

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 SB0197

Introduced 1/30/2019, by Sen. Jacqueline Y. Collins

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/27A-10.5 105 ILCS 5/27A-11.10 new

Amends the Charter Schools Law of the School Code. Provides that a charter school established on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act may not enter into a contract with a for-profit charter management organization or educational management organization. Sets forth provisions concerning property purchased with public funds. Provides that no chief executive officer of a charter school may receive compensation greater than 80% of the compensation of the superintendent of schools of the school district where the charter school is located. Provides that no charter school principal may receive compensation greater than 10% more than the average compensation for principals in the school district where the charter school is located. Provides that a charter school authorized under the Code must expend a minimum of 84% of the total revenues due from the authorizer on incurred expenses for instruction, instructional materials, operations and maintenance, transportation, and support services that may have been applicable prior to July 1, 2018, as identified by the State Board of Education. Provides that the remaining 16% of the total revenues may, subject to limitations, be expended by the charter school, at its discretion, on administrative or program support costs.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY STATE MANDATES ACT MAY REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT 1 AN ACT concerning education.

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

- 4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section
- 5 27A-10.5 and by adding Section 27A-11.10 as follows:
- 6 (105 ILCS 5/27A-10.5)
- 7 Sec. 27A-10.5. Educational or charter management
- 8 organization.
- 9 (a) In this Section:
- "CMO" means a charter management organization.
- "EMO" means an educational management organization.
- 12 (b) All authorizers shall ensure that any charter school
- established on or after <u>January 1, 2015</u> (the effective date of
- 14 Public Act 98-783) this amendatory Act of the 98th General
- 15 Assembly has a governing body that is separate and distinct
- from the governing body of any CMO or EMO. In reviewing charter
- 17 applications and charter renewal applications, authorizers
- shall review the governance model proposed by the applicant to
- 19 ensure that there are no conflicts of interest.
- 20 A charter school established on or after the effective date
- of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly may not
- 22 enter into a contract with a for-profit EMO or CMO.
- 23 (c) No charter school may employ a staff person who is

- 1 simultaneously employed by an EMO or CMO.
- 2 (d) All charter school equipment, furnishings, and
- 3 physical plants that are purchased with public funds are the
- 4 property of the charter school, not the EMO or CMO. In the
- 5 event a charter school is dissolved, such property must be
- 6 transferred to the authorizer.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 98-783, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 8 (105 ILCS 5/27A-11.10 new)
- 9 <u>Sec. 27A-11.10. Proper use of funds.</u>
- 10 (a) No chief executive officer of a charter school may
- 11 receive compensation greater than 80% of the compensation of
- 12 <u>the superintendent of schools of the school district where the</u>
- 13 charter school is located. No charter school principal may
- 14 receive compensation greater than 10% more than the average
- 15 compensation for principals in the school district where the
- 16 charter school is located. A charter school shall include these
- 17 prohibitions in any contract with an educational or charter
- 18 management organization.
- 19 (b) A charter school authorized under this Code must expend
- a minimum of 84% of the total revenues due from the authorizer
- on incurred expenses for instruction, instructional materials,
- 22 operations and maintenance, transportation, and support
- 23 services that may have been applicable prior to July 1, 2018,
- 24 as identified by the State Board of Education. Expenses under
- 25 this subsection (b) shall exclude charter school central

administration costs, any management fees charged by a charter

management organization or educational management

organization, debt service, or any advertising or other student

recruitment materials. Subject to these exclusions, the

remaining 16% of the total revenues may be expended by the

charter school, at its discretion, on administrative or program

support costs.