

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 14C-13 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/14C-13) (from Ch. 122, par. 14C-13)

7 Sec. 14C-13. Advisory Council. There is created an Advisory  
8 Council on Bilingual Education, consisting of 17 members  
9 appointed by the State Superintendent of Education and  
10 selected, as nearly as possible, on the basis of experience in  
11 or knowledge of the various programs of bilingual education.  
12 The Council shall advise the State Superintendent on policy and  
13 rules pertaining to bilingual education. The Council shall  
14 establish such sub-committees as it deems appropriate to review  
15 bilingual education issues including but not limited to  
16 certification, finance and special education.

17 Initial appointees shall serve terms determined by lot as  
18 follows: 6 for one year, 6 for 2 years and 5 for 3 years.  
19 Successors shall serve 3-year terms. Members annually shall  
20 select a chairman from among their number. Members shall  
21 receive no compensation but may be reimbursed for necessary  
22 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

23 By no later than December 1, 2011, the Council shall submit

1 a report to the State Superintendent of Education, the  
2 Governor, and the General Assembly addressing, at a minimum,  
3 the following questions:

4 (1) whether and how the 20 child per attendance center  
5 minimum in Section 14C-3 of this Code should be modified;

6 (2) whether and how educator certification  
7 requirements in this Article 14C and applicable State Board  
8 of Education rules should be modified;

9 (3) whether and how bilingual education requirements  
10 in this Article 14C and applicable State Board of Education  
11 rules should be modified to address differences between  
12 elementary and secondary schools; and

13 (4) whether and how to allow school districts to  
14 administer alternative bilingual education programs  
15 instead of transitional bilingual education programs.

16 (Source: P.A. 87-995.)