

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB2868

Introduced 2/22/2005, by Rep. Tom Cross

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 947/15

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning establishment of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

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1 AN ACT concerning education.

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

- Section 5. The Higher Education Student Assistance Act is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:
- 6 (110 ILCS 947/15)
- 7 Sec. 15. Illinois Student Assistance Commission.
- 8 There is established the the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, consisting of 10 persons to be appointed 9 by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The 10 membership of the Commission shall consist 11 representative of the institutions of higher learning operated 12 by the State; one representative of the private institutions of 13 14 higher learning located in the State; one representative of the 15 public community colleges located in the State; one representative of the public high schools located in the State; 16 17 5 citizens of the State chosen for their knowledge of and higher education, 18 interest in but not 19 professionally affiliated with, or members of the governing 20 boards of any institution of higher learning located in the 21 State, and one student member selected from nominations 22 submitted to the Governor by multi-campus student 23 organizations, including but not limited to, the Illinois Student Association, the Organization of Community College 24 25 Students, the recognized advisory committee of students of the 26 Board of Higher Education, and the recognized advisory committee of students of the Federation of Independent Illinois 27 28 Colleges and Universities. The Governor shall designate one 29 member, other than the student member, as chairman. Each member 30 of the Commission, including the student member, shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses 31 32 necessarily incurred in performing his or her duties under this

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Act. Subject to a requirement that Commission members in office on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995 may serve the full term to which they were appointed, the appointment of Commission members to terms that commence on or after that effective date shall be made in a manner that gives effect at the earliest possible time to the change that is required by this amendatory Act in the representative composition of the Commission's membership.

- (b) The term of office of each member, other than the student member, is 6 years from July 1 of the year of appointment, and until his successor is appointed and qualified. If a member's tenure of office, other than that of the student member, is terminated for any reason before his or her term has expired, the Governor shall fill the vacancy by the appointment of a person who has the same representative status as the person whose term has been so terminated, and the new appointee shall hold office only for the remainder of that term and until a successor is appointed and qualified. The term of the student member shall be for 2 years from July 1 of each odd-numbered year. If the tenure of the student member is terminated for any reason, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as heretofore provided for a regular term of office appointment of the student member. The new student appointee shall hold office only for the remainder of that term. No student member may receive a scholarship or grant pursuant to this Act during his or her term of office with the Commission.
- (c) In accordance with the provisions of the State Universities Civil Service Act, the Commission shall employ a professionally qualified person as the Executive Director of the Commission, and such other employees as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act.
- 32 (d) The Commission shall meet at least once in each fiscal 33 year, and may meet at other times which the Chairman may 34 designate by giving at least 10 days' written notice to each 35 member.
- 36 (Source: P.A. 89-419, eff. 6-1-96.)