

SB2969



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/15/2018, by Sen. Paul Schimpf

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 205/9.28

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. In the provision governing the graduation incentive grant program, removes the requirement that the Board of Higher Education annually submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a budgetary recommendation for the grants and the requirement that the Board notify applicants that the award of grants is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 Board of Higher Education Act is amended by
5 changing Section 9.28 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 205/9.28)

7 Sec. 9.28. Graduation incentive grant program.

8 (a) The graduation incentive grant program is hereby
9 created. The program shall be implemented and administered by
10 the Board of Higher Education to provide grant incentives to
11 public universities that offer their undergraduate students
12 contracts under which the university commits itself to provide
13 the courses, programs, and support services necessary to enable
14 the contracting students to graduate within 4 years. Grants
15 shall be awarded from appropriations made to the Board of
16 Higher Education for purposes of this Section.

17 (b) To be eligible for grant consideration, a public
18 university shall annually file a report with the Board of
19 Higher Education detailing its 4-year graduation contract
20 program. The report shall include, at a minimum, the following
21 information: the number of undergraduate students
22 participating in the program, the requirements of the 4-year
23 graduation contracts offered by the university, the types of

1 additional support services provided by the university to the
2 contracting students, and the cost of the program.

3 (c) In awarding grants to public universities under this
4 Section, the Board of Higher Education may consider each
5 applicant's report data, the number of institutions wishing to
6 participate, and such other criteria as the Board of Higher
7 Education determines to be appropriate.

8 (d) (Blank). ~~The Board of Higher Education shall annually~~
9 ~~submit to the Governor and the General Assembly a budgetary~~
10 ~~recommendation for grants under this Section and shall notify~~
11 ~~applicants for grant assistance that the award of grants under~~
12 ~~this Section is contingent upon the availability of~~
13 ~~appropriated funds.~~

14 (e) The Board of Higher Education may adopt such rules as
15 it deems necessary for administration of the grant program
16 created by this Section.

17 (Source: P.A. 90-750, eff. 8-14-98; 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)