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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/14C-12

from Ch. 122, par. 14C-12

Amends the School Code. Removes the requirement that school districts file estimated reimbursement claims for costs of transitional bilingual education by certain dates and that the State Superintendent of Education transmit vouchers of the estimated claims to the Comptroller by certain dates. Effective July 1, 2005.

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AN ACT concerning schools.

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 changing Section
14C-12 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/14C-12) (from Ch. 122, par. 14C-12)

7 Sec. 14C-12. Account of expenditures; Cost report; Reimbursement. Each school district shall keep an accurate, 8 detailed and separate account of all monies paid out by it for 9 10 the programs in transitional bilingual education required or permitted by this Article, including transportation costs, and 11 shall annually report thereon for the school year ending June 12 30 indicating the average per pupil expenditure. Each school 13 14 district shall be reimbursed for the amount by which such costs 15 exceed the average per pupil expenditure by such school district for the education of children of comparable age who 16 17 are not in any special education program.

18 Applications for preapproval for reimbursement for costs 19 of transitional bilingual education programs must be submitted to the State Superintendent of Education at least 60 days 20 before a transitional bilingual education program is started, 21 22 unless a justifiable exception is granted by the State 23 Superintendent of Education. Applications shall set forth a plan for transitional bilingual education established and 24 maintained in accordance with this Article. 25

26 Reimbursement claims for transitional bilingual education 27 programs shall be made as follows:

Each school district shall claim reimbursement on a current basis for the first 3 quarters of the fiscal year and file a final adjusted claim for the school year ended June 30 preceding computed in accordance with rules prescribed by the State Superintendent's Office. School districts shall file - 2 - LRB094 05823 LJB 35877 b

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estimated claims with the State Superintendent by October 20, 1 January 20, and April 20 and file final adjusted claims by July 2 3 20. The State Superintendent of Education before approving any such claims shall determine their accuracy and whether they are 4 5 based upon services and facilities provided under approved 6 programs. Upon approval he shall transmit by November 15, 7 February 15, May 15, and August 20 to the Comptroller the 8 vouchers showing the amounts due for school district 9 reimbursement claims. Upon receipt of the July final adjusted claims the State Superintendent of Education shall make a final 10 11 determination of the accuracy of such claims. If the money 12 appropriated by the General Assembly for such purpose for any 13 year is insufficient, it shall be apportioned on the basis of 14 the claims approved.

15 Failure on the part of the school district to prepare and 16 certify the final adjusted claims due under this Section on or 17 before July 20 of any year, and its failure thereafter to prepare and certify such report to the regional superintendent 18 19 of schools within 10 days after receipt of notice of such 20 delinquency sent to it by the State Superintendent of Education by registered mail, shall constitute a forfeiture by the school 21 22 district of its right to be reimbursed by the State under this 23 Section.

24 (Source: P.A. 90-463, eff. 8-17-97; 91-764, eff. 6-9-00.)

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 26 2005.