

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 14-1.11a as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/14-1.11a) (from Ch. 122, par. 14-1.11a)

7 Sec. 14-1.11a. Resident district; student. The resident  
8 district is the school district in which the student resides  
9 when:

10 (1) the parent has legal guardianship but the location  
11 of the parent is unknown; or

12 (2) an individual guardian has been appointed but the  
13 location of the guardian is unknown; or

14 (3) the student is 18 years of age or older and no  
15 legal guardian has been appointed; or

16 (4) the student is legally an emancipated minor; or

17 (5) an Illinois public agency has legal guardianship  
18 and such agency or any court in this State has placed the  
19 student residentially outside of the school district in  
20 which the parent lives.

21 In cases where an Illinois public agency has legal  
22 guardianship and has placed the student residentially outside  
23 of Illinois, the last school district that provided at least

1 45 days of educational service to the student shall continue  
2 to be the district of residence until the student is no longer  
3 under guardianship of an Illinois public agency or until the  
4 student is returned to Illinois.

5 The resident district of a homeless student is the  
6 Illinois district in which the student enrolls for educational  
7 services. Homeless students include individuals as defined in  
8 the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act.

9 The State Superintendent of Education may determine that  
10 the location of the parent or guardian of a student is unknown  
11 after considering information submitted from the school  
12 district that last enrolled the student or from the school or  
13 special education facility providing special education and  
14 related services to meet the needs of the student. The  
15 information submitted to the State Superintendent of Education  
16 must include an affidavit from that school district's  
17 superintendent or the facility's director attesting that the  
18 location of the parent or guardian is unknown and 4 items of  
19 documentary evidence that a minimum of 4 separate attempts  
20 were made to locate the parent or guardian. Any determination  
21 by the State Superintendent of Education that the location of  
22 a parent or guardian is unknown is final. However, any  
23 determination made by the State Superintendent of Education is  
24 subject to review and reconsideration any time a parent's or  
25 guardian's location becomes known.

26 (Source: P.A. 95-844, eff. 8-15-08.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2           becoming law.