

**SB3238**



**101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2019 and 2020**

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Introduced 2/11/2020, by Sen. Dan McConchie

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

105 ILCS 305/2

from Ch. 122, par. 1503-2

Amends the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy Law. Requires a public school to provide to the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy, in a timely manner, all information necessary for the public school's students to apply to the Academy; sets forth certain types of information that must be provided.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

**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 Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy Law  
5 is amended by changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 305/2) (from Ch. 122, par. 1503-2)

7 Sec. 2. Establishment, funding and location. There is  
8 hereby created the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy,  
9 which shall be a residential institution located in the Fox  
10 River Valley in close proximity to the national science  
11 laboratories based in Illinois. The Academy may develop  
12 additional campuses throughout the State, however, any  
13 additional campus does not need to serve as a residential  
14 institution. The Academy shall be a State agency, funded by  
15 State appropriations, private contributions and endowments.  
16 Minimal fees for residential students who are Illinois  
17 residents may be charged. Tuition, fees, and room and board  
18 costs shall be charged for students who are not Illinois  
19 residents, the totality of which must be sufficient to ensure  
20 that no State appropriations are used to fund the costs of  
21 those students attending the Academy. The Academy may admit  
22 students (i) who are Illinois residents or who are not Illinois  
23 residents and (ii) who have completed the academic equivalent

1 of the 8th grade. No more than 25% of the Academy's student  
2 body may be composed of students who are not Illinois  
3 residents. The Academy may offer a program of secondary and  
4 postsecondary course work. Admission shall be determined by  
5 competitive examination. A public school must provide to the  
6 Academy, in a timely manner, all information necessary for the  
7 public school's students to apply to the Academy, including,  
8 but not limited to, all of the following:

9 (1) An evaluation of the student completed by the  
10 student's math teacher.

11 (2) An evaluation of the student completed by the  
12 student's science teacher.

13 (3) An evaluation of the student completed by the  
14 student's English teacher.

15 (4) A counselor form completed by the student's  
16 guidance counselor or other appropriate school  
17 administrator providing information about the school's  
18 academic program and the student's academic coursework.

19 (5) The student's official grade report for the  
20 previous 2 and one-half school years.

21 In order to be eligible for State appropriations, the  
22 Academy shall submit to the Board of Higher Education not later  
23 than the 1st day of October of each year its budget proposal  
24 for the operation and capital needs of the Academy for its next  
25 fiscal year and information demonstrating that students who are  
26 not Illinois residents have paid and will pay tuition, fees,

1 and room and board costs sufficient to ensure that no State  
2 appropriations were used or will be used to fund the costs of  
3 those students attending the Academy.  
4 (Source: P.A. 100-937, eff. 1-1-19.)