



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB3561

Introduced 2/17/2023, by Rep. Lilian Jiménez

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Chicago School District Article of the School Code. Provides that the board shall create a educator pipeline development program. Provides that the program shall seek to develop a licensed practical nurse seeking to become a health service nurse, a paraprofessional and related service personnel seeking to become a licensed teacher, or a multilingual staff employee seeking to become a licensed bilingual teacher. Provides that the program shall support up to 120 people per school year. Provides that the program shall partner with Chicago State University, Northeastern Illinois University, and the City Colleges of Chicago. Provides that of the pipeline program shall complete necessary collegiate course work to attain the member's additional licensure. Provides that program members shall continue to work normally until required student teaching or clinical experiences are required. Provides that members of the program will work with cooperating instructors from the member's affiliate institution toward the successful completion of the member's required work experience. Provides that members of the program will have 3 years to complete the member's coursework and required work experience. Provides that members of the program who successfully complete the member's training will be placed, to the extent practicable, in the school where they completed the member's required work experience. Provides that those members who were unable to be placed at the school where the member completed the work experience at shall be placed elsewhere in the school district. Provides that, subject to appropriation, the State Board of Education and the board shall split the costs of the program equally.

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STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

A BILL FOR

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 adding Section  
5 34-18.82 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.82 new)

7 Sec. 34-18.82. Educator pipeline development program.

8 (a) The board shall create a educator pipeline development  
9 program. This program shall develop and retain key educator  
10 positions.

11 (b) To be eligible, a employee must be:

12 (1) a current nurse working as a licensed practical  
13 nurse;

14 (2) a current paraprofessional working in a position  
15 including but not limited to teacher assistants and other  
16 paraprofessional and related service personnel; and

17 (3) a current school-based employee who is  
18 multilingual.

19 (c) The program shall seek to develop a licensed practical  
20 nurse seeking to become a health service nurse, a  
21 paraprofessional and related service personnel seeking to  
22 become a licensed teacher, or a multilingual staff employee  
23 seeking to become a licensed bilingual teacher.

1       (d) The program shall support up to 120 people per school  
2       year.

3       (e) The program shall partner with Chicago State  
4       University, Northeastern Illinois University, and the City  
5       Colleges of Chicago Members of the pipeline program shall  
6       complete necessary collegiate course work to attain the  
7       member's additional licensure, up to and including the  
8       completion of a Bachelor's Degree at the affiliated  
9       institution. Program members shall continue to work normally  
10       until required student teaching or clinical experiences are  
11       required.

12       (f) Members of the program will work with cooperating  
13       instructors from the member's affiliate institution toward the  
14       successful completion of the member's required work  
15       experience. Members of the program will be placed, to the  
16       extent practicable, at the member's existing worksite to  
17       complete the required work experience. Members of the program  
18       will have 3 years to complete the member's coursework and  
19       required work experience. Members of the program who  
20       successfully complete the member's training will be placed, to  
21       the extent practicable, in the school where they completed the  
22       member's required work experience. Those members who were  
23       unable to be placed at the school where the member completed  
24       the work experience at shall be placed elsewhere in the school  
25       district.

26       (g) Subject to appropriation, the State Board of Education

1 and the board shall split the costs of the program equally.

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105 ILCS 5/34-18.82 new