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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4798

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 4798 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 21B-20 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/21B-20)

7 Sec. 21B-20. Types of licenses. The State Board of  
8 Education shall implement a system of educator licensure,  
9 whereby individuals employed in school districts who are  
10 required to be licensed must have one of the following  
11 licenses: (i) a professional educator license; (ii) an  
12 educator license with stipulations; (iii) a substitute  
13 teaching license; or (iv) until June 30, 2023, a short-term  
14 substitute teaching license. References in law regarding  
15 individuals certified or certificated or required to be  
16 certified or certificated under Article 21 of this Code shall

1 also include individuals licensed or required to be licensed  
2 under this Article. The first year of all licenses ends on June  
3 30 following one full year of the license being issued.

4 The State Board of Education, in consultation with the  
5 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, may adopt such  
6 rules as may be necessary to govern the requirements for  
7 licenses and endorsements under this Section.

8 (1) Professional Educator License. Persons who (i)  
9 have successfully completed an approved educator  
10 preparation program and are recommended for licensure by  
11 the Illinois institution offering the educator preparation  
12 program, (ii) have successfully completed the required  
13 testing under Section 21B-30 of this Code, (iii) have  
14 successfully completed coursework on the psychology of,  
15 the identification of, and the methods of instruction for  
16 the exceptional child, including without limitation  
17 children with learning disabilities, (iv) have  
18 successfully completed coursework in methods of reading  
19 and reading in the content area, and (v) have met all other  
20 criteria established by rule of the State Board of  
21 Education shall be issued a Professional Educator License.  
22 All Professional Educator Licenses are valid until June 30  
23 immediately following 5 years of the license being issued.  
24 The Professional Educator License shall be endorsed with  
25 specific areas and grade levels in which the individual is  
26 eligible to practice. For an early childhood education

1 endorsement, an individual may satisfy the student  
2 teaching requirement of his or her early childhood teacher  
3 preparation program through placement in a setting with  
4 children from birth through grade 2, and the individual  
5 may be paid and receive credit while student teaching. The  
6 student teaching experience must meet the requirements of  
7 and be approved by the individual's early childhood  
8 teacher preparation program.

9 Individuals can receive subsequent endorsements on the  
10 Professional Educator License. Subsequent endorsements  
11 shall require a minimum of 24 semester hours of coursework  
12 in the endorsement area and passage of the applicable  
13 content area test, unless otherwise specified by rule.

14 (2) Educator License with Stipulations. An Educator  
15 License with Stipulations shall be issued an endorsement  
16 that limits the license holder to one particular position  
17 or does not require completion of an approved educator  
18 program or both.

19 An individual with an Educator License with  
20 Stipulations must not be employed by a school district or  
21 any other entity to replace any presently employed teacher  
22 who otherwise would not be replaced for any reason.

23 An Educator License with Stipulations may be issued  
24 with the following endorsements:

25 (A) (Blank).

26 (B) Alternative provisional educator. An

1 alternative provisional educator endorsement on an  
2 Educator License with Stipulations may be issued to an  
3 applicant who, at the time of applying for the  
4 endorsement, has done all of the following:

5 (i) Graduated from a regionally accredited  
6 college or university with a minimum of a  
7 bachelor's degree.

8 (ii) Successfully completed the first phase of  
9 the Alternative Educator Licensure Program for  
10 Teachers, as described in Section 21B-50 of this  
11 Code.

12 (iii) Passed a content area test, as required  
13 under Section 21B-30 of this Code.

14 The alternative provisional educator endorsement is  
15 valid for 2 years of teaching and may be renewed for a  
16 third year by an individual meeting the requirements set  
17 forth in Section 21B-50 of this Code.

18 (C) Alternative provisional superintendent. An  
19 alternative provisional superintendent endorsement on  
20 an Educator License with Stipulations entitles the  
21 holder to serve only as a superintendent or assistant  
22 superintendent in a school district's central office.  
23 This endorsement may only be issued to an applicant  
24 who, at the time of applying for the endorsement, has  
25 done all of the following:

26 (i) Graduated from a regionally accredited

1 college or university with a minimum of a master's  
2 degree in a management field other than education.

3 (ii) Been employed for a period of at least 5  
4 years in a management level position in a field  
5 other than education.

6 (iii) Successfully completed the first phase  
7 of an alternative route to superintendent  
8 endorsement program, as provided in Section 21B-55  
9 of this Code.

10 (iv) Passed a content area test required under  
11 Section 21B-30 of this Code.

12 The endorsement is valid for 2 fiscal years in  
13 order to complete one full year of serving as a  
14 superintendent or assistant superintendent.

15 (D) (Blank).

16 (E) Career and technical educator. A career and  
17 technical educator endorsement on an Educator License  
18 with Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who  
19 has a minimum of 60 semester hours of coursework from a  
20 regionally accredited institution of higher education  
21 or an accredited trade and technical institution and  
22 has a minimum of 2,000 hours of experience outside of  
23 education in each area to be taught.

24 The career and technical educator endorsement on  
25 an Educator License with Stipulations is valid until  
26 June 30 immediately following 5 years of the

1 endorsement being issued and may be renewed.

2 An individual who holds a valid career and  
3 technical educator endorsement on an Educator License  
4 with Stipulations but does not hold a bachelor's  
5 degree may substitute teach in career and technical  
6 education classrooms.

7 (F) Part-time provisional career and technical  
8 educator or provisional career and technical educator.  
9 A part-time provisional career and technical educator  
10 endorsement or a provisional career and technical  
11 educator endorsement on an Educator License with  
12 Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who has a  
13 minimum of 8,000 hours of work experience in the skill  
14 for which the applicant is seeking the endorsement. It  
15 is the responsibility of each employing school board  
16 and regional office of education to provide  
17 verification, in writing, to the State Superintendent  
18 of Education at the time the application is submitted  
19 that no qualified teacher holding a Professional  
20 Educator License or an Educator License with  
21 Stipulations with a career and technical educator  
22 endorsement is available and that actual circumstances  
23 require such issuance.

24 The provisional career and technical educator  
25 endorsement on an Educator License with Stipulations  
26 is valid until June 30 immediately following 5 years

1 of the endorsement being issued and may be renewed for  
2 5 years.

3 A part-time provisional career and technical  
4 educator endorsement on an Educator License with  
5 Stipulations may be issued for teaching no more than 2  
6 courses of study for grades 6 through 12. The  
7 part-time provisional career and technical educator  
8 endorsement on an Educator License with Stipulations  
9 is valid until June 30 immediately following 5 years  
10 of the endorsement being issued and may be renewed for  
11 5 years if the individual makes application for  
12 renewal.

13 An individual who holds a provisional or part-time  
14 provisional career and technical educator endorsement  
15 on an Educator License with Stipulations but does not  
16 hold a bachelor's degree may substitute teach in  
17 career and technical education classrooms.

18 (G) Transitional bilingual educator. A  
19 transitional bilingual educator endorsement on an  
20 Educator License with Stipulations may be issued for  
21 the purpose of providing instruction in accordance  
22 with Article 14C of this Code to an applicant who  
23 provides satisfactory evidence that he or she meets  
24 all of the following requirements:

25 (i) Possesses adequate speaking, reading, and  
26 writing ability in the language other than English

1 in which transitional bilingual education is  
2 offered.

3 (ii) Has the ability to successfully  
4 communicate in English.

5 (iii) Either possessed, within 5 years  
6 previous to his or her applying for a transitional  
7 bilingual educator endorsement, a valid and  
8 comparable teaching certificate or comparable  
9 authorization issued by a foreign country or holds  
10 a degree from an institution of higher learning in  
11 a foreign country that the State Educator  
12 Preparation and Licensure Board determines to be  
13 the equivalent of a bachelor's degree from a  
14 regionally accredited institution of higher  
15 learning in the United States.

16 A transitional bilingual educator endorsement  
17 shall be valid for prekindergarten through grade 12,  
18 is valid until June 30 immediately following 5 years  
19 of the endorsement being issued, and shall not be  
20 renewed.

21 Persons holding a transitional bilingual educator  
22 endorsement shall not be employed to replace any  
23 presently employed teacher who otherwise would not be  
24 replaced for any reason.

25 (H) Language endorsement. In an effort to  
26 alleviate the shortage of teachers speaking a language



1 other than English in the public schools, an  
2 individual who holds an Educator License with  
3 Stipulations may also apply for a language  
4 endorsement, provided that the applicant provides  
5 satisfactory evidence that he or she meets all of the  
6 following requirements:

7 (i) Holds a transitional bilingual  
8 endorsement.

9 (ii) Has demonstrated proficiency in the  
10 language for which the endorsement is to be issued  
11 by passing the applicable language content test  
12 required by the State Board of Education.

13 (iii) Holds a bachelor's degree or higher from  
14 a regionally accredited institution of higher  
15 education or, for individuals educated in a  
16 country other than the United States, holds a  
17 degree from an institution of higher learning in a  
18 foreign country that the State Educator  
19 Preparation and Licensure Board determines to be  
20 the equivalent of a bachelor's degree from a  
21 regionally accredited institution of higher  
22 learning in the United States.

23 (iv) (Blank).

24 A language endorsement on an Educator License with  
25 Stipulations is valid for prekindergarten through  
26 grade 12 for the same validity period as the

1 individual's transitional bilingual educator  
2 endorsement on the Educator License with Stipulations  
3 and shall not be renewed.

4 (I) Visiting international educator. A visiting  
5 international educator endorsement on an Educator  
6 License with Stipulations may be issued to an  
7 individual who is being recruited by a particular  
8 school district that conducts formal recruitment  
9 programs outside of the United States to secure the  
10 services of qualified teachers and who meets all of  
11 the following requirements:

12 (i) Holds the equivalent of a minimum of a  
13 bachelor's degree issued in the United States.

14 (ii) Has been prepared as a teacher at the  
15 grade level for which he or she will be employed.

16 (iii) Has adequate content knowledge in the  
17 subject to be taught.

18 (iv) Has an adequate command of the English  
19 language.

20 A holder of a visiting international educator  
21 endorsement on an Educator License with Stipulations  
22 shall be permitted to teach in bilingual education  
23 programs in the language that was the medium of  
24 instruction in his or her teacher preparation program,  
25 provided that he or she passes the English Language  
26 Proficiency Examination or another test of writing

1 skills in English identified by the State Board of  
2 Education, in consultation with the State Educator  
3 Preparation and Licensure Board.

4 A visiting international educator endorsement on  
5 an Educator License with Stipulations is valid for 5  
6 years and shall not be renewed.

7 (J) Paraprofessional educator. A paraprofessional  
8 educator endorsement on an Educator License with  
9 Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who holds a  
10 high school diploma or its recognized equivalent and  
11 either holds an associate's degree or a minimum of 60  
12 semester hours of credit from a regionally accredited  
13 institution of higher education or has passed a  
14 paraprofessional competency test under subsection  
15 (c-5) of Section 21B-30. The paraprofessional educator  
16 endorsement is valid until June 30 immediately  
17 following 5 years of the endorsement being issued and  
18 may be renewed through application and payment of the  
19 appropriate fee, as required under Section 21B-40 of  
20 this Code. An individual who holds only a  
21 paraprofessional educator endorsement is not subject  
22 to additional requirements in order to renew the  
23 endorsement.

24 (K) Chief school business official. A chief school  
25 business official endorsement on an Educator License  
26 with Stipulations may be issued to an applicant who

1           qualifies by having a master's degree or higher, 2  
2           years of full-time administrative experience in school  
3           business management or 2 years of university-approved  
4           practical experience, and a minimum of 24 semester  
5           hours of graduate credit in a program approved by the  
6           State Board of Education for the preparation of school  
7           business administrators and by passage of the  
8           applicable State tests, including an applicable  
9           content area test.

10           The chief school business official endorsement may  
11           also be affixed to the Educator License with  
12           Stipulations of any holder who qualifies by having a  
13           master's degree in business administration, finance,  
14           accounting, or public administration and who completes  
15           an additional 6 semester hours of internship in school  
16           business management from a regionally accredited  
17           institution of higher education and passes the  
18           applicable State tests, including an applicable  
19           content area test. This endorsement shall be required  
20           for any individual employed as a chief school business  
21           official.

22           The chief school business official endorsement on  
23           an Educator License with Stipulations is valid until  
24           June 30 immediately following 5 years of the  
25           endorsement being issued and may be renewed if the  
26           license holder completes renewal requirements as

1 required for individuals who hold a Professional  
2 Educator License endorsed for chief school business  
3 official under Section 21B-45 of this Code and such  
4 rules as may be adopted by the State Board of  
5 Education.

6 The State Board of Education shall adopt any rules  
7 necessary to implement Public Act 100-288.

8 (L) Provisional in-state educator. A provisional  
9 in-state educator endorsement on an Educator License  
10 with Stipulations may be issued to a candidate who has  
11 completed an Illinois-approved educator preparation  
12 program at an Illinois institution of higher education  
13 and who has not successfully completed an  
14 evidence-based assessment of teacher effectiveness but  
15 who meets all of the following requirements:

16 (i) Holds at least a bachelor's degree.

17 (ii) Has completed an approved educator  
18 preparation program at an Illinois institution.

19 (iii) Has passed an applicable content area  
20 test, as required by Section 21B-30 of this Code.

21 (iv) Has attempted an evidence-based  
22 assessment of teacher effectiveness and received a  
23 minimum score on that assessment, as established  
24 by the State Board of Education in consultation  
25 with the State Educator Preparation and Licensure  
26 Board.

1           A provisional in-state educator endorsement on an  
2 Educator License with Stipulations is valid for one  
3 full fiscal year after the date of issuance and may not  
4 be renewed.

5           (M) (Blank).

6           (N) Specialized services. A specialized services  
7 endorsement on an Educator License with Stipulations  
8 may be issued as defined and specified by rule.

9           (3) Substitute Teaching License. A Substitute Teaching  
10 License may be issued to qualified applicants for  
11 substitute teaching in all grades of the public schools,  
12 prekindergarten through grade 12. Substitute Teaching  
13 Licenses are not eligible for endorsements. Applicants for  
14 a Substitute Teaching License must hold a bachelor's  
15 degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution  
16 of higher education or must be enrolled in an approved  
17 educator preparation program in this State and have earned  
18 at least 90 credit hours.

19           Substitute Teaching Licenses are valid for 5 years.

20           Substitute Teaching Licenses are valid for substitute  
21 teaching in every county of this State. If an individual  
22 has had his or her Professional Educator License or  
23 Educator License with Stipulations suspended or revoked,  
24 then that individual is not eligible to obtain a  
25 Substitute Teaching License.

26           A substitute teacher may only teach in the place of a

1 licensed teacher who is under contract with the employing  
2 board. If, however, there is no licensed teacher under  
3 contract because of an emergency situation, then a  
4 district may employ a substitute teacher for no longer  
5 than 30 calendar days per each vacant position in the  
6 district if the district notifies the appropriate regional  
7 office of education within 5 business days after the  
8 employment of the substitute teacher in the emergency  
9 situation. An emergency situation is one in which an  
10 unforeseen vacancy has occurred and (i) a teacher is  
11 unable to fulfill his or her contractual duties or (ii)  
12 teacher capacity needs of the district exceed previous  
13 indications, and the district is actively engaged in  
14 advertising to hire a fully licensed teacher for the  
15 vacant position.

16 There is no limit on the number of days that a  
17 substitute teacher may teach in a single school district,  
18 provided that no substitute teacher may teach for longer  
19 than 90 school days for any one licensed teacher under  
20 contract in the same school year. A substitute teacher who  
21 holds a Professional Educator License or Educator License  
22 with Stipulations shall not teach for more than 120 school  
23 days for any one licensed teacher under contract in the  
24 same school year. The limitations in this paragraph (3) on  
25 the number of days a substitute teacher may be employed do  
26 not apply to any school district operating under Article

1 34 of this Code.

2 A school district may not require an individual who  
3 holds a valid Professional Educator License or Educator  
4 License with Stipulations to seek or hold a Substitute  
5 Teaching License to teach as a substitute teacher.

6 (4) Short-Term Substitute Teaching License. Beginning  
7 on July 1, 2018 and until June 30, 2023, the State Board of  
8 Education may issue a Short-Term Substitute Teaching  
9 License. A Short-Term Substitute Teaching License may be  
10 issued to a qualified applicant for substitute teaching in  
11 all grades of the public schools, prekindergarten through  
12 grade 12. Short-Term Substitute Teaching Licenses are not  
13 eligible for endorsements. Applicants for a Short-Term  
14 Substitute Teaching License must hold an associate's  
15 degree or have completed at least 60 credit hours from a  
16 regionally accredited institution of higher education.

17 Short-Term Substitute Teaching Licenses are valid for  
18 substitute teaching in every county of this State. If an  
19 individual has had his or her Professional Educator  
20 License or Educator License with Stipulations suspended or  
21 revoked, then that individual is not eligible to obtain a  
22 Short-Term Substitute Teaching License.

23 The provisions of Sections 10-21.9 and 34-18.5 of this  
24 Code apply to short-term substitute teachers.

25 An individual holding a Short-Term Substitute Teaching  
26 License may teach no more than 5 consecutive days per



1 licensed teacher who is under contract. For teacher  
2 absences lasting 6 or more days per licensed teacher who  
3 is under contract, a school district may not hire an  
4 individual holding a Short-Term Substitute Teaching  
5 License. An individual holding a Short-Term Substitute  
6 Teaching License must complete the training program under  
7 Section 10-20.67 or 34-18.60 of this Code to be eligible  
8 to teach at a public school. This paragraph (4) is  
9 inoperative on and after July 1, 2023.

10 (Source: P.A. 100-8, eff. 7-1-17; 100-13, eff. 7-1-17;  
11 100-288, eff. 8-24-17; 100-596, eff. 7-1-18; 100-821, eff.  
12 9-3-18; 100-863, eff. 8-14-18; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19; 101-220,  
13 eff. 8-7-19; 101-594, eff. 12-5-19; 101-643, eff. 6-18-20.)".