



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB1838

Introduced 1/29/2025, by Rep. Curtis J. Tarver, II

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.88 new
105 ILCS 5/34-18.88 new

Amends the School Code. Provides that a school board of a school district with 275,000 students or more shall prohibit any school of the district that has selective admission requirements from requiring a student in a pre-kindergarten program of the district to take a standardized test in order to be admitted to that school. Effective immediately.

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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 adding Sections
5 10-20.88 and 34-18.88 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/10-20.88 new)

7 Sec. 10-20.88. Selective admissions; standardized testing.
8 A school board in a school district with 275,000 students or
9 more shall prohibit any school of the district that has
10 selective admission requirements from requiring a student in a
11 pre-kindergarten program of the district to take a
12 standardized test in order to be admitted to that school.

13 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.88 new)

14 Sec. 34-18.88. Selective admissions; standardized testing.
15 The board shall prohibit any school of the district that has
16 selective admission requirements from requiring a student in a
17 pre-kindergarten program of the district to take a
18 standardized test in order to be admitted to that school.

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
20 becoming law.