SB109 Enrolled LRB9202793NTdv

- 1 AN ACT relating to education.
- Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 2
- 3 represented in the General Assembly:
- 4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing
- Section 27-21 as follows: 5

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thereof.

- 6 (105 ILCS 5/27-21) (from Ch. 122, par. 27-21)
- Sec. 27-21. History of United States. History of the 7 8 United States shall be taught in all public schools and in all other educational institutions in this State supported or 9 maintained, in whole or in part, by public funds. 10 teaching of history shall have as one of its objectives the 11 imparting to pupils of a comprehensive idea of our democratic 12 13 form of government and the principles for which government stands as regards other nations, including the 14 15 studying of the place of our government in world-wide 16 movements and the leaders thereof, with particular stress upon the basic principles and ideals of our representative 17 18 form of government. The teaching of history shall include a study of the role and contributions of African Americans 19 20 American-Negroes and other ethnic groups including but not restricted to Polish, Lithuanian, German, Hungarian, Irish, 21 22 Bohemian, Russian, Albanian, Italian, Czech, Slovak, Ezechosłavakian, French, Scots, Hispanics, etc., in the 23 history of this country and this State. The teaching of 24 history also shall include a study of the role of labor 25 26 unions and their interaction with government in achieving the 27 goals of a mixed free enterprise system. No pupils shall be graduated from the eighth grade of any public school unless 28 29 he has received such instruction in the history of the United

States and gives evidence of having a comprehensive knowledge

- 1 (Source: P.A. 84-126.)
- 2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on
- 3 July 1, 2001.