



93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/2-3.62 from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.62
105 ILCS 5/2-3.43 rep.

Amends the School Code. Repeals a Section concerning computer literacy grants. Changes a reference from the repealed Section to a Section concerning the School Technology Program. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning education.

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

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
5 2-3.62 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.62) (from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.62)

7 Sec. 2-3.62. Educational Service Centers.

8 (a) A regional network of educational service centers shall
9 be established by the State Board of Education to coordinate
10 and combine existing services in a manner which is practical
11 and efficient and to provide new services to schools as
12 provided in this Section. Services to be made available by such
13 centers shall include the planning, implementation and
14 evaluation of:

15 (1) (blank);

16 (2) computer technology education including the
17 evaluation, use and application of state-of-the-art
18 technology in computer software as provided in Section
19 2-3.117 ~~2-3.43~~;

20 (3) mathematics, science and reading resources for
21 teachers including continuing education, inservice
22 training and staff development.

23 The centers may provide training, technical assistance,
24 coordination and planning in other program areas such as school
25 improvement, school accountability, career guidance, early
26 childhood education, alcohol/drug education and prevention,
27 family life - sex education, electronic transmission of data
28 from school districts to the State, alternative education and
29 regional special education, and telecommunications systems
30 that provide distance learning. Such telecommunications
31 systems may be obtained through the Department of Central
32 Management Services pursuant to Section 405-270 of the

1 Department of Central Management Services Law (20 ILCS
2 405/405-270). The programs and services of educational service
3 centers may be offered to private school teachers and private
4 school students within each service center area provided public
5 schools have already been afforded adequate access to such
6 programs and services.

7 The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules and
8 regulations necessary to implement this Section. The rules
9 shall include detailed standards which delineate the scope and
10 specific content of programs to be provided by each Educational
11 Service Center, as well as the specific planning,
12 implementation and evaluation services to be provided by each
13 Center relative to its programs. The Board shall also provide
14 the standards by which it will evaluate the programs provided
15 by each Center.

16 (b) Centers serving Class 1 county school units shall be
17 governed by an 11-member board, 3 members of which shall be
18 public school teachers nominated by the local bargaining
19 representatives to the appropriate regional superintendent for
20 appointment and no more than 3 members of which shall be from
21 each of the following categories, including but not limited to
22 superintendents, regional superintendents, school board
23 members and a representative of an institution of higher
24 education. The members of the board shall be appointed by the
25 regional superintendents whose school districts are served by
26 the educational service center. The composition of the board
27 will reflect the revisions of this amendatory Act of 1989 as
28 the terms of office of current members expire.

29 (c) The centers shall be of sufficient size and number to
30 assure delivery of services to all local school districts in
31 the State.

32 (d) From monies appropriated for this program the State
33 Board of Education shall provide grants to qualifying
34 Educational Service Centers applying for such grants in
35 accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the State
36 Board of Education to implement this Section.

1 (e) The governing authority of each of the 18 regional
2 educational service centers shall appoint a family life - sex
3 education advisory board consisting of 2 parents, 2 teachers, 2
4 school administrators, 2 school board members, 2 health care
5 professionals, one library system representative, and the
6 director of the regional educational service center who shall
7 serve as chairperson of the advisory board so appointed.
8 Members of the family life - sex education advisory boards
9 shall serve without compensation. Each of the advisory boards
10 appointed pursuant to this subsection shall develop a plan for
11 regional teacher-parent family life - sex education training
12 sessions and shall file a written report of such plan with the
13 governing board of their regional educational service center.
14 The directors of each of the regional educational service
15 centers shall thereupon meet, review each of the reports
16 submitted by the advisory boards and combine those reports into
17 a single written report which they shall file with the Citizens
18 Council on School Problems prior to the end of the regular
19 school term of the 1987-1988 school year.

20 (f) The 14 educational service centers serving Class I
21 county school units shall be disbanded on the first Monday of
22 August, 1995, and their statutory responsibilities and
23 programs shall be assumed by the regional offices of education,
24 subject to rules and regulations developed by the State Board
25 of Education. The regional superintendents of schools elected
26 by the voters residing in all Class I counties shall serve as
27 the chief administrators for these programs and services. By
28 rule of the State Board of Education, the 10 educational
29 service regions of lowest population shall provide such
30 services under cooperative agreements with larger regions.

31 (Source: P.A. 93-21, eff. 7-1-03.)

32 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.43 rep.)

33 Section 10. The School Code is amended by repealing Section
34 2-3.43.

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.