

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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by Rep. Jim Durkin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 947/15

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning establishment of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

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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 Higher Education Student Assistance Act is
amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

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Sec. 15. Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

8 (a) There is established the the Illinois Student 9 Assistance Commission, consisting of 10 persons to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The 10 Commission shall consist 11 membership of the of one 12 representative of the institutions of higher learning operated by the State; one representative of the private institutions of 13 14 higher learning located in the State; one representative of the community colleges 15 public located in the State: one 16 representative of the public high schools located in the State; 17 5 citizens of the State chosen for their knowledge of and higher education, but 18 interest in not employed by, 19 professionally affiliated with, or members of the governing boards of any institution of higher learning located in the 20 State, and one student member selected from nominations 21 22 submitted to the Governor by multi-campus student organizations, including but not limited to, the recognized 23

advisory committee of students of the Illinois Community 1 2 College Board, the recognized advisory committee of students of 3 the Board of Higher Education, and the recognized advisory committee of students of the Federation of Independent Illinois 4 Colleges and Universities. The Governor shall designate one 5 member, other than the student member, as chairman. Each member 6 7 of the Commission, including the student member, shall serve 8 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses 9 necessarily incurred in performing his or her duties under this 10 Act. Subject to a requirement that Commission members in office 11 on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995 may serve 12 the full term to which they were appointed, the appointment of 13 Commission members to terms that commence on or after that effective date shall be made in a manner that gives effect at 14 15 the earliest possible time to the change that is required by 16 this amendatory Act in the representative composition of the 17 Commission's membership.

(b) The term of office of each member, other than the 18 19 student member, is 6 years from July 1 of the year of 20 appointment, and until his successor is appointed and qualified. If a member's tenure of office, other than that of 21 22 the student member, is terminated for any reason before his or 23 her term has expired, the Governor shall fill the vacancy by 24 the appointment of a person who has the same representative 25 status as the person whose term has been so terminated, and the 26 new appointee shall hold office only for the remainder of that

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term and until a successor is appointed and qualified. The term 1 2 of the student member shall be for 2 years from July 1 of each 3 odd-numbered year. If the tenure of the student member is terminated for any reason, the vacancy shall be filled in the 4 5 same manner as heretofore provided for a regular term of office appointment of the student member. The new student appointee 6 shall hold office only for the remainder of that term. A 7 8 student appointee's status on the Commission may not be 9 considered in determining his or her eligibility for programs 10 administered by the Commission.

11 (c) In accordance with the provisions of the State 12 Universities Civil Service Act, the Commission shall employ a 13 professionally qualified person as the Executive Director of 14 the Commission, and such other employees as may be necessary to 15 effectuate the purposes of this Act.

16 (d) The Commission shall meet at least once in each fiscal 17 year, and may meet at other times which the Chairman may 18 designate by giving at least 10 days' written notice to each 19 member.

20 (Source: P.A. 99-198, eff. 7-30-15.)

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