

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 Construction Law is amended by  
5 changing Section 5-300 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 230/5-300)

7 Sec. 5-300. Early childhood construction grants.

8 (a) The Capital Development Board is authorized to make  
9 grants to public school districts and not-for-profit entities  
10 for early childhood construction projects. These grants shall  
11 be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose from the  
12 School Construction Fund. No grants may be awarded to entities  
13 providing services within private residences. A public school  
14 district or other eligible entity must provide local matching  
15 funds in the following manner: ~~in an amount equal to 10% of the~~  
16 ~~grant under this Section.~~

17 (1) A public school district assigned to Tier 1 under  
18 Section 18-8.15 of the School Code or any other eligible  
19 entity in an area encompassed by that district must  
20 provide local matching funds in an amount equal to 3% of  
21 the grant awarded under this Section.

22 (2) A public school district assigned to Tier 2 under  
23 Section 18-8.15 of the School Code or any other eligible

1 entity in an area encompassed by that district must  
2 provide local matching funds in an amount equal to 7.5% of  
3 the grant awarded under this Section.

4 (3) A public school district assigned to Tier 3 under  
5 Section 18-8.15 of the School Code or any other eligible  
6 entity in an area encompassed by that district must  
7 provide local matching funds in an amount equal to 8.75%  
8 of the grant awarded under this Section.

9 (4) A public school district assigned to Tier 4 under  
10 Section 18-8.15 of the School Code or any other eligible  
11 entity in an area encompassed by that district must  
12 provide local matching funds in an amount equal to 10% of  
13 the grant awarded under this Section.

14 A public school district or other eligible entity has no  
15 entitlement to a grant under this Section.

16 (b) The Capital Development Board shall adopt rules to  
17 implement this Section. These rules need not be the same as the  
18 rules for school construction project grants or school  
19 maintenance project grants. The rules may specify:

20 (1) the manner of applying for grants;

21 (2) project eligibility requirements;

22 (3) restrictions on the use of grant moneys;

23 (4) the manner in which school districts and other  
24 eligible entities must account for the use of grant  
25 moneys;

26 (5) requirements that new or improved facilities be

1 used for early childhood and other related programs for a  
2 period of at least 10 years; and

3 (6) any other provision that the Capital Development  
4 Board determines to be necessary or useful for the  
5 administration of this Section.

6 (b-5) When grants are made to non-profit corporations for  
7 the acquisition or construction of new facilities, the Capital  
8 Development Board or any State agency it so designates shall  
9 hold title to or place a lien on the facility for a period of  
10 10 years after the date of the grant award, after which title  
11 to the facility shall be transferred to the non-profit  
12 corporation or the lien shall be removed, provided that the  
13 non-profit corporation has complied with the terms of its  
14 grant agreement. When grants are made to non-profit  
15 corporations for the purpose of renovation or rehabilitation,  
16 if the non-profit corporation does not comply with item (5) of  
17 subsection (b) of this Section, the Capital Development Board  
18 or any State agency it so designates shall recover the grant  
19 pursuant to the procedures outlined in the Illinois Grant  
20 Funds Recovery Act.

21 (c) The Capital Development Board, in consultation with  
22 the State Board of Education, shall establish standards for  
23 the determination of priority needs concerning early childhood  
24 projects based on projects located in communities in the State  
25 with the greatest underserved population of young children,  
26 utilizing Census data and other reliable local early childhood

1 service data.

2 (d) In each school year in which early childhood  
3 construction project grants are awarded, 20% of the total  
4 amount awarded shall be awarded to a school district with a  
5 population of more than 500,000, provided that the school  
6 district complies with the requirements of this Section and  
7 the rules adopted under this Section.

8 (Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09; 96-1402, eff. 7-29-10.)

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
10 becoming law.