

# SB1452



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB1452

Introduced 1/31/2025, by Sen. Robert F. Martwick

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/34-4

from Ch. 122, par. 34-4

Amends the School Code. Authorizes the Chicago Board of Education, by resolution, to provide for the compensation of its members.

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A BILL FOR

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 34-4 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/34-4) (from Ch. 122, par. 34-4)

7 Sec. 34-4. Eligibility. To be eligible for election or  
8 appointment to the Board, a person shall be a citizen of the  
9 United States, shall be a registered voter as provided in the  
10 Election Code, shall have been, for a period of one year  
11 immediately before election or appointment, a resident of the  
12 city, district, and subdistrict that the member represents,  
13 and shall not be a child sex offender as defined in Section  
14 11-9.3 of the Criminal Code of 2012. A person is ineligible for  
15 election or appointment to the Board if that person is not in  
16 compliance with the provisions of Section 10-9 as referenced  
17 in Section 34-3. For the 2024 general election, all persons  
18 eligible for election to the Board shall be nominated by a  
19 petition signed by at least 1,000 but not more than 3,000 of  
20 the voters residing within the electoral district on a  
21 petition in order to be placed on the ballot. For the 2026  
22 general election and general elections thereafter, persons  
23 eligible for election to the Board shall be nominated by a

1 petition signed by at least 500 but no more than 1,500 voters  
2 residing within the subdistrict on a petition in order to be  
3 placed on the ballot, except that persons eligible for  
4 election to the Board at large shall be nominated by a petition  
5 signed by no less than 2,500 voters residing within the city.  
6 Any registered voter may sign a nominating petition,  
7 irrespective of any partisan petition the voter signs or may  
8 sign. For the 2024 general election only, the petition  
9 circulation period shall begin on March 26, 2024, and the  
10 filing period shall be from June 17, 2024 to June 24, 2024.  
11 Permanent removal from the city by any member of the Board  
12 during the member's term of office constitutes a resignation  
13 therefrom and creates a vacancy in the Board. The Board may, by  
14 resolution, provide for the compensation of Board members. The  
15 compensation provided for Board members may include, but is  
16 not limited to, reimbursement ~~Board members shall serve~~  
17 ~~without any compensation; however, members of the Board shall~~  
18 ~~be reimbursed~~ for expenses incurred while in the performance  
19 of their duties upon submission of proper receipts or upon  
20 submission of a signed voucher in the case of an expense  
21 allowance evidencing the amount of such reimbursement or  
22 allowance to the President of the Board for verification and  
23 approval. Board members shall not hold other public office  
24 under the Federal, State or any local government other than  
25 that of Director of the Regional Transportation Authority,  
26 member of the economic development commission of a city having

1 a population exceeding 500,000, notary public or member of the  
2 National Guard, and by accepting any such office while members  
3 of the Board, or by not resigning any such office held at the  
4 time of being elected or appointed to the Board within 30 days  
5 after such election or appointment, shall be deemed to have  
6 vacated their membership in the Board.

7 (Source: P.A. 102-177, eff. 6-1-22; 102-691, eff. 12-17-21;  
8 103-584, eff. 3-18-24.)