

1 AN ACT concerning finance.

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

4 Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
5 Section 5.640 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.640 new)

7 Sec. 5.640. The Computer Investment Program Fund.

8 Section 10. The Eliminate the Digital Divide Law is amended
9 by adding Sections 5-50 and 5-55 as follows:

10 (30 ILCS 780/5-50 new)

11 Sec. 5-50. Computer Investment Program.

12 (a) Subject to appropriation, the Department may
13 administer the Computer Investment Program under which the
14 Department may assist low-income families in 5 digital divide
15 impacted communities in the State, as determined by the
16 Department, in reimbursing a portion of the cost for a recently
17 purchased new or used home computer.

18 (b) The grant awarded by the Department shall not exceed
19 \$225 per applicant.

20 (c) The applicant must show proof of purchase for the
21 computer in the form of a store receipt.

22 (d) The Department shall prepare a store verification form
23 that must be filled out at the time of purchase by a store
24 manager or assistant manager. This form must be submitted to
25 the Department as part of the grant application.

26 (e) To be eligible to apply for a grant under this Act, an
27 applicant must have a child that:

28 (1) is enrolled in a public school in which not less
29 than 40% of the students are eligible for a free or reduced
30 price lunch under the national school lunch program, or in

1 which not less than 30% of the students are eligible for a
2 free lunch under the national school lunch program in this
3 State;

4 (2) receives free or reduced school lunch under the
5 national school lunch program;

6 (3) has a passing grade point average;

7 (4) has a good attendance record;

8 (5) has resided in this State for a minimum of 6
9 months; and

10 (6) completes a basic computer course at one of the
11 community technology centers designated by the Department.

12 (f) The Department shall adopt rules to implement and
13 administer the Program.

14 (30 ILCS 780/5-55 new)

15 Sec. 5-55. Computer Investment Program Fund. The Computer
16 Investment Program Fund is created as a special fund in the
17 State treasury. All moneys in the Fund shall be used, subject
18 to appropriation by the General Assembly, by the Department for
19 grants made under Section 5-50 of this Act.