September 22, 2017

To the Honorable Members of The Illinois House of Representatives 100th General Assembly:

Today I veto House Bill 3745 from the 100th General Assembly, which requires school boards to allow community groups to post free after-school program information in a designated space on each school campus.

Although I applaud community groups and organizations who provide high-quality, affordable programming for children, this bill is an unfunded mandate that will not protect the health or safety of students. School personnel should be allowed professional discretion related to information shared by the school. While individual requirements such as this may not create significant costs to schools and districts, the accumulation of layers of unfunded mandates imposed on our schools simultaneously consume scarce resources and constrain schools' flexibility in determining what is in the best interest of their students.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return House Bill 3745, entitled "AN ACT concerning education" with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner GOVERNOR