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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3638

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3638 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section
5 2-3.176 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.176 new)

7 Sec. 2-3.176. Vietnamese and Laotian American refugees and
8 the Cambodian genocide; model curriculum.

9 (a) In this Section, "oral testimony" means the firsthand
10 accounts of significant historical events presented in a format
11 that includes, but is not limited to, in-person testimony,
12 video, or a multimedia option, such as a DVD or an online
13 video.

14 (b) On or before January 1, 2023, the State Board of
15 Education shall create a model curriculum that may be used by
16 school districts for the teaching of the Vietnamese and Laotian

1 American refugee experience that includes, but is not limited
2 to, the fall of Saigon in 1975. The model curriculum must be
3 developed in an age-appropriate manner for instruction in
4 kindergarten through grade 12 and must also comply with all of
5 the following:

6 (1) Be developed with participation from Vietnamese
7 and Laotian American cultural centers and community groups
8 located in this State, survivors, rescuers, and liberators
9 of the Vietnam War, Vietnamese and Laotian American
10 refugees, and a group of representatives from school
11 districts, who may include teachers who have relevant
12 experience or educational backgrounds in the study and
13 teaching of Vietnamese or Laotian American history.

14 (2) Incorporate writings and other media that
15 represent all perspectives of the Vietnamese and Laotian
16 refugee experience, including oral testimony by survivors,
17 rescuers, and liberators of the Vietnam War, including
18 Vietnamese and Laotian American refugees, Vietnamese boat
19 people, and members of the Republic of Vietnam Armed
20 Forces, to ensure quality standards and materials for this
21 area of study.

22 (3) Provide for a discussion on the Vietnamese boat
23 people and members of the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces,
24 the reasons behind the exodus, the hardships faced by the
25 Vietnamese and Laotian people attempting to flee who were
26 apprehended by the communist government, and the

1 conditions that led to the resettlement of Vietnamese and
2 Laotian people in the United States.

3 (c) On or before January 1, 2023, the State Board of
4 Education shall create a model curriculum that may be used by
5 school districts for the teaching of the Cambodian genocide.
6 The model curriculum must be developed in an age-appropriate
7 manner for instruction in kindergarten through grade 12 and
8 must also comply with both of the following:

9 (1) Be developed with participation from survivors of
10 the Cambodian genocide and a group of representatives from
11 school districts, who may include teachers who have
12 relevant experience or educational backgrounds in the
13 study and teaching of the Cambodian genocide.

14 (2) Incorporate writings or other media that represent
15 all perspectives of the Cambodian genocide, including oral
16 testimony by survivors, to ensure quality standards and
17 materials for this area of study.

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
19 becoming law.".