



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB3709

by Rep. Sonya M. Harper

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 505/42 new

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to establish and implement a 3-year pilot program that rewards youth in care who are placed in congregate care a specified monetary amount for certain letter grades they receive on each school report card. Provides that reward amounts shall not exceed the following amounts: (1) \$50 for each letter grade A or its equivalent on another grading scale; (2) \$35 for each letter grade B or its equivalent on another grading scale; and (3) \$15 for each letter grade C or its equivalent on another grading scale. Provides that no reward amounts shall be given for lower grades or their equivalent on another grading scale. Requires the Department to establish and implement a 3-year pilot program that rewards youth placed in congregate care a specified monetary amount for increases in cumulative grade point average or its equivalent on another scale. Provides that the Department shall determine by rule which 3 increases in cumulative grade point average to reward under the pilot program. Limits reward amounts as follows: (i) \$50 for the highest increase in cumulative grade point average or its equivalent on another scale; (ii) \$35 for the second highest increase in cumulative grade point average or its equivalent on another scale; (iii) \$15 for the third highest increase in cumulative grade point average or its equivalent on another scale. Provides that no reward amounts shall be given for lower increases in cumulative grade point average or their equivalent on another scale. Requires both programs to be implement by January 1, 2020. Requires the Department to track a sample of youth who receive monetary rewards under the pilot programs and to submit a report of its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2022. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Children and Family Services Act is amended
5 by adding Section 42 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 505/42 new)

7 Sec. 42. Cash incentive for grades pilot programs.

8 (a) The Department shall establish and implement a 3-year
9 pilot program that rewards youth in care who are placed in
10 congregate care a specified monetary amount for certain letter
11 grades they receive on each school report card. Reward amounts
12 shall not exceed the following amounts:

13 (1) \$50 for each letter grade A or its equivalent on
14 another grading scale.

15 (2) \$35 for each letter grade B or its equivalent on
16 another grading scale.

17 (3) \$15 for each letter grade C or its equivalent on
18 another grading scale.

19 No reward amounts shall be given for lower grades or their
20 equivalent on another grading scale.

21 (b) The Department shall establish and implement a 3-year
22 pilot program that rewards youth placed in congregate care a
23 specified monetary amount for increases in cumulative grade

1 point average or its equivalent on another scale. The
2 Department shall determine by rule which 3 increases in
3 cumulative grade point average to reward under the pilot
4 program. Rewards amounts shall not exceed the following
5 amounts:

6 (1) \$50 for the highest increase in cumulative grade
7 point average or its equivalent on another scale.

8 (2) \$35 for the second highest increase in cumulative
9 grade point average or its equivalent on another scale.

10 (3) \$15 for the third highest increase in cumulative
11 grade point average or its equivalent on another scale.

12 No reward amounts shall be given for lower increases in
13 cumulative grade point average or their equivalent on another
14 scale.

15 (c) The Department shall implement the pilot programs under
16 subsections (a) and (b) no later than January 1, 2020 and both
17 pilot programs shall terminate on January 1, 2023.

18 (d) The Department shall track a sample of youth who
19 receive monetary rewards under the pilot programs established
20 in accordance with subsections (a) and (b) and shall submit a
21 report of its findings to the Governor and the General Assembly
22 by December 1, 2022.

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
24 becoming law.