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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 456

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 456 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Sections  
5 10-21.9, 21B-45, 21B-80, 24-14, 34-18.5, and 34-84b as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/10-21.9) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-21.9)

7 Sec. 10-21.9. Criminal history records checks and checks of  
8 the Statewide Sex Offender Database and Statewide Murderer and  
9 Violent Offender Against Youth Database.

10 (a) Licensed and nonlicensed ~~Certified and noncertified~~  
11 applicants for employment with a school district, except school  
12 bus driver applicants, are required as a condition of  
13 employment to authorize a fingerprint-based criminal history  
14 records check to determine if such applicants have been  
15 convicted of any disqualifying, ~~of the~~ enumerated criminal or  
16 drug offenses in subsection (c) of this Section or have been

1 convicted, within 7 years of the application for employment  
2 with the school district, of any other felony under the laws of  
3 this State or of any offense committed or attempted in any  
4 other state or against the laws of the United States that, if  
5 committed or attempted in this State, would have been  
6 punishable as a felony under the laws of this State.  
7 Authorization for the check shall be furnished by the applicant  
8 to the school district, except that if the applicant is a  
9 substitute teacher seeking employment in more than one school  
10 district, a teacher seeking concurrent part-time employment  
11 positions with more than one school district (as a reading  
12 specialist, special education teacher or otherwise), or an  
13 educational support personnel employee seeking employment  
14 positions with more than one district, any such district may  
15 require the applicant to furnish authorization for the check to  
16 the regional superintendent of the educational service region  
17 in which are located the school districts in which the  
18 applicant is seeking employment as a substitute or concurrent  
19 part-time teacher or concurrent educational support personnel  
20 employee. Upon receipt of this authorization, the school  
21 district or the appropriate regional superintendent, as the  
22 case may be, shall submit the applicant's name, sex, race, date  
23 of birth, social security number, fingerprint images, and other  
24 identifiers, as prescribed by the Department of State Police,  
25 to the Department. The regional superintendent submitting the  
26 requisite information to the Department of State Police shall

1 promptly notify the school districts in which the applicant is  
2 seeking employment as a substitute or concurrent part-time  
3 teacher or concurrent educational support personnel employee  
4 that the check of the applicant has been requested. The  
5 Department of State Police and the Federal Bureau of  
6 Investigation shall furnish, pursuant to a fingerprint-based  
7 criminal history records check, records of convictions,  
8 forever and hereinafter, until expunged, to the president of  
9 the school board for the school district that requested the  
10 check, or to the regional superintendent who requested the  
11 check. The Department shall charge the school district or the  
12 appropriate regional superintendent a fee for conducting such  
13 check, which fee shall be deposited in the State Police  
14 Services Fund and shall not exceed the cost of the inquiry; and  
15 the applicant shall not be charged a fee for such check by the  
16 school district or by the regional superintendent, except that  
17 those applicants seeking employment as a substitute teacher  
18 with a school district may be charged a fee not to exceed the  
19 cost of the inquiry. Subject to appropriations for these  
20 purposes, the State Superintendent of Education shall  
21 reimburse school districts and regional superintendents for  
22 fees paid to obtain criminal history records checks under this  
23 Section.

24 (a-5) The school district or regional superintendent shall  
25 further perform a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database,  
26 as authorized by the Sex Offender Community Notification Law,

1 for each applicant. The check of the Statewide Sex Offender  
2 Database must be conducted by the school district or regional  
3 superintendent once for every 5 years that an applicant remains  
4 employed by the school district.

5 (a-6) The school district or regional superintendent shall  
6 further perform a check of the Statewide Murderer and Violent  
7 Offender Against Youth Database, as authorized by the Murderer  
8 and Violent Offender Against Youth Community Notification Law,  
9 for each applicant. The check of the Statewide Murderer and  
10 Violent Offender Against Youth Database must be conducted by  
11 the school district or regional superintendent once for every 5  
12 years that an applicant remains employed by the school  
13 district.

14 (b) Any information concerning the record of convictions  
15 obtained by the president of the school board or the regional  
16 superintendent shall be confidential and may only be  
17 transmitted to the superintendent of the school district or his  
18 designee, the appropriate regional superintendent if the check  
19 was requested by the school district, the presidents of the  
20 appropriate school boards if the check was requested from the  
21 Department of State Police by the regional superintendent, the  
22 State Superintendent of Education, the State Educator  
23 Preparation and Licensure ~~State Teacher Certification~~ Board,  
24 any other person necessary to the decision of hiring the  
25 applicant for employment, or for clarification purposes the  
26 Department of State Police or Statewide Sex Offender Database,

1 or both. A copy of the record of convictions obtained from the  
2 Department of State Police shall be provided to the applicant  
3 for employment. Upon the check of the Statewide Sex Offender  
4 Database, the school district or regional superintendent shall  
5 notify an applicant as to whether or not the applicant has been  
6 identified in the Database as a sex offender. If a check of an  
7 applicant for employment as a substitute or concurrent  
8 part-time teacher or concurrent educational support personnel  
9 employee in more than one school district was requested by the  
10 regional superintendent, and the Department of State Police  
11 upon a check ascertains that the applicant has not been  
12 convicted of any of the enumerated criminal or drug offenses in  
13 subsection (c) of this Section or has not been convicted,  
14 within 7 years of the application for employment with the  
15 school district, of any other felony under the laws of this  
16 State or of any offense committed or attempted in any other  
17 state or against the laws of the United States that, if  
18 committed or attempted in this State, would have been  
19 punishable as a felony under the laws of this State and so  
20 notifies the regional superintendent and if the regional  
21 superintendent upon a check ascertains that the applicant has  
22 not been identified in the Sex Offender Database as a sex  
23 offender, then the regional superintendent shall issue to the  
24 applicant a certificate evidencing that as of the date  
25 specified by the Department of State Police the applicant has  
26 not been convicted of any of the enumerated criminal or drug

1 offenses in subsection (c) of this Section or has not been  
2 convicted, within 7 years of the application for employment  
3 with the school district, of any other felony under the laws of  
4 this State or of any offense committed or attempted in any  
5 other state or against the laws of the United States that, if  
6 committed or attempted in this State, would have been  
7 punishable as a felony under the laws of this State and  
8 evidencing that as of the date that the regional superintendent  
9 conducted a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database, the  
10 applicant has not been identified in the Database as a sex  
11 offender. The school board of any school district may rely on  
12 the certificate issued by any regional superintendent to that  
13 substitute teacher, concurrent part-time teacher, or  
14 concurrent educational support personnel employee or may  
15 initiate its own criminal history records check of the  
16 applicant through the Department of State Police and its own  
17 check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database as provided in  
18 subsection (a). Any unauthorized release of confidential  
19 information may be a violation of Section 7 of the Criminal  
20 Identification Act.

21 (c) No school board shall knowingly employ a person who has  
22 been convicted of any offense that would subject him or her to  
23 license suspension or revocation pursuant to Section 21B-80 of  
24 this Code, except as provided under subsection (b) of Section  
25 21B-80. Further, no school board shall knowingly employ a  
26 person who has been found to be the perpetrator of sexual or

1 physical abuse of any minor under 18 years of age pursuant to  
2 proceedings under Article II of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.  
3 No school board shall knowingly employ a person who has been  
4 issued an indicated finding of abuse or neglect of a child by  
5 the Department of Children and Family Services under the Abused  
6 and Neglected Child Reporting Act or by a child welfare agency  
7 of another jurisdiction.

8 (d) No school board shall knowingly employ a person for  
9 whom a criminal history records check and a Statewide Sex  
10 Offender Database check has not been initiated.

11 (e) No later than 15 business days after receipt of a  
12 record of conviction or of checking the Statewide Murderer and  
13 Violent Offender Against Youth Database or the Statewide Sex  
14 Offender Database and finding a registration, the  
15 superintendent of the employing school board or the applicable  
16 regional superintendent shall, in writing, notify the State  
17 Superintendent of Education of any license holder who has been  
18 convicted of a crime set forth in Section 21B-80 of this Code.

19 Upon receipt of the record of a conviction of or a finding of  
20 child abuse by a holder of any license ~~certificate~~ issued  
21 pursuant to Article 21B ~~21~~ or Section 34-8.1 or 34-83 of the  
22 School Code, the State Superintendent of Education may initiate  
23 licensure ~~certificate~~ suspension and revocation proceedings as  
24 authorized by law. If the receipt of the record of conviction  
25 or finding of child abuse is received within 6 months after the  
26 initial grant of or renewal of a license, the State

1 Superintendent of Education may rescind the license holder's  
2 license.

3 (e-5) The superintendent of the employing school board  
4 shall, in writing, notify the State Superintendent of Education  
5 and the applicable regional superintendent of schools of any  
6 license ~~certificate~~ holder whom he or she has reasonable cause  
7 to believe has committed an intentional act of abuse or neglect  
8 with the result of making a child an abused child or a  
9 neglected child, as defined in Section 3 of the Abused and  
10 Neglected Child Reporting Act, and that act resulted in the  
11 license ~~certificate~~ holder's dismissal or resignation from the  
12 school district. This notification must be submitted within 30  
13 days after the dismissal or resignation. The license  
14 ~~certificate~~ holder must also be contemporaneously sent a copy  
15 of the notice by the superintendent. All correspondence,  
16 documentation, and other information so received by the  
17 regional superintendent of schools, the State Superintendent  
18 of Education, the State Board of Education, or the State  
19 Educator Preparation and Licensure ~~State Teacher Certification~~  
20 Board under this subsection (e-5) is confidential and must not  
21 be disclosed to third parties, except (i) as necessary for the  
22 State Superintendent of Education or his or her designee to  
23 investigate and prosecute pursuant to Article 21B ~~21~~ of this  
24 Code, (ii) pursuant to a court order, (iii) for disclosure to  
25 the license ~~certificate~~ holder or his or her representative, or  
26 (iv) as otherwise provided in this Article and provided that



1 any such information admitted into evidence in a hearing is  
2 exempt from this confidentiality and non-disclosure  
3 requirement. Except for an act of willful or wanton misconduct,  
4 any superintendent who provides notification as required in  
5 this subsection (e-5) shall have immunity from any liability,  
6 whether civil or criminal or that otherwise might result by  
7 reason of such action.

8 (f) After January 1, 1990 the provisions of this Section  
9 shall apply to all employees of persons or firms holding  
10 contracts with any school district including, but not limited  
11 to, food service workers, school bus drivers and other  
12 transportation employees, who have direct, daily contact with  
13 the pupils of any school in such district. For purposes of  
14 criminal history records checks and checks of the Statewide Sex  
15 Offender Database on employees of persons or firms holding  
16 contracts with more than one school district and assigned to  
17 more than one school district, the regional superintendent of  
18 the educational service region in which the contracting school  
19 districts are located may, at the request of any such school  
20 district, be responsible for receiving the authorization for a  
21 criminal history records check prepared by each such employee  
22 and submitting the same to the Department of State Police and  
23 for conducting a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database  
24 for each employee. Any information concerning the record of  
25 conviction and identification as a sex offender of any such  
26 employee obtained by the regional superintendent shall be

1 promptly reported to the president of the appropriate school  
2 board or school boards.

3 (f-5) Upon request of a school or school district, any  
4 information obtained by a school district pursuant to  
5 subsection (f) of this Section within the last year must be  
6 made available to the requesting school or school district.

7 (g) Prior to the commencement of any student teaching  
8 experience or required internship (which is referred to as  
9 student teaching in this Section) in the public schools, a  
10 student teacher is required to authorize a fingerprint-based  
11 criminal history records check. Authorization for and payment  
12 of the costs of the check must be furnished by the student  
13 teacher to the school district where the student teaching is to  
14 be completed. Upon receipt of this authorization and payment,  
15 the school district shall submit the student teacher's name,  
16 sex, race, date of birth, social security number, fingerprint  
17 images, and other identifiers, as prescribed by the Department  
18 of State Police, to the Department of State Police. The  
19 Department of State Police and the Federal Bureau of  
20 Investigation shall furnish, pursuant to a fingerprint-based  
21 criminal history records check, records of convictions,  
22 forever and hereinafter, until expunged, to the president of  
23 the school board for the school district that requested the  
24 check. The Department shall charge the school district a fee  
25 for conducting the check, which fee must not exceed the cost of  
26 the inquiry and must be deposited into the State Police

1 Services Fund. The school district shall further perform a  
2 check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database, as authorized by  
3 the Sex Offender Community Notification Law, and of the  
4 Statewide Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth  
5 Database, as authorized by the Murderer and Violent Offender  
6 Against Youth Registration Act, for each student teacher. No  
7 school board may knowingly allow a person to student teach for  
8 whom a criminal history records check, a Statewide Sex Offender  
9 Database check, and a Statewide Murderer and Violent Offender  
10 Against Youth Database check have not been completed and  
11 reviewed by the district.

12 A copy of the record of convictions obtained from the  
13 Department of State Police must be provided to the student  
14 teacher. Any information concerning the record of convictions  
15 obtained by the president of the school board is confidential  
16 and may only be transmitted to the superintendent of the school  
17 district or his or her designee, the State Superintendent of  
18 Education, the State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board,  
19 or, for clarification purposes, the Department of State Police  
20 or the Statewide Sex Offender Database or Statewide Murderer  
21 and Violent Offender Against Youth Database. Any unauthorized  
22 release of confidential information may be a violation of  
23 Section 7 of the Criminal Identification Act.

24 No school board shall ~~may~~ knowingly allow a person to  
25 student teach who has been convicted of any offense that would  
26 subject him or her to license suspension or revocation pursuant

1 to subsection (c) of Section 21B-80 of this Code, except as  
2 provided under subsection (b) of Section 21B-80. Further, no  
3 school board shall allow a person to student teach if he or she  
4 ~~or who~~ has been found to be the perpetrator of sexual or  
5 physical abuse of a minor under 18 years of age pursuant to  
6 proceedings under Article II of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987.  
7 No school board shall knowingly allow a person to student teach  
8 who has been issued an indicated finding of abuse or neglect of  
9 a child by the Department of Children and Family Services under  
10 the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act or by a child  
11 welfare agency of another jurisdiction.

12 (h) (Blank).

13 (Source: P.A. 99-21, eff. 1-1-16; 99-667, eff. 7-29-16.)

14 (105 ILCS 5/21B-45)

15 Sec. 21B-45. Professional Educator License renewal.

16 (a) Individuals holding a Professional Educator License  
17 are required to complete the licensure renewal requirements as  
18 specified in this Section, unless otherwise provided in this  
19 Code.

20 Individuals holding a Professional Educator License shall  
21 meet the renewal requirements set forth in this Section, unless  
22 otherwise provided in this Code. If an individual holds a  
23 license endorsed in more than one area that has different  
24 renewal requirements, that individual shall follow the renewal  
25 requirements for the position for which he or she spends the

1 majority of his or her time working.

2 (b) All Professional Educator Licenses not renewed as  
3 provided in this Section shall lapse on September 1 of that  
4 year. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section, if  
5 a license holder's electronic mail address is available, the  
6 State Board of Education shall send him or her notification  
7 electronically that his or her license will lapse if not  
8 renewed, to be sent no more than 6 months prior to the license  
9 lapsing. Lapsed licenses may be immediately reinstated upon (i)  
10 payment by the applicant of a \$500 penalty to the State Board  
11 of Education or (ii) the demonstration of proficiency by  
12 completing 9 semester hours of coursework from a regionally  
13 accredited institution of higher education in the content area  
14 that most aligns with one or more of the educator's endorsement  
15 areas. Any and all back fees, including without limitation  
16 registration fees owed from the time of expiration of the  
17 license until the date of reinstatement, shall be paid and kept  
18 in accordance with the provisions in Article 3 of this Code  
19 concerning an institute fund and the provisions in Article 21B  
20 of this Code concerning fees and requirements for registration.  
21 Licenses not registered in accordance with Section 21B-40 of  
22 this Code shall lapse after a period of 6 months from the  
23 expiration of the last year of registration or on January 1 of  
24 the fiscal year following initial issuance of the license. An  
25 unregistered license is invalid after September 1 for  
26 employment and performance of services in an Illinois public or

1 State-operated school or cooperative and in a charter school.  
2 Any license or endorsement may be voluntarily surrendered by  
3 the license holder. A voluntarily surrendered license, except a  
4 substitute teaching license issued under Section 21B-20 of this  
5 Code, shall be treated as a revoked license. An Educator  
6 License with Stipulations with only a paraprofessional  
7 endorsement does not lapse.

8 (c) From July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in order to  
9 satisfy the requirements for licensure renewal provided for in  
10 this Section, each professional educator licensee with an  
11 administrative endorsement who is working in a position  
12 requiring such endorsement shall complete one Illinois  
13 Administrators' Academy course, as described in Article 2 of  
14 this Code, per fiscal year.

15 (d) Beginning July 1, 2014, in order to satisfy the  
16 requirements for licensure renewal provided for in this  
17 Section, each professional educator licensee may create a  
18 professional development plan each year. The plan shall address  
19 one or more of the endorsements that are required of his or her  
20 educator position if the licensee is employed and performing  
21 services in an Illinois public or State-operated school or  
22 cooperative. If the licensee is employed in a charter school,  
23 the plan shall address that endorsement or those endorsements  
24 most closely related to his or her educator position. Licensees  
25 employed and performing services in any other Illinois schools  
26 may participate in the renewal requirements by adhering to the

1 same process.

2 Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the  
3 licensee's professional development activities shall align  
4 with one or more of the following criteria:

5 (1) activities are of a type that engage participants  
6 over a sustained period of time allowing for analysis,  
7 discovery, and application as they relate to student  
8 learning, social or emotional achievement, or well-being;

9 (2) professional development aligns to the licensee's  
10 performance;

11 (3) outcomes for the activities must relate to student  
12 growth or district improvement;

13 (4) activities align to State-approved standards; and

14 (5) higher education coursework.

15 (e) For each renewal cycle, each professional educator  
16 licensee shall engage in professional development activities.  
17 Prior to renewal, the licensee shall enter electronically into  
18 the Educator Licensure Information System (ELIS) the name,  
19 date, and location of the activity, the number of professional  
20 development hours, and the provider's name. The following  
21 provisions shall apply concerning professional development  
22 activities:

23 (1) Each licensee shall complete a total of 120 hours  
24 of professional development per 5-year renewal cycle in  
25 order to renew the license, except as otherwise provided in  
26 this Section.

1           (2) Beginning with his or her first full 5-year cycle,  
2 any licensee with an administrative endorsement who is not  
3 working in a position requiring such endorsement is not  
4 required to complete Illinois Administrators' Academy  
5 courses, as described in Article 2 of this Code. Such  
6 licensees must complete one Illinois Administrators'  
7 Academy course within one year after returning to a  
8 position that requires the administrative endorsement.

9           (3) Any licensee with an administrative endorsement  
10 who is working in a position requiring such endorsement or  
11 an individual with a Teacher Leader endorsement serving in  
12 an administrative capacity at least 50% of the day shall  
13 complete one Illinois Administrators' Academy course, as  
14 described in Article 2 of this Code, each fiscal year in  
15 addition to 100 hours of professional development per  
16 5-year renewal cycle in accordance with this Code.

17           (4) Any licensee holding a current National Board for  
18 Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) master teacher  
19 designation shall complete a total of 60 hours of  
20 professional development per 5-year renewal cycle in order  
21 to renew the license.

22           (5) Licensees working in a position that does not  
23 require educator licensure or working in a position for  
24 less than 50% for any particular year are considered to be  
25 exempt and shall be required to pay only the registration  
26 fee in order to renew and maintain the validity of the



1 license.

2 (6) Licensees who are retired and qualify for benefits  
3 from a State of Illinois retirement system shall notify the  
4 State Board of Education using ELIS, and the license shall  
5 be maintained in retired status. For any renewal cycle in  
6 which a licensee retires during the renewal cycle, the  
7 licensee must complete professional development activities  
8 on a prorated basis depending on the number of years during  
9 the renewal cycle the educator held an active license. If a  
10 licensee retires during a renewal cycle, the licensee must  
11 notify the State Board of Education using ELIS that the  
12 licensee wishes to maintain the license in retired status  
13 and must show proof of completion of professional  
14 development activities on a prorated basis for all years of  
15 that renewal cycle for which the license was active. An  
16 individual with a license in retired status shall not be  
17 required to complete professional development activities  
18 or pay registration fees until returning to a position that  
19 requires educator licensure. Upon returning to work in a  
20 position that requires the Professional Educator License,  
21 the licensee shall immediately pay a registration fee and  
22 complete renewal requirements for that year. A license in  
23 retired status cannot lapse. Beginning on January 6, 2017  
24 (the effective date of Public Act 99-920) through December  
25 31, 2017, any licensee who has retired and whose license  
26 has lapsed for failure to renew as provided in this Section

1           may reinstate that license and maintain it in retired  
2           status upon providing proof to the State Board of Education  
3           using ELIS that the licensee is retired and is not working  
4           in a position that requires a Professional Educator  
5           License.

6           (7) For any renewal cycle in which professional  
7           development hours were required, but not fulfilled, the  
8           licensee shall complete any missed hours to total the  
9           minimum professional development hours required in this  
10          Section prior to September 1 of that year. Professional  
11          development hours used to fulfill the minimum required  
12          hours for a renewal cycle may be used for only one renewal  
13          cycle. For any fiscal year or renewal cycle in which an  
14          Illinois Administrators' Academy course was required but  
15          not completed, the licensee shall complete any missed  
16          Illinois Administrators' Academy courses prior to  
17          September 1 of that year. The licensee may complete all  
18          deficient hours and Illinois Administrators' Academy  
19          courses while continuing to work in a position that  
20          requires that license until September 1 of that year.

21          (8) Any licensee who has not fulfilled the professional  
22          development renewal requirements set forth in this Section  
23          at the end of any 5-year renewal cycle is ineligible to  
24          register his or her license and may submit an appeal to the  
25          State Superintendent of Education for reinstatement of the  
26          license.

1           (9) If professional development opportunities were  
2           unavailable to a licensee, proof that opportunities were  
3           unavailable and request for an extension of time beyond  
4           August 31 to complete the renewal requirements may be  
5           submitted from April 1 through June 30 of that year to the  
6           State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board. If an  
7           extension is approved, the license shall remain valid  
8           during the extension period.

9           (10) Individuals who hold exempt licenses prior to  
10          December 27, 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 98-610)  
11          shall commence the annual renewal process with the first  
12          scheduled registration due after December 27, 2013 (the  
13          effective date of Public Act 98-610).

14          (11) Notwithstanding any other provision of this  
15          subsection (e), if a licensee earns more than the required  
16          number of professional development hours during a renewal  
17          cycle, then the licensee may carry over any hours earned  
18          from April 1 through June 30 of the last year of the  
19          renewal cycle. Any hours carried over in this manner must  
20          be applied to the next renewal cycle. Illinois  
21          Administrators' Academy courses or hours earned in those  
22          courses may not be carried over.

23          (f) At the time of renewal, each licensee shall respond to  
24          the required questions under penalty of perjury.

25          (f-5) The State Board of Education shall conduct random  
26          audits of licensees to verify a licensee's fulfillment of the

1 professional development hours required under this Section.  
2 Upon completion of a random audit, if it is determined by the  
3 State Board of Education that the licensee did not complete the  
4 required number of professional development hours or did not  
5 provide sufficient proof of completion, the licensee shall be  
6 notified that his or her license has lapsed. A license that has  
7 lapsed under this subsection may be reinstated as provided in  
8 subsection (b).

9 (g) The following entities shall be designated as approved  
10 to provide professional development activities for the renewal  
11 of Professional Educator Licenses:

12 (1) The State Board of Education.

13 (2) Regional offices of education and intermediate  
14 service centers.

15 (3) Illinois professional associations representing  
16 the following groups that are approved by the State  
17 Superintendent of Education:

18 (A) school administrators;

19 (B) principals;

20 (C) school business officials;

21 (D) teachers, including special education  
22 teachers;

23 (E) school boards;

24 (F) school districts;

25 (G) parents; and

26 (H) school service personnel.

1           (4) Regionally accredited institutions of higher  
2 education that offer Illinois-approved educator  
3 preparation programs and public community colleges subject  
4 to the Public Community College Act.

5           (5) Illinois public school districts, charter schools  
6 authorized under Article 27A of this Code, and joint  
7 educational programs authorized under Article 10 of this  
8 Code for the purposes of providing career and technical  
9 education or special education services.

10           (6) A not-for-profit organization that, as of December  
11 31, 2014 (the effective date of Public Act 98-1147), has  
12 had or has a grant from or a contract with the State Board  
13 of Education to provide professional development services  
14 in the area of English Learning to Illinois school  
15 districts, teachers, or administrators.

16           (7) State agencies, State boards, and State  
17 commissions.

18           (8) Museums as defined in Section 10 of the Museum  
19 Disposition of Property Act.

20           (h) Approved providers under subsection (g) of this Section  
21 shall make available professional development opportunities  
22 that satisfy at least one of the following:

23           (1) increase the knowledge and skills of school and  
24 district leaders who guide continuous professional  
25 development;

26           (2) improve the learning of students;

1 (3) organize adults into learning communities whose  
2 goals are aligned with those of the school and district;

3 (4) deepen educator's content knowledge;

4 (5) provide educators with research-based  
5 instructional strategies to assist students in meeting  
6 rigorous academic standards;

7 (6) prepare educators to appropriately use various  
8 types of classroom assessments;

9 (7) use learning strategies appropriate to the  
10 intended goals;

11 (8) provide educators with the knowledge and skills to  
12 collaborate; or

13 (9) prepare educators to apply research to  
14 decision-making.

15 (i) Approved providers under subsection (g) of this Section  
16 shall do the following:

17 (1) align professional development activities to the  
18 State-approved national standards for professional  
19 learning;

20 (2) meet the professional development criteria for  
21 Illinois licensure renewal;

22 (3) produce a rationale for the activity that explains  
23 how it aligns to State standards and identify the  
24 assessment for determining the expected impact on student  
25 learning or school improvement;

26 (4) maintain original documentation for completion of

1 activities;

2 (5) provide license holders with evidence of  
3 completion of activities; and

4 (6) request an Illinois Educator Identification Number  
5 (IEIN) for each educator during each professional  
6 development activity.

7 (j) The State Board of Education shall conduct annual  
8 audits of a subset of approved providers, except for school  
9 districts, which shall be audited by regional offices of  
10 education and intermediate service centers. The State Board of  
11 Education shall ensure that each approved provider, except for  
12 a school district, is audited at least once every 5 years. The  
13 State Board of Education may conduct more frequent audits of  
14 providers if evidence suggests the requirements of this Section  
15 or administrative rules are not being met. ~~The State Board of  
16 Education shall complete random audits of licensees.~~

17 (1) (Blank).

18 (2) Approved providers shall comply with the  
19 requirements in subsections (h) and (i) of this Section by  
20 annually submitting data to the State Board of Education  
21 demonstrating how the professional development activities  
22 impacted one or more of the following:

23 (A) educator and student growth in regards to  
24 content knowledge or skills, or both;

25 (B) educator and student social and emotional  
26 growth; or

1 (C) alignment to district or school improvement  
2 plans.

3 (3) The State Superintendent of Education shall review  
4 the annual data collected by the State Board of Education,  
5 regional offices of education, and intermediate service  
6 centers in audits to determine if the approved provider has  
7 met the criteria and should continue to be an approved  
8 provider or if further action should be taken as provided  
9 in rules.

10 (k) Registration fees shall be paid for the next renewal  
11 cycle between April 1 and June 30 in the last year of each  
12 5-year renewal cycle using ELIS. If all required professional  
13 development hours for the renewal cycle have been completed and  
14 entered by the licensee, the licensee shall pay the  
15 registration fees for the next cycle using a form of credit or  
16 debit card.

17 (l) Any professional educator licensee endorsed for school  
18 support personnel who is employed and performing services in  
19 Illinois public schools and who holds an active and current  
20 professional license issued by the Department of Financial and  
21 Professional Regulation or a national certification board, as  
22 approved by the State Board of Education, related to the  
23 endorsement areas on the Professional Educator License shall be  
24 deemed to have satisfied the continuing professional  
25 development requirements provided for in this Section. Such  
26 individuals shall be required to pay only registration fees to



1 renew the Professional Educator License. An individual who does  
2 not hold a license issued by the Department of Financial and  
3 Professional Regulation shall complete professional  
4 development requirements for the renewal of a Professional  
5 Educator License provided for in this Section.

6 (m) Appeals to the State Educator Preparation and Licensure  
7 Board must be made within 30 days after receipt of notice from  
8 the State Superintendent of Education that a license will not  
9 be renewed based upon failure to complete the requirements of  
10 this Section. A licensee may appeal that decision to the State  
11 Educator Preparation and Licensure Board in a manner prescribed  
12 by rule.

13 (1) Each appeal shall state the reasons why the State  
14 Superintendent's decision should be reversed and shall be  
15 sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the  
16 State Board of Education.

17 (2) The State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board  
18 shall review each appeal regarding renewal of a license  
19 within 90 days after receiving the appeal in order to  
20 determine whether the licensee has met the requirements of  
21 this Section. The State Educator Preparation and Licensure  
22 Board may hold an appeal hearing or may make its  
23 determination based upon the record of review, which shall  
24 consist of the following:

25 (A) the regional superintendent of education's  
26 rationale for recommending nonrenewal of the license,

1 if applicable;

2 (B) any evidence submitted to the State  
3 Superintendent along with the individual's electronic  
4 statement of assurance for renewal; and

5 (C) the State Superintendent's rationale for  
6 nonrenewal of the license.

7 (3) The State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board  
8 shall notify the licensee of its decision regarding license  
9 renewal by certified mail, return receipt requested, no  
10 later than 30 days after reaching a decision. Upon receipt  
11 of notification of renewal, the licensee, using ELIS, shall  
12 pay the applicable registration fee for the next cycle  
13 using a form of credit or debit card.

14 (n) The State Board of Education may adopt rules as may be  
15 necessary to implement this Section.

16 (Source: P.A. 99-58, eff. 7-16-15; 99-130, eff. 7-24-15;  
17 99-591, eff. 1-1-17; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16; 99-920, eff. 1-6-17;  
18 100-13, eff. 7-1-17; 100-339, eff. 8-25-17; 100-596, eff.  
19 7-1-18; 100-863, eff. 8-14-18.)

20 (105 ILCS 5/21B-80)

21 Sec. 21B-80. Conviction of certain offenses as grounds for  
22 disqualification for licensure or suspension or revocation of a  
23 license.

24 (a) As used in this Section:

25 "Drug offense" means any one or more of the following

1 offenses:

2 (1) Any offense defined in the Cannabis Control Act,  
3 except those defined in subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) of  
4 Section 4 and subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 5 of the  
5 Cannabis Control Act and any offense for which the holder  
6 of a license is placed on probation under the provisions of  
7 Section 10 of the Cannabis Control Act, provided that if  
8 the terms and conditions of probation required by the court  
9 are not fulfilled, the offense is not eligible for this  
10 exception.

11 (2) Any offense defined in the Illinois Controlled  
12 Substances Act, except any offense for which the holder of  
13 a license is placed on probation under the provisions of  
14 Section 410 of the Illinois Controlled Substances Act,  
15 provided that if the terms and conditions of probation  
16 required by the court are not fulfilled, the offense is not  
17 eligible for this exception.

18 (3) Any offense defined in the Methamphetamine Control  
19 and Community Protection Act, except any offense for which  
20 the holder of a license is placed on probation under the  
21 provision of Section 70 of that Act, provided that if the  
22 terms and conditions of probation required by the court are  
23 not fulfilled, the offense is not eligible for this  
24 exception.

25 (4) Any attempt to commit any of the offenses listed in  
26 items (1) through (3) of this definition.

1 (5) Any offense committed or attempted in any other  
2 state or against the laws of the United States that, if  
3 committed or attempted in this State, would have been  
4 punishable as one or more of the offenses listed in items  
5 (1) through (4) of this definition.

6 The changes made by Public Act 96-431 to this definition are  
7 declaratory of existing law.

8 "Sentence" includes any period of mandatory supervised  
9 release ~~supervision~~ or probation that was imposed either alone  
10 or in combination with a period of incarceration.

11 "Sex or other offense" means any one or more of the  
12 following offenses:

13 (A) Any offense defined in Sections 11-6, 11-9 through  
14 11-9.5, inclusive, and 11-30 (if punished as a Class 4  
15 felony) of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code  
16 of 2012; Sections 11-14.1 through 11-21, inclusive, of the  
17 Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012;  
18 Sections 11-23 (if punished as a Class 3 felony), 11-24,  
19 11-25, and 11-26 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the  
20 Criminal Code of 2012; Section 10-5.1, subsection (c) of  
21 Section 10-9, and Sections 11-6.6, 11-11, 12-3.05, 12-3.3,  
22 12-6.4, 12-7.1, 12-34, 12-34.5, and 12-35 of the Criminal  
23 Code of 2012; and Sections 11-1.20, 11-1.30, 11-1.40,  
24 11-1.50, 11-1.60, ~~12-4.9,~~ 12-13, 12-14, 12-14.1, 12-15,  
25 12-16, 12-32, 12-33, 12C-45, and 26-4 (if punished pursuant  
26 to subdivision (4) or (5) of subsection (d) of Section

1 26-4) of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of  
2 2012.

3 (B) Any attempt to commit any of the offenses listed in  
4 item (A) of this definition.

5 (C) Any offense committed or attempted in any other  
6 state that, if committed or attempted in this State, would  
7 have been punishable as one or more of the offenses listed  
8 in items (A) and (B) of this definition.

9 (b) Whenever the holder of any license issued pursuant to  
10 this Article or applicant for a license to be issued pursuant  
11 to this Article has been convicted of any drug offense, other  
12 than as provided in subsection (c) of this Section, the State  
13 Superintendent of Education shall forthwith suspend the  
14 license or deny the application, whichever is applicable, until  
15 7 years following the end of the sentence for the criminal  
16 offense. If the conviction is reversed and the holder is  
17 acquitted of the offense in a new trial or the charges against  
18 him or her are dismissed, the State Superintendent of Education  
19 shall forthwith terminate the suspension of the license.

20 (b-5) Whenever the holder of a license issued pursuant to  
21 this Article or applicant for a license to be issued pursuant  
22 to this Article has been charged with attempting to commit,  
23 conspiring to commit, soliciting, or committing any sex or  
24 other offense, first degree murder, or a Class X felony or any  
25 offense committed or attempted in any other state or against  
26 the laws of the United States that, if committed or attempted

1 in this State, would have been punishable as one or more of the  
2 foregoing offenses, the State Superintendent of Education  
3 shall immediately suspend the license or deny the application  
4 until the person's criminal charges are adjudicated through a  
5 court of competent jurisdiction. If the person is acquitted,  
6 his or her license or application shall be immediately  
7 reinstated.

8 (c) Whenever the holder of a license issued pursuant to  
9 this Article or applicant for a license to be issued pursuant  
10 to this Article has been convicted of attempting to commit,  
11 conspiring to commit, soliciting, or committing any sex or  
12 other offense, first degree murder, or a Class X felony or any  
13 offense committed or attempted in any other state or against  
14 the laws of the United States that, if committed or attempted  
15 in this State, would have been punishable as one or more of the  
16 foregoing offenses, the State Superintendent of Education  
17 shall forthwith suspend the license or deny the application,  
18 whichever is applicable. If the conviction is reversed and the  
19 holder is acquitted of that offense in a new trial or the  
20 charges that he or she committed that offense are dismissed,  
21 the State Superintendent of Education shall forthwith  
22 terminate the suspension of the license. When the conviction  
23 becomes final, the State Superintendent of Education shall  
24 forthwith revoke the license.

25 (Source: P.A. 99-58, eff. 7-16-15; 99-667, eff. 7-29-16.)

1 (105 ILCS 5/24-14) (from Ch. 122, par. 24-14)

2 Sec. 24-14. Termination of contractual continued service  
3 by teacher. A teacher who has entered into contractual  
4 continued service may resign at any time by obtaining  
5 concurrence of the board or by serving at least 30 days'  
6 written notice upon the secretary of the board. However, no  
7 teacher may resign during the school term, without the  
8 concurrence of the board, in order to accept another teaching  
9 assignment. Any teacher terminating said service not in  
10 accordance with this Section may be referred by the board to  
11 the State Superintendent of Education is guilty of  
12 unprofessional conduct and liable to suspension of licensure  
13 for a period not to exceed 1 year, as provided in Section  
14 21B-75 of this Code. The State Superintendent or his or her  
15 designee shall convene an informal evidentiary hearing no later  
16 than 90 days after receipt of a resolution by the board. If the  
17 State Superintendent or his or her designee finds that the  
18 teacher resigned during the school term without the concurrence  
19 of the board to accept another teaching assignment, the State  
20 Superintendent must suspend the teacher's license for a period  
21 not to exceed one calendar year. In lieu of a hearing and  
22 finding, the teacher may agree to a lesser licensure sanction  
23 at the discretion of the State Superintendent.

24 (Source: P.A. 97-607, eff. 8-26-11.)

25 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.5) (from Ch. 122, par. 34-18.5)

1           Sec. 34-18.5. Criminal history records checks and checks of  
2 the Statewide Sex Offender Database and Statewide Murderer and  
3 Violent Offender Against Youth Database.

4           (a) Licensed and nonlicensed ~~Certified and noncertified~~  
5 applicants for employment with the school district are required  
6 as a condition of employment to authorize a fingerprint-based  
7 criminal history records check to determine if such applicants  
8 have been convicted of any disqualifying, ~~of the~~ enumerated  
9 criminal or drug offenses in subsection (c) of this Section or  
10 have been convicted, within 7 years of the application for  
11 employment with the school district, of any other felony under  
12 the laws of this State or of any offense committed or attempted  
13 in any other state or against the laws of the United States  
14 that, if committed or attempted in this State, would have been  
15 punishable as a felony under the laws of this State.  
16 Authorization for the check shall be furnished by the applicant  
17 to the school district, except that if the applicant is a  
18 substitute teacher seeking employment in more than one school  
19 district, or a teacher seeking concurrent part-time employment  
20 positions with more than one school district (as a reading  
21 specialist, special education teacher or otherwise), or an  
22 educational support personnel employee seeking employment  
23 positions with more than one district, any such district may  
24 require the applicant to furnish authorization for the check to  
25 the regional superintendent of the educational service region  
26 in which are located the school districts in which the



1 applicant is seeking employment as a substitute or concurrent  
2 part-time teacher or concurrent educational support personnel  
3 employee. Upon receipt of this authorization, the school  
4 district or the appropriate regional superintendent, as the  
5 case may be, shall submit the applicant's name, sex, race, date  
6 of birth, social security number, fingerprint images, and other  
7 identifiers, as prescribed by the Department of State Police,  
8 to the Department. The regional superintendent submitting the  
9 requisite information to the Department of State Police shall  
10 promptly notify the school districts in which the applicant is  
11 seeking employment as a substitute or concurrent part-time  
12 teacher or concurrent educational support personnel employee  
13 that the check of the applicant has been requested. The  
14 Department of State Police and the Federal Bureau of  
15 Investigation shall furnish, pursuant to a fingerprint-based  
16 criminal history records check, records of convictions,  
17 forever and hereinafter, until expunged, to the president of  
18 the school board for the school district that requested the  
19 check, or to the regional superintendent who requested the  
20 check. The Department shall charge the school district or the  
21 appropriate regional superintendent a fee for conducting such  
22 check, which fee shall be deposited in the State Police  
23 Services Fund and shall not exceed the cost of the inquiry; and  
24 the applicant shall not be charged a fee for such check by the  
25 school district or by the regional superintendent. Subject to  
26 appropriations for these purposes, the State Superintendent of

1 Education shall reimburse the school district and regional  
2 superintendent for fees paid to obtain criminal history records  
3 checks under this Section.

4 (a-5) The school district or regional superintendent shall  
5 further perform a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database,  
6 as authorized by the Sex Offender Community Notification Law,  
7 for each applicant. The check of the Statewide Sex Offender  
8 Database must be conducted by the school district or regional  
9 superintendent once for every 5 years that an applicant remains  
10 employed by the school district.

11 (a-6) The school district or regional superintendent shall  
12 further perform a check of the Statewide Murderer and Violent  
13 Offender Against Youth Database, as authorized by the Murderer  
14 and Violent Offender Against Youth Community Notification Law,  
15 for each applicant. The check of the Murderer and Violent  
16 Offender Against Youth Database must be conducted by the school  
17 district or regional superintendent once for every 5 years that  
18 an applicant remains employed by the school district.

19 (b) Any information concerning the record of convictions  
20 obtained by the president of the board of education or the  
21 regional superintendent shall be confidential and may only be  
22 transmitted to the general superintendent of the school  
23 district or his designee, the appropriate regional  
24 superintendent if the check was requested by the board of  
25 education for the school district, the presidents of the  
26 appropriate board of education or school boards if the check

1 was requested from the Department of State Police by the  
2 regional superintendent, the State Superintendent of  
3 Education, the State Educator Preparation and Licensure State  
4 ~~Teacher Certification~~ Board or any other person necessary to  
5 the decision of hiring the applicant for employment. A copy of  
6 the record of convictions obtained from the Department of State  
7 Police shall be provided to the applicant for employment. Upon  
8 the check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database, the school  
9 district or regional superintendent shall notify an applicant  
10 as to whether or not the applicant has been identified in the  
11 Database as a sex offender. If a check of an applicant for  
12 employment as a substitute or concurrent part-time teacher or  
13 concurrent educational support personnel employee in more than  
14 one school district was requested by the regional  
15 superintendent, and the Department of State Police upon a check  
16 ascertains that the applicant has not been convicted of any of  
17 the enumerated criminal or drug offenses in subsection (c) of  
18 this Section or has not been convicted, within 7 years of the  
19 application for employment with the school district, of any  
20 other felony under the laws of this State or of any offense  
21 committed or attempted in any other state or against the laws  
22 of the United States that, if committed or attempted in this  
23 State, would have been punishable as a felony under the laws of  
24 this State and so notifies the regional superintendent and if  
25 the regional superintendent upon a check ascertains that the  
26 applicant has not been identified in the Sex Offender Database

1 as a sex offender, then the regional superintendent shall issue  
2 to the applicant a certificate evidencing that as of the date  
3 specified by the Department of State Police the applicant has  
4 not been convicted of any of the enumerated criminal or drug  
5 offenses in subsection (c) of this Section or has not been  
6 convicted, within 7 years of the application for employment  
7 with the school district, of any other felony under the laws of  
8 this State or of any offense committed or attempted in any  
9 other state or against the laws of the United States that, if  
10 committed or attempted in this State, would have been  
11 punishable as a felony under the laws of this State and  
12 evidencing that as of the date that the regional superintendent  
13 conducted a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database, the  
14 applicant has not been identified in the Database as a sex  
15 offender. The school board of any school district may rely on  
16 the certificate issued by any regional superintendent to that  
17 substitute teacher, concurrent part-time teacher, or  
18 concurrent educational support personnel employee or may  
19 initiate its own criminal history records check of the  
20 applicant through the Department of State Police and its own  
21 check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database as provided in  
22 subsection (a). Any unauthorized release of confidential  
23 information may be a violation of Section 7 of the Criminal  
24 Identification Act.

25 (c) The board of education shall not knowingly employ a  
26 person who has been convicted of any offense that would subject

1 him or her to license suspension or revocation pursuant to  
2 Section 21B-80 of this Code, except as provided under  
3 subsection (b) of 21B-80. Further, the board of education shall  
4 not knowingly employ a person who has been found to be the  
5 perpetrator of sexual or physical abuse of any minor under 18  
6 years of age pursuant to proceedings under Article II of the  
7 Juvenile Court Act of 1987. The board of education shall not  
8 knowingly employ a person who has been issued an indicated  
9 finding of abuse or neglect of a child by the Department of  
10 Children and Family Services under the Abused and Neglected  
11 Child Reporting Act or by a child welfare agency of another  
12 jurisdiction.

13 (d) The board of education shall not knowingly employ a  
14 person for whom a criminal history records check and a  
15 Statewide Sex Offender Database check has not been initiated.

16 (e) No later than 15 business days after receipt of a  
17 record of conviction or of checking the Statewide Murderer and  
18 Violent Offender Against Youth Database or the Statewide Sex  
19 Offender Database and finding a registration, the general  
20 superintendent of schools or the applicable regional  
21 superintendent shall, in writing, notify the State  
22 Superintendent of Education of any license holder who has been  
23 convicted of a crime set forth in Section 21B-80 of this Code.  
24 Upon receipt of the record of a conviction of or a finding of  
25 child abuse by a holder of any license ~~certificate~~ issued  
26 pursuant to Article 21B ~~21~~ or Section 34-8.1 or 34-83 of the

1 School Code, the State Superintendent of Education may initiate  
2 licensure ~~certificate~~ suspension and revocation proceedings as  
3 authorized by law. If the receipt of the record of conviction  
4 or finding of child abuse is received within 6 months after the  
5 initial grant of or renewal of a license, the State  
6 Superintendent of Education may rescind the license holder's  
7 license.

8 (e-5) The general superintendent of schools shall, in  
9 writing, notify the State Superintendent of Education of any  
10 license ~~certificate~~ holder whom he or she has reasonable cause  
11 to believe has committed an intentional act of abuse or neglect  
12 with the result of making a child an abused child or a  
13 neglected child, as defined in Section 3 of the Abused and  
14 Neglected Child Reporting Act, and that act resulted in the  
15 license ~~certificate~~ holder's dismissal or resignation from the  
16 school district. This notification must be submitted within 30  
17 days after the dismissal or resignation. The license  
18 ~~certificate~~ holder must also be contemporaneously sent a copy  
19 of the notice by the superintendent. All correspondence,  
20 documentation, and other information so received by the State  
21 Superintendent of Education, the State Board of Education, or  
22 the State Educator Preparation and Licensure ~~State Teacher~~  
23 ~~Certification~~ Board under this subsection (e-5) is  
24 confidential and must not be disclosed to third parties, except  
25 (i) as necessary for the State Superintendent of Education or  
26 his or her designee to investigate and prosecute pursuant to

1 Article 21B ~~21~~ of this Code, (ii) pursuant to a court order,  
2 (iii) for disclosure to the license ~~certificate~~ holder or his  
3 or her representative, or (iv) as otherwise provided in this  
4 Article and provided that any such information admitted into  
5 evidence in a hearing is exempt from this confidentiality and  
6 non-disclosure requirement. Except for an act of willful or  
7 wanton misconduct, any superintendent who provides  
8 notification as required in this subsection (e-5) shall have  
9 immunity from any liability, whether civil or criminal or that  
10 otherwise might result by reason of such action.

11 (f) After March 19, 1990, the provisions of this Section  
12 shall apply to all employees of persons or firms holding  
13 contracts with any school district including, but not limited  
14 to, food service workers, school bus drivers and other  
15 transportation employees, who have direct, daily contact with  
16 the pupils of any school in such district. For purposes of  
17 criminal history records checks and checks of the Statewide Sex  
18 Offender Database on employees of persons or firms holding  
19 contracts with more than one school district and assigned to  
20 more than one school district, the regional superintendent of  
21 the educational service region in which the contracting school  
22 districts are located may, at the request of any such school  
23 district, be responsible for receiving the authorization for a  
24 criminal history records check prepared by each such employee  
25 and submitting the same to the Department of State Police and  
26 for conducting a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database

1 for each employee. Any information concerning the record of  
2 conviction and identification as a sex offender of any such  
3 employee obtained by the regional superintendent shall be  
4 promptly reported to the president of the appropriate school  
5 board or school boards.

6 (f-5) Upon request of a school or school district, any  
7 information obtained by the school district pursuant to  
8 subsection (f) of this Section within the last year must be  
9 made available to the requesting school or school district.

10 (g) Prior to the commencement of any student teaching  
11 experience or required internship (which is referred to as  
12 student teaching in this Section) in the public schools, a  
13 student teacher is required to authorize a fingerprint-based  
14 criminal history records check. Authorization for and payment  
15 of the costs of the check must be furnished by the student  
16 teacher to the school district. Upon receipt of this  
17 authorization and payment, the school district shall submit the  
18 student teacher's name, sex, race, date of birth, social  
19 security number, fingerprint images, and other identifiers, as  
20 prescribed by the Department of State Police, to the Department  
21 of State Police. The Department of State Police and the Federal  
22 Bureau of Investigation shall furnish, pursuant to a  
23 fingerprint-based criminal history records check, records of  
24 convictions, forever and hereinafter, until expunged, to the  
25 president of the board. The Department shall charge the school  
26 district a fee for conducting the check, which fee must not



1 exceed the cost of the inquiry and must be deposited into the  
2 State Police Services Fund. The school district shall further  
3 perform a check of the Statewide Sex Offender Database, as  
4 authorized by the Sex Offender Community Notification Law, and  
5 of the Statewide Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth  
6 Database, as authorized by the Murderer and Violent Offender  
7 Against Youth Registration Act, for each student teacher. The  
8 board may not knowingly allow a person to student teach for  
9 whom a criminal history records check, a Statewide Sex Offender  
10 Database check, and a Statewide Murderer and Violent Offender  
11 Against Youth Database check have not been completed and  
12 reviewed by the district.

13 A copy of the record of convictions obtained from the  
14 Department of State Police must be provided to the student  
15 teacher. Any information concerning the record of convictions  
16 obtained by the president of the board is confidential and may  
17 only be transmitted to the general superintendent of schools or  
18 his or her designee, the State Superintendent of Education, the  
19 State Educator Preparation and Licensure Board, or, for  
20 clarification purposes, the Department of State Police or the  
21 Statewide Sex Offender Database or Statewide Murderer and  
22 Violent Offender Against Youth Database. Any unauthorized  
23 release of confidential information may be a violation of  
24 Section 7 of the Criminal Identification Act.

25 The board may not knowingly allow a person to student teach  
26 who has been convicted of any offense that would subject him or

1 her to license suspension or revocation pursuant to subsection  
2 (c) of Section 21B-80 of this Code, except as provided under  
3 subsection (b) of Section 21B-80. Further, the board may not  
4 allow a person to student teach if he or she ~~or who~~ has been  
5 found to be the perpetrator of sexual or physical abuse of a  
6 minor under 18 years of age pursuant to proceedings under  
7 Article II of the Juvenile Court Act of 1987. The board may not  
8 knowingly allow a person to student teach who has been issued  
9 an indicated finding of abuse or neglect of a child by the  
10 Department of Children and Family Services under the Abused and  
11 Neglected Child Reporting Act or by a child welfare agency of  
12 another jurisdiction.

13 (h) (Blank).

14 (Source: P.A. 99-21, eff. 1-1-16; 99-667, eff. 7-29-16.)

15 (105 ILCS 5/34-84b) (from Ch. 122, par. 34-84b)

16 Sec. 34-84b. Conviction of criminal ~~sex~~ or narcotics  
17 offense, first degree murder, attempted first degree murder, or  
18 Class X felony as grounds for revocation of certificate.

19 (a) Whenever the holder of any certificate issued by the  
20 board of education has been convicted of any criminal ~~sex~~  
21 offense or narcotics offense as defined in this Section, the  
22 board of education shall forthwith suspend the certificate. If  
23 the conviction is reversed and the holder is acquitted of the  
24 offense in a new trial or the charges against him are  
25 dismissed, the board shall forthwith terminate the suspension

1 of the certificate. When the conviction becomes final, the  
2 board shall forthwith revoke the certificate. "Criminal Sex  
3 offense" as used in this Section means any one or more of the  
4 following offenses: (1) any offense defined in Sections 11-6,  
5 11-9 through 11-9.5, inclusive, and 11-30 (if punished as a  
6 Class 4 felony) of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal  
7 Code of 2012;~~7~~ Sections 11-14.1 ~~11-14~~ through 11-21, inclusive,  
8 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of 2012;  
9 Sections 11-23 (if punished as a Class 3 felony), 11-24, 11-25,  
10 and 11-26 of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the Criminal Code of  
11 2012; Section 10-5.1, subsection (c) of Section 10-9, and  
12 Sections 11-6.6, 11-11, 12-3.05, 12-3.3, 12-6.4, 12-7.1,  
13 12-34, 12-34.5, and 12-35 of the Criminal Code of 2012; and ~~and~~  
14 Sections 11-1.20, 11-1.30, 11-1.40, 11-1.50, 11-1.60, 12-13,  
15 12-14, 12-14.1, 12-15 and 12-16, 12-32, 12-33, 12C-45, and 26-4  
16 (if punished pursuant to subdivision (4) or (5) of subsection  
17 (d) of Section 26-4) of the Criminal Code of 1961 or the  
18 Criminal Code of 2012; (2) any attempt to commit any of the  
19 foregoing offenses, and (3) any offense committed or attempted  
20 in any other state which, if committed or attempted in this  
21 State, would have been punishable as one or more of the  
22 foregoing offenses. "Narcotics offense" as used in this Section  
23 means any one or more of the following offenses: (1) any  
24 offense defined in the Cannabis Control Act except those  
25 defined in Sections 4(a), 4(b) and 5(a) of that Act and any  
26 offense for which the holder of any certificate is placed on

1 probation under the provisions of Section 10 of that Act and  
2 fulfills the terms and conditions of probation as may be  
3 required by the court; (2) any offense defined in the Illinois  
4 Controlled Substances Act except any offense for which the  
5 holder of any certificate is placed on probation under the  
6 provisions of Section 410 of that Act and fulfills the terms  
7 and conditions of probation as may be required by the court;  
8 (3) any offense defined in the Methamphetamine Control and  
9 Community Protection Act except any offense for which the  
10 holder of any certificate is placed on probation under the  
11 provision of Section 70 of that Act and fulfills the terms and  
12 conditions of probation as may be required by the court; (4)  
13 any attempt to commit any of the foregoing offenses; and (5)  
14 any offense committed or attempted in any other state or  
15 against the laws of the United States which, if committed or  
16 attempted in this State, would have been punishable as one or  
17 more of the foregoing offenses.

18 (a-5) Whenever the holder of a license issued pursuant to  
19 Article 21B or applicant for a license to be issued pursuant to  
20 Article 21B has been charged with attempting to commit,  
21 conspiring to commit, soliciting, or committing a criminal  
22 offense, first degree murder, or a Class X felony or any  
23 offense committed or attempted in any other state or against  
24 the laws of the United States that, if committed or attempted  
25 in this State, would have been punishable as one or more of the  
26 foregoing offenses, the State Superintendent of Education

1 shall immediately suspend the license or deny the application  
2 until the person's criminal charges are adjudicated through a  
3 court of competent jurisdiction. If the person is acquitted,  
4 the license or application shall be immediately reinstated.

5 (b) Whenever the holder of any certificate issued by the  
6 board of education or pursuant to Article 21B ~~21~~ or any other  
7 provisions of the School Code has been convicted of first  
8 degree murder, attempted first degree murder, or a Class X  
9 felony, the board of education or the State Superintendent of  
10 Education shall forthwith suspend the certificate. If the  
11 conviction is reversed and the holder is acquitted of that  
12 offense in a new trial or the charges that he or she committed  
13 that offense are dismissed, the State Superintendent of  
14 Education ~~suspending authority~~ shall forthwith terminate the  
15 suspension of the certificate. When the conviction becomes  
16 final, the State Superintendent of Education shall forthwith  
17 revoke the certificate. The stated offenses of "first degree  
18 murder", "attempted first degree murder", and "Class X felony"  
19 referred to in this Section include any offense committed in  
20 another state that, if committed in this State, would have been  
21 punishable as any one of the stated offenses.

22 (Source: P.A. 96-1551, eff. 7-1-11; 97-1150, eff. 1-25-13.).