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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/19-1

Amends the School Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning debt limitations of school districts.

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AN ACT concerning education.

# 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
19-1 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/19-1)

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Sec. 19-1. Debt limitations of school districts.

8 (a) School districts shall not be subject to <u>the</u> the 9 provisions limiting their indebtedness prescribed in "An Act to 10 limit the indebtedness of counties having a population of less 11 than 500,000 and townships, school districts and other 12 municipal corporations having a population of less than 13 300,000", approved February 15, 1928, as amended.

14 No school districts maintaining grades K through 8 or 9 through 12 shall become indebted in any manner or for any 15 16 purpose to an amount, including existing indebtedness, in the aggregate exceeding 6.9% on the value of the taxable property 17 therein to be ascertained by the last assessment for State and 18 19 county taxes or, until January 1, 1983, if greater, the sum 20 that is produced by multiplying the school district's 1978 21 equalized assessed valuation by the debt limitation percentage 22 in effect on January 1, 1979, previous to the incurring of such indebtedness. 23

No school districts maintaining grades K through 12 shall 1 2 become indebted in any manner or for any purpose to an amount, 3 including existing indebtedness, in the aggregate exceeding 13.8% on the value of the taxable property therein to be 4 5 ascertained by the last assessment for State and county taxes or, until January 1, 1983, if greater, the sum that is produced 6 by multiplying the school district's 1978 equalized assessed 7 8 valuation by the debt limitation percentage in effect on 9 January 1, 1979, previous to the incurring of such 10 indebtedness.

11 No partial elementary unit district, as defined in Article 12 11E of this Code, shall become indebted in any manner or for any purpose in an amount, including existing indebtedness, in 13 the aggregate exceeding 6.9% of the value of the taxable 14 property of the entire district, to be ascertained by the last 15 16 assessment for State and county taxes, plus an amount, 17 including existing indebtedness, in the aggregate exceeding 6.9% of the value of the taxable property of that portion of 18 19 the district included in the elementary and high school classification, to be ascertained by the last assessment for 20 21 State and county taxes. Moreover, no partial elementary unit 22 district, as defined in Article 11E of this Code, shall become 23 indebted on account of bonds issued by the district for high school purposes in the aggregate exceeding 6.9% of the value of 24 25 the taxable property of the entire district, to be ascertained 26 by the last assessment for State and county taxes, nor shall 1 the district become indebted on account of bonds issued by the 2 district for elementary purposes in the aggregate exceeding 3 6.9% of the value of the taxable property for that portion of 4 the district included in the elementary and high school 5 classification, to be ascertained by the last assessment for 6 State and county taxes.

7 Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the 8 contrary, in any case in which the voters of a school district 9 have approved a proposition for the issuance of bonds of such 10 school district at an election held prior to January 1, 1979, 11 and all of the bonds approved at such election have not been 12 issued, the debt limitation applicable to such school district during the calendar year 1979 shall be computed by multiplying 13 14 the value of taxable property therein, including personal 15 property, as ascertained by the last assessment for State and 16 county taxes, previous to the incurring of such indebtedness, 17 by the percentage limitation applicable to such school district under the provisions of this subsection (a). 18

(b) Notwithstanding the debt limitation prescribed in subsection (a) of this Section, additional indebtedness may be incurred in an amount not to exceed the estimated cost of acquiring or improving school sites or constructing and equipping additional building facilities under the following conditions:

(1) Whenever the enrollment of students for the next
 school year is estimated by the board of education to

increase over the actual present enrollment by not less than 35% or by not less than 200 students or the actual present enrollment of students has increased over the previous school year by not less than 35% or by not less than 200 students and the board of education determines that additional school sites or building facilities are required as a result of such increase in enrollment; and

8 (2) When the Regional Superintendent of Schools having 9 jurisdiction over the school district and the State 10 Superintendent of Education concur in such enrollment 11 projection or increase and approve the need for such 12 additional school sites or building facilities and the 13 estimated cost thereof; and

14 (3) When the voters in the school district approve a 15 proposition for the issuance of bonds for the purpose of improving such needed school sites 16 acquiring or or 17 constructing and equipping such needed additional building facilities at an election called and held for that purpose. 18 Notice of such an election shall state that the amount of 19 20 indebtedness proposed to be incurred would exceed the debt limitation otherwise applicable to the school district. 21 22 The ballot for such proposition shall state what percentage 23 of the equalized assessed valuation will be outstanding in 24 bonds if the proposed issuance of bonds is approved by the 25 voters; or

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(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (1)

1 through (3) of this subsection (b), if the school board 2 determines that additional facilities are needed to 3 provide a quality educational program and not less than 2/3 4 of those voting in an election called by the school board 5 on the question approve the issuance of bonds for the 6 construction of such facilities, the school district may 7 issue bonds for this purpose; or

8 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (1) 9 through (3) of this subsection (b), if (i) the school 10 district has previously availed itself of the provisions of 11 paragraph (4) of this subsection (b) to enable it to issue 12 bonds, (ii) the voters of the school district have not defeated a proposition for the issuance of bonds since the 13 14 referendum described in paragraph (4) of this subsection 15 (b) was held, (iii) the school board determines that 16 additional facilities are needed to provide a quality 17 educational program, and (iv) a majority of those voting in an election called by the school board on the question 18 approve the issuance of bonds for the construction of such 19 20 facilities, the school district may issue bonds for this 21 purpose.

In no event shall the indebtedness incurred pursuant to this subsection (b) and the existing indebtedness of the school district exceed 15% of the value of the taxable property therein to be ascertained by the last assessment for State and county taxes, previous to the incurring of such indebtedness

or, until January 1, 1983, if greater, the sum that is produced by multiplying the school district's 1978 equalized assessed valuation by the debt limitation percentage in effect on January 1, 1979.

5 The indebtedness provided for by this subsection (b) shall 6 be in addition to and in excess of any other debt limitation.

(c) Notwithstanding the debt limitation prescribed in 7 8 subsection (a) of this Section, in any case in which a public 9 question for the issuance of bonds of a proposed school 10 district maintaining grades kindergarten through 12 received 11 at least 60% of the valid ballots cast on the question at an 12 election held on or prior to November 8, 1994, and in which the bonds approved at such election have not been issued, the 13 school district pursuant to the requirements of Section 11A-10 14 15 (now repealed) may issue the total amount of bonds approved at 16 such election for the purpose stated in the question.

17 (d) Notwithstanding the debt limitation prescribed in subsection (a) of this Section, a school district that meets 18 all the criteria set forth in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this 19 20 subsection (d) may incur an additional indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000, even though the amount of the 21 22 additional indebtedness authorized by this subsection (d), 23 when incurred and added to the aggregate amount of indebtedness of the district existing immediately prior to the district 24 25 incurring the additional indebtedness authorized by this subsection (d), causes the aggregate indebtedness of the 26

1 district to exceed the debt limitation otherwise applicable to 2 that district under subsection (a):

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3 (1) The additional indebtedness authorized by this subsection (d) is incurred by the school district through 4 5 the issuance of bonds under and in accordance with Section 17-2.11a for the purpose of replacing a school building 6 7 which, because of mine subsidence damage, has been closed 8 as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection (d) or 9 through the issuance of bonds under and in accordance with 10 Section 19-3 for the purpose of increasing the size of, or 11 providing for additional functions in, such replacement 12 school buildings, or both such purposes.

(2) The bonds issued by the school district as provided 13 14 in paragraph (1) above are issued for the purposes of construction by the school district of a new school 15 16 building pursuant to Section 17-2.11, to replace an 17 existing school building that, because of mine subsidence damage, is closed as of the end of the 1992-93 school year 18 19 pursuant to action of the regional superintendent of 20 schools of the educational service region in which the district is located under Section 3-14.22 or are issued for 21 22 the purpose of increasing the size of, or providing for 23 additional functions in, the new school building being 24 constructed to replace a school building closed as the 25 result of mine subsidence damage, or both such purposes. 26 (e) (Blank).

(f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of 1 2 this Section or of any other law, bonds in not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$5,500,000 and issued by a school district 3 meeting the following criteria shall not be considered 4 5 indebtedness for purposes of any statutory limitation and may issued in an amount or amounts, including existing 6 be 7 indebtedness, in excess of any heretofore or hereafter imposed 8 statutory limitation as to indebtedness:

9 (1) At the time of the sale of such bonds, the board of 10 education of the district shall have determined by 11 resolution that the enrollment of students in the district 12 is projected to increase by not less than 7% during each of 13 the next succeeding 2 school years.

14 (2) The board of education shall also determine by 15 resolution that the improvements to be financed with the 16 proceeds of the bonds are needed because of the projected 17 enrollment increases.

18 (3) The board of education shall also determine by 19 resolution that the projected increases in enrollment are 20 the result of improvements made or expected to be made to 21 passenger rail facilities located in the school district.

Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section or of any other law, a school district that has availed itself of the provisions of this subsection (f) prior to July 22, 2004 (the effective date of Public Act 93-799) may also issue bonds approved by referendum up to an amount, including existing indebtedness, not exceeding 25% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property in the district if all of the conditions set forth in items (1), (2), and (3) of this subsection (f) are met.

5 (q) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section or any other law, bonds in not to exceed an 6 aggregate amount of 25% of the equalized assessed value of the 7 8 taxable property of a school district and issued by a school 9 district meeting the criteria in paragraphs (i) through (iv) of this subsection shall not be considered indebtedness for 10 11 purposes of any statutory limitation and may be issued pursuant 12 to resolution of the school board in an amount or amounts, including existing indebtedness, in excess of any statutory 13 limitation of indebtedness heretofore or hereafter imposed: 14

(i) The bonds are issued for the purpose of constructing a new high school building to replace two adjacent existing buildings which together house a single high school, each of which is more than 65 years old, and which together are located on more than 10 acres and less than 11 acres of property.

(ii) At the time the resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds is adopted, the cost of constructing a new school building to replace the existing school building is less than 60% of the cost of repairing the existing school building.

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(iii) The sale of the bonds occurs before July 1, 1997.

1 (iv) The school district issuing the bonds is a unit 2 school district located in a county of less than 70,000 and 3 more than 50,000 inhabitants, which has an average daily 4 attendance of less than 1,500 and an equalized assessed 5 valuation of less than \$29,000,000.

6 (h) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or the provisions of any other law, until January 1, 1998, a 7 8 community unit school district maintaining grades K through 12 9 may issue bonds up to amount, including existing an 10 indebtedness, not exceeding 27.6% of the equalized assessed 11 value of the taxable property in the district, if all of the 12 following conditions are met:

(i) The school district has an equalized assessed
valuation for calendar year 1995 of less than \$24,000,000;

(ii) The bonds are issued for the capital improvement,
renovation, rehabilitation, or replacement of existing
school buildings of the district, all of which buildings
were originally constructed not less than 40 years ago;

19 (iii) The voters of the district approve a proposition 20 for the issuance of the bonds at a referendum held after 21 March 19, 1996; and

(iv) The bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-2through 19-7 of this Code.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or
 the provisions of any other law, until January 1, 1998, a
 community unit school district maintaining grades K through 12

1 may issue bonds up to an amount, including existing 2 indebtedness, not exceeding 27% of the equalized assessed value 3 of the taxable property in the district, if all of the 4 following conditions are met:

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(i) The school district has an equalized assessed valuation for calendar year 1995 of less than \$44,600,000;

7 (ii) The bonds are issued for the capital improvement, 8 renovation, rehabilitation, or replacement of existing 9 school buildings of the district, all of which existing 10 buildings were originally constructed not less than 80 11 years ago;

12 (iii) The voters of the district approve a proposition
13 for the issuance of the bonds at a referendum held after
14 December 31, 1996; and

15 (iv) The bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-216 through 19-7 of this Code.

(j) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or the provisions of any other law, until January 1, 1999, a community unit school district maintaining grades K through 12 may issue bonds up to an amount, including existing indebtedness, not exceeding 27% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property in the district if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) The school district has an equalized assessed
 valuation for calendar year 1995 of less than \$140,000,000
 and a best 3 months average daily attendance for the

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1 1995-96 school year of at least 2,800;

2 (ii) The bonds are issued to purchase a site and build 3 and equip a new high school, and the school district's 4 existing high school was originally constructed not less 5 than 35 years prior to the sale of the bonds;

6 (iii) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the board 7 of education determines by resolution that a new high 8 school is needed because of projected enrollment 9 increases;

10 (iv) At least 60% of those voting in an election held 11 after December 31, 1996 approve a proposition for the 12 issuance of the bonds; and

13 (v) The bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-2
14 through 19-7 of this Code.

15 (k) Notwithstanding the debt limitation prescribed in 16 subsection (a) of this Section, a school district that meets 17 all the criteria set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this subsection (k) may issue bonds to incur an additional 18 19 indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 even though 20 the amount of the additional indebtedness authorized by this 21 subsection (k), when incurred and added to the aggregate amount 22 of indebtedness of the school district existing immediately 23 the school district incurring such additional prior to 24 indebtedness, causes the aggregate indebtedness of the school 25 district to exceed or increases the amount by which the 26 aggregate indebtedness of the district already exceeds the debt

1 limitation otherwise applicable to that school district under 2 subsection (a):

(1) the school district is located in 2 counties, and a
referendum to authorize the additional indebtedness was
approved by a majority of the voters of the school district
voting on the proposition to authorize that indebtedness;

7 (2) the additional indebtedness is for the purpose of 8 financing a multi-purpose room addition to the existing 9 high school;

10 (3) the additional indebtedness, together with the 11 existing indebtedness of the school district, shall not 12 exceed 17.4% of the value of the taxable property in the 13 school district, to be ascertained by the last assessment 14 for State and county taxes; and

15 (4) the bonds evidencing the additional indebtedness
16 are issued, if at all, within 120 days of the effective
17 date of this amendatory Act of 1998.

(1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or the provisions of any other law, until January 1, 2000, a school district maintaining grades kindergarten through 8 may issue bonds up to an amount, including existing indebtedness, not exceeding 15% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property in the district if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) the district has an equalized assessed valuation
 for calendar year 1996 of less than \$10,000,000;

1 (ii) the bonds are issued for capital improvement, 2 renovation, rehabilitation, or replacement of one or more 3 school buildings of the district, which buildings were 4 originally constructed not less than 70 years ago;

5 (iii) the voters of the district approve a proposition 6 for the issuance of the bonds at a referendum held on or 7 after March 17, 1998; and

8 (iv) the bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-2
9 through 19-7 of this Code.

10 (m) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or 11 the provisions of any other law, until January 1, 1999, an 12 elementary school district maintaining grades K through 8 may 13 issue bonds up to an amount, excluding existing indebtedness, 14 not exceeding 18% of the equalized assessed value of the 15 taxable property in the district, if all of the following 16 conditions are met:

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(i) The school district has an equalized assessed valuation for calendar year 1995 or less than \$7,700,000;

19 (ii) The school district operates 2 elementary 20 attendance centers that until 1976 were operated as the 21 attendance centers of 2 separate and distinct school 22 districts;

(iii) The bonds are issued for the construction of a new elementary school building to replace an existing multi-level elementary school building of the school district that is not handicapped accessible at all levels

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and parts of which were constructed more than 75 years ago;

2 (iv) The voters of the school district approve a 3 proposition for the issuance of the bonds at a referendum 4 held after July 1, 1998; and

5 (v) The bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-2 6 through 19-7 of this Code.

7 Notwithstanding the debt limitation prescribed in (n) 8 subsection (a) of this Section or any other provisions of this 9 Section or of any other law, a school district that meets all 10 of the criteria set forth in paragraphs (i) through (vi) of 11 this subsection (n) may incur additional indebtedness by the 12 issuance of bonds in an amount not exceeding the amount certified by the Capital Development Board to the school 13 14 district as provided in paragraph (iii) of this subsection (n), even though the amount of the additional indebtedness so 15 16 authorized, when incurred and added to the aggregate amount of 17 indebtedness of the district existing immediately prior to the district incurring the additional indebtedness authorized by 18 19 this subsection (n), causes the aggregate indebtedness of the 20 district to exceed the debt limitation otherwise applicable by law to that district: 21

(i) The school district applies to the State Board of
Education for a school construction project grant and
submits a district facilities plan in support of its
application pursuant to Section 5-20 of the School
Construction Law.

1 (ii) The school district's application and facilities 2 plan are approved by, and the district receives a grant 3 entitlement for a school construction project issued by, 4 the State Board of Education under the School Construction 5 Law.

6 (iii) The school district has exhausted its bonding 7 capacity or the unused bonding capacity of the district is less than the amount certified by the Capital Development 8 9 Board to the district under Section 5-15 of the School 10 Construction Law as the dollar amount of the school 11 construction project's cost that the district will be 12 required to finance with non-grant funds in order to receive a school construction project grant under the 13 14 School Construction Law.

(iv) The bonds are issued for a "school construction project", as that term is defined in Section 5-5 of the School Construction Law, in an amount that does not exceed the dollar amount certified, as provided in paragraph (iii) of this subsection (n), by the Capital Development Board to the school district under Section 5-15 of the School Construction Law.

(v) The voters of the district approve a proposition
for the issuance of the bonds at a referendum held after
the criteria specified in paragraphs (i) and (iii) of this
subsection (n) are met.

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(vi) The bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-2

1 through 19-7 of the School Code.

2 (o) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or 3 the provisions of any other law, until November 1, 2007, a community unit school district maintaining grades K through 12 4 5 issue bonds up to an amount, including existing mav 6 indebtedness, not exceeding 20% of the equalized assessed value 7 of the taxable property in the district if all of the following 8 conditions are met:

9 (i) the school district has an equalized assessed 10 valuation for calendar year 2001 of at least \$737,000,000 11 and an enrollment for the 2002-2003 school year of at least 12 8,500;

(ii) the bonds are issued to purchase school sites, build and equip a new high school, build and equip a new junior high school, build and equip 5 new elementary schools, and make technology and other improvements and additions to existing schools;

18 (iii) at the time of the sale of the bonds, the board 19 of education determines by resolution that the sites and 20 new or improved facilities are needed because of projected 21 enrollment increases;

(iv) at least 57% of those voting in a general election held prior to January 1, 2003 approved a proposition for the issuance of the bonds; and

(v) the bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-2
through 19-7 of this Code.

1 (p) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or 2 the provisions of any other law, a community unit school 3 district maintaining grades K through 12 may issue bonds up to 4 an amount, including indebtedness, not exceeding 27% of the 5 equalized assessed value of the taxable property in the 6 district if all of the following conditions are met:

7 (i) The school district has an equalized assessed
8 valuation for calendar year 2001 of at least \$295,741,187
9 and a best 3 months' average daily attendance for the
10 2002-2003 school year of at least 2,394.

(ii) The bonds are issued to build and equip 3 elementary school buildings; build and equip one middle school building; and alter, repair, improve, and equip all existing school buildings in the district.

15 (iii) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the board 16 of education determines by resolution that the project is 17 needed because of expanding growth in the school district 18 and a projected enrollment increase.

19 (iv) The bonds are issued pursuant to Sections 19-2
20 through 19-7 of this Code.

(p-5) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or the provisions of any other law, bonds issued by a community unit school district maintaining grades K through 12 shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory limitation and may be issued in an amount or amounts, including existing indebtedness, in excess of any heretofore or hereafter 1 imposed statutory limitation as to indebtedness, if all of the 2 following conditions are met:

3 (i) For each of the 4 most recent years, residential
4 property comprises more than 80% of the equalized assessed
5 valuation of the district.

6 (ii) At least 2 school buildings that were constructed 7 40 or more years prior to the issuance of the bonds will be 8 demolished and will be replaced by new buildings or 9 additions to one or more existing buildings.

10 (iii) Voters of the district approve a proposition for 11 the issuance of the bonds at a regularly scheduled 12 election.

13 (iv) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school 14 board determines by resolution that the new buildings or 15 building additions are needed because of an increase in 16 enrollment projected by the school board.

(v) The principal amount of the bonds, including
existing indebtedness, does not exceed 25% of the equalized
assessed value of the taxable property in the district.

(vi) The bonds are issued prior to January 1, 2007,
pursuant to Sections 19-2 through 19-7 of this Code.

(p-10) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section or the provisions of any other law, bonds issued by a community consolidated school district maintaining grades K through 8 shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory limitation and may be issued in an amount or

1 amounts, including existing indebtedness, in excess of any 2 heretofore or hereafter imposed statutory limitation as to 3 indebtedness, if all of the following conditions are met:

4 (i) For each of the 4 most recent years, residential
5 and farm property comprises more than 80% of the equalized
6 assessed valuation of the district.

7 (ii) The bond proceeds are to be used to acquire and
8 improve school sites and build and equip a school building.

9 (iii) Voters of the district approve a proposition for 10 the issuance of the bonds at a regularly scheduled 11 election.

12 (iv) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school 13 board determines by resolution that the school sites and 14 building additions are needed because of an increase in 15 enrollment projected by the school board.

(v) The principal amount of the bonds, including
existing indebtedness, does not exceed 20% of the equalized
assessed value of the taxable property in the district.

(vi) The bonds are issued prior to January 1, 2007,
pursuant to Sections 19-2 through 19-7 of this Code.

(p-15) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, the Oswego Community Unit School District Number 308 may issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$450,000,000, but only if all of the following conditions are met:

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(i) The voters of the district have approved a

1 2 proposition for the bond issue at the general election held on November 7, 2006.

3 (ii) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that: (A) the building and 4 5 equipping of the new high school building, new junior high school buildings, new elementary school buildings, early 6 7 childhood building, maintenance building, transportation 8 facility, and additions to existing school buildings, the 9 repairing, equipping, altering, and provision of 10 technology improvements to existing school buildings, and 11 the acquisition and improvement of school sites, as the 12 case may be, are required as a result of a projected increase in the enrollment of students in the district; and 13 14 (B) the sale of bonds for these purposes is authorized by 15 legislation that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds 16 from the district's statutory debt limitation.

(iii) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond issues, on or before November 7, 2011, but the aggregate principal amount issued in all such bond issues combined must not exceed \$450,000,000.

21 (iv) The bonds are issued in accordance with this22 Article 19.

(v) The proceeds of the bonds are used only to
accomplish those projects approved by the voters at the
general election held on November 7, 2006.

26 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection

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(p-15) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any
 statutory debt limitation.

3 (p-20) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, 4 the Lincoln-Way Community High School District Number 210 may 5 issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 6 \$225,000,000, but only if all of the following conditions are 7 met:

8 (i) The voters of the district have approved a 9 proposition for the bond issue at the general primary 10 election held on March 21, 2006.

11 (ii) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school 12 board determines, by resolution, that: (A) the building and equipping of the new high school buildings, the altering, 13 14 repairing, and equipping of existing school buildings, and 15 the improvement of school sites, as the case may be, are 16 required as a result of a projected increase in the 17 enrollment of students in the district; and (B) the sale of bonds for these purposes is authorized by legislation that 18 19 exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from the district's 20 statutory debt limitation.

(iii) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond issues, on or before March 21, 2011, but the aggregate principal amount issued in all such bond issues combined must not exceed \$225,000,000.

25 (iv) The bonds are issued in accordance with this26 Article 19.

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(v) The proceeds of the bonds are used only to accomplish those projects approved by the voters at the primary election held on March 21, 2006.

4 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection
5 (p-20) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any
6 statutory debt limitation.

7 (p-25) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds,
8 Rochester Community Unit School District 3A may issue bonds
9 with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$18,500,000,
10 but only if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) The voters of the district approve a proposition for the bond issuance at the general primary election held in 2008.

(ii) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school 14 15 board determines, by resolution, that: (A) the building and 16 equipping of a new high school building; the addition of 17 classrooms and support facilities at the high school, middle school, and elementary school; the altering, 18 19 repairing, and equipping of existing school buildings; and 20 the improvement of school sites, as the case may be, are required as a result of a projected increase in the 21 22 enrollment of students in the district; and (B) the sale of 23 bonds for these purposes is authorized by a law that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from the district's 24 25 statutory debt limitation.

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(iii) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond issues,

on or before December 31, 2012, but the aggregate principal
 amount issued in all such bond issues combined must not
 exceed \$18,500,000.

4 (iv) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 5 Article 19.

6 (v) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish 7 only those projects approved by the voters at the primary 8 election held in 2008.

9 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 10 (p-25) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any 11 statutory debt limitation.

(p-30) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, Prairie Grove Consolidated School District 46 may issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$30,000,000, but only if all of the following conditions are met:

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(i) The voters of the district approve a proposition for the bond issuance at an election held in 2008.

(ii) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school 18 19 board determines, by resolution, that (A) the building and 20 equipping of a new school building and additions to 21 existing school buildings are required as a result of a 22 projected increase in the enrollment of students in the 23 district and (B) the altering, repairing, and equipping of 24 existing school buildings are required because of the age 25 of the existing school buildings.

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(iii) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond

issuances, on or before December 31, 2012; however, the
 aggregate principal amount issued in all such bond
 issuances combined must not exceed \$30,000,000.

4 (iv) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 5 Article.

6 (v) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish 7 only those projects approved by the voters at an election 8 held in 2008.

9 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 10 (p-30) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any 11 statutory debt limitation.

(p-35) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, Prairie Hill Community Consolidated School District 133 may issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,900,000, but only if all of the following conditions are met:

17 (i) The voters of the district approved a proposition
18 for the bond issuance at an election held on April 17,
19 2007.

(ii) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that (A) the improvement of the site of and the building and equipping of a school building are required as a result of a projected increase in the enrollment of students in the district and (B) the repairing and equipping of the Prairie Hill Elementary School building is required because of the age of that

1 school building.

2 (iii) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond 3 issuances, on or before December 31, 2011, but the 4 aggregate principal amount issued in all such bond 5 issuances combined must not exceed \$13,900,000.

6 (iv) The bonds are issued in accordance with this7 Article.

8 (v) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish 9 only those projects approved by the voters at an election 10 held on April 17, 2007.

11 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 12 (p-35) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any 13 statutory debt limitation.

(p-40) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, Mascoutah Community Unit District 19 may issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$55,000,000, but only if all of the following conditions are met:

18 (1) The voters of the district approve a proposition
19 for the bond issuance at a regular election held on or
20 after November 4, 2008.

(2) At the time of the sale of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that (i) the building and equipping of a new high school building is required as a result of a projected increase in the enrollment of students in the district and the age and condition of the existing high school building, (ii) the existing high 1 school building will be demolished, and (iii) the sale of 2 bonds is authorized by statute that exempts the debt 3 incurred on the bonds from the district's statutory debt 4 limitation.

5 (3) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond 6 issuances, on or before December 31, 2011, but the 7 aggregate principal amount issued in all such bond 8 issuances combined must not exceed \$55,000,000.

9 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 10 Article.

(5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish only those projects approved by the voters at a regular election held on or after November 4, 2008.

14 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 15 (p-40) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any 16 statutory debt limitation.

17 (p-45) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this Section or of any other law, bonds issued pursuant to 18 19 Section 19-3.5 of this Code shall not be considered 20 indebtedness for purposes of any statutory limitation if the bonds are issued in an amount or amounts, including existing 21 22 indebtedness of the school district, not in excess of 18.5% of 23 the value of the taxable property in the district to be ascertained by the last assessment for State and county taxes. 24

(p-50) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of
 this Section or of any other law, bonds issued pursuant to

1 Section 19-3.10 of this Code shall not be considered 2 indebtedness for purposes of any statutory limitation if the 3 bonds are issued in an amount or amounts, including existing 4 indebtedness of the school district, not in excess of 43% of 5 the value of the taxable property in the district to be 6 ascertained by the last assessment for State and county taxes.

7 (p-55) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, 8 Belle Valley School District 119 may issue bonds with an 9 aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$47,500,000, but only 10 if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The voters of the district approve a proposition for the bond issuance at an election held on or after April 7, 2009.

(2) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the school 14 15 board determines, by resolution, that (i) the building and 16 equipping of a new school building is required as a result 17 of mine subsidence in an existing school building and because of the age and condition of another existing school 18 19 building and (ii) the issuance of bonds is authorized by 20 statute that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from 21 the district's statutory debt limitation.

(3) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond
issuances, on or before March 31, 2014, but the aggregate
principal amount issued in all such bond issuances combined
must not exceed \$47,500,000.

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(4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this

1 Article.

(5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish
only those projects approved by the voters at an election
held on or after April 7, 2009.

5 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 6 (p-55) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any 7 statutory debt limitation. Bonds issued under this subsection 8 (p-55) must mature within not to exceed 30 years from their 9 date, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary.

10 (p-60) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, 11 Wilmington Community Unit School District Number 209-U may 12 issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 13 \$2,285,000, but only if all of the following conditions are 14 met:

(1) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish
only those projects approved by the voters at the general
primary election held on March 21, 2006.

(2) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the school 18 19 board determines, by resolution, that (i) the projects 20 approved by the voters were and are required because of the age and condition of the school district's prior and 21 22 existing school buildings and (ii) the issuance of the 23 bonds is authorized by legislation that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from the district's statutory debt 24 25 limitation.

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(3) The bonds are issued in one or more bond issuances

1 on or before March 1, 2011, but the aggregate principal 2 amount issued in all those bond issuances combined must not 3 exceed \$2,285,000.

4 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 5 Article.

6 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 7 (p-60) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any 8 statutory debt limitation.

9 (p-65) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, 10 West Washington County Community Unit School District 10 may 11 issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 12 \$32,200,000 and maturing over a period not exceeding 25 years, 13 but only if all of the following conditions are met:

14 (1) The voters of the district approve a proposition
15 for the bond issuance at an election held on or after
16 February 2, 2010.

17 (2) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that (A) all or a portion 18 19 the existing Okawville Junior/Senior High School of 20 Building will be demolished; (B) the building and equipping of a new school building to be attached to and the 21 22 alteration, repair, and equipping of the remaining portion 23 of the Okawville Junior/Senior High School Building is required because of the age and current condition of that 24 25 school building; and (C) the issuance of bonds is 26 authorized by a statute that exempts the debt incurred on 1

the bonds from the district's statutory debt limitation.

2 (3) The bonds are issued, in one or more bond 3 issuances, on or before March 31, 2014, but the aggregate 4 principal amount issued in all such bond issuances combined 5 must not exceed \$32,200,000.

6 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 7 Article.

8 (5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish 9 only those projects approved by the voters at an election 10 held on or after February 2, 2010.

The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection (p-65) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation.

(p-70) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, Cahokia Community Unit School District 187 may issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$50,000,000, but only if all the following conditions are met:

18 (1) The voters of the district approve a proposition
19 for the bond issuance at an election held on or after
20 November 2, 2010.

(2) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that (i) the building and equipping of a new school building is required as a result of the age and condition of an existing school building and (ii) the issuance of bonds is authorized by a statute that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from the district's

1 statutory debt limitation.

(3) The bonds are issued, in one or more issuances, on
or before July 1, 2016, but the aggregate principal amount
issued in all such bond issuances combined must not exceed
\$50,000,000.

6 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 7 Article.

8 (5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish 9 only those projects approved by the voters at an election 10 held on or after November 2, 2010.

11 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 12 (p-70) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any 13 statutory debt limitation. Bonds issued under this subsection 14 (p-70) must mature within not to exceed 25 years from their 15 date, notwithstanding any other law, including Section 19-3 of 16 this Code, to the contrary.

17 (p-75) Notwithstanding the debt limitation prescribed in subsection (a) of this Section or any other provisions of this 18 Section or of any other law, the execution of leases on or 19 20 after January 1, 2007 and before July 1, 2011 by the Board of Education of Peoria School District 150 with a public building 21 22 commission for leases entered into pursuant to the Public 23 Building Commission Act shall not be considered indebtedness 24 for purposes of any statutory debt limitation.

This subsection (p-75) applies only if the State Board of Education or the Capital Development Board makes one or more grants to Peoria School District 150 pursuant to the School Construction Law. The amount exempted from the debt limitation as prescribed in this subsection (p-75) shall be no greater than the amount of one or more grants awarded to Peoria School District 150 by the State Board of Education or the Capital Development Board.

(p-80) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, 7 8 Ridgeland School District 122 may issue bonds with an aggregate 9 principal amount not to exceed \$50,000,000 for the purpose of 10 refunding or continuing to refund bonds originally issued pursuant to voter approval at the general election held on 11 12 November 7, 2000, and the debt incurred on any bonds issued 13 subsection (p-80) shall not be under this considered 14 indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation. 15 Bonds issued under this subsection (p-80) may be issued in one 16 or more issuances and must mature within not to exceed 25 years 17 from their date, notwithstanding any other law, including Section 19-3 of this Code, to the contrary. 18

(p-85) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, Hall High School District 502 may issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$32,000,000, but only if all the following conditions are met:

(1) The voters of the district approve a proposition
for the bond issuance at an election held on or after April
9, 2013.

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(2) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the school

board determines, by resolution, that (i) the building and 1 equipping of a new school building is required as a result 2 of the age and condition of an existing school building, 3 (ii) the existing school building should be demolished in 4 5 its entirety or the existing school building should be demolished except for the 1914 west wing of the building, 6 7 and (iii) the issuance of bonds is authorized by a statute 8 that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from the 9 district's statutory debt limitation.

10 (3) The bonds are issued, in one or more issuances, not 11 later than 5 years after the date of the referendum 12 approving the issuance of the bonds, but the aggregate 13 principal amount issued in all such bond issuances combined 14 must not exceed \$32,000,000.

15 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this16 Article.

17 (5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish
18 only those projects approved by the voters at an election
19 held on or after April 9, 2013.

The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection (p-85) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation. Bonds issued under this subsection (p-85) must mature within not to exceed 30 years from their date, notwithstanding any other law, including Section 19-3 of this Code, to the contrary.

26 (p-90) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds,

Lebanon Community Unit School District 9 may issue bonds with 1 2 an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$7,500,000, but 3 only if all of the following conditions are met:

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(1) The voters of the district approved a proposition 5 for the bond issuance at the general primary election on February 2, 2010. 6

7 (2) At or prior to the time of the sale of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that (i) the 8 9 building and equipping of a new elementary school building 10 is required as a result of a projected increase in the 11 enrollment of students in the district and the age and 12 condition of the existing Lebanon Elementary School building, (ii) a portion of the existing Lebanon Elementary 13 14 School building will be demolished and the remaining 15 portion will be altered, repaired, and equipped, and (iii) 16 the sale of bonds is authorized by a statute that exempts 17 debt incurred on the bonds from the district's the 18 statutory debt limitation.

19 The bonds are issued, in one or more bond (3) 20 issuances, on or before April 1, 2014, but the aggregate principal amount issued in all such bond issuances combined 21 22 must not exceed \$7,500,000.

23 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 24 Article.

25 (5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish 26 only those projects approved by the voters at the general

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primary election held on February 2, 2010.

The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection (p-90) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation.

5 (p-95) In addition to all other authority to issue bonds, 6 Monticello Community Unit School District 25 may issue bonds 7 with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$35,000,000, 8 but only if all of the following conditions are met:

9 (1) The voters of the district approve a proposition 10 for the bond issuance at an election held on or after 11 November 4, 2014.

(2) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that (i) the building and equipping of a new school building is required as a result of the age and condition of an existing school building and (ii) the issuance of bonds is authorized by a statute that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from the district's statutory debt limitation.

19 (3) The bonds are issued, in one or more issuances, on 20 or before July 1, 2020, but the aggregate principal amount 21 issued in all such bond issuances combined must not exceed 22 \$35,000,000.

23 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this24 Article.

(5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplishonly those projects approved by the voters at an election

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held on or after November 4, 2014.

The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection (p-95) shall not be considered indebtedness for purposes of any statutory debt limitation. Bonds issued under this subsection (p-95) must mature within not to exceed 25 years from their date, notwithstanding any other law, including Section 19-3 of this Code, to the contrary.

(p-100) (p-95) In addition to all other authority to issue 8 9 bonds, the community unit school district created in the 10 territory comprising Milford Community Consolidated School 11 District 280 and Milford Township High School District 233, as 12 approved at the general primary election held on March 18, 2014, may issue bonds with an aggregate principal amount not to 13 exceed \$17,500,000, but only if all the following conditions 14 15 are met:

16 (1) The voters of the district approve a proposition
17 for the bond issuance at an election held on or after
18 November 4, 2014.

(2) Prior to the issuance of the bonds, the school board determines, by resolution, that (i) the building and equipping of a new school building is required as a result of the age and condition of an existing school building and (ii) the issuance of bonds is authorized by a statute that exempts the debt incurred on the bonds from the district's statutory debt limitation.

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(3) The bonds are issued, in one or more issuances, on

1 or before July 1, 2020, but the aggregate principal amount 2 issued in all such bond issuances combined must not exceed 3 \$17,500,000.

4 (4) The bonds are issued in accordance with this 5 Article.

6 (5) The proceeds of the bonds are used to accomplish 7 only those projects approved by the voters at an election 8 held on or after November 4, 2014.

9 The debt incurred on any bonds issued under this subsection 10 <u>(p-100)</u> <del>(p-95)</del> shall not be considered indebtedness for 11 purposes of any statutory debt limitation. Bonds issued under 12 this subsection <u>(p-100)</u> <del>(p-95)</del> must mature within not to exceed 13 25 years from their date, notwithstanding any other law, 14 including Section 19-3 of this Code, to the contrary.

(q) A school district must notify the State Board of Education prior to issuing any form of long-term or short-term debt that will result in outstanding debt that exceeds 75% of the debt limit specified in this Section or any other provision of law.

20 (Source: P.A. 97-333, eff. 8-12-11; 97-834, eff. 7-20-12;
21 97-1146, eff. 1-18-13; 98-617, eff. 1-7-14; 98-912, eff.
22 8-15-14; 98-916, eff. 8-15-14; revised 10-1-14.)