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GEORGE H. RYAN GOVERNOR

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To The Honorable Members of the Illinois House of Representatives 92nd General Assembly

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby veto House Bill 4466 entitled "AN ACT in relation to education."

House Bill 4466 seeks to restore the categorical system of special education certification that has been altered by the federal courts. It seeks to establish seven categories of certification, including serious emotional disturbance; learning disabilities; autism; mental retardation; orthopedic (physical) impairment; traumatic brain injury; and other health impairments. The bill also requires the State Teacher Certification Board to issue certificates based upon the qualifications for the appropriate areas.

Today, however, I have already signed into law Senate Bill 1777 which is identical to this bill.

For this reason, I hereby veto and return House Bill 4466.

Sincerely, s/GEORGE H. RYAN Governor