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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 5689

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 5689 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
5 22-75 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/22-75 new)

7 Sec. 22-75. The Eradicate Domestic Violence Task Force.

8 (a) There is hereby created the Eradicate Domestic Violence  
9 Task Force. The Eradicate Domestic Violence Task Force shall  
10 develop a statewide effective and feasible prevention course  
11 for high school students designed to prevent interpersonal,  
12 adolescent violence based on the Step Back Program for boys and  
13 girls. The State Board of Education shall provide  
14 administrative staff and support to the task force.

15 (b) The Eradicate Domestic Violence Task Force shall do the  
16 following:

1           (1) Conduct meetings to evaluate the effectiveness and  
2           feasibility of statewide implementation of the curricula  
3           of the Step Back Program at Oak Park and River Forest High  
4           School, located in Cook County, Illinois, for the  
5           prevention of domestic violence.

6           (2) Invite the testimony of and confer with experts on  
7           relevant topics as needed.

8           (3) Propose content for integration into school  
9           curricula aimed at preventing domestic violence.

10           (4) Propose the curricula content that should be  
11           mandatory versus voluntary to best provide the desired  
12           result of eradication of domestic violence.

13           (5) Propose a method of training facilitators on the  
14           school curricula aimed at preventing domestic violence.

15           (6) Propose partnerships with anti-violence agencies  
16           to assist with the facilitator roles and the nature of the  
17           partnerships.

18           (7) Evaluate the approximate cost per school or school  
19           district to implement and maintain school curricula aimed  
20           at preventing domestic violence.

21           (8) Propose a funding source or sources to support  
22           school curricula aimed at preventing domestic violence and  
23           agencies that provide training to the facilitators, such as  
24           a fee to be charged in domestic violence, sexual assault,  
25           and related cases to be collected by the clerk of the court  
26           for deposit into a special fund in the State treasury and

1       to be used to fund a proposed eradicate domestic violence  
2       program in the schools of this State.

3       (9) Propose an evaluation structure to ensure that the  
4       school curricula aimed at preventing domestic violence is  
5       effectively taught by trained facilitators.

6       (10) Propose a method of evaluation for the purpose of  
7       modifying the content of the curriculum over time,  
8       including whether studies of the program should be  
9       conducted by the University of Illinois' Interpersonal  
10       Violence Prevention Information Center.

11       (11) Recommend legislation developed by the task  
12       force, such as amending to Sections 27-5 through 27-13.3,  
13       27-23.4, and 27-23.7 of this Code, and legislation to  
14       create a fee to be charged in domestic violence, sexual  
15       assault, and related cases to be collected by the clerk of  
16       court for deposit into a special fund in the State treasury  
17       and to be used to fund a proposed eradicate domestic  
18       violence program in the schools of this State.

19       (12) Produce a report of the task force's findings on  
20       best practices and policies, which shall include a plan  
21       with a phased and prioritized implementation timetable for  
22       implementation of school curricula aimed at preventing  
23       domestic violence in schools. The task force shall submit a  
24       report to the General Assembly on or before April 1, 2013  
25       on its findings, recommendations, and implementation plan.  
26       Any task force reports must be published on the State Board

1 of Education's Internet website on the date the report is  
2 delivered to the General Assembly.

3 (c) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the  
4 House of Representatives shall each appoint one co-chairperson  
5 of the Eradicate Domestic Violence Task Force. In addition to  
6 the 2 co-chairpersons, the task force shall be comprised of the  
7 following members, appointed by the State Board of Education,  
8 and shall be representative of the geographic, racial, ethnic,  
9 and cultural diversity of this State:

10 (1) Five representatives involved with a program for  
11 high school students at a high school that is located in a  
12 municipality with a population of 2,000,000 or more and the  
13 program is a daily, 6-week to 9-week, 45-session,  
14 gender-specific, primary prevention course designed to  
15 raise awareness of topics such as dating and domestic  
16 violence, bullying and harassment, sexual assault, digital  
17 abuse, self-defense, and suicide.

18 (2) A representative of an interpersonal violence  
19 prevention program within a State university.

20 (3) A representative of a statewide nonprofit,  
21 nongovernmental, domestic violence organization.

22 (4) A representative of a different nonprofit,  
23 nongovernmental domestic violence organization that is  
24 located in a municipality with a population of 2,000,000 or  
25 more.

26 (5) Two representatives of a statewide nonprofit,

1 nongovernmental, sexual assault organization.

2 (6) A representative of a different nonprofit,  
3 nongovernmental, sexual assault organization based in a  
4 county with a population of 3,000,000 or more.

5 (7) The State Superintendent of Education or his or her  
6 designee.

7 (8) The Chief Executive Officer of City of Chicago  
8 School District 299 or his or her designee or the President  
9 of the Chicago Board of Education or his or her designee.

10 (9) A representative of the Department of Human  
11 Services.

12 (10) A representative of a statewide, nonprofit  
13 professional organization representing law enforcement  
14 executives.

15 (11) A representative of the Chicago Police  
16 Department, Youth Services Division.

17 (12) The Clerk of the Circuit Court for the First  
18 Judicial District or his or her designee.

19 (d) The following underlying purposes should be liberally  
20 construed by the task force convened under this Section:

21 (1) Recognize that, according to the Centers for  
22 Disease Control and Prevention, National Intimate Partner  
23 and Sexual Violence Survey, December 2010 Summary Report,  
24 on average 24 people per minute are victims of rape,  
25 physical violence, or stalking by an intimate partner in  
26 the United States, equaling more than 12 million women and

1 men.

2 (2) Recognize that abused children and children  
3 exposed to domestic violence in their homes may have short  
4 and long-term physical, emotional, and learning problems,  
5 including increased aggression, decreased responsiveness  
6 to adults, failure to thrive, posttraumatic stress  
7 disorder, depression, anxiety, hyper vigilance and  
8 hyperactivity, eating and sleeping problems, and  
9 developmental delays, according to the Journal of  
10 Interpersonal Violence and the Futures Without Violence  
11 organization.

12 (3) Recognize that the Illinois Violence Prevention  
13 Authority has found that children exposed to violence in  
14 the media may become numb to the horror of violence, may  
15 gradually accept violence as a way to solve problems, may  
16 imitate the violence they see, and may identify with  
17 certain characters, victims, or victimizers.

18 (4) Recognize that crimes and the incarceration of  
19 youth are often associated with a history of child abuse  
20 and exposure to domestic violence, according to Futures  
21 Without Violence.

22 (5) Recognize that the cost of prosecuting crime in  
23 this State is unnecessarily high due to a lack of  
24 prevention programs designed to eradicate domestic  
25 violence.

26 (6) Recognize that sexual violence, stalking, and

1 intimate partner violence are serious and widespread  
2 public health problems for children and adults in this  
3 State.

4 (7) Recognize that intervention programs aimed at  
5 preventing domestic violence may yield better results than  
6 programs aimed at treating the victims of domestic  
7 violence, because treatment programs may reduce the  
8 likelihood that a particular woman will be re-victimized,  
9 but might not otherwise reduce the overall amount of  
10 domestic violence.

11 (8) Recognize that uniform, effective, feasible, and  
12 widespread prevention of sexual violence and intimate  
13 partner violence is a high priority in this State.

14 (9) Recognize that the Step Back Program at Oak Park  
15 and River Forest High School in Cook County, Illinois, is a  
16 daily, 6 to 9 week, 45-session, gender-specific, primary  
17 prevention course for high school students designed to  
18 raise awareness of topics, including dating and domestic  
19 violence, bullying and harassment, sexual assault, digital  
20 abuse, self-defense, and suicide. The Step Back Program is  
21 co-facilitated by the high school and a nonprofit,  
22 nongovernmental domestic violence prevention specialist  
23 and service provider.

24 (10) Develop a statewide effective prevention course  
25 for high school students based on the Step Back Program for  
26 boys and girls designed to prevent interpersonal,

1       adolescent violence.

2       (e) Members of the Eradicate Domestic Violence Task Force  
3       shall receive no compensation for their participation, but may  
4       be reimbursed by the State Board of Education for expenses in  
5       connection with their participation, including travel, if  
6       funds are available.

7       Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
8       becoming law.".