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## AN ACT regarding schools.

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

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing
5 Section 24-6 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/24-6) (from Ch. 122, par. 24-6)

Sec. 24-6. Sick leave. The school boards of all school 7 8 districts, including special charter districts, but not including school districts in municipalities of 500,000 or 9 more, shall grant their full-time teachers, and also shall 10 grant such of their other employees as are eligible to 11 participate in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund under 12 13 the "600-Hour Standard" established, or under such other eligibility participation standard as may from time to time 14 15 be established, by rules and regulations now or hereafter promulgated by the Board of that Fund under Section 7-198 of 16 the Illinois Pension Code, as now or hereafter amended, sick 17 18 leave provisions not less in amount than 10 days at full pay 19 in each school year. If any such teacher or employee does not 20 use the full amount of annual leave thus allowed, the unused amount shall be allowed to accumulate to a minimum available 21 22 leave of 360 180 days at full pay, including the leave of the current year. Sick leave shall be interpreted to mean 23 personal illness, quarantine at home, or serious illness or 24 death in the immediate family or household. The school board 25 may require a physician's certificate, or if the treatment is 26 27 by prayer or spiritual means, that of a spiritual adviser or practitioner of such person's faith, as a basis for pay 28 29 during leave after an absence of 3 days for personal illness, or as it may deem necessary in other cases. If the school 30 board does require a physician's certificate or a certificate 31

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1 from a spiritual healer as a basis for pay during leave of 2 less than 3 days, the school board shall pay, from school 3 funds, the expenses incurred by the teachers or other 4 employees in obtaining the certificate.

5 If, by reason of any change in the boundaries of school 6 districts, or by reason of the creation of a new school 7 district, the employment of a teacher is transferred to a new 8 or different board, the accumulated sick leave of such 9 teacher is not thereby lost, but is transferred to such new 10 or different district.

For purposes of this Section, "immediate family" shall include parents, spouse, brothers, sisters, children, grandparents, grandchildren, parents-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, and legal guardians.

15 (Source: P.A. 86-838.)

Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding Section 8.27 as follows:

18 (30 ILCS 805/8.27 new)

19 <u>Sec. 8.27. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6</u>

20 and 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required

21 for the implementation of any mandate created by this

22 <u>amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.</u>