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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 765

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 765 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Higher Education Student Assistance Act is
5 amended by adding Section 65.58 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 947/65.58 new)

7 Sec. 65.58. Teacher tuition reimbursement grant program.

8 (a) Beginning with the 2020-2021 academic year, the
9 Commission shall, each year, receive and consider applications
10 for grant assistance under this Section. An applicant is
11 eligible for a grant under this Section if the Commission finds
12 that the applicant meets all of the following qualifications:

13 (1) He or she is a resident of this State and a United
14 States citizen or eligible noncitizen.

15 (2) He or she graduated from a public university in
16 this State.

1 (3) He or she has outstanding student loan debt that
2 was incurred to pay tuition costs at a public university in
3 this State.

4 (4) He or she has taught at a public school in this
5 State for a minimum of 10 school years and is teaching at a
6 public school in this State at the time of application.

7 (b) All applications for grant assistance to be awarded
8 under this Section shall be made to the Commission in a form as
9 set forth by the Commission. The form of application and the
10 information required to be set forth in the application shall
11 be determined by the Commission, and the Commission shall
12 require eligible applicants to submit with their applications
13 any supporting documents that the Commission deems necessary.

14 (c) Each grant awarded under this Section may not exceed
15 \$20,000 per applicant and may be used by the recipient only for
16 payment toward outstanding student loan debt that was incurred
17 to pay tuition costs at a public university in this State. A
18 recipient may not use a grant awarded under this Section for
19 that portion of the recipient's student loan debt used to pay
20 room and board costs or any other costs that do not include
21 tuition at a public university in this State.

22 (d) The Commission must adopt rules to implement this
23 Section."