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10200HB1163ham001 LRB102 03179 NHT 25608 a 1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1163 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend House Bill 1163 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following: 3 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section 4 10-20.75 and by changing Section 11E-20 as follows: 5 6 (105 ILCS 5/10-20.75 new)7 Sec. 10-20.75. Calumet City reorganization of school 8 districts. (a) The City Council of the City of Calumet City, in 9 cooperation with the school boards of Dolton School District 10 149, Calumet City School District 155, Lincoln Elementary 11 School District 156, and Hoover-Schrum Memorial School 12 13 District 157, shall develop a plan to reorganize Dolton School District 149, Calumet City School District 155, Lincoln 14 15 Elementary School District 156, and Hoover-Schrum Memorial

School District 157 into a combined unit district by July 1,

- 1 2021. As part of the plan, the city council shall adopt an
- ordinance to set the boundaries of the combined unit district. 2
- The city council shall submit the plan to the State Board of 3
- 4 Education as soon as possible after the effective date of this
- 5 amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly.
- 6 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- contrary, the Mayor of the City of Calumet City, with the 7
- advice and consent of the city council, shall appoint a 8
- 9 7-member school board for the combined unit district.
- 10 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- 11 contrary, all collective bargaining agreements of Dolton
- School District 149, Calumet City School District 155, Lincoln 12
- Elementary School District 156, and Hoover-Schrum Memorial 13
- 14 School District 157 that are in effect on June 30, 2022 shall
- 15 be terminated on July 1, 2022.
- 16 (d) The city council shall study the educational growth of
- the combined unit district after the first year of the 17
- reorganization and determine the tax savings of the 18
- 19 reorganization. The city council shall report its findings to
- 20 the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2023.
- 2.1 (e) The city council shall adopt an ordinance to submit
- 22 the question of whether Dolton School District 149, Calumet
- City School District 155, Lincoln Elementary School District 23
- 24 156, and Hoover-Schrum Memorial School District 157 should
- have been reorganized into a combined unit district to the 25
- 26 electors of the city at the 2025 election, in accordance with

1 the Election Code. If a majority of the electors voting on the question disapprove of the reorganization, then the city 2 council, in cooperation with the school board of the combined 3 4 unit district, shall develop a plan to dissolve the combined 5 unit district and restore Dolton School District 149, Calumet City School District 155, Lincoln Elementary School District 6 156, and Hoover-Schrum Memorial School District 157 and submit 7 8 that plan to the State Board of Education.

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10 (105 ILCS 5/11E-20)

Sec. 11E-20. Combined school district formation. 11

- 12 (a) (1) The territory of 2 or more entire contiguous 13 elementary districts may be organized into a combined 14 elementary district under the provisions of this Article.
  - (2) Any 2 or more entire elementary districts that collectively are within or substantially coterminous with the boundaries of a high school district, regardless of whether the districts are compact and contiguous with each other, may be organized into a combined school district in accordance with this Article.
    - (3) Any 2 or more entire elementary districts that are not contiguous may be organized into a combined school district in accordance with this Article if the following requirements are met and documented within 2 calendar years prior to the petition filing date:

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- (A) the distance between each district administrative office is documented as no more than 30 miles; and
- (B) every district contiguous to a district wishing to organize into a combined school district under the provisions of this paragraph (3) determines that it is not interested in participating in a petition for a combined school district filed in accordance with this Article, through a vote of its school board, and documents that non-interest in a letter to the regional superintendent of schools containing approved minutes that record the school board vote.
- (b) (1) The territory of 2 or more entire contiguous high school districts may be organized into a combined high school district under the provisions of this Article.
- (2) Any 2 or more entire high school districts that are not contiguous may be organized into a combined school district in accordance with this Article if the following requirements are met and documented within 2 calendar years prior to the petition filing date:
  - (A) the distance between each district administrative office is documented as no more than 30 miles; and
  - (B) every district contiguous to a district wishing to organize into a combined school district under the provisions of this paragraph (2) determines that it is not interested in participating in a petition for a combined school district filed in accordance with this Article,

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through a vote of its school board, and documents that
non-interest in a letter to the regional superintendent of
schools containing approved minutes that record the school
board vote.

- (c) (1) The territory of 2 or more entire contiguous unit districts may be organized into a combined unit district under the provisions of this Article.
- (2) Any 2 or more entire unit districts that are not contiguous may be organized into a combined school district in accordance with this Article if the following requirements are met and documented within 2 calendar years prior to the petition filing date:
  - (A) the distance between each district administrative office is documented as no more than 30 miles; and
  - (B) every district contiguous to the district wishing to organize into a combined school district under the provisions of this paragraph (2) determines that it is not interested in participating in a petition for a combined school district filed in accordance with this Article, through a vote of its school board, and documents that non-interest in a letter to the regional superintendent of schools containing approved minutes that record the school board vote.
- (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, Dolton School District 149, Calumet City School District 155, Lincoln Elementary School District 156, and

- 1 Hoover-Schrum Memorial School District 157 shall be organized
- into a combined unit district as provided in Section 10-20.75. 2
- (Source: P.A. 98-125, eff. 8-2-13.) 3
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 4
- 5 becoming law.".