

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 13B-20.5 and by adding Section 34-18.78 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/13B-20.5)

7 Sec. 13B-20.5. Eligible activities and services.  
8 Alternative learning opportunities programs may include,  
9 without limitation, evening high school, in-school tutoring  
10 and mentoring programs, in-school suspension programs, high  
11 school completion programs to assist high school dropouts in  
12 completing their education, high school completion programs to  
13 allow students eligible for remote learning under Section  
14 34-18.78 to complete their education while incarcerated in an  
15 institution or facility of the Department of Corrections,  
16 support services, parental involvement programs, and programs  
17 to develop, enhance, or extend the transition for students  
18 transferring back to the regular school program, an adult  
19 education program, or a post-secondary education program.

20 (Source: P.A. 92-42, eff. 1-1-02.)

21 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.78 new)

22 Sec. 34-18.78. Pilot program for remote learning for

1 students in the custody of the Department of Corrections. The  
2 board may offer the option of remote learning to allow a  
3 student who is in the custody of the Department of Corrections  
4 to successfully complete the course requirements necessary to  
5 graduate from high school and receive a high school diploma.  
6 The school district may offer a remote learning option to a  
7 student if the student:

8 (1) is enrolled at Consuella B. York Alternative High  
9 School at the time the student is transferred to a  
10 Department of Corrections facility or institution or had  
11 been enrolled at Consuella B. York Alternative High School  
12 within the 6 months prior to being transferred to a  
13 Department of Corrections facility or institution; and

14 (2) is within 2 school years of completing all of the  
15 course requirements necessary to graduate from high school  
16 and receive a high school diploma.

17 The school district may continue to offer the option of  
18 remote learning to the student for up to one school year  
19 following the student's release from the custody of the  
20 Department of Corrections to allow the student to complete any  
21 remaining course requirements necessary to graduate from high  
22 school and receive a high school diploma.

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
24 becoming law.