund, the Local Government Distributive Fund,
- the Local Government Tax Fund and the County and Mass Transit
- District Fund, for as long as State participation exists, over

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- and above the Initial Sales Tax Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales
- 2 Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts for such
- 3 taxes as certified by the Department of Revenue and paid under
- 4 those Acts by retailers and servicemen on transactions at
- 5 places of business located within the State Sales Tax Boundary
- 6 during the base year which shall be the calendar year
- 7 immediately prior to the year in which the municipality adopted
- 8 tax increment allocation financing, less 3.0% of such amounts
- 9 generated under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Use Tax Act
- and Service Use Tax Act and the Service Occupation Tax Act,
- which sum shall be appropriated to the Department of Revenue to
- cover its costs of administering and enforcing this Section.
- For purposes of computing the aggregate amount of such taxes
- for base years occurring prior to 1985, the Department of
- Revenue shall compute the Initial Sales Tax Amount for such
- taxes and deduct therefrom an amount equal to 4% of the
- aggregate amount of taxes per year for each year the base year
- is prior to 1985, but not to exceed a total deduction of 12%.
- The amount so determined shall be known as the "Adjusted"
- 20 Initial Sales Tax Amount". For purposes of determining the
- 21 State Sales Tax Increment the Department of Revenue shall for
- 22 each period subtract from the tax amounts received from
- retailers and servicemen on transactions located in the State
- Sales Tax Boundary, the certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts,
- 25 Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or Revised Initial Sales Tax
- Amounts for the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the Use Tax Act,

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- the Service Use Tax Act and the Service Occupation Tax Act. For
- the State Fiscal Year 1989 this calculation shall be made by
- 3 utilizing the calendar year 1987 to determine the tax amounts
- 4 received. For the State Fiscal Year 1990, this calculation
- 5 shall be made by utilizing the period from January 1, 1988,
- 6 until September 30, 1988, to determine the tax amounts received
- 7 from retailers and servicemen, which shall have deducted
- 8 therefrom nine-twelfths of the certified Initial Sales Tax
- 9 Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised
- 10 Initial Sales Tax Amounts as appropriate. For the State Fiscal
- 11 Year 1991, this calculation shall be made by utilizing the
- period from October 1, 1988, until June 30, 1989, to determine
- the tax amounts received from retailers and servicemen, which
- shall have deducted therefrom nine-twelfths of the certified
- 15 Initial State Sales Tax Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales Tax
- Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts as
- appropriate. For every State Fiscal Year thereafter, the
- applicable period shall be the 12 months beginning July 1 and
- ending on June 30, to determine the tax amounts received which
- 20 shall have deducted therefrom the certified Initial Sales Tax
- 21 Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised
- 22 Initial Sales Tax Amounts. Municipalities intending to receive
- 23 a distribution of State Sales Tax Increment must report a list
- of retailers to the Department of Revenue by October 31, 1988
- and by July 31, of each year thereafter.
 - (t) "Taxing districts" means counties, townships, cities

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- and incorporated towns and villages, school, road, park,
- sanitary, mosquito abatement, forest preserve, public health,
- fire protection, river conservancy, tuberculosis sanitarium
- 4 and any other municipal corporations or districts with the
- 5 power to levy taxes.
 - (u) "Taxing districts' capital costs" means those costs of taxing districts for capital improvements that are found by the municipal corporate authorities to be necessary and directly result from the redevelopment project.
- 10 (v) As used in subsection (a) of Section 11-74.4-3 of this
 11 Act, "vacant land" means any parcel or combination of parcels
- of real property without industrial, commercial, and

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13 residential buildings which has not been used for commercial 14 agricultural purposes within 5 years prior to the designation 15 of the redevelopment project area, unless the parcel is 16 included in an industrial park conservation area or the parcel 17 has been subdivided; provided that if the parcel was part of a 18 larger tract that has been divided into 3 or more smaller 19 tracts that were accepted for recording during the period from 20 1950 to 1990, then the parcel shall be deemed to have been 21 subdivided, and all proceedings and actions of the municipality 22 taken in that connection with respect to any previously 23 approved or designated redevelopment project area or amended 24 redevelopment project area are hereby validated and hereby 25 declared to be legally sufficient for all purposes of this Act.

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For purposes of this Section and only for land subject to the

subdivision requirements of the Plat Act, land is subdivided when the original plat of the proposed Redevelopment Project Area or relevant portion thereof has been properly certified, acknowledged, approved, and recorded or filed in accordance with the Plat Act and a preliminary plat, if any, for any subsequent phases of the proposed Redevelopment Project Area or relevant portion thereof has been properly approved and filed in accordance with the applicable ordinance of the municipality.

- (w) "Annual Total Increment" means the sum of each municipality's annual Net Sales Tax Increment and each municipality's annual Net Utility Tax Increment. The ratio of the Annual Total Increment of each municipality to the Annual Total Increment for all municipalities, as most recently calculated by the Department, shall determine the proportional shares of the Illinois Tax Increment Fund to be distributed to each municipality.
- (x) "LEED certified" means any certification level of construction elements by a qualified Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional as determined by the U.S. Green Building Council.
- (y) "Green Globes certified" means any certification level of construction elements by a qualified Green Globes Professional as determined by the Green Building Initiative.

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1 (65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-8) (from Ch. 24, par. 11-74.4-8) 2 Sec. 11-74.4-8. Tax increment allocation financing. A 3 municipality may not adopt tax increment financing in a 4 redevelopment project area after the effective date of this 5 amendatory Act of 1997 that will encompass an area that is 6 currently included in an enterprise zone created under the 7 Illinois Enterprise Zone Act unless that municipality, 8 pursuant to Section 5.4 of the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, 9 amends the enterprise zone designating ordinance to limit the 10 eligibility for tax abatements as provided in Section 5.4.1 of 11 the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. A municipality, at the time a 12 redevelopment project area is designated, may adopt tax 13 increment allocation financing by passing an ordinance 14 providing that the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the 15 levies upon taxable real property in such redevelopment project 16 area by taxing districts and tax rates determined in the manner 17 provided in paragraph (c) of Section 11-74.4-9 each year after 18 the effective date of the ordinance until redevelopment project 19 costs and all municipal obligations financing redevelopment 20 project costs incurred under this Division have been paid shall 21 be divided as follows, provided, however, that with respect to 22 any redevelopment project area located within a transit 23 facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 24 11-74.4-3.3 in a municipality with a population of 1,000,000 or 25 more, ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon 26 taxable real property in such redevelopment project area shall

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be allocated as specifically provided in this Section:

(a) That portion of taxes levied upon each taxable lot,
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 attributable to the lower of the current equalized assessed

value or the initial equalized assessed value of each such

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redevelopment project area shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to the respective affected taxing districts in the manner required by law in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

(b) Except from a tax levied by a township to retire bonds issued to satisfy court-ordered damages, that portion, if any, of such taxes which is attributable to the increase in the current equalized assessed valuation of each taxable lot, block, tract or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property in the project area shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid to the municipal treasurer who shall deposit said taxes into a special fund called the special tax allocation fund of the municipality for the purpose of paying redevelopment project costs and obligations incurred in the payment thereof. In any county with a population of 3,000,000 or more that has adopted a procedure for collecting taxes that provides for one or more of the

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installments of the taxes to be billed and collected on an estimated basis, the municipal treasurer shall be paid for deposit in the special tax allocation fund of the municipality, from the taxes collected from estimated bills issued for property in the redevelopment project area, the difference between the amount actually collected from each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property within the redevelopment project area and an amount determined by multiplying the rate at which taxes were last extended against the taxable lot, block, track, or parcel of real property in the manner provided in subsection (c) of Section 11-74.4-9 by the initial equalized assessed value of the property divided by the number of installments in which real estate taxes are billed and collected within the county; provided that the payments on or before December 31, 1999 to a municipal treasurer shall be made only if each of the following

conditions are met:

- (1) The total equalized assessed value of the redevelopment project area as last determined was not less than 175% of the total initial equalized assessed value.
- (2) Not more than 50% of the total equalized assessed value of the redevelopment project area as last determined is attributable to a piece of property assigned a single real estate index number.

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- (3) The municipal clerk has certified to the county clerk that the municipality has issued its obligations to which there has been pledged the incremental property taxes of the redevelopment project area or taxes levied and collected on any or all property in the municipality or the full faith and credit of the municipality to pay or secure payment for all or a portion of the redevelopment project costs. The certification shall be filed annually no later than September 1 for the estimated taxes to be distributed in the following year; however, for the year 1992 the certification shall be made at any time on or before March 31, 1992.
- (4) The municipality has not requested that the total initial equalized assessed value of real property be adjusted as provided in subsection (b) of Section 11-74.4-9.

The conditions of paragraphs (1) through (4) do not apply after December 31, 1999 to payments to a municipal treasurer made by a county with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants that has adopted an estimated billing procedure for collecting taxes. If a county that has adopted the estimated billing procedure makes an erroneous overpayment of tax revenue to the municipal treasurer, then the county may seek a refund of that overpayment. The county shall send the municipal treasurer a notice of

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liability for the overpayment on or before the mailing date of the next real estate tax bill within the county. The refund shall be limited to the amount of the overpayment.

It is the intent of this Division that after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1988 a municipality's own ad valorem tax arising from levies on taxable real property be included in the determination of incremental revenue in the manner provided in paragraph (c) of Section 11-74.4-9. If the municipality does not extend such a tax, it shall annually deposit in the municipality's Special Tax Increment Fund an amount equal to 10% of the total contributions to the fund from all other taxing districts in that year. The annual 10% deposit required by this paragraph shall be limited to the actual amount of municipally produced incremental tax revenues available to the municipality from taxpayers located in the redevelopment project area in that year if: (a) the plan for the area restricts the use of the property primarily to industrial purposes, (b) the municipality establishing the redevelopment project area is a home-rule community with a 1990 population of between 25,000 and 50,000, (c) the municipality is wholly located within a county with a 1990 population of over 750,000 and (d) the redevelopment project area was established by the municipality prior to June 1, 1990. This payment shall be in lieu of a contribution of ad valorem taxes on real property. If no

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such payment is made, any redevelopment project area of the municipality shall be dissolved.

If a municipality has adopted tax increment allocation financing by ordinance and the County Clerk thereafter certifies the "total initial equalized assessed value as adjusted" of the taxable real property within such redevelopment project area in the manner provided in

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paragraph (b) of Section 11-74.4-9, each year after the date of the certification of the total initial equalized assessed value as adjusted until redevelopment project costs and all municipal obligations financing redevelopment project costs have been paid the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon the taxable real property in such redevelopment project area by taxing districts and tax rates determined in the manner provided in paragraph (c) of Section 11-74.4-9 shall be divided as follows, provided, however, that with respect to any redevelopment project area located within a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3 in a municipality with a population of 1,000,000 or more, ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon the taxable real property in such redevelopment project area shall be allocated as specifically provided in this Section: (1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable

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1 attributable to the lower of the current equalized 2 assessed value or "current equalized assessed value as 3 adjusted" or the initial equalized assessed value of 4 each such taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real 5 property existing at the time tax increment financing 6 was adopted, minus the total current homestead 7 exemptions under Article 15 of the Property Tax Code in 8 the redevelopment project area shall be allocated to 9 and when collected shall be paid by the county 10 collector to the respective affected taxing districts 11 in the manner required by law in the absence of the 12 adoption of tax increment allocation financing. 13 (2) That portion, if any, of such taxes which is 14 attributable to the increase in the current equalized 15 assessed valuation of each taxable lot, block, tract, 16 or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project 17 area, over and above the initial equalized assessed 18 value of each property existing at the time tax

increment financing was adopted, minus the total current homestead exemptions pertaining to each piece of property provided by Article 15 of the Property Tax Code in the redevelopment project area, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid to the municipal Treasurer, who shall deposit said taxes into a special fund called the special tax allocation fund of the municipality for the purpose of paying

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redevelopment project costs and obligations incurred in the payment thereof.

The municipality may pledge in the ordinance the funds in and to be deposited in the special tax allocation fund for the payment of such costs and obligations. No part of the current equalized assessed valuation of each property in the redevelopment project area attributable to any increase above the total initial equalized assessed value, or the total initial equalized assessed value as adjusted, of such properties shall be used in calculating the general State school aid formula, provided for in Section 18-8 of the School Code, or the evidence-based funding formula, provided for in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code, until such time as all redevelopment project costs have been paid as provided for in this Section.

Whenever a municipality issues bonds for the purpose of financing redevelopment project costs, such municipality may provide by ordinance for the appointment of a trustee, which may be any trust company within the State, and for the establishment of such funds or accounts to be maintained by such trustee as the municipality shall deem necessary to provide for the security and payment of the bonds. If such municipality provides for the appointment of a trustee, such trustee shall be considered the assignee of any payments assigned by the municipality pursuant to such ordinance and this Section. Any amounts paid to such

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trustee as assignee shall be deposited in the funds or accounts established pursuant to such trust agreement, and shall be held by such trustee in trust for the benefit of the holders of the bonds, and such holders shall have a lien on and a security interest in such funds or accounts so long as the bonds remain outstanding and unpaid. Upon retirement of the bonds, the trustee shall pay over any excess amounts held to the municipality for deposit in the special tax allocation fund.

When such redevelopment projects costs, including without limitation all municipal obligations financing redevelopment project costs incurred under this Division, have been paid, all surplus funds then remaining in the special tax allocation fund shall be distributed by being paid by the municipal treasurer to the Department of Revenue, the municipality and the county collector; first to the Department of Revenue and the municipality in direct proportion to the tax incremental revenue received from the State and the municipality, but not to exceed the total incremental revenue received from the State or the municipality less any annual surplus distribution of incremental revenue previously made; with any remaining funds to be paid to the County Collector who shall immediately thereafter pay said funds to the taxing districts in the redevelopment project area in the same manner and proportion as the most recent distribution by

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the county collector to the affected districts of real property taxes from real property in the redevelopment project area.

Upon the payment of all redevelopment project costs, the retirement of obligations, the distribution of any excess monies pursuant to this Section, and final closing of the books and records of the redevelopment project area, the municipality shall adopt an ordinance dissolving the

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special tax allocation fund for the redevelopment project area and terminating the designation of the redevelopment project area as a redevelopment project area. Title to real or personal property and public improvements acquired by or for the municipality as a result of the redevelopment project and plan shall vest in the municipality when acquired and shall continue to be held by the municipality after the redevelopment project area has been terminated. Municipalities shall notify affected taxing districts prior to November 1 if the redevelopment project area is to be terminated by December 31 of that same year. If a municipality extends estimated dates of completion of a redevelopment project and retirement of obligations to finance a redevelopment project, as allowed by this amendatory Act of 1993, that extension shall not extend the property tax increment allocation financing authorized by this Section. Thereafter the rates of the taxing districts shall be extended and taxes levied, collected and

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distributed in the manner applicable in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

If a municipality with a population of 1,000,000 or more has adopted by ordinance tax increment allocation financing for a redevelopment project area located in a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3, for each year after the effective date of the ordinance until redevelopment project costs and all municipal obligations financing redevelopment project costs have been paid, the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon the taxable real property in that redevelopment project area by taxing districts and tax rates determined in the manner provided in paragraph (c) of Section 11-74.4-9 shall be divided as follows:

(1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable lot, block, tract or parcel of real property which is attributable to the lower of (i) the current equalized assessed value or "current equalized assessed value as adjusted" or (ii) the initial

equalized assessed value of each such taxable lot,
block, tract, or parcel of real property existing at
the time tax increment financing was adopted, minus the
total current homestead exemptions under Article 15 of
the Property Tax Code in the redevelopment project area
shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid
by the county collector to the respective affected

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taxing districts in the manner required by law in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

- (2) That portion, if any, of such taxes which is attributable to the increase in the current equalized assessed valuation of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area, over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property existing at the time tax increment financing was adopted, minus the total current homestead exemptions pertaining to each piece of property provided by Article 15 of the Property Tax Code in the redevelopment project area, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid by the county collector as follows:
 - (A) First, that portion which would be payable to a school district whose boundaries are coterminous with such municipality in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing, shall be paid to such school district in the manner required by law in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing; then
 - (B) 80% of the remaining portion shall be paid to the municipal Treasurer, who shall deposit said taxes into a special fund called the special tax

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1 allocation fund of the municipality for the 2 purpose of paying redevelopment project costs and 3 obligations incurred in the payment thereof; and 4 then 5 (C) 20% of the remaining portion shall be paid 6 to the respective affected taxing districts, other 7 than the school district described in clause (a) 8 above, in the manner required by law in the absence 9 of the adoption of tax increment allocation 10 financing. 11 Nothing in this Section shall be construed as relieving 12 property in such redevelopment project areas from being 13 assessed as provided in the Property Tax Code or as relieving 14 owners of such property from paying a uniform rate of taxes, as 15 required by Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois 16 Constitution. 17 (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13; 99-792, eff. 8-12-16.) 18 (65 ILCS 5/11-74.6-35) 19 Sec. 11-74.6-35. Ordinance for tax increment allocation 20 financing. 21 (a) A municipality, at the time a redevelopment project 22 area is designated, may adopt tax increment allocation 23 financing by passing an ordinance providing that the ad valorem

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districts and tax rates determined in the manner provided in subsection (b) of Section 11-74.6-40 each year after the effective date of the ordinance until redevelopment project costs and all municipal obligations financing redevelopment project costs incurred under this Act have been paid shall be divided as follows:

taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon taxable real

property within the redevelopment project area by taxing

(1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable lot, block, tract or parcel of real property that is attributable to the lower of the current equalized assessed value or the initial equalized assessed value or the updated initial equalized assessed value of each taxable

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lot, block, tract or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to the respective affected taxing districts in the manner required by law without regard to the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

(2) That portion, if any, of those taxes that is attributable to the increase in the current equalized assessed value of each taxable lot, block, tract or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area, over and above the initial equalized assessed value or the updated initial equalized assessed value of each property in the project area, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to the municipal treasurer who shall deposit that portion of those

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1 taxes into a special fund called the special tax allocation 2 fund of the municipality for the purpose of paying 3 redevelopment project costs and obligations incurred in 4 the payment of those costs and obligations. In any county 5 with a population of 3,000,000 or more that has adopted a 6 procedure for collecting taxes that provides for one or 7 more of the installments of the taxes to be billed and 8 collected on an estimated basis, the municipal treasurer 9 shall be paid for deposit in the special tax allocation 10 fund of the municipality, from the taxes collected from 11 estimated bills issued for property in the redevelopment 12 project area, the difference between the amount actually 13 collected from each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of 14 real property within the redevelopment project area and an 15 amount determined by multiplying the rate at which taxes 16 were last extended against the taxable lot, block, track, 17 or parcel of real property in the manner provided in 18 subsection (b) of Section 11-74.6-40 by the initial 19 equalized assessed value or the updated initial equalized 20 assessed value of the property divided by the number of 21 installments in which real estate taxes are billed and 22 collected within the county, provided that the payments on

23	or before December 31, 1999 to a municipal treasurer shall
24	be made only if each of the following conditions are met:
25	(A) The total equalized assessed value of the
26	redevelopment project area as last determined was not

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less than 175% of the total initial equalized assessed value.

- (B) Not more than 50% of the total equalized assessed value of the redevelopment project area as last determined is attributable to a piece of property assigned a single real estate index number.
- (C) The municipal clerk has certified to the county clerk that the municipality has issued its obligations to which there has been pledged the incremental property taxes of the redevelopment project area or taxes levied and collected on any or all property in the municipality or the full faith and credit of the municipality to pay or secure payment for all or a portion of the redevelopment project costs. The certification shall be filed annually no later than September 1 for the estimated taxes to be distributed in the following year.

The conditions of paragraphs (A) through (C) do not apply after December 31, 1999 to payments to a municipal treasurer made by a county with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants that has adopted an estimated billing procedure for collecting taxes. If a county that has adopted the estimated billing procedure makes an erroneous overpayment of tax revenue to the municipal treasurer, then the county may seek a refund of that overpayment. The county shall send the municipal treasurer a notice of liability for the overpayment on or before the

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- mailing date of the next real estate tax bill within the
- 2 county. The refund shall be limited to the amount of the
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(b) It is the intent of this Act that a municipality's own ad valorem tax arising from levies on taxable real property be included in the determination of incremental revenue in the manner provided in paragraph (b) of Section 11-74.6-40.

- (c) If a municipality has adopted tax increment allocation financing for a redevelopment project area by ordinance and the county clerk thereafter certifies the total initial equalized assessed value or the total updated initial equalized assessed value of the taxable real property within such redevelopment project area in the manner provided in paragraph (a) or (b) of Section 11-74.6-40, each year after the date of the certification of the total initial equalized assessed value or the total updated initial equalized assessed value until redevelopment project costs and all municipal obligations financing redevelopment project costs have been paid, the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon the taxable real property in the redevelopment project area by taxing districts and tax rates determined in the manner provided in paragraph (b) of Section 11-74.6-40 shall be divided as follows:
 - (1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable lot, block, tract or parcel of real property that is attributable to the lower of the current equalized assessed

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value or the initial equalized assessed value, or the updated initial equalized assessed value of each parcel if the updated initial equalized assessed value of that parcel has been certified in accordance with Section 11-74.6-40, whichever has been most recently certified, of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property existing at the time tax increment allocation financing was adopted in the redevelopment project area, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to the respective affected taxing districts in the manner required by law without regard to the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

(2) That portion, if any, of those taxes that is attributable to the increase in the current equalized

assessed value of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area, over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property existing at the time tax increment allocation financing was adopted in the redevelopment project area, or the updated initial equalized assessed value of each parcel if the updated initial equalized assessed value of that parcel has been certified in accordance with Section 11-74.6-40, shall be allocated to and when collected shall be paid to the municipal treasurer, who shall deposit those taxes into a special fund called the special tax allocation fund of the municipality for the purpose of paying

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redevelopment project costs and obligations incurred in the payment thereof.

(d) The municipality may pledge in the ordinance the funds in and to be deposited in the special tax allocation fund for the payment of redevelopment project costs and obligations. No part of the current equalized assessed value of each property in the redevelopment project area attributable to any increase above the total initial equalized assessed value or the total initial updated equalized assessed value of the property, shall be used in calculating the general General State aid formula School Aid Formula, provided for in Section 18-8 of the School Code, or the evidence-based funding formula, provided for in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code, until all redevelopment project costs have been paid as provided for in this Section.

Whenever a municipality issues bonds for the purpose of financing redevelopment project costs, that municipality may provide by ordinance for the appointment of a trustee, which may be any trust company within the State, and for the establishment of any funds or accounts to be maintained by that trustee, as the municipality deems necessary to provide for the security and payment of the bonds. If the municipality provides for the appointment of a trustee, the trustee shall be considered the assignee of any payments assigned by the municipality under that ordinance and this Section. Any amounts paid to the trustee as assignee shall be deposited into the

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shall be held by the trustee in trust for the benefit of the holders of the bonds. The holders of those bonds shall have a lien on and a security interest in those funds or accounts while the bonds remain outstanding and unpaid. Upon retirement of the bonds, the trustee shall pay over any excess amounts held to the municipality for deposit in the special tax allocation fund.

When the redevelopment projects costs, including without limitation all municipal obligations financing redevelopment project costs incurred under this Law, have been paid, all surplus funds then remaining in the special tax allocation fund shall be distributed by being paid by the municipal treasurer to the municipality and the county collector; first to the municipality in direct proportion to the tax incremental revenue received from the municipality, but not to exceed the total incremental revenue received from the municipality, minus any annual surplus distribution of incremental revenue previously made. Any remaining funds shall be paid to the county collector who shall immediately distribute that payment to the taxing districts in the redevelopment project area in the same manner and proportion as the most recent distribution by the county collector to the affected districts of real property taxes from real property situated in the redevelopment project area.

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Upon the payment of all redevelopment project costs,

retirement of obligations and the distribution of any excess

moneys under this Section, the municipality shall adopt an

- ordinance dissolving the special tax allocation fund for the
- 3 redevelopment project area and terminating the designation of
- 4 the redevelopment project area as a redevelopment project area.
- 5 Thereafter the tax levies of taxing districts shall be
- 6 extended, collected and distributed in the same manner
- 7 applicable before the adoption of tax increment allocation

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financing. Municipality shall notify affected taxing districts prior to November if the redevelopment project area is to be terminated by December 31 of that same year.

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Nothing in this Section shall be construed as relieving property in a redevelopment project area from being assessed as provided in the Property Tax Code or as relieving owners of that property from paying a uniform rate of taxes, as required by Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution.

16 (Source: P.A. 91-474, eff. 11-1-99.)

Section 40. The Economic Development Project Area Tax

Increment Allocation Act of 1995 is amended by changing Section
50 as follows:

20 (65 ILCS 110/50)

Sec. 50. Special tax allocation fund.

22 (a) If a county clerk has certified the "total initial
23 equalized assessed value" of the taxable real property within
24 an economic development project area in the manner provided in

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Section 45, each year after the date of the certification by the county clerk of the "total initial equalized assessed value", until economic development project costs and all municipal obligations financing economic development project costs have been paid, the ad valorem taxes, if any, arising from the levies upon the taxable real property in the economic development project area by taxing districts and tax rates determined in the manner provided in subsection (b) of Section 45 shall be divided as follows:

(1) That portion of the taxes levied upon each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property that is attributable to the lower of the current equalized assessed value or the initial equalized assessed value of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property existing at the time tax increment financing was adopted shall be allocated to (and when collected shall be paid by the county collector to) the respective affected taxing districts in the manner required by law in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.

(2) That portion, if any, of the taxes that is attributable to the increase in the current equalized assessed valuation of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the economic development project area, over and above the initial equalized assessed value of each property existing at the time tax increment financing was adopted, shall be allocated to (and when

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collected shall be paid to) the municipal treasurer, who shall deposit the taxes into a special fund (called the special tax allocation fund of the municipality) for the purpose of paying economic development project costs and obligations incurred in the payment of those costs.

- (b) The municipality, by an ordinance adopting tax increment allocation financing, may pledge the monies in and to be deposited into the special tax allocation fund for the payment of obligations issued under this Act and for the payment of economic development project costs. No part of the current equalized assessed valuation of each property in the economic development project area attributable to any increase above the total initial equalized assessed value of those properties shall be used in calculating the general State school aid formula under Section 18-8 of the School Code or the evidence-based funding formula under Section 18-8.15 of the School Code, until all economic development projects costs have been paid as provided for in this Section.
- (c) When the economic development projects costs, including without limitation all municipal obligations financing economic development project costs incurred under this Act, have been paid, all surplus monies then remaining in the special tax allocation fund shall be distributed by being paid by the municipal treasurer to the county collector, who shall immediately pay the monies to the taxing districts having taxable property in the economic development project area in

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the same manner and proportion as the most recent distribution by the county collector to those taxing districts of real property taxes from real property in the economic development project area.

- (d) Upon the payment of all economic development project costs, retirement of obligations, and distribution of any excess monies under this Section and not later than 23 years from the date of the adoption of the ordinance establishing the economic development project area, the municipality shall adopt an ordinance dissolving the special tax allocation fund for the economic development project area and terminating the designation of the economic development project area as an economic development project area. Thereafter, the rates of the taxing districts shall be extended and taxes shall be levied, collected, and distributed in the manner applicable in the absence of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing.
- 17 (e) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as relieving
 18 property in the economic development project areas from being
 19 assessed as provided in the Property Tax Code or as relieving
 20 owners or lessees of that property from paying a uniform rate
 21 of taxes as required by Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois
 22 Constitution.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13.)
- Section 45. The School Code is amended by changing Sections 1A-8, 1B-5, 1B-6, 1B-7, 1B-8, 1C-1, 1C-2, 1D-1, 1E-20, 1F-20,

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<sup>1</sup> 1F-62, 1H-20, 1H-70, 2-3.33, 2-3.51.5, 2-3.66, 2-3.66b,
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- 5 17-1.2, 17-1.5, 17-2.11, 17-2A, 18-4.3, 18-8.05, 18-8.10,
- 6 18-9, 18-12, 26-16, 27-8.1, 27A-9, 27A-11, 29-5, 34-2.3, 34-18,
- 7 34-18.30, and 34-43.1 and by adding Sections 2-3.170, 17-3.6,
- 8 and 18-8.15 as follows:
- 9 (105 ILCS 5/1A-8) (from Ch. 122, par. 1A-8)
- Sec. 1A-8. Powers of the Board in Assisting Districts
- Deemed in Financial Difficulties. To promote the financial
- integrity of school districts, the State Board of Education

^{2 2-3.84, 2-3.109}a, 3-14.21, 7-14A, 10-17a, 10-19, 10-22.5a,

³ 10-22.20, 10-29, 11E-135, 13A-8, 13B-20.20, 13B-45, 13B-50,

^{4 13}B-50.10, 13B-50.15, 14-7.02b, 14-13.01, 14C-1, 14C-12, 17-1,

shall be provided the necessary powers to promote sound financial management and continue operation of the public schools.

(a) The State Superintendent of Education may require a school district, including any district subject to Article 34A of this Code, to share financial information relevant to a proper investigation of the district's financial condition and the delivery of appropriate State financial, technical, and consulting services to the district if the district (i) has been designated, through the State Board of Education's School District Financial Profile System, as on financial warning or financial watch status, (ii) has failed to file an annual financial report, annual budget, deficit reduction plan, or

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other financial information as required by law, (iii) has been identified, through the district's annual audit or other financial and management information, as in serious financial difficulty in the current or next school year, or (iv) is determined to be likely to fail to fully meet any regularly scheduled, payroll-period obligations when due or any debt service payments when due or both. In addition to financial, technical, and consulting services provided by the State Board of Education, at the request of a school district, the State Superintendent may provide for an independent financial consultant to assist the district review its financial condition and options.

- (b) The State Board of Education, after proper investigation of a district's financial condition, may certify that a district, including any district subject to Article 34A, is in financial difficulty when any of the following conditions occur:
 - (1) The district has issued school or teacher orders for wages as permitted in Sections 8-16, 32-7.2 and 34-76 of this Code.
 - (2) The district has issued tax anticipation warrants or tax anticipation notes in anticipation of a second year's taxes when warrants or notes in anticipation of current year taxes are still outstanding, as authorized by Sections 17-16, 34-23, 34-59 and 34-63 of this Code, or has

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such as, but not limited to, tax anticipation warrants and general State <u>aid or evidence-based funding</u> Aid certificates or tax anticipation warrants and revenue anticipation notes.

- (3) The district has for 2 consecutive years shown an excess of expenditures and other financing uses over revenues and other financing sources and beginning fund balances on its annual financial report for the aggregate totals of the Educational, Operations and Maintenance, Transportation, and Working Cash Funds.
- (4) The district refuses to provide financial information or cooperate with the State Superintendent in an investigation of the district's financial condition.
- (5) The district is likely to fail to fully meet any regularly scheduled, payroll-period obligations when due or any debt service payments when due or both.

No school district shall be certified by the State Board of Education to be in financial difficulty solely by reason of any of the above circumstances arising as a result of (i) the failure of the county to make any distribution of property tax money due the district at the time such distribution is due or (ii) the failure of this State to make timely payments of general State aid, evidence-based funding, or any of the mandated categoricals; or if the district clearly demonstrates to the satisfaction of the State Board of Education at the time of its determination that such condition no longer exists. If

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- the State Board of Education certifies that a district in a
- 2 city with 500,000 inhabitants or more is in financial
- difficulty, the State Board shall so notify the Governor and
- 4 the Mayor of the city in which the district is located. The
- 5 State Board of Education may require school districts certified
- 6 in financial difficulty, except those districts subject to

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Article 34A, to develop, adopt and submit a financial plan 7 8 within 45 days after certification of financial difficulty. The 9 financial plan shall be developed according to guidelines 10 presented to the district by the State Board of Education 11 within 14 days of certification. Such quidelines shall address 12 the specific nature of each district's financial difficulties. 13 Any proposed budget of the district shall be consistent with 14 the financial plan submitted to and approved by the State Board 15 of Education.

A district certified to be in financial difficulty, other than a district subject to Article 34A, shall report to the State Board of Education at such times and in such manner as the State Board may direct, concerning the district's compliance with each financial plan. The State Board may review the district's operations, obtain budgetary data and financial statements, require the district to produce reports, and have access to any other information in the possession of the district that it deems relevant. The State Board may issue recommendations or directives within its powers to the district to assist in compliance with the financial plan. The district

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shall produce such budgetary data, financial statements,

- 2 reports and other information and comply with such directives.
- 3 If the State Board of Education determines that a district has
- 4 failed to comply with its financial plan, the State Board of
- 5 Education may rescind approval of the plan and appoint a
- 6 Financial Oversight Panel for the district as provided in
- 7 Section 1B-4. This action shall be taken only after the
- 8 district has been given notice and an opportunity to appear
- 9 before the State Board of Education to discuss its failure to
- 10 comply with its financial plan.

No bonds, notes, teachers orders, tax anticipation warrants or other evidences of indebtedness shall be issued or sold by a school district or be legally binding upon or enforceable against a local board of education of a district certified to be in financial difficulty unless and until the financial plan required under this Section has been approved by the State Board of Education.

Any financial profile compiled and distributed by the State

- 19 Board of Education in Fiscal Year 2009 or any fiscal year
- thereafter shall incorporate such adjustments as may be needed
- 21 in the profile scores to reflect the financial effects of the
- inability or refusal of the State of Illinois to make timely
- disbursements of any general State aid, evidence-based
- funding, or mandated categorical aid payments due school
- 25 districts or to fully reimburse school districts for mandated
- categorical programs pursuant to reimbursement formulas

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provided in this School Code.
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- 2 (Source: P.A. 96-668, eff. 8-25-09; 96-1423, eff. 8-3-10;
- ³ 97-429, eff. 8-16-11.)
- 4 (105 ILCS 5/1B-5) (from Ch. 122, par. 1B-5)
- 5 Sec. 1B-5. When a petition for emergency financial
- 6 assistance for a school district is allowed by the State Board
- 7 under Section 1B-4, the State Superintendent shall within 10
- 8 days thereafter appoint 3 members to serve at the State
- 9 Superintendent's pleasure on a Financial Oversight Panel for
- the district. The State Superintendent shall designate one of
- the members of the Panel to serve as its Chairman. In the event
- of vacancy or resignation the State Superintendent shall
- appoint a successor within 10 days of receiving notice thereof.

Members of the Panel shall be selected primarily on the

basis of their experience and education in financial

management, with consideration given to persons knowledgeable

in education finance. A member of the Panel may not be a board

member or employee of the district for which the Panel is

constituted, nor may a member have a direct financial interest

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Panel members shall serve without compensation, but may be

reimbursed for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in

the performance of their official duties by the State Board.

The amount reimbursed Panel members for their expenses shall be

charged to the school district as part of any emergency

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financial assistance and incorporated as a part of the terms and conditions for repayment of such assistance or shall be deducted from the district's general State aid <u>or evidence-based funding</u> as provided in Section 1B-8.

The first meeting of the Panel shall be held at the call of the Chairman. The Panel may elect such other officers as it deems appropriate. The Panel shall prescribe the times and places for its meetings and the manner in which regular and special meetings may be called, and shall comply with the Open Meetings Act.

Two members of the Panel shall constitute a quorum, and the affirmative vote of 2 members shall be necessary for any decision or action to be taken by the Panel.

The Panel and the State Superintendent shall cooperate with each other in the exercise of their respective powers. The Panel shall report not later than September 1 annually to the State Board and the State Superintendent with respect to its activities and the condition of the school district for the previous fiscal year.

Any Financial Oversight Panel established under this
Article shall remain in existence for not less than 3 years nor
more than 10 years from the date the State Board grants the
petition under Section 1B-4. If after 3 years the school
district has repaid all of its obligations resulting from
emergency State financial assistance provided under this
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    education may, not more frequently than once in any 12 month
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    recommendations of the State Superintendent and the Financial
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    (Source: P.A. 88-618, eff. 9-9-94.)
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10 (105 ILCS 5/1B-6) (from Ch. 122, par. 1B-6)
11 Sec. 1B-6. General powers. The purpose of the Financial
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Oversight Panel shall be to exercise financial control over the 13 board of education, and, when approved by the State Board and 14 the State Superintendent of Education, to furnish financial 15 assistance so that the board can provide public education 16 within the board's jurisdiction while permitting the board to 17 meet its obligations to its creditors and the holders of its 18 notes and bonds. Except as expressly limited by this Article, 19 the Panel shall have all powers necessary to meet its 20 responsibilities and to carry out its purposes and the purposes 21 of this Article, including, but not limited to, the following 22 powers: 23

- (a) to sue and be sued;
- 24 (b) to provide for its organization and internal 25 management;

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- (c) to appoint a Financial Administrator to serve as the chief executive officer of the Panel. The Financial Administrator may be an individual, partnership, corporation, including an accounting firm, or other entity determined by the Panel to be qualified to serve; and to appoint other officers, agents, and employees of the Panel, define their duties and qualifications and fix their compensation and employee benefits;
- 9 (d) to approve the local board of education appointments to 10 the positions of treasurer in a Class I county school unit and 11 in each school district which forms a part of a Class II county 12 school unit but which no longer is subject to the jurisdiction 13 and authority of a township treasurer or trustees of schools of 14 a township because the district has withdrawn from the 15 jurisdiction and authority of the township treasurer and the 16 trustees of schools of the township or because those offices 17 have been abolished as provided in subsection (b) or (c) of 18 Section 5-1, and chief school business official, if such 19 official is not the superintendent of the district. Either the 20 board or the Panel may remove such treasurer or chief school 21 business official;
 - (e) to approve any and all bonds, notes, teachers orders, tax anticipation warrants, and other evidences of indebtedness prior to issuance or sale by the school district; and

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anticipation warrants or other evidences of indebtedness shall be issued or sold by the school district or be legally binding upon or enforceable against the local board of education unless and until the approval of the Panel has been received;

- (f) to approve all property tax levies of the school district and require adjustments thereto as the Panel deems necessary or advisable;
- (g) to require and approve a school district financial plan;
- (h) to approve and require revisions of the school district budget;
- (i) to approve all contracts and other obligations as the Panel deems necessary and appropriate;
- (j) to authorize emergency State financial assistance, including requirements regarding the terms and conditions of repayment of such assistance, and to require the board of education to levy a separate local property tax, subject to the limitations of Section 1B-8, sufficient to repay such assistance consistent with the terms and conditions of repayment and the district's approved financial plan and budget;
- (k) to request the regional superintendent to make appointments to fill all vacancies on the local school board as provided in Section 10-10;
- (1) to recommend dissolution or reorganization of the school district to the General Assembly if in the Panel's

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- judgment the circumstances so require;
- 2 (m) to direct a phased reduction in the oversight
- 3 responsibilities of the Financial Administrator and of the
- 4 Panel as the circumstances permit;
- 5 (n) to determine the amount of emergency State financial
- 6 assistance to be made available to the school district, and to

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establish an operating budget for the Panel to be supported by funds available from such assistance, with the assistance and the budget required to be approved by the State Superintendent;

- (o) to procure insurance against any loss in such amounts and from such insurers as it deems necessary;
- (p) to engage the services of consultants for rendering professional and technical assistance and advice on matters within the Panel's power;
- (q) to contract for and to accept any gifts, grants or loans of funds or property or financial or other aid in any form from the federal government, State government, unit of local government, school district or any agency or instrumentality thereof, or from any other private or public source, and to comply with the terms and conditions thereof;
- (r) to pay the expenses of its operations based on the Panel's budget as approved by the State Superintendent from emergency financial assistance funds available to the district or from deductions from the district's general State aid or evidence-based funding;
 - (s) to do any and all things necessary or convenient to

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carry out its purposes and exercise the powers given to the Panel by this Article; and

(t) to recommend the creation of a school finance authority pursuant to Article 1F of this Code.

5 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 92-855, eff. 12-6-02.)

6 (105 ILCS 5/1B-7) (from Ch. 122, par. 1B-7)

Sec. 1B-7. Financial Administrator; Powers and Duties. The Financial Administrator appointed by the Financial Oversight Panel shall serve as the Panel's chief executive officer. The Financial Administrator shall exercise the powers and duties required by the Panel, including but not limited to the following:

- (a) to provide guidance and recommendations to the local board and officials of the school district in developing the district's financial plan and budget prior to board action;
- (b) to direct the local board to reorganize its financial accounts, budgetary systems, and internal accounting and

- 18 financial controls, in whatever manner the Panel deems
- appropriate to achieve greater financial responsibility and to
- reduce financial inefficiency, and to provide technical
- 21 assistance to aid the district in accomplishing the
- 22 reorganization;
- (c) to make recommendations to the Financial Oversight
- Panel concerning the school district's financial plan and
- budget, and all other matters within the scope of the Panel's

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- (d) to prepare and recommend to the Panel a proposal for emergency State financial assistance for the district, including recommended terms and conditions of repayment, and an operations budget for the Panel to be funded from the emergency assistance or from deductions from the district's general State aid or evidence-based funding;
- (e) to require the local board to prepare and submit preliminary staffing and budgetary analyses annually prior to February 1 in such manner and form as the Financial Administrator shall prescribe; and
- (f) subject to the direction of the Panel, to do all other things necessary or convenient to carry out its purposes and exercise the powers given to the Panel under this Article. (Source: P.A. 88-618, eff. 9-9-94.)
- 16 (105 ILCS 5/1B-8) (from Ch. 122, par. 1B-8)
- Sec. 1B-8. There is created in the State Treasury a special
- fund to be known as the School District Emergency Financial
- Assistance Fund (the "Fund"). The School District Emergency
- Financial Assistance Fund shall consist of appropriations,
- loan repayments, grants from the federal government, and
- donations from any public or private source. Moneys in the Fund
- 23 may be appropriated only to the Illinois Finance Authority and
- the State Board for those purposes authorized under this
- 25 Article and Articles 1F and 1H of this Code. The appropriation

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may be allocated and expended by the State Board for contractual services to provide technical assistance or consultation to school districts to assess their financial condition and to Financial Oversight Panels that petition for emergency financial assistance grants. The Illinois Finance Authority may provide loans to school districts which are the subject of an approved petition for emergency financial assistance under Section 1B-4, 1F-62, or 1H-65 of this Code. Neither the State Board of Education nor the Illinois Finance Authority may collect any fees for providing these services.

From the amount allocated to each such school district under this Article the State Board shall identify a sum sufficient to cover all approved costs of the Financial Oversight Panel established for the respective school district. If the State Board and State Superintendent of Education have not approved emergency financial assistance in conjunction with the appointment of a Financial Oversight Panel, the Panel's approved costs shall be paid from deductions from the district's general State aid or evidence-based funding.

The Financial Oversight Panel may prepare and file with the State Superintendent a proposal for emergency financial assistance for the school district and for its operations budget. No expenditures from the Fund shall be authorized by the State Superintendent until he or she has approved the request of the Panel, either as submitted or in such lesser

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amount determined by the State Superintendent.

The maximum amount of an emergency financial assistance loan which may be allocated to any school district under this Article, including moneys necessary for the operations of the Panel, shall not exceed \$4,000 times the number of pupils enrolled in the school district during the school year ending June 30 prior to the date of approval by the State Board of the petition for emergency financial assistance, as certified to the local board and the Panel by the State Superintendent. An emergency financial assistance grant shall not exceed \$1,000 times the number of such pupils. A district may receive both a loan and a grant.

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The payment of an emergency State financial assistance grant or loan shall be subject to appropriation by the General Assembly. Payment of the emergency State financial assistance loan is subject to the applicable provisions of the Illinois Finance Authority Act. Emergency State financial assistance allocated and paid to a school district under this Article may be applied to any fund or funds from which the local board of education of that district is authorized to make expenditures by law.

Any emergency financial assistance grant proposed by the Financial Oversight Panel and approved by the State Superintendent may be paid in its entirety during the initial year of the Panel's existence or spread in equal or declining amounts over a period of years not to exceed the period of the

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Panel's existence. An emergency financial assistance loan proposed by the Financial Oversight Panel and approved by the Illinois Finance Authority may be paid in its entirety during the initial year of the Panel's existence or spread in equal or declining amounts over a period of years not to exceed the period of the Panel's existence. All loans made by the Illinois Finance Authority for a school district shall be required to be repaid, with simple interest over the term of the loan at a rate equal to 50% of the one-year Constant Maturity Treasury (CMT) yield as last published by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System before the date on which the district's loan is approved by the Illinois Finance Authority, not later than the date the Financial Oversight Panel ceases to exist. The Panel shall establish and the Illinois Finance Authority shall approve the terms and conditions, including the schedule, of repayments. The schedule shall provide for repayments commencing July 1 of each year or upon each fiscal year's receipt of moneys from a tax levy for emergency financial assistance. Repayment shall be incorporated into the annual budget of the school district and may be made from any fund or funds of the district in which there are moneys available. An emergency financial assistance loan to the Panel or district shall not be considered part of the calculation of a district's debt for purposes of the limitation specified in Section 19-1

- of this Code. Default on repayment is subject to the Illinois
- Grant Funds Recovery Act. When moneys are repaid as provided

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- herein they shall not be made available to the local board for
- further use as emergency financial assistance under this
- 3 Article at any time thereafter. All repayments required to be
- 4 made by a school district shall be received by the State Board
- 5 and deposited in the School District Emergency Financial
- 6 Assistance Fund.

7 In establishing the terms and conditions for the repayment

8 obligation of the school district the Panel shall annually

- 9 determine whether a separate local property tax levy is
- 10 required. The board of any school district with a tax rate for
- educational purposes for the prior year of less than 120% of
- the maximum rate for educational purposes authorized by Section
- 13 17-2 shall provide for a separate tax levy for emergency
- financial assistance repayment purposes. Such tax levy shall
- not be subject to referendum approval. The amount of the levy
- shall be equal to the amount necessary to meet the annual
- 17 repayment obligations of the district as established by the
- Panel, or 20% of the amount levied for educational purposes for
- the prior year, whichever is less. However, no district shall
- be required to levy the tax if the district's operating tax
- 21 rate as determined under Section 18-8, or 18-8.05, or 18-8.15
- 22 exceeds 200% of the district's tax rate for educational
- purposes for the prior year.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 97-429, eff. 8-16-11.)
- ²⁵ (105 ILCS 5/1C-1)

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- Sec. 1C-1. Purpose. The purpose of this Article is to
- permit greater flexibility and efficiency in the distribution
- 3 and use of certain State funds available to local education
- 4 agencies for the improvement of the quality of educational
- 5 services pursuant to locally established priorities.
- Through fiscal year 2017, this This Article does not apply

- 7 to school districts having a population in excess of 500,000
- 8 inhabitants.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 88-555, eff. 7-27-94; 89-15, eff. 5-30-95;
- 10 89-397, eff. 8-20-95; 89-626, eff. 8-9-96.)
- 11 (105 ILCS 5/1C-2)
- 12 Sec. 1C-2. Block grants.
- 13 (a) For fiscal year 1999, and each fiscal year thereafter,
- the State Board of Education shall award to school districts
- block grants as described in subsection (c). The State Board of
- 16 Education may adopt rules and regulations necessary to
- implement this Section. In accordance with Section 2-3.32, all
- state block grants are subject to an audit. Therefore, block
- 19 grant receipts and block grant expenditures shall be recorded
- to the appropriate fund code.
- 21 (b) (Blank).
- (c) An Early Childhood Education Block Grant shall be
- created by combining the following programs: Preschool
- 24 Education, Parental Training and Prevention Initiative. These
- funds shall be distributed to school districts and other

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- 1 entities on a competitive basis, except that the State Board of
- Education shall award to a school district having a population
- exceeding 500,000 inhabitants 37% of the funds in each fiscal
- 4 year. Not less than 14% of the Early Childhood Education Block
- 5 Grant allocation of funds shall be used to fund programs for
- 6 children ages 0-3. Beginning in Fiscal Year 2016, at least 25%
- of any additional Early Childhood Education Block Grant funding
- 8 over and above the previous fiscal year's allocation shall be
- 9 used to fund programs for children ages 0-3. Once the
- 10 percentage of Early Childhood Education Block Grant funding
- allocated to programs for children ages 0-3 reaches 20% of the
- overall Early Childhood Education Block Grant allocation for a
- full fiscal year, thereafter in subsequent fiscal years the
- percentage of Early Childhood Education Block Grant funding
- allocated to programs for children ages 0-3 each fiscal year
- shall remain at least 20% of the overall Early Childhood
- Education Block Grant allocation. However, if, in a given
- fiscal year, the amount appropriated for the Early Childhood

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- percentage of the grant to fund programs for children ages 0-3
- 21 without reducing the amount of the grant for existing providers
- of preschool education programs, then the percentage of the
- grant to fund programs for children ages 0-3 may be held steady
- instead of increased.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 98-645, eff. 7-1-14; 99-589, eff. 7-21-16.)

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1 (105 ILCS 5/1D-1)
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Sec. 1D-1. Block grant funding.

- (a) For fiscal year 1996 through fiscal year 2017 and each fiscal year thereafter, the State Board of Education shall award to a school district having a population exceeding 500,000 inhabitants a general education block grant and an educational services block grant, determined as provided in this Section, in lieu of distributing to the district separate State funding for the programs described in subsections (b) and (c). The provisions of this Section, however, do not apply to any federal funds that the district is entitled to receive. In accordance with Section 2-3.32, all block grants are subject to an audit. Therefore, block grant receipts and block grant expenditures shall be recorded to the appropriate fund code for the designated block grant.
- (b) The general education block grant shall include the following programs: REI Initiative, Summer Bridges, Preschool At Risk, K-6 Comprehensive Arts, School Improvement Support, Urban Education, Scientific Literacy, Substance Abuse Prevention, Second Language Planning, Staff Development, Outcomes and Assessment, K-6 Reading Improvement, 7-12 Continued Reading Improvement, Truants' Optional Education, Hispanic Programs, Agriculture Education, Parental Education, Prevention Initiative, Report Cards, and Criminal Background Investigations. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all amounts paid under the general education block grant from

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State appropriations to a school district in a city having a population exceeding 500,000 inhabitants shall be appropriated and expended by the board of that district for any of the programs included in the block grant or any of the board's lawful purposes.

(c) The educational services block grant shall include the following programs: Regular and Vocational Transportation, State Lunch and Free Breakfast Program, Special Education (Personnel, Transportation, Orphanage, Private Tuition), funding for children requiring special education services, Summer School, Educational Service Centers, and Administrator's Academy. This subsection (c) does not relieve the district of its obligation to provide the services required under a program that is included within the educational services block grant. It is the intention of the General Assembly in enacting the provisions of this subsection (c) to relieve the district of the administrative burdens that impede efficiency and accompany single-program funding. The General Assembly encourages the board to pursue mandate waivers pursuant to Section 2-3.25g.

The funding program included in the educational services block grant for funding for children requiring special education services in each fiscal year shall be treated in that fiscal year as a payment to the school district in respect of services provided or costs incurred in the prior fiscal year, calculated in each case as provided in this Section. Nothing in

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this Section shall change the nature of payments for any program that, apart from this Section, would be or, prior to adoption or amendment of this Section, was on the basis of a payment in a fiscal year in respect of services provided or costs incurred in the prior fiscal year, calculated in each case as provided in this Section.

(d) For fiscal year 1996 through fiscal year 2017 and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount of the district's block grants shall be determined as follows: (i) with respect to each program that is included within each block grant, the district shall receive an amount equal to the same percentage of the current fiscal year appropriation made for that program as the

percentage of the appropriation received by the district from the 1995 fiscal year appropriation made for that program, and (ii) the total amount that is due the district under the block grant shall be the aggregate of the amounts that the district is entitled to receive for the fiscal year with respect to each program that is included within the block grant that the State Board of Education shall award the district under this Section for that fiscal year. In the case of the Summer Bridges program, the amount of the district's block grant shall be equal to 44% of the amount of the current fiscal year appropriation made for that program.

(e) The district is not required to file any application or other claim in order to receive the block grants to which it is entitled under this Section. The State Board of Education shall

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make payments to the district of amounts due under the district's block grants on a schedule determined by the State Board of Education.

- (f) A school district to which this Section applies shall report to the State Board of Education on its use of the block grants in such form and detail as the State Board of Education may specify. In addition, the report must include the following description for the district, which must also be reported to the General Assembly: block grant allocation and expenditures by program; population and service levels by program; and administrative expenditures by program. The State Board of Education shall ensure that the reporting requirements for the district are the same as for all other school districts in this State.
- (g) Through fiscal year 2017, this This paragraph provides for the treatment of block grants under Article 1C for purposes of calculating the amount of block grants for a district under this Section. Those block grants under Article 1C are, for this purpose, treated as included in the amount of appropriation for the various programs set forth in paragraph (b) above. The appropriation in each current fiscal year for each block grant under Article 1C shall be treated for these purposes as appropriations for the individual program included in that block grant. The proportion of each block grant so allocated to

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for such purposes now in that block grant, in fiscal 1995.

Payments to the school district under this Section with respect to each program for which payments to school districts generally, as of the date of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly, are on a reimbursement basis shall continue to be made to the district on a reimbursement basis, pursuant to the provisions of this Code governing those programs.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any school district receiving a block grant under this Section may classify all or a portion of the funds that it receives in a particular fiscal year from any block grant authorized under this Code or from general State aid pursuant to Section 18-8.05 of this Code (other than supplemental general State aid) as funds received in connection with any funding program for which it is entitled to receive funds from the State in that fiscal year (including, without limitation, any funding program referred to in subsection (c) of this Section), regardless of the source or timing of the receipt. The district may not classify more funds as funds received in connection with the funding program than the district is entitled to receive in that fiscal year for that program. Any classification by a district must be made by a resolution of its board of education. The resolution must identify the amount of any block grant or general State aid to be classified under this subsection (h) and must specify the funding program to which the funds are to be treated as received in connection

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- therewith. This resolution is controlling as to the
- 2 classification of funds referenced therein. A certified copy of
- 3 the resolution must be sent to the State Superintendent of
- ⁴ Education. The resolution shall still take effect even though a
- 5 copy of the resolution has not been sent to the State
- 6 Superintendent of Education in a timely manner. No

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- 7 classification under this subsection (h) by a district shall 8 affect the total amount or timing of money the district is 9 entitled to receive under this Code. No classification under 10 this subsection (h) by a district shall in any way relieve the 11 district from or affect any requirements that otherwise would 12 apply with respect to the block grant as provided in this 13 Section, including any accounting of funds by source, reporting 14 expenditures by original source and purpose, reporting 15 requirements, or requirements of provision of services. 16 (Source: P.A. 97-238, eff. 8-2-11; 97-324, eff. 8-12-11; 17 97-813, eff. 7-13-12.) 18 (105 ILCS 5/1E-20) 19 (This Section scheduled to be repealed in accordance with 20 105 ILCS 5/1E-165) 21 Sec. 1E-20. Members of Authority; meetings. 22 (a) When a petition for a School Finance Authority is 23 allowed by the State Board under Section 1E-15 of this Code, 24 the State Superintendent shall within 10 days thereafter
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appoint 5 members to serve on a School Finance Authority for

1 the district. Of the initial members, 2 shall be appointed to 2 serve a term of 2 years and 3 shall be appointed to serve a term 3 of 3 years. Thereafter, each member shall serve for a term of 3 4 years and until his or her successor has been appointed. The 5 State Superintendent shall designate one of the members of the 6 Authority to serve as its Chairperson. In the event of vacancy 7 or resignation, the State Superintendent shall, within 10 days 8 after receiving notice, appoint a successor to serve out that 9 member's term. The State Superintendent may remove a member for 10 incompetence, malfeasance, neglect of duty, or other just 11 cause. 12 Members of the Authority shall be selected primarily on the

basis of their experience and education in financial

management, with consideration given to persons knowledgeable

residents of the school district that the Authority serves. A

member of the Authority may not be a member of the district's

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19 have a direct financial interest in the district.

Authority members shall serve without compensation, but

21 may be reimbursed by the State Board for travel and other

necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their

official duties. Unless paid from bonds issued under Section

24 1E-65 of this Code, the amount reimbursed members for their

expenses shall be charged to the school district as part of any

emergency financial assistance and incorporated as a part of

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the terms and conditions for repayment of the assistance or shall be deducted from the district's general State aid or evidence-based funding as provided in Section 1B-8 of this Code.

The Authority may elect such officers as it deems appropriate.

(b) The first meeting of the Authority shall be held at the call of the Chairperson. The Authority shall prescribe the times and places for its meetings and the manner in which regular and special meetings may be called and shall comply with the Open Meetings Act.

Three members of the Authority shall constitute a quorum. When a vote is taken upon any measure before the Authority, a quorum being present, a majority of the votes of the members voting on the measure shall determine the outcome.

16 (Source: P.A. 92-547, eff. 6-13-02.)

17 (105 ILCS 5/1F-20)

(This Section scheduled to be repealed in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/1F-165)

Sec. 1F-20. Members of Authority; meetings.

(a) Upon establishment of a School Finance Authority under Section 1F-15 of this Code, the State Superintendent shall within 15 days thereafter appoint 5 members to serve on a School Finance Authority for the district. Of the initial members, 2 shall be appointed to serve a term of 2 years and 3

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shall be appointed to serve a term of 3 years. Thereafter, each member shall serve for a term of 3 years and until his or her successor has been appointed. The State Superintendent shall designate one of the members of the Authority to serve as its Chairperson. In the event of vacancy or resignation, the State Superintendent shall, within 10 days after receiving notice, appoint a successor to serve out that member's term. The State Superintendent may remove a member for incompetence, malfeasance, neglect of duty, or other just cause.

Members of the Authority shall be selected primarily on the basis of their experience and education in financial management, with consideration given to persons knowledgeable in education finance. Two members of the Authority shall be residents of the school district that the Authority serves. A member of the Authority may not be a member of the district's school board or an employee of the district nor may a member have a direct financial interest in the district.

Authority members shall be paid a stipend approved by the State Superintendent of not more than \$100 per meeting and may be reimbursed by the State Board for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties. Unless paid from bonds issued under Section 1F-65 of this Code, the amount reimbursed members for their expenses shall be charged to the school district as part of any emergency financial assistance and incorporated as a part of the terms and conditions for repayment of the assistance or shall be

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deducted from the district's general State aid or
evidence-based funding as provided in Section 1B-8 of this
Code.

The Authority may elect such officers as it deems appropriate.

(b) The first meeting of the Authority shall be held at the call of the Chairperson. The Authority shall prescribe the times and places for its meetings and the manner in which regular and special meetings may be called and shall comply with the Open Meetings Act.

Three members of the Authority shall constitute a quorum. When a vote is taken upon any measure before the Authority, a

- quorum being present, a majority of the votes of the members
- voting on the measure shall determine the outcome.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 94-234, eff. 7-1-06.)
- 16 (105 ILCS 5/1F-62)
- 17 (This Section scheduled to be repealed in accordance with 105
- ¹⁸ ILCS 5/1F-165)
- Sec. 1F-62. School District Emergency Financial Assistance
- ²⁰ Fund: grants and loans.
- 21 (a) Moneys in the School District Emergency Financial
- 22 Assistance Fund established under Section 1B-8 of this Code may
- be allocated and expended by the State Board as grants to
- provide technical and consulting services to school districts
- to assess their financial condition and by the Illinois Finance

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- Authority for emergency financial assistance loans to a School
- Finance Authority that petitions for emergency financial
- 3 assistance. An emergency financial assistance loan to a School
- ⁴ Finance Authority or borrowing from sources other than the
- 5 State shall not be considered as part of the calculation of a
- 6 district's debt for purposes of the limitation specified in
- 7 Section 19-1 of this Code. From the amount allocated to each
- 8 School Finance Authority, the State Board shall identify a sum
- 9 sufficient to cover all approved costs of the School Finance
- Authority. If the State Board and State Superintendent have not
- approved emergency financial assistance in conjunction with
- the appointment of a School Finance Authority, the Authority's
- approved costs shall be paid from deductions from the
- district's general State aid or evidence-based funding.

The School Finance Authority may prepare and file with the

16 State Superintendent a proposal for emergency financial

assistance for the school district and for its operations

budget. No expenditures shall be authorized by the State

Superintendent until he or she has approved the proposal of the

20 School Finance Authority, either as submitted or in such lesser

- amount determined by the State Superintendent.
- 22 (b) The amount of an emergency financial assistance loan
- that may be allocated to a School Finance Authority under this
- Article, including moneys necessary for the operations of the

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1 number of pupils enrolled in the district during the school 2 year ending June 30 prior to the date of approval by the State 3 Board of the petition for emergency financial assistance, as 4 certified to the school board and the School Finance Authority 5 by the State Superintendent. However, this limitation does not 6 apply to borrowing by the district secured by amounts levied by 7 the district prior to establishment of the School Finance 8 Authority. An emergency financial assistance grant shall not 9 exceed \$1,000 times the number of such pupils. A district may 10 receive both a loan and a grant.

- (c) The payment of a State emergency financial assistance grant or loan shall be subject to appropriation by the General Assembly. State emergency financial assistance allocated and paid to a School Finance Authority under this Article may be applied to any fund or funds from which the School Finance Authority is authorized to make expenditures by law.
- (d) Any State emergency financial assistance proposed by the School Finance Authority and approved by the State Superintendent may be paid in its entirety during the initial year of the School Finance Authority's existence or spread in equal or declining amounts over a period of years not to exceed the period of the School Finance Authority's existence. The State Superintendent shall not approve any loan to the School Finance Authority unless the School Finance Authority has been unable to borrow sufficient funds to operate the district.

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All loan payments made from the School District Emergency

- Financial Assistance Fund to a School Finance Authority shall
- be required to be repaid not later than the date the School
- Finance Authority ceases to exist, with simple interest over
- 4 the term of the loan at a rate equal to 50% of the one-year
- 5 Constant Maturity Treasury (CMT) yield as last published by the
- 6 Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System before the

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date on which the School Finance Authority's loan is approved by the State Board.

The School Finance Authority shall establish and the Illinois Finance Authority shall approve the terms and conditions of the loan, including the schedule of repayments. The schedule shall provide for repayments commencing July 1 of each year or upon each fiscal year's receipt of moneys from a tax levy for emergency financial assistance. Repayment shall be incorporated into the annual budget of the district and may be made from any fund or funds of the district in which there are moneys available. Default on repayment is subject to the Illinois Grant Funds Recovery Act. When moneys are repaid as provided in this Section, they shall not be made available to the School Finance Authority for further use as emergency financial assistance under this Article at any time thereafter. All repayments required to be made by a School Finance Authority shall be received by the State Board and deposited in

the School District Emergency Financial Assistance Fund.

In establishing the terms and conditions for the repayment obligation of the School Finance Authority, the School Finance

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1 Authority shall annually determine whether a separate local 2 property tax levy is required to meet that obligation. The 3 School Finance Authority shall provide for a separate tax levy 4 for emergency financial assistance repayment purposes. This 5 tax levy shall not be subject to referendum approval. The 6 amount of the levy shall not exceed the amount necessary to 7 meet the annual emergency financial repayment obligations of 8 the district, including principal and interest, as established 9 by the School Finance Authority. 10 (Source: P.A. 94-234, eff. 7-1-06.) 11 (105 ILCS 5/1H-20) 12 Sec. 1H-20. Members of Panel; meetings. 13 (a) Upon establishment of a Financial Oversight Panel under

Section 1H-15 of this Code, the State Superintendent shall

to the Panel shall serve at the pleasure of the State

within 15 working days thereafter appoint 5 members to serve on

a Financial Oversight Panel for the district. Members appointed

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18 Superintendent. The State Superintendent shall designate one 19 of the members of the Panel to serve as its Chairperson. In the 20 event of vacancy or resignation, the State Superintendent 21 shall, within 10 days after receiving notice, appoint a 22

successor to serve out that member's term.

23 (b) Members of the Panel shall be selected primarily on the 24 basis of their experience and education in financial 25 management, with consideration given to persons knowledgeable

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- in education finance. Two members of the Panel shall be residents of the school district that the Panel serves. A member of the Panel may not be a member of the district's school board or an employee of the district nor may a member have a direct financial interest in the district.
- (c) Panel members may be reimbursed by the State Board for travel and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their official duties. The amount reimbursed members for their expenses shall be charged to the school district as part of any emergency financial assistance and incorporated as a part of the terms and conditions for repayment of the assistance or shall be deducted from the district's general State aid <u>or evidence-based funding</u> as provided in Section 1H-65 of this Code.
- (d) With the exception of the chairperson, who shall be designated as provided in subsection (a) of this Section, the Panel may elect such officers as it deems appropriate.
- (e) The first meeting of the Panel shall be held at the call of the Chairperson. The Panel shall prescribe the times and places for its meetings and the manner in which regular and special meetings may be called and shall comply with the Open Meetings Act. The Panel shall also comply with the Freedom of Information Act.
- 24 (f) Three members of the Panel shall constitute a quorum. A 25 majority of members present is required to pass a measure. 26 (Source: P.A. 97-429, eff. 8-16-11.)

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1 (105 ILCS 5/1H-70) 2 Sec. 1H-70. Tax anticipation warrants, tax anticipation 3 notes, revenue anticipation certificates or notes, general 4 State aid or evidence-based funding anticipation certificates, 5 and lines of credit. With the approval of the State 6 Superintendent and provided that the district is unable to 7 secure short-term financing after 3 attempts, a Panel shall 8 have the same power as a district to do the following: 9 (1) issue tax anticipation warrants under the 10 provisions of Section 17-16 of this Code against taxes 11 levied by either the school board or the Panel pursuant to 12 Section 1H-25 of this Code; 13 (2) issue tax anticipation notes under the provisions 14 of the Tax Anticipation Note Act against taxes levied by 15 either the school board or the Panel pursuant to Section 16 1H-25 of this Code: 17 (3) issue revenue anticipation certificates or notes 18 under the provisions of the Revenue Anticipation Act; 19 (4) issue general State aid or evidence-based funding

- (4) issue general State aid <u>or evidence-based funding</u> anticipation certificates under the provisions of Section 18-18 of this Code; and
- (5) establish and utilize lines of credit under the provisions of Section 17-17 of this Code.
- Tax anticipation warrants, tax anticipation notes, revenue anticipation certificates or notes, general State aid <u>or</u>

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1 evidence-based funding anticipation certificates, and lines of 2 credit are considered borrowing from sources other than the 3 State and are subject to Section 1H-65 of this Code. 4 (Source: P.A. 97-429, eff. 8-16-11.) 5 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.33) (from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.33) 6 Sec. 2-3.33. Recomputation of claims. To recompute within 7 3 years from the final date for filing of a claim any claim for 8 general State aid reimbursement to any school district and one 9 year from the final date for filing of a claim for 10 evidence-based funding if the claim has been found to be

incorrect and to adjust subsequent claims accordingly, and to

recompute and adjust any such claims within 6 years from the final date for filing when there has been an adverse court or administrative agency decision on the merits affecting the tax revenues of the school district. However, no such adjustment shall be made regarding equalized assessed valuation unless the district's equalized assessed valuation is changed by greater than \$250,000 or 2%. Any adjustments for claims recomputed for the 2016-2017 school year and prior school years shall be applied to the apportionment of evidence-based funding in Section 18-8.15 of this Code beginning in the 2017-2018 school year and thereafter. However, the recomputation of a claim for evidence-based funding for a school district shall not require the recomputation of claims for all districts, and the State Board of Education shall only make recomputations of

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evidence-based funding for those districts where an adjustment
is required.

Except in the case of an adverse court or administrative agency decision, no recomputation of a State aid claim shall be made pursuant to this Section as a result of a reduction in the assessed valuation of a school district from the assessed valuation of the district reported to the State Board of Education by the Department of Revenue under Section 18-8.05 or 18-8.15 of this Code unless the requirements of Section 16-15 of the Property Tax Code and Section 2-3.84 of this Code are complied with in all respects.

This paragraph applies to all requests for recomputation of a general State aid <u>or evidence-based funding</u> claim received after June 30, 2003. In recomputing a general State aid <u>or evidence-based funding</u> claim that was originally calculated using an extension limitation equalized assessed valuation under paragraph (3) of subsection (G) of Section 18-8.05 of this Code <u>or Section 18-8.15 of this Code</u>, a qualifying reduction in equalized assessed valuation shall be deducted from the extension limitation equalized assessed valuation that was used in calculating the original claim.

From the total amount of general State aid <u>or</u>
<u>evidence-based funding</u> to be provided to districts,
adjustments as a result of recomputation under this Section

- 25 together with adjustments under Section 2-3.84 must not exceed
- 26 \$25 million, in the aggregate for all districts under both

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- Sections combined, of the general State aid or evidence-based
- funding appropriation in any fiscal year; if necessary, amounts
- 3 shall be prorated among districts. If it is necessary to
- 4 prorate claims under this paragraph, then that portion of each
- 5 prorated claim that is approved but not paid in the current
- 6 fiscal year may be resubmitted as a valid claim in the
- 7 following fiscal year.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 93-845, eff. 7-30-04.)
- 9 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.51.5)
- Sec. 2-3.51.5. School Safety and Educational Improvement
- 11 Block Grant Program. To improve the level of education and
- safety of students from kindergarten through grade 12 in school
- districts and State-recognized, non-public schools. The State
- Board of Education is authorized to fund a School Safety and
- 15 Educational Improvement Block Grant Program.
- 16 (1) For school districts, the program shall provide funding
- for school safety, textbooks and software, electronic
- textbooks and the technological equipment necessary to gain
- 19 access to and use electronic textbooks, teacher training and
- curriculum development, school improvements, school report
- 21 cards under Section 10-17a, and criminal history records checks
- under Sections 10-21.9 and 34-18.5. For State-recognized,
- 23 non-public schools, the program shall provide funding for
- secular textbooks and software, criminal history records
- checks, and health and safety mandates to the extent that the

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- funds are expended for purely secular purposes. A school
- district or laboratory school as defined in Section 18-8, or
- 3 18-8.05, or 18-8.15 is not required to file an application in
- 4 order to receive the categorical funding to which it is
- ⁵ entitled under this Section. Funds for the School Safety and
- 6 Educational Improvement Block Grant Program shall be

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7 distributed to school districts and laboratory schools based on 8 the prior year's best 3 months average daily attendance. Funds 9 for the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant 10 Program shall be distributed to State-recognized, non-public 11 schools based on the average daily attendance figure for the 12 previous school year provided to the State Board of Education. 13 The State Board of Education shall develop an application that 14 requires State-recognized, non-public schools to submit 15 average daily attendance figures. A State-recognized, 16 non-public school must submit the application and average daily 17 attendance figure prior to receiving funds under this Section. 18 The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules and 19 regulations necessary for the implementation of this program.

- (2) Distribution of moneys to school districts and State-recognized, non-public schools shall be made in 2 semi-annual installments, one payment on or before October 30, and one payment prior to April 30, of each fiscal year.
- (3) Grants under the School Safety and Educational Improvement Block Grant Program shall be awarded provided there is an appropriation for the program, and funding levels for

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each district shall be prorated according to the amount of the appropriation.

(4) The provisions of this Section are in the public interest, are for the public benefit, and serve secular public purposes.

6 (Source: P.A. 98-972, eff. 8-15-14.)

7 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.66) (from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.66)

Sec. 2-3.66. Truants' alternative and optional education programs. To establish projects to offer modified instructional programs or other services designed to prevent students from dropping out of school, including programs pursuant to Section 2-3.41, and to serve as a part time or full time option in lieu of regular school attendance and to award grants to local school districts, educational service regions or community college districts from appropriated funds to assist districts in establishing such projects. The education agency may operate its own program or enter into a contract

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with another not-for-profit entity to implement the program.

- The projects shall allow dropouts, up to and including age 21,
- potential dropouts, including truants, uninvolved, unmotivated
- 21 and disaffected students, as defined by State Board of
- Education rules and regulations, to enroll, as an alternative
- to regular school attendance, in an optional education program
- which may be established by school board policy and is in
- conformance with rules adopted by the State Board of Education.

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- 1 Truants' Alternative and Optional Education programs funded
- pursuant to this Section shall be planned by a student, the
- 3 student's parents or legal guardians, unless the student is 18
- 4 years or older, and school officials and shall culminate in an
- 5 individualized optional education plan. Such plan shall focus
- on academic or vocational skills, or both, and may include, but
- 7 not be limited to, evening school, summer school, community
- 8 college courses, adult education, preparation courses for high
- 9 school equivalency testing, vocational training, work
- experience, programs to enhance self concept and parenting
- courses. School districts which are awarded grants pursuant to
- this Section shall be authorized to provide day care services
- to children of students who are eligible and desire to enroll
- in programs established and funded under this Section, but only
- if and to the extent that such day care is necessary to enable
- those eligible students to attend and participate in the
- programs and courses which are conducted pursuant to this
- 18 Section. School districts and regional offices of education may
- claim general State aid under Section 18-8.05 or evidence-based
- funding under Section 18-8.15 for students enrolled in truants'
- 21 alternative and optional education programs, provided that
- such students are receiving services that are supplemental to a
- program leading to a high school diploma and are otherwise
- eligible to be claimed for general State aid under Section
- 25 18-8.05 or evidence-based funding under Section 18-8.15, as
- applicable.

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(Source: P.A. 98-718, eff. 1-1-15.)

2 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.66b)

Sec. 2-3.66b. IHOPE Program.

- (a) There is established the Illinois Hope and Opportunity Pathways through Education (IHOPE) Program. The State Board of Education shall implement and administer the IHOPE Program. The goal of the IHOPE Program is to develop a comprehensive system in this State to re-enroll significant numbers of high school dropouts in programs that will enable them to earn their high school diploma.
- (b) The IHOPE Program shall award grants, subject to appropriation for this purpose, to educational service regions and a school district organized under Article 34 of this Code from appropriated funds to assist in establishing instructional programs and other services designed to re-enroll high school dropouts. From any funds appropriated for the IHOPE Program, the State Board of Education may use up to 5% for administrative costs, including the performance of a program evaluation and the hiring of staff to implement and administer the program.

The IHOPE Program shall provide incentive grant funds for regional offices of education and a school district organized under Article 34 of this Code to develop partnerships with school districts, public community colleges, and community groups to build comprehensive plans to re-enroll high school

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dropouts in their regions or districts.

Programs funded through the IHOPE Program shall allow high school dropouts, up to and including age 21 notwithstanding Section 26-2 of this Code, to re-enroll in an educational program in conformance with rules adopted by the State Board of Education. Programs may include without limitation comprehensive year-round programming, evening school, summer school, community college courses, adult education, vocational training, work experience, programs to enhance self-concept, and parenting courses. Any student in the IHOPE Program who wishes to earn a high school diploma must meet the

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- Section 27-22 of this Code and any other graduation requirements of the student's district of residence
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- student who successfully completes the requirements for his or her graduation shall receive a diploma identifying the student
- 17 as graduating from his or her district of residence.
- 18 (c) In order to be eligible for funding under the IHOPE
- 19 Program, an interested regional office of education or a school
- district organized under Article 34 of this Code shall develop
- 21 an IHOPE Plan to be approved by the State Board of Education.
- The State Board of Education shall develop rules for the IHOPE
- Program that shall set forth the requirements for the
- development of the IHOPE Plan. Each Plan shall involve school
- districts, public community colleges, and key community
- programs that work with high school dropouts located in an

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educational service region or the City of Chicago before the Plan is sent to the State Board for approval. No funds may be distributed to a regional office of education or a school district organized under Article 34 of this Code until the State Board has approved the Plan.

(d) A regional office of education or a school district organized under Article 34 of this Code may operate its own program funded by the IHOPE Program or enter into a contract with other not-for-profit entities, including school districts, public community colleges, and not-for-profit community-based organizations, to operate a program.

A regional office of education or a school district organized under Article 34 of this Code that receives an IHOPE grant from the State Board of Education may provide funds under a sub-grant, as specified in the IHOPE Plan, to other not-for-profit entities to provide services according to the IHOPE Plan that was developed. These other entities may include school districts, public community colleges, or not-for-profit community-based organizations or a cooperative partnership among these entities.

(e) In order to distribute funding based upon the need to ensure delivery of programs that will have the greatest impact, IHOPE Program funding must be distributed based upon the proportion of dropouts in the educational service region or

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in this State. This formula shall employ the dropout data provided by school districts to the State Board of Education.

A regional office of education or a school district organized under Article 34 of this Code may claim State aid under Section 18-8.05 or 18-8.15 of this Code for students enrolled in a program funded by the IHOPE Program, provided that the State Board of Education has approved the IHOPE Plan and that these students are receiving services that are meeting the requirements of Section 27-22 of this Code for receipt of a high school diploma and are otherwise eligible to be claimed for general State aid under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or evidence-based funding under Section 18-8.15 of this Code, including provisions related to the minimum number of days of pupil attendance pursuant to Section 10-19 of this Code and the minimum number of daily hours of school work and any exceptions thereto as defined by the State Board of Education in rules.

- (f) IHOPE categories of programming may include the following:
 - (1) Full-time programs that are comprehensive, year-round programs.
 - (2) Part-time programs combining work and study scheduled at various times that are flexible to the needs of students.
 - (3) Online programs and courses in which students take courses and complete on-site, supervised tests that measure the student's mastery of a specific course needed

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school classes in combination with community college classes or students attend community college classes while simultaneously earning high school credit and eventually a high school diploma.

- (g) In order to have successful comprehensive programs re-enrolling and graduating low-skilled high school dropouts, programs funded through the IHOPE Program shall include all of the following components:
 - (1) Small programs (70 to 100 students) at a separate school site with a distinct identity. Programs may be larger with specific need and justification, keeping in mind that it is crucial to keep programs small to be effective.
 - (2) Specific performance-based goals and outcomes and measures of enrollment, attendance, skills, credits, graduation, and the transition to college, training, and employment.
 - (3) Strong, experienced leadership and teaching staff who are provided with ongoing professional development.
 - (4) Voluntary enrollment.
 - (5) High standards for student learning, integrating

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work experience, and education, including during the school year and after school, and summer school programs that link internships, work, and learning.

- (6) Comprehensive programs providing extensive support services.
- (7) Small teams of students supported by full-time paid mentors who work to retain and help those students graduate.
- (8) A comprehensive technology learning center with Internet access and broad-based curriculum focusing on academic and career subject areas.
- (9) Learning opportunities that incorporate action into study.
- (h) Programs funded through the IHOPE Program must report data to the State Board of Education as requested. This information shall include, but is not limited to, student

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20 (i) Rules must be developed by the State Board of Education 21 to set forth the fund distribution process to regional offices 22 of education and a school district organized under Article 34 23 of this Code, the planning and the conditions upon which an 24 IHOPE Plan would be approved by State Board, and other rules to

25 develop the IHOPE Program.

26 (Source: P.A. 96-106, eff. 7-30-09.)

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(105 ILCS 5/2-3.84) (from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.84)
    Sec. 2-3.84. In calculating the amount of State aid to be
apportioned to the various school districts in this State, the
State Board of Education shall incorporate and deduct the total
aggregate adjustments to assessments made by the State Property
Tax Appeal Board or Cook County Board of Appeals, as reported
pursuant to Section 16-15 of the Property Tax Code or Section
129.1 of the Revenue Act of 1939 by the Department of Revenue,
from the equalized assessed valuation that is otherwise to be
utilized in the initial calculation.
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From the total amount of general State aid or evidence-based funding to be provided to districts, adjustments under this Section together with adjustments as a result of recomputation under Section 2-3.33 must not exceed \$25 million, in the aggregate for all districts under both Sections combined, of the general State aid or evidence-based <u>funding</u> appropriation in any fiscal year; if necessary, amounts shall be prorated among districts. If it is necessary to prorate claims under this paragraph, then that portion of each prorated claim that is approved but not paid in the current fiscal year may be resubmitted as a valid claim in the following fiscal year. (Source: P.A. 93-845, eff. 7-30-04.)

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24 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.109a)

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         Sec. 2-3.109a. Laboratory schools grant eligibility. A
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     laboratory school as defined in Section 18-8 or 18-8.15 may
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     apply for and be eligible to receive, subject to the same
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     restrictions applicable to school districts, any grant
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     administered by the State Board of Education that is available
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     for school districts.
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     (Source: P.A. 90-566, eff. 1-2-98.)
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         (105 ILCS 5/2-3.170 new)
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         Sec. 2-3.170. Property tax relief pool grants.
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         (a) As used in this Section,
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         "Property tax multiplier" equals one minus the square of
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     the school district's Local Capacity Percentage, as defined in
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     Section 18-8.15 of this Code.
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         "State Board" means the State Board of Education.
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         "Unit equivalent tax rate" means the Adjusted Operating Tax
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     Rate, as defined in Section 18-8.15 of this Code, multiplied by
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     school districts, and 13/4 for high school districts.
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         (b) Subject to appropriation, the State Board shall provide
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     grants to eligible school districts that provide tax relief to
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     the school district's residents, up to a limit of 1% of the
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     school district's equalized assessed value, as provided in this
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     Section.
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         (c) By August 1 of each year, the State Board shall publish
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     districts are eligible for relief under this Section. This
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     <u>estimated tax rate shall be based on the most recent available</u>
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shall apply to the State Board by October 1 of each year. All applications to the State Board for grants shall include the amount of the grant requested.

- (e) By December 1 of each year, based on the most recent available data provided by school districts pursuant to Section 18-8.15 of this Code, the State Board shall calculate the unit equivalent tax rate, based on the applications received by the State Board, above which the appropriations are sufficient to provide relief and publish a list of the school districts eligible for relief.
- 22 <u>(f) The State Board shall publish a final list of grant</u>
 23 <u>recipients and provide payment of the grants by January 15 of</u>
 24 <u>each year.</u>
- 25 (g) If payment from the State Board is received by the
 26 school district on time, the school district shall reduce its

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property tax levy in an amount equal to the grant received under this Section.

- (h) The total grant to a school district under this Section shall be calculated based on the total amount of reduction in the school district's aggregate extension, up to a limit of 1% of a district's equalized assessed value for a unit school district, 0.69% for an elementary school district, and 0.31% for a high school district, multiplied by the property tax multiplier or the amount that the unit equivalent tax rate is greater than the rate determined by the State Board, whichever is less.
- (i) If the State Board does not expend all appropriations allocated pursuant to this Section, then any remaining funds shall be allocated pursuant to Section 18-8.15 of this Code.
- (j) The State Board shall prioritize payments under Section
 18-8.15 of this Code over payments under this Section, if
 necessary.
- (k) Any grants received by a school district shall be
 included in future calculations of that school district's Base
 Funding Minimum under Section 18-8.15 of this Code.
- 21 (l) In the tax year following receipt of a Property Tax
 22 Pool Relief Grant, the aggregate levy of any school district
 23 receiving a grant under this Section, for purposes of the

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- 24 Property Tax Extension Limitation Law, shall include the tax
- 25 <u>relief the school district provided in the previous taxable</u>
- year under this Section.

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- 1 (105 ILCS 5/3-14.21) (from Ch. 122, par. 3-14.21)
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- Sec. 3-14.21. Inspection of schools.

 3 (a) The regional superintendent shall
 - (a) The regional superintendent shall inspect and survey all public schools under his or her supervision and notify the board of education, or the trustees of schools in a district with trustees, in writing before July 30, whether or not the several schools in their district have been kept as required by law, using forms provided by the State Board of Education which are based on the Health/Life Safety Code for Public Schools adopted under Section 2-3.12. The regional superintendent shall report his or her findings to the State Board of Education on forms provided by the State Board of Education.
 - (b) If the regional superintendent determines that a school board has failed in a timely manner to correct urgent items identified in a previous life-safety report completed under Section 2-3.12 or as otherwise previously ordered by the regional superintendent, the regional superintendent shall order the school board to adopt and submit to the regional superintendent a plan for the immediate correction of the building violations. This plan shall be adopted following a public hearing that is conducted by the school board on the violations and the plan and that is preceded by at least 7 days' prior notice of the hearing published in a newspaper of general circulation within the school district. If the regional superintendent determines in the next annual inspection that

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- the plan has not been completed and that the violations have
- 2 not been corrected, the regional superintendent shall submit a
- 3 report to the State Board of Education with a recommendation
- 4 that the State Board withhold from payments of general State
- 5 aid or evidence-based funding due to the district an amount

necessary to correct the outstanding violations. The State Board, upon notice to the school board and to the regional superintendent, shall consider the report at a meeting of the State Board, and may order that a sufficient amount of general State aid or evidence-based funding be withheld from payments due to the district to correct the violations. This amount shall be paid to the regional superintendent who shall contract on behalf of the school board for the correction of the outstanding violations.

(c) The Office of the State Fire Marshal or a qualified fire official, as defined in Section 2-3.12 of this Code, to whom the State Fire Marshal has delegated his or her authority shall conduct an annual fire safety inspection of each school building in this State. The State Fire Marshal or the fire official shall coordinate its inspections with the regional superintendent. The inspection shall be based on the fire safety code authorized in Section 2-3.12 of this Code. Any violations shall be reported in writing to the regional superintendent and shall reference the specific code sections where a discrepancy has been identified within 15 days after the inspection has been conducted. The regional superintendent

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shall address those violations that are not corrected in a timely manner pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section. The inspection must be at no cost to the school district.

(d) If a municipality or, in the case of an unincorporated area, a county or, if applicable, a fire protection district wishes to perform new construction inspections under the jurisdiction of a regional superintendent, then the entity must register this wish with the regional superintendent. These inspections must be based on the building code authorized in Section 2-3.12 of this Code. The inspections must be at no cost to the school district.

12 (Source: P.A. 96-734, eff. 8-25-09.)

(105 ILCS 5/7-14A) (from Ch. 122, par. 7-14A)

Sec. 7-14A. Annexation compensation. There shall be no
accounting made after a mere change in boundaries when no new
district is created, except that those districts whose

enrollment increases by 90% or more as a result of annexing

- 18 territory detached from another district pursuant to this
- 19 Article are eligible for supplementary State aid payments in
- 20 accordance with Section 11E-135 of this Code. Eligible annexing
- 21 districts shall apply to the State Board of Education for
- 22 supplementary State aid payments by submitting enrollment
- 23 figures for the year immediately preceding and the year
- 24 immediately following the effective date of the boundary change
- 25 for both the district gaining territory and the district losing

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- 1 territory. Copies of any intergovernmental agreements between
- 2 the district gaining territory and the district losing
- 3 territory detailing any transfer of fund balances and staff
- 4 must also be submitted. In all instances of changes in
- 5 boundaries, the district losing territory shall not count the
- 6 average daily attendance of pupils living in the territory
- 7 during the year preceding the effective date of the boundary
- 8 change in its claim for reimbursement under Section 18-8.05 or
- 9 18-8.15 of this Code for the school year following the
- 10 effective date of the change in boundaries and the district
- 11 receiving the territory shall count the average daily
- 12 attendance of pupils living in the territory during the year
- 13 preceding the effective date of the boundary change in its
- 14 claim for reimbursement under Section 18-8.05 or 18-8.15 of
- 15 this Code for the school year following the effective date of
- 16 the change in boundaries. The changes to this Section made by
- 17 this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly are intended
- 18 to be retroactive and applicable to any annexation taking
- 19 effect on or after July 1, 2004.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 99-657, eff. 7-28-16.)
- 21 (105 ILCS 5/10-17a) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-17a)
- 22 Sec. 10-17a. State, school district, and school report
- 23 cards.
- 24 (1) By October 31, 2013 and October 31 of each subsequent
- 25 school year, the State Board of Education, through the State

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- Superintendent of Education, shall prepare a State report card, school district report cards, and school report cards, and shall by the most economic means provide to each school district in this State, including special charter districts and districts subject to the provisions of Article 34, the report cards for the school district and each of its schools.
- (2) In addition to any information required by federal law, the State Superintendent shall determine the indicators and presentation of the school report card, which must include, at a minimum, the most current data possessed by the State Board of Education related to the following:
 - (A) school characteristics and student demographics, including average class size, average teaching experience, student racial/ethnic breakdown, and the percentage of students classified as low-income; the percentage of students classified as English learners; the percentage of students who have individualized education plans or 504 plans that provide for special education services; the percentage of students who annually transferred in or out of the school district; the per-pupil operating expenditure of the school district; and the per-pupil State average operating expenditure for the district type (elementary, high school, or unit);
 - (B) curriculum information, including, where applicable, Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate or equivalent courses, dual enrollment

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courses, foreign language classes, school personnel resources (including Career Technical Education teachers), before and after school programs, extracurricular activities, subjects in which elective classes are offered, health and wellness initiatives (including the average number of days of Physical Education per week per student), approved programs of study, awards received, community partnerships, and special programs such as programming for the gifted and talented, students with disabilities, and work-study students;

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- (C) student outcomes, including, where applicable, the percentage of students deemed proficient on assessments of State standards, the percentage of students in the eighth grade who pass Algebra, the percentage of students enrolled in post-secondary institutions (including colleges, universities, community colleges, trade/vocational schools, and training programs leading to career certification within 2 semesters of high school graduation), the percentage of students graduating from high school who are college and career ready, and the percentage of graduates enrolled in community colleges, colleges, and universities who are in one or more courses that the community college, college, or university identifies as a developmental course;
- (D) student progress, including, where applicable, the percentage of students in the ninth grade who have earned 5

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credits or more without failing more than one core class, a measure of students entering kindergarten ready to learn, a measure of growth, and the percentage of students who enter high school on track for college and career readiness;

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(E) the school environment, including, where applicable, the percentage of students with less than 10 absences in a school year, the percentage of teachers with less than 10 absences in a school year for reasons other than professional development, leaves taken pursuant to the federal Family Medical Leave Act of 1993, long-term disability, or parental leaves, the 3-year average of the percentage of teachers returning to the school from the previous year, the number of different principals at the school in the last 6 years, 2 or more indicators from any school climate survey selected or approved by the State and administered pursuant to Section 2-3.153 of this Code, with the same or similar indicators included on school report cards for all surveys selected or approved by the State pursuant to Section 2-3.153 of this Code, and the combined percentage of teachers rated as proficient or excellent in

their most recent evaluation: and

defined in paragraph (4) of subsection (f) of Section

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(H) a school district's Local Capacity Target, as defined in paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of Section 18-8.15 of this Code, displayed as a percentage amount; and

(I) a school district's Real Receipts, as defined in paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Section 18-8.15 of this Code, divided by a school district's Adequacy Target, as defined in paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Section 18-8.15 of this Code, displayed as a percentage amount.

The school report card shall also provide information that allows for comparing the current outcome, progress, and environment data to the State average, to the school data from the past 5 years, and to the outcomes, progress, and environment of similar schools based on the type of school and enrollment of low-income students, special education students, and English learners.

- (3) At the discretion of the State Superintendent, the school district report card shall include a subset of the information identified in paragraphs (A) through (E) of subsection (2) of this Section, as well as information relating to the operating expense per pupil and other finances of the school district, and the State report card shall include a subset of the information identified in paragraphs (A) through (E) of subsection (2) of this Section.
- (4) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this
 Section, in consultation with key education stakeholders, the

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- 1 State Superintendent shall at any time have the discretion to
- amend or update any and all metrics on the school, district, or

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State report card.

(5) Annually, no more than 30 calendar days after receipt of the school district and school report cards from the State Superintendent of Education, each school district, including special charter districts and districts subject to the provisions of Article 34, shall present such report cards at a regular school board meeting subject to applicable notice requirements, post the report cards on the school district's Internet web site, if the district maintains an Internet web site, make the report cards available to a newspaper of general circulation serving the district, and, upon request, send the report cards home to a parent (unless the district does not maintain an Internet web site, in which case the report card shall be sent home to parents without request). If the district posts the report card on its Internet web site, the district shall send a written notice home to parents stating (i) that the report card is available on the web site, (ii) the address of the web site, (iii) that a printed copy of the report card will be sent to parents upon request, and (iv) the telephone number that parents may call to request a printed copy of the report card.

(6) Nothing contained in this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly repeals, supersedes, invalidates, or nullifies final decisions in lawsuits pending on the effective

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- 2 Illinois courts involving the interpretation of Public Act
- 3 97-8.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 98-463, eff. 8-16-13; 98-648, eff. 7-1-14; 99-30,
- ⁵ eff. 7-10-15; 99-193, eff. 7-30-15; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)

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6 (105 ILCS 5/10-19) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-19)
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7 Sec. 10-19. Length of school term - experimental programs.

- 8 Each school board shall annually prepare a calendar for the
- 9 school term, specifying the opening and closing dates and
- providing a minimum term of at least 185 days to insure 176
- days of actual pupil attendance, computable under Section
- 12 18-8.05 or 18-8.15, except that for the 1980-1981 school year
- only 175 days of actual pupil attendance shall be required

because of the closing of schools pursuant to Section 24-2 on January 29, 1981 upon the appointment by the President of that day as a day of thanksgiving for the freedom of the Americans who had been held hostage in Iran. Any days allowed by law for teachers' institutes but not used as such or used as parental institutes as provided in Section 10-22.18d shall increase the minimum term by the school days not so used. Except as provided in Section 10-19.1, the board may not extend the school term beyond such closing date unless that extension of term is necessary to provide the minimum number of computable days. In case of such necessary extension school employees shall be paid for such additional time on the basis of their regular

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contracts. A school board may specify a closing date earlier than that set on the annual calendar when the schools of the district have provided the minimum number of computable days under this Section. Nothing in this Section prevents the board from employing superintendents of schools, principals and other nonteaching personnel for a period of 12 months, or in the case of superintendents for a period in accordance with Section 10-23.8, or prevents the board from employing other personnel before or after the regular school term with payment of salary proportionate to that received for comparable work during the school term.

A school board may make such changes in its calendar for the school term as may be required by any changes in the legal school holidays prescribed in Section 24-2. A school board may make changes in its calendar for the school term as may be necessary to reflect the utilization of teachers' institute days as parental institute days as provided in Section 10-22.18d.

The calendar for the school term and any changes must be submitted to and approved by the regional superintendent of schools before the calendar or changes may take effect.

With the prior approval of the State Board of Education and subject to review by the State Board of Education every 3 years, any school board may, by resolution of its board and in agreement with affected exclusive collective bargaining agents, establish experimental educational programs, including

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- 1 but not limited to programs for e-learning days as authorized
- 2 under Section 10-20.56 of this Code, self-directed learning, or
- 3 outside of formal class periods, which programs when so
- 4 approved shall be considered to comply with the requirements of
- 5 this Section as respects numbers of days of actual pupil
- 6 attendance and with the other requirements of this Act as
- 7 respects courses of instruction.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 98-756, eff. 7-16-14; 99-194, eff. 7-30-15.)
- 9 (105 ILCS 5/10-22.5a) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-22.5a)
- 10 Sec. 10-22.5a. Attendance by dependents of United States
- 11 military personnel, foreign exchange students, and certain
- 12 nonresident pupils.
- 13 (a) To enter into written agreements with cultural exchange
- 14 organizations, or with nationally recognized eleemosynary
- 15 institutions that promote excellence in the arts, mathematics,
- 16 or science. The written agreements may provide for tuition free
- 17 attendance at the local district school by foreign exchange
- 18 students, or by nonresident pupils of eleemosynary
- 19 institutions. The local board of education, as part of the
- 20 agreement, may require that the cultural exchange program or
- 21 the eleemosynary institutions provide services to the district
- 22 in exchange for the waiver of nonresident tuition.
- 23 To enter into written agreements with adjacent school
- 24 districts to provide for tuition free attendance by a student
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- 1 health and safety by the student or parent and both districts
- 2 determine that the student's health or safety will be served by
- 3 such attendance. Districts shall not be required to enter into
- 4 such agreements nor be required to alter existing
- 5 transportation services due to the attendance of such
- 6 non-resident pupils.
- 7 (a-5) If, at the time of enrollment, a dependent of United
- 8 States military personnel is housed in temporary housing

- 9 located outside of a school district, but will be living within
- the district within 60 days after the time of initial
- enrollment, the dependent must be allowed to enroll, subject to
- the requirements of this subsection (a-5), and must not be
- charged tuition. Any United States military personnel
- attempting to enroll a dependent under this subsection (a-5)
- shall provide proof that the dependent will be living within
- the district within 60 days after the time of initial
- enrollment. Proof of residency may include, but is not limited
- to, postmarked mail addressed to the military personnel and
- sent to an address located within the district, a lease
- agreement for occupancy of a residence located within the
- district, or proof of ownership of a residence located within
- the district.
- (b) Nonresident pupils and foreign exchange students
 attending school on a tuition free basis under such agreements
- and nonresident dependents of United States military personnel
- attending school on a tuition free basis may be counted for the

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- purposes of determining the apportionment of State aid provided
- under Section 18-8.05 or 18-8.15 of this Code. No organization
- or institution participating in agreements authorized under
- 4 this Section may exclude any individual for participation in
- its program on account of the person's race, color, sex,
- 6 religion or nationality.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 98-739, eff. 7-16-14.)
- 8 (105 ILCS 5/10-22.20) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-22.20)
- 9 Sec. 10-22.20. Classes for adults and youths whose
- schooling has been interrupted; conditions for State
- reimbursement; use of child care facilities.
- 12 (a) To establish special classes for the instruction (1) of
- persons of age 21 years or over and (2) of persons less than
- age 21 and not otherwise in attendance in public school, for
- the purpose of providing adults in the community and youths
- whose schooling has been interrupted with such additional basic
- education, vocational skill training, and other instruction as
- may be necessary to increase their qualifications for
- employment or other means of self-support and their ability to

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meet their responsibilities as citizens, including courses of instruction regularly accepted for graduation from elementary or high schools and for Americanization and high school equivalency testing review classes.

The board shall pay the necessary expenses of such classes out of school funds of the district, including costs of student

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transportation and such facilities or provision for child-care as may be necessary in the judgment of the board to permit maximum utilization of the courses by students with children, and other special needs of the students directly related to such instruction. The expenses thus incurred shall be subject to State reimbursement, as provided in this Section. The board may make a tuition charge for persons taking instruction who are not subject to State reimbursement, such tuition charge not to exceed the per capita cost of such classes.

The cost of such instruction, including the additional expenses herein authorized, incurred for recipients of financial aid under the Illinois Public Aid Code, or for persons for whom education and training aid has been authorized under Section 9-8 of that Code, shall be assumed in its entirety from funds appropriated by the State to the Illinois Community College Board.

(b) The Illinois Community College Board shall establish the standards for the courses of instruction reimbursed under this Section. The Illinois Community College Board shall supervise the administration of the programs. The Illinois Community College Board shall determine the cost of instruction in accordance with standards established by the Illinois Community College Board, including therein other incidental costs as herein authorized, which shall serve as the basis of State reimbursement in accordance with the provisions of this Section. In the approval of programs and the determination of

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- the cost of instruction, the Illinois Community College Board
- 2 shall provide for the maximum utilization of federal funds for

such programs. The Illinois Community College Board shall also provide for:

- (1) the development of an index of need for program planning and for area funding allocations, as defined by the Illinois Community College Board:
- (2) the method for calculating hours of instruction, as defined by the Illinois Community College Board, claimable for reimbursement and a method to phase in the calculation and for adjusting the calculations in cases where the services of a program are interrupted due to circumstances beyond the control of the program provider;
- (3) a plan for the reallocation of funds to increase the amount allocated for grants based upon program performance as set forth in subsection (d) below; and
- (4) the development of standards for determining grants based upon performance as set forth in subsection(d) below and a plan for the phased-in implementation of those standards.

For instruction provided by school districts and community college districts beginning July 1, 1996 and thereafter, reimbursement provided by the Illinois Community College Board for classes authorized by this Section shall be provided from funds appropriated for the reimbursement criteria set forth in subsection (c) below.

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(c) Upon the annual approval of the Illinois Community College Board, reimbursement shall be first provided for transportation, child care services, and other special needs of the students directly related to instruction and then from the funds remaining an amount equal to the product of the total credit hours or units of instruction approved by the Illinois Community College Board, multiplied by the following:

(1) For adult basic education, the maximum reimbursement per credit hour or per unit of instruction shall be equal to (i) through fiscal year 2017, the general state aid per pupil foundation level established in subsection (B) of Section 18-8.05, divided by 60, or (ii) in fiscal year 2018 and thereafter, the prior fiscal year

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14	reimbursement level multiplied by the Consumer Price Index
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16	<pre>United States Department of Labor;</pre>
17	(2) The maximum reimbursement per credit hour or per
18	unit of instruction in subparagraph (1) above shall be
19	weighted for students enrolled in classes defined as
20	vocational skills and approved by the Illinois Community
21	College Board by 1.25;
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(3) The maximum reimbursement per credit hour or per unit of instruction in subparagraph (1) above shall be multiplied by .90 for students enrolled in classes defined as adult secondary education programs and approved by the Illinois Community College Board;

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> (5) Funding for program years after 1999-2000 shall be determined by the Illinois Community College Board.

- (d) Upon its annual approval, the Illinois Community College Board shall provide grants to eligible programs for supplemental activities to improve or expand services under the Adult Education Act. Eligible programs shall be determined based upon performance outcomes of students in the programs as set by the Illinois Community College Board.
- (e) Reimbursement under this Section shall not exceed the actual costs of the approved program.

If the amount appropriated to the Illinois Community College Board for reimbursement under this Section is less than the amount required under this Act, the apportionment shall be proportionately reduced.

School districts and community college districts may assess students up to \$3.00 per credit hour, for classes other than Adult Basic Education level programs, if needed to meet program costs.

(f) An education plan shall be established for each adult or youth whose schooling has been interrupted and who is participating in the instructional programs provided under this Section.

Each school board and community college shall keep an accurate and detailed account of the students assigned to and

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State reimbursement and shall submit reports of services provided commencing with fiscal year 1997 as required by the Illinois Community College Board.

For classes authorized under this Section, a credit hour or unit of instruction is equal to 15 hours of direct instruction for students enrolled in approved adult education programs at midterm and making satisfactory progress, in accordance with standards established by the Illinois Community College Board.

(g) Upon proof submitted to the Illinois Department of Human Services of the payment of all claims submitted under this Section, that Department shall apply for federal funds made available therefor and any federal funds so received shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund in the State Treasury.

School districts or community colleges providing classes under this Section shall submit applications to the Illinois Community College Board for preapproval in accordance with the standards established by the Illinois Community College Board. Payments shall be made by the Illinois Community College Board based upon approved programs. Interim expenditure reports may be required by the Illinois Community College Board. Final claims for the school year shall be submitted to the regional superintendents for transmittal to the Illinois Community College Board. Final adjusted payments shall be made by September 30.

If a school district or community college district fails to provide, or is providing unsatisfactory or insufficient

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1 classes under this Section, the Illinois Community College 2 Board may enter into agreements with public or private 3

educational or other agencies other than the public schools for 4 the establishment of such classes.

(h) If a school district or community college district establishes child-care facilities for the children of

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participants in classes established under this Section, it may extend the use of these facilities to students who have obtained employment and to other persons in the community whose children require care and supervision while the parent or other person in charge of the children is employed or otherwise absent from the home during all or part of the day. It may make the facilities available before and after as well as during regular school hours to school age and preschool age children who may benefit thereby, including children who require care and supervision pending the return of their parent or other person in charge of their care from employment or other activity requiring absence from the home.

The Illinois Community College Board shall pay to the board the cost of care in the facilities for any child who is a recipient of financial aid under the Illinois Public Aid Code.

The board may charge for care of children for whom it cannot make claim under the provisions of this Section. The charge shall not exceed per capita cost, and to the extent feasible, shall be fixed at a level which will permit utilization by employed parents of low or moderate income. It

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may also permit any other State or local governmental agency or private agency providing care for children to purchase care.

After July 1, 1970 when the provisions of Section 10-20.20 become operative in the district, children in a child-care facility shall be transferred to the kindergarten established under that Section for such portion of the day as may be required for the kindergarten program, and only the prorated costs of care and training provided in the Center for the remaining period shall be charged to the Illinois Department of Human Services or other persons or agencies paying for such care.

- (i) The provisions of this Section shall also apply to school districts having a population exceeding 500,000.
- (j) In addition to claiming reimbursement under this Section, a school district may claim general State aid under Section 18-8.05 or evidence-based funding under Section 18-8.15 for any student under age 21 who is enrolled in courses accepted for graduation from elementary or high school and who

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1 team. 2 (D) A description of the process the school 3 district will use to develop and approve a written 4 remote educational plan that meets the requirements of 5 subdivision (5) of this subsection (a). 6 (E) A description of the system the school district 7 will establish to calculate the number of clock hours a 8 student is participating in instruction in accordance 9 with the remote educational program. 10 (F) A description of the process for renewing a 11 remote educational program at the expiration of its 12 term. 13 (G) Such other terms and provisions as the school 14 district deems necessary to provide for the 15 establishment and delivery of a remote educational 16 program. 17 (2) The school district has determined that the remote 18 educational program's curriculum is aligned to State 19 learning standards and that the program offers instruction 20 and educational experiences consistent with those given to 21 students at the same grade level in the district. 22 (3) The remote educational program is delivered by 23 instructors that meet the following qualifications: 24 (A) they are certificated under Article 21 of this 25 Code; 26 (B) they meet applicable highly qualified criteria

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under the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; and

(C) they have responsibility for all of the
following elements of the program: planning
instruction, diagnosing learning needs, prescribing
content delivery through class activities, assessing

learning, reporting outcomes to administrators and

parents and guardians, and evaluating the effects of
instruction.

(4) During the period of time from and including the opening date to the closing date of the regular school term

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of the school district established pursuant to Section 10-19 of this Code, participation in a remote educational program may be claimed for general State aid purposes under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or evidence-based funding purposes under Section 18-8.15 of this Code on any calendar day, notwithstanding whether the day is a day of pupil attendance or institute day on the school district's calendar or any other provision of law restricting instruction on that day. If the district holds year-round classes in some buildings, the district shall classify each student's participation in a remote educational program as either on a year-round or a non-year-round schedule for purposes of claiming general State aid or evidence-based funding. Outside of the regular school term of the district, the remote educational program may be offered as part of any summer school program authorized by this Code.

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(5) Each student participating in a remote educational program must have a written remote educational plan that has been approved by the school district and a person authorized to enroll the student under Section 10-20.12b of this Code. The school district and a person authorized to enroll the student under Section 10-20.12b of this Code must approve any amendment to a remote educational plan. The remote educational plan must include, but is not limited to, all of the following:

- (A) Specific achievement goals for the student aligned to State learning standards.
- (B) A description of all assessments that will be used to measure student progress, which description shall indicate the assessments that will be administered at an attendance center within the school district.
- (C) A description of the progress reports that will be provided to the school district and the person or persons authorized to enroll the student under Section 10-20.12b of this Code.
 - (D) Expectations, processes, and schedules for

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interaction between a teacher and student.

(E) A description of the specific responsibilities of the student's family and the school district with respect to equipment, materials, phone and Internet service, and any other requirements applicable to the

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home or other location outside of a school building necessary for the delivery of the remote educational program.

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 (F) If applicable, a description of how the remote educational program will be delivered in a manner consistent with the student's individualized education
- program required by Section 614(d) of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 or plan to ensure compliance with Section
- (G) A description of the procedures and opportunities for participation in academic and extra-curricular activities and programs within the school district.

504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

- (H) The identification of a parent, guardian, or other responsible adult who will provide direct supervision of the program. The plan must include an acknowledgment by the parent, guardian, or other responsible adult that he or she may engage only in non-teaching duties not requiring instructional judgment or the evaluation of a student. The plan shall designate the parent, guardian, or other responsible adult as non-teaching personnel or volunteer personnel under subsection (a) of Section 10-22.34 of this Code.
- (I) The identification of a school district administrator who will oversee the remote educational

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program on behalf of the school district and who may be

contacted by the student's parents with respect to any issues or concerns with the program.

- (J) The term of the student's participation in the remote educational program, which may not extend for longer than 12 months, unless the term is renewed by the district in accordance with subdivision (7) of this subsection (a).
- (K) A description of the specific location or locations in which the program will be delivered. If the remote educational program is to be delivered to a student in any location other than the student's home, the plan must include a written determination by the school district that the location will provide a learning environment appropriate for the delivery of the program. The location or locations in which the program will be delivered shall be deemed a long distance teaching reception area under subsection (a) of Section 10-22.34 of this Code.
- (L) Certification by the school district that the plan meets all other requirements of this Section.
- (6) Students participating in a remote educational program must be enrolled in a school district attendance center pursuant to the school district's enrollment policy or policies. A student participating in a remote educational program must be tested as part of all

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assessments administered by the school district pursuant to Section 2-3.64a-5 of this Code at the attendance center in which the student is enrolled and in accordance with the attendance center's assessment policies and schedule. The student must be included within all accountability determinations for the school district and attendance center under State and federal law.

(7) The term of a student's participation in a remote educational program may not extend for longer than 12 months, unless the term is renewed by the school district. The district may only renew a student's participation in a remote educational program following an evaluation of the

student's progress in the program, a determination that the
student's continuation in the program will best serve the
student's individual learning needs, and an amendment to
the student's written remote educational plan addressing
any changes for the upcoming term of the program.

For purposes of this Section, a remote educational program

For purposes of this Section, a remote educational program does not include instruction delivered to students through an e-learning program approved under Section 10-20.56 of this Code.

- (b) A school district may, by resolution of its school board, establish a remote educational program.
- (c) Clock hours of instruction by students in a remote educational program meeting the requirements of this Section may be claimed by the school district and shall be counted as

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school work for general State aid purposes in accordance with and subject to the limitations of Section 18-8.05 of this Code or evidence-based funding purposes in accordance with and subject to the limitations of Section 18-8.15 of this Code.

- (d) The impact of remote educational programs on wages, hours, and terms and conditions of employment of educational employees within the school district shall be subject to local collective bargaining agreements.
- (e) The use of a home or other location outside of a school building for a remote educational program shall not cause the home or other location to be deemed a public school facility.
- (f) A remote educational program may be used, but is not required, for instruction delivered to a student in the home or other location outside of a school building that is not claimed for general State aid purposes under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or evidence-based funding purposes under Section 18-8.15 of this Code.
- (g) School districts that, pursuant to this Section, adopt a policy for a remote educational program must submit to the State Board of Education a copy of the policy and any amendments thereto, as well as data on student participation in a format specified by the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education may perform or contract with an outside entity to perform an evaluation of remote educational programs

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- 1 necessary to ensure compliance by remote educational programs
- 2 with the requirements of this Section and other applicable
- 3 legal requirements.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 98-972, eff. 8-15-14; 99-193, eff. 7-30-15;
- 5 99-194, eff. 7-30-15; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16.)
- 6 (105 ILCS 5/11E-135)
- 7 Sec. 11E-135. Incentives. For districts reorganizing under 8 this Article and for a district or districts that annex all of 9 the territory of one or more entire other school districts in 10 accordance with Article 7 of this Code, the following payments 11 shall be made from appropriations made for these purposes:
 - (a)(1) For a combined school district, as defined in Section 11E-20 of this Code, or for a unit district, as defined in Section 11E-25 of this Code, for its first year of existence, the general State aid and supplemental general State aid calculated under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or the evidence-based funding calculated under Section 18-8.15 of this Code, as applicable, shall be computed for the new district and for the previously existing districts for which property is totally included within the new district. If the computation on the basis of the previously existing districts is greater, a supplementary payment equal to the difference shall be made for the first 4 years of existence of the new
 - (2) For a school district that annexes all of the territory

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- 1 of one or more entire other school districts as defined in
- 2 Article 7 of this Code, for the first year during which the
- 3 change of boundaries attributable to the annexation becomes
- 4 effective for all purposes, as determined under Section 7-9 of
- 5 this Code, the general State aid and supplemental general State
- 6 aid calculated under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or the

evidence-based funding calculated under Section 18-8.15 of this Code, as applicable, shall be computed for the annexing district as constituted after the annexation and for the annexing and each annexed district as constituted prior to the annexation; and if the computation on the basis of the annexing and annexed districts as constituted prior to the annexation is greater, then a supplementary payment equal to the difference shall be made for the first 4 years of existence of the annexing school district as constituted upon the annexation.

(3) For 2 or more school districts that annex all of the territory of one or more entire other school districts, as defined in Article 7 of this Code, for the first year during which the change of boundaries attributable to the annexation becomes effective for all purposes, as determined under Section 7-9 of this Code, the general State aid and supplemental general State aid calculated under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or the evidence-based funding calculated under Section 18-8.15 of this Code, as applicable, shall be computed for each annexing district as constituted after the annexation and for each annexing and annexed district as constituted prior to the

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annexation; and if the aggregate of the general State aid and supplemental general State aid or evidence-based funding, as applicable, as so computed for the annexing districts as constituted after the annexation is less than the aggregate of the general State aid and supplemental general State aid or evidence-based funding, as applicable, as so computed for the annexing and annexed districts, as constituted prior to the annexation, then a supplementary payment equal to the difference shall be made and allocated between or among the annexing districts, as constituted upon the annexation, for the first 4 years of their existence. The total difference payment shall be allocated between or among the annexing districts in the same ratio as the pupil enrollment from that portion of the annexed district or districts that is annexed to each annexing district bears to the total pupil enrollment from the entire annexed district or districts, as such pupil enrollment is determined for the school year last ending prior to the date when the change of boundaries attributable to the annexation

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19	becomes effective for all purposes. The amount of the total
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21	the annexing districts shall be computed by the State Board of
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24	that it shall provide for that purpose, by the regional
25	superintendent of schools for each educational service region
26	in which the annexing and annexed districts are located.

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- (4) For a school district conversion, as defined in Section 11E-15 of this Code, or a multi-unit conversion, as defined in subsection (b) of Section 11E-30 of this Code, if in their first year of existence the newly created elementary districts and the newly created high school district, from a school district conversion, or the newly created elementary district or districts and newly created combined high school - unit district, from a multi-unit conversion, qualify for less general State aid under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or evidence-based funding under Section 18-8.15 of this Code than would have been payable under Section 18-8.05 or 18-8.15, as applicable, for that same year to the previously existing districts, then a supplementary payment equal to that difference shall be made for the first 4 years of existence of the newly created districts. The aggregate amount of each supplementary payment shall be allocated among the newly created districts in the proportion that the deemed pupil enrollment in each district during its first year of existence bears to the actual aggregate pupil enrollment in all of the districts during their first year of existence. For purposes of each allocation:
 - (A) the deemed pupil enrollment of the newly created high school district from a school district conversion shall be an amount equal to its actual pupil enrollment for its first year of existence multiplied by 1.25;
 - (B) the deemed pupil enrollment of each newly created

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elementary district from a school district conversion shall be an amount equal to its actual pupil enrollment for its first year of existence reduced by an amount equal to the product obtained when the amount by which the newly created high school district's deemed pupil enrollment exceeds its actual pupil enrollment for its first year of existence is multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the actual pupil enrollment of the newly created elementary district for its first year of existence and the denominator of which is the actual aggregate pupil enrollment of all of the newly created elementary districts for their first year of existence;

- (C) the deemed high school pupil enrollment of the newly created combined high school unit district from a multi-unit conversion shall be an amount equal to its actual grades 9 through 12 pupil enrollment for its first year of existence multiplied by 1.25; and
- (D) the deemed elementary pupil enrollment of each newly created district from a multi-unit conversion shall be an amount equal to each district's actual grade K through 8 pupil enrollment for its first year of existence, reduced by an amount equal to the product obtained when the amount by which the newly created combined high school unit district's deemed high school pupil enrollment exceeds its actual grade 9 through 12 pupil enrollment for its first year of existence is multiplied by a fraction,

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the numerator of which is the actual grade K through 8
pupil enrollment of each newly created district for its
first year of existence and the denominator of which is the
actual aggregate grade K through 8 pupil enrollment of all
such newly created districts for their first year of
existence.

The aggregate amount of each supplementary payment under this subdivision (4) and the amount thereof to be allocated to the newly created districts shall be computed by the State Board of Education on the basis of pupil enrollment and other data, which shall be certified to the State Board of Education,

on forms that it shall provide for that purpose, by the regional superintendent of schools for each educational service region in which the newly created districts are located.

(5) For a partial elementary unit district, as defined in subsection (a) or (c) of Section 11E-30 of this Code, if, in the first year of existence, the newly created partial elementary unit district qualifies for less general State aid and supplemental general State aid under Section 18-8.05 of this Code or less evidence-based funding under Section 18-8.15 of this Code, as applicable, than would have been payable under those Sections that Section for that same year to the previously existing districts that formed the partial elementary unit district, then a supplementary payment equal to that difference shall be made to the partial elementary unit

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district for the first 4 years of existence of that newly created district.

- (6) For an elementary opt-in, as described in subsection (d) of Section 11E-30 of this Code, the general State aid or evidence-based funding difference shall be computed in accordance with paragraph (5) of this subsection (a) as if the elementary opt-in was included in an optional elementary unit district at the optional elementary unit district's original effective date. If the calculation in this paragraph (6) is less than that calculated in paragraph (5) of this subsection (a) at the optional elementary unit district's original effective date, then no adjustments may be made. If the calculation in this paragraph (6) is more than that calculated in paragraph (5) of this subsection (a) at the optional elementary unit district's original effective date, then the excess must be paid as follows:
 - (A) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is one year after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, 100% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.
 - (B) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is

24	2 years after the effective date for the optional
25	elementary unit district, 75% of the calculated excess
26	shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in

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each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.

- (C) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is 3 years after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, 50% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.
- (D) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is 4 years after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, 25% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.
- (E) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is 5 years after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, the optional elementary unit district is not eligible for any additional incentives due to the elementary opt-in.
- (6.5) For a school district that annexes territory detached from another school district whereby the enrollment of the annexing district increases by 90% or more as a result of the annexation, for the first year during which the change of boundaries attributable to the annexation becomes effective for all purposes as determined under Section 7-9 of this Code, the general State aid and supplemental general State aid or

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- evidence-based funding, as applicable, calculated under this
- Section shall be computed for the district gaining territory
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- 4 annexation and for the same districts as constituted prior to

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5 the annexation; and if the aggregate of the general State aid 6 and supplemental general State aid or evidence-based funding, 7 as applicable, as so computed for the district gaining 8 territory and the district losing territory as constituted 9 after the annexation is less than the aggregate of the general 10 State aid and supplemental general State aid or evidence-based 11 funding, as applicable, as so computed for the district gaining 12 territory and the district losing territory as constituted 13 prior to the annexation, then a supplementary payment shall be 14 made to the annexing district for the first 4 years of 15 existence after the annexation, equal to the difference 16 multiplied by the ratio of student enrollment in the territory 17 detached to the total student enrollment in the district losing 18 territory for the year prior to the effective date of the 19 annexation. The amount of the total difference and the 20 proportion paid to the annexing district shall be computed by 21 the State Board of Education on the basis of pupil enrollment 22 and other data that must be submitted to the State Board of 23 Education in accordance with Section 7-14A of this Code. The 24 changes to this Section made by Public Act 95-707 are intended 25 to be retroactive and applicable to any annexation taking 26 effect on or after July 1, 2004. For annexations that are

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eligible for payments under this paragraph (6.5) and that are effective on or after July 1, 2004, but before January 11, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-707), the first required yearly payment under this paragraph (6.5) shall be paid in the fiscal year of January 11, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-707). Subsequent required yearly payments shall be paid in subsequent fiscal years until the payment obligation under this paragraph (6.5) is complete.

- (7) Claims for financial assistance under this subsection(a) may not be recomputed except as expressly provided underSection 18-8.05 or 18-8.15 of this Code.
- (8) Any supplementary payment made under this subsection (a) must be treated as separate from all other payments made pursuant to Section 18-8.05 or 18-8.15 of this Code.
- (b)(1) After the formation of a combined school district, as defined in Section 11E-20 of this Code, or a unit district,

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17 as defined in Section 11E-25 of this Code, a computation shall 18 be made to determine the difference between the salaries 19 effective in each of the previously existing districts on June 20 30, prior to the creation of the new district. For the first 4 21 years after the formation of the new district, a supplementary 22 State aid reimbursement shall be paid to the new district equal 23 to the difference between the sum of the salaries earned by 24 each of the certificated members of the new district, while 25 employed in one of the previously existing districts during the

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year immediately preceding the formation of the new district,

- and the sum of the salaries those certificated members would have been paid during the year immediately prior to the formation of the new district if placed on the salary schedule of the previously existing district with the highest salary schedule.
- (2) After the territory of one or more school districts is annexed by one or more other school districts as defined in Article 7 of this Code, a computation shall be made to determine the difference between the salaries effective in each annexed district and in the annexing district or districts as they were each constituted on June 30 preceding the date when the change of boundaries attributable to the annexation became effective for all purposes, as determined under Section 7-9 of this Code. For the first 4 years after the annexation, a supplementary State aid reimbursement shall be paid to each annexing district as constituted after the annexation equal to the difference between the sum of the salaries earned by each of the certificated members of the annexing district as constituted after the annexation, while employed in an annexed or annexing district during the year immediately preceding the annexation, and the sum of the salaries those certificated members would have been paid during the immediately preceding year if placed on the salary schedule of whichever of the annexing or annexed districts had the highest salary schedule during the immediately preceding year.
 - (3) For each new high school district formed under a school

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district conversion, as defined in Section 11E-15 of this Code, the State shall make a supplementary payment for 4 years equal to the difference between the sum of the salaries earned by each certified member of the new high school district, while employed in one of the previously existing districts, and the sum of the salaries those certified members would have been paid if placed on the salary schedule of the previously existing district with the highest salary schedule.

- (4) For each newly created partial elementary unit district, the State shall make a supplementary payment for 4 years equal to the difference between the sum of the salaries earned by each certified member of the newly created partial elementary unit district, while employed in one of the previously existing districts that formed the partial elementary unit district, and the sum of the salaries those certified members would have been paid if placed on the salary schedule of the previously existing district with the highest salary schedule. The salary schedules used in the calculation shall be those in effect in the previously existing districts for the school year prior to the creation of the new partial elementary unit district.
- (5) For an elementary district opt-in, as described in subsection (d) of Section 11E-30 of this Code, the salary difference incentive shall be computed in accordance with paragraph (4) of this subsection (b) as if the opted-in elementary district was included in the optional elementary

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1 unit district at the optional elementary unit district's 2 original effective date. If the calculation in this paragraph 3 (5) is less than that calculated in paragraph (4) of this 4 subsection (b) at the optional elementary unit district's 5 original effective date, then no adjustments may be made. If 6 the calculation in this paragraph (5) is more than that 7 calculated in paragraph (4) of this subsection (b) at the 8 optional elementary unit district's original effective date, 9 then the excess must be paid as follows: 10

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one year after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, 100% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.

- (B) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is 2 years after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, 75% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.
- (C) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is 3 years after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, 50% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the

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elementary opt-in.

- (D) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is 4 years after the effective date for the partial elementary unit district, 25% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in each of the first 4 years after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.
- (E) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is 5 years after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, the optional elementary unit district is not eligible for any additional incentives due to the elementary opt-in.
- (5.5) After the formation of a cooperative high school by 2 or more school districts under Section 10-22.22c of this Code, a computation shall be made to determine the difference between the salaries effective in each of the previously existing high schools on June 30 prior to the formation of the cooperative high school. For the first 4 years after the formation of the cooperative high school, a supplementary State aid reimbursement shall be paid to the cooperative high school equal to the difference between the sum of the salaries earned

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- 26 certificated members would have been paid during the year

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immediately prior to the formation of the cooperative high school if placed on the salary schedule of the previously existing high school with the highest salary schedule.

(5.10) After the annexation of territory detached from another school district whereby the enrollment of the annexing district increases by 90% or more as a result of the annexation, a computation shall be made to determine the difference between the salaries effective in the district gaining territory and the district losing territory as they each were constituted on June 30 preceding the date when the change of boundaries attributable to the annexation became effective for all purposes as determined under Section 7-9 of this Code. For the first 4 years after the annexation, a supplementary State aid reimbursement shall be paid to the annexing district equal to the difference between the sum of the salaries earned by each of the certificated members of the annexing district as constituted after the annexation while employed in the district gaining territory or the district losing territory during the year immediately preceding the annexation and the sum of the salaries those certificated members would have been paid during such immediately preceding year if placed on the salary schedule of whichever of the district gaining territory or district losing territory had the highest salary schedule during the immediately preceding year. To be eligible for supplementary State aid reimbursement under this Section, the intergovernmental agreement to be submitted

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- 1 pursuant to Section 7-14A of this Code must show that staff
- 2 members were transferred from the control of the district
- 3 losing territory to the control of the district gaining

- 4 territory in the annexation. The changes to this Section made
- 5 by Public Act 95-707 are intended to be retroactive and
- 6 applicable to any annexation taking effect on or after July 1,
- 7 2004. For annexations that are eligible for payments under this
- 8 paragraph (5.10) and that are effective on or after July 1,
- 9 2004, but before January 11, 2008 (the effective date of Public
- 10 Act 95-707), the first required yearly payment under this
- 11 paragraph (5.10) shall be paid in the fiscal year of January
- 12 11, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-707). Subsequent
- 13 required yearly payments shall be paid in subsequent fiscal
- 14 years until the payment obligation under this paragraph (5.10)

(5.15) After the deactivation of a school facility in

accordance with Section 10-22.22b of this Code, a computation

shall be made to determine the difference between the salaries

school facility. For the lesser of the first 4 years after the

deactivation agreement, including any renewals of the original

reimbursement shall be paid to each receiving district equal to

the difference between the sum of the salaries earned by each

effective in the sending school district and each receiving

school district on June 30 prior to the deactivation of the

deactivation of the school facility or the length of the

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- 1 of the certificated members transferred to that receiving
- 2 district as a result of the deactivation while employed in the
- 3 sending district during the year immediately preceding the
- 4 deactivation and the sum of the salaries those certificated
- 5 members would have been paid during the year immediately
- 6 preceding the deactivation if placed on the salary schedule of

(6) The supplementary State aid reimbursement under this

payments made pursuant to Section 18-8.05 of this Code. In the

case of the formation of a new district or cooperative high

- 7 the sending or receiving district with the highest salary
- 8 schedule.
- 9 subsection (b) shall be treated as separate from all other
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- 15 school or the first year of the deactivation, and in the case
- 13 school or a deactivation, reimbursement shall begin during the first year of operation of the new district or cooperative high
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- 16 of an annexation of the territory of one or more school
- 17 districts by one or more other school districts or the
- 18 annexation of territory detached from a school district whereby
- 19 the enrollment of the annexing district increases by 90% or
- 20 more as a result of the annexation, reimbursement shall begin
- 21 during the first year when the change in boundaries
- 22 attributable to the annexation becomes effective for all
- 23 purposes as determined pursuant to Section 7-9 of this Code,
- 24 except that for an annexation of territory detached from a
- 25 school district that is effective on or after July 1, 2004, but
- 26 before January 11, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act

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- 1 95-707), whereby the enrollment of the annexing district
- 2 increases by 90% or more as a result of the annexation,
- 3 reimbursement shall begin during the fiscal year of January 11,
- 4 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-707). Each year that
- 5 the new, annexing, or receiving district or cooperative high
- 6 school, as the case may be, is entitled to receive
- 7 reimbursement, the number of eligible certified members who are
- 8 employed on October 1 in the district or cooperative high
- 9 school shall be certified to the State Board of Education on
- 10 prescribed forms by October 15 and payment shall be made on or
- 11 before November 15 of that year.
 - (c)(1) For the first year after the formation of a combined school district, as defined in Section 11E-20 of this Code or a unit district, as defined in Section 11E-25 of this Code, a computation shall be made totaling each previously existing district's audited fund balances in the educational fund, working cash fund, operations and maintenance fund, and transportation fund for the year ending June 30 prior to the referendum for the creation of the new district. The new
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- 20 district shall be paid supplementary State aid equal to the sum
- 21 of the differences between the deficit of the previously
- 22 existing district with the smallest deficit and the deficits of
- 23 each of the other previously existing districts.
- 24 (2) For the first year after the annexation of all of the 25 territory of one or more entire school districts by another
- 26 school district, as defined in Article 7 of this Code,

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computations shall be made, for the year ending June 30 prior 2 to the date that the change of boundaries attributable to the 3 annexation is allowed by the affirmative decision issued by the 4 regional board of school trustees under Section 7-6 of this 5 Code, notwithstanding any effort to seek administrative review 6 of the decision, totaling the annexing district's and totaling 7 each annexed district's audited fund balances in their 8 respective educational, working cash, operations and 9 maintenance, and transportation funds. The annexing district 10 as constituted after the annexation shall be paid supplementary 11 State aid equal to the sum of the differences between the 12 deficit of whichever of the annexing or annexed districts as 13 constituted prior to the annexation had the smallest deficit 14 and the deficits of each of the other districts as constituted 15 prior to the annexation. 16

(3) For the first year after the annexation of all of the territory of one or more entire school districts by 2 or more other school districts, as defined by Article 7 of this Code, computations shall be made, for the year ending June 30 prior to the date that the change of boundaries attributable to the annexation is allowed by the affirmative decision of the regional board of school trustees under Section 7-6 of this Code, notwithstanding any action for administrative review of the decision, totaling each annexing and annexed district's audited fund balances in their respective educational, working cash, operations and maintenance, and transportation funds.

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- 1 The annexing districts as constituted after the annexation
- 2 shall be paid supplementary State aid, allocated as provided in
- 3 this paragraph (3), in an aggregate amount equal to the sum of
- 4 the differences between the deficit of whichever of the
- 5 annexing or annexed districts as constituted prior to the
- 6 annexation had the smallest deficit and the deficits of each of
- 7 the other districts as constituted prior to the annexation. The
- 8 aggregate amount of the supplementary State aid payable under
- 9 this paragraph (3) shall be allocated between or among the

annexing districts as follows:

(A) the regional superintendent of schools for each educational service region in which an annexed district is located prior to the annexation shall certify to the State Board of Education, on forms that it shall provide for that purpose, the value of all taxable property in each annexed district, as last equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue prior to the annexation, and the equalized assessed value of each part of the annexed district that was annexed to or included as a part of an annexing district;

(B) using equalized assessed values as certified by the regional superintendent of schools under clause (A) of this paragraph (3), the combined audited fund balance deficit of each annexed district as determined under this Section shall be apportioned between or among the annexing districts in the same ratio as the equalized assessed value

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of that part of the annexed district that was annexed to or included as a part of an annexing district bears to the total equalized assessed value of the annexed district; and

- (C) the aggregate supplementary State aid payment under this paragraph (3) shall be allocated between or among, and shall be paid to, the annexing districts in the same ratio as the sum of the combined audited fund balance deficit of each annexing district as constituted prior to the annexation, plus all combined audited fund balance deficit amounts apportioned to that annexing district under clause (B) of this subsection, bears to the aggregate of the combined audited fund balance deficits of all of the annexing and annexed districts as constituted prior to the annexation.
- (4) For the new elementary districts and new high school district formed through a school district conversion, as defined in Section 11E-15 of this Code or the new elementary district or districts and new combined high school unit district formed through a multi-unit conversion, as defined in subsection (b) of Section 11E-30 of this Code, a computation

- 21 shall be made totaling each previously existing district's
- 22 audited fund balances in the educational fund, working cash
- 23 fund, operations and maintenance fund, and transportation fund
- 24 for the year ending June 30 prior to the referendum
- 25 establishing the new districts. In the first year of the new
- 26 districts, the State shall make a one-time supplementary

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- 1 payment equal to the sum of the differences between the deficit 2 of the previously existing district with the smallest deficit
- 3 and the deficits of each of the other previously existing
- 4 districts. A district with a combined balance among the 4 funds
- 5 that is positive shall be considered to have a deficit of zero.
- 6 The supplementary payment shall be allocated among the newly
- 7 formed high school and elementary districts in the manner
- 8 provided by the petition for the formation of the districts, in
- 9 the form in which the petition is approved by the regional
- 10 superintendent of schools or State Superintendent of Education
- 11 under Section 11E-50 of this Code.
- 12 (5) For each newly created partial elementary unit
- 13 district, as defined in subsection (a) or (c) of Section 11E-30 14

of this Code, a computation shall be made totaling the audited

- 15 fund balances of each previously existing district that formed
- 16 the new partial elementary unit district in the educational
- 17 fund, working cash fund, operations and maintenance fund, and
- 18 transportation fund for the year ending June 30 prior to the
- 19 referendum for the formation of the partial elementary unit
- 20 district. In the first year of the new partial elementary unit
- 21 district, the State shall make a one-time supplementary payment
- 22 to the new district equal to the sum of the differences between
- 23 the deficit of the previously existing district with the
- 24 smallest deficit and the deficits of each of the other
- 25 previously existing districts. A district with a combined
- 26 balance among the 4 funds that is positive shall be considered

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- 1 to have a deficit of zero.
- 2 (6) For an elementary opt-in as defined in subsection (d)

of Section 11E-30 of this Code, the deficit fund balance incentive shall be computed in accordance with paragraph (5) of this subsection (c) as if the opted-in elementary was included in the optional elementary unit district at the optional elementary unit district's original effective date. If the calculation in this paragraph (6) is less than that calculated in paragraph (5) of this subsection (c) at the optional elementary unit district's original effective date, then no adjustments may be made. If the calculation in this paragraph (6) is more than that calculated in paragraph (5) of this subsection (c) at the optional elementary unit district's original effective date, then the excess must be paid as follows:

- (A) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is one year after the effective date for the optional elementary unit district, 100% of the calculated excess shall be paid to the optional elementary unit district in the first year after the effective date of the elementary opt-in.
 - (B) If the effective date for the elementary opt-in is