102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

SB2782

Introduced 3/3/2021, by Sen. Sara Feigenholtz

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/14-17 new

Amends the Children with Disabilities Article of the School Code. Allows a provider of special education services to enter into a contract with a school district to create a small, customized program. Provide that the provider may choose to not enroll students from any surrounding school district regardless of whether the program is located within a public school building. Allows the school district to negotiate on price with the provider and shall receive full funding from the State Board of Education for students participating in the program. Provides that the school district shall assume control of the process relating to costs and rates instead of the Illinois Purchased Care Review Board and the licensure requirements of the Code do not apply to staff members of the program. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

SB2782

AN ACT concerning education.

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2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section
14-17 as follows:

(105 ILCS 5/14-17 new) 6 7 Sec. 14-17. Contract for program. (a) This Section applies notwithstanding any other law to 8 9 the contrary. (b) A provider of special education services may enter 10 into a contract with a school district to create a small, 11 12 customized program. The provider may choose to not enroll students from any surrounding school district regardless of 13 14 whether the program is located within a public school building in order for the contracting school district to control who is 15 16 served within its school buildings and to address the needs of 17 specific populations. (c) The school district may negotiate on price, including 18 19 per diem expenses, with the provider and shall receive full funding from the State Board of Education for students 20 21 participating in the program. The school district shall assume 22 control of the process relating to costs and rates instead of the Illinois Purchased Care Review Board to allow the school 23

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district to form a public-private partnership that is both
educationally and financially effective.
(d) The licensure requirements of this Code do not apply
to staff members of the program.
Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
becoming law.