

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by adding  
5 Section 5.891 as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/5.891 new)

7 Sec. 5.891. The Educational Opportunity and Development  
8 Fund.

9 Section 10. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
10 2-3.176 as follows:

11 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.176 new)

12 Sec. 2-3.176. Roundtable on Educational Opportunity and  
13 Development.

14 (a) There is created the Roundtable on Educational  
15 Opportunity and Development, consisting of all of the following  
16 members:

17 (1) A representative from a private organization  
18 working to develop economic opportunities for individuals  
19 living in the City of Chicago appointed by the State  
20 Superintendent of Education.

21 (2) A representative from a private organization

1 working to develop economic opportunities for this State  
2 appointed by the State Superintendent of Education.

3 (3) Three representatives who are from private  
4 businesses with over 50 employees and who have  
5 administrative roles in those businesses appointed by the  
6 State Superintendent of Education.

7 (4) An individual from an organization that represents  
8 superintendents throughout this State appointed by the  
9 State Superintendent of Education.

10 (5) A State representative appointed by the Speaker of  
11 the House of Representatives.

12 (6) A State representative appointed by the Minority  
13 Leader of the House of Representatives.

14 (7) A State senator appointed by the President of the  
15 Senate.

16 (8) A State senator appointed by the Minority Leader of  
17 the Senate.

18 (9) The chairperson of the board of education of a  
19 school district organized under Article 34 of this Code or  
20 his or her designee.

21 (10) A representative who operates as an  
22 administrative staffer for a board of education of a school  
23 district organized under Article 34 of this Code appointed  
24 by the State Superintendent of Education.

25 (11) An individual from an organization that  
26 represents teachers in a school district organized under

1 Article 34 of this Code appointed by the State  
2 Superintendent of Education.

3 (12) An individual from an organization that  
4 represents teachers throughout this State appointed by the  
5 State Superintendent of Education.

6 Initial appointees shall serve staggered terms of one year,  
7 2 years, and 3 years as determined by lot. Five of the initial  
8 appointees shall serve one-year terms, 5 of the initial  
9 appointees shall serve 2-year terms, and the remaining  
10 appointees shall serve 3-year terms. After the initial  
11 appointments, each successor shall serve for a 3-year term.  
12 Appointed members shall serve until their successors are  
13 appointed and have qualified. Members shall annually select a  
14 chairperson from among their number by majority vote. Members  
15 shall receive no compensation in the performance of their  
16 duties.

17 The Roundtable shall meet initially at the call of the  
18 State Superintendent of Education, shall elect a chairperson at  
19 its initial meeting, and shall thereafter meet at the call of  
20 the chairperson.

21 (b) The Roundtable shall study ways to expand educational  
22 opportunities and develop sources of private funding for  
23 students in primary and secondary education in the following  
24 areas:

25 (1) developing a business ethics curriculum;

26 (2) promoting and funding the arts;

1           (2.5) developing a before-school, in-school, or  
2           after-school drama therapy program that is designed for  
3           vulnerable youth with histories of exposure to familial and  
4           community violence, school bullying, intolerance or hate  
5           crimes, maltreatment or neglect, disrupted caregiving, or  
6           any other life adversities and that focuses on the core  
7           components of complex trauma intervention, including, but  
8           not limited to, a student's safety, self-regulation,  
9           healthy attachments, discovery and development of his or  
10          her identity, self-worth, esteem, and competency;

11          (2.7) developing a school model for students in  
12          kindergarten through grade 6 that integrates an  
13          identity-affirming pedagogy with a rigorous, intentional  
14          curriculum that utilizes a no-nonsense nurturing framework  
15          and prioritizes an arts education;

16          (3) establishing and funding global travel programs;  
17          and

18          (4) funding trips to museums.

19          The Roundtable shall study ways to secure private donations  
20          and public funding in order to help expand opportunities for  
21          students and implement Roundtable recommendations. Funding for  
22          programs recommended by the Roundtable must prioritize  
23          low-income students, as defined by the federal census. The  
24          State Board of Education, in consultation with the Roundtable,  
25          shall provide administrative support to all school districts  
26          and their students wishing to utilize these opportunities.

1       (c) The State Board of Education and City of Chicago School  
2       District 299 may provide administrative support to the  
3       Roundtable.

4       (d) The Educational Opportunity and Development Fund is  
5       created as a special fund in the State treasury. The Fund shall  
6       accept private donations and public funding. All money in the  
7       Fund shall be used, subject to appropriation, by the State  
8       Board of Education for the purposes of implementing the  
9       priorities and recommendations of the Roundtable.

10       (e) The Roundtable shall report its recommendations to the  
11       General Assembly on or before July 1, 2020 and every July 1  
12       thereafter.

13       Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
14       becoming law.