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| 1  | AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3461  |
| 2  | AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 3461 by replacing                           |
| 3  | everything after the enacting clause with the following:                  |
| 4  | "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section                |
| 5  | 10-23.13 as follows:  |
| 6  | (105 ILCS 5/10-23.13)   |
| 7  | Sec. 10-23.13. Policies addressing sexual abuse.                          |
| 8  | (a) In this Section, "evidence-informed" refers to                        |
| 9  | modalities that were created utilizing components of                      |
| 10 | evidence-based treatments or curriculums.                                 |
| 11 | (b) To adopt and implement, by no later than July 1, 2022,                |
| 12 | a policy addressing sexual abuse of children that <u>shall</u> may        |
| 13 | include <u>an</u> age-appropriate <u>and evidence-informed</u> curriculum |
| 14 | for students in pre-K through <u>12th</u> <del>5th</del> grade;           |
| 15 | evidence-informed training for school personnel on child                  |
| 16 | sexual abuse; evidence-informed educational information to                |

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parents or quardians provided in the school handbook on the 1 warning signs of a child being abused, along with any needed 2 assistance, referral, or resource information; available 3 4 counseling and resources for students affected by sexual 5 abuse; and emotional and educational support for a child of abuse to continue to be successful in school. A school 6 district shall include in its policy and all training 7 materials and instruction a definition of prohibited grooming 8 9 behaviors and boundary violations for school personnel and how 10 to report these behaviors.

Any policy adopted <u>under this Section shall</u> may address without limitation:

13 (1) methods for increasing school personnel teacher, 14 student, and parent awareness of issues regarding sexual 15 abuse of children, including awareness and knowledge of 16 likely warning signs indicating that a child may be a victim of sexual abuse, awareness and knowledge of 17 grooming behaviors and how to report those behaviors, 18 19 awareness of appropriate relationships between school 20 personnel and students based on State law, and how to prevent child abuse from happening, including, but not 21 limited to methods outlined in State law regarding 22 23 personal health and safety education for students;

24 (1.5) evidence-informed training for school personnel
 25 on preventing, recognizing, reporting, and responding to
 26 child sexual abuse and grooming behavior, including when

the grooming or abuse is committed by a member of the 1 school community, with a discussion of the criminal 2 statutes addressing sexual conduct between school 3 4 personnel and students, professional conduct, and 5 reporting requirements, including, but not limited to, training as outlined in Section 10-22.39 and Section 3-11; 6 (2) options actions that a student child who is a 7 8 victim of sexual abuse has <del>should take</del> to obtain 9 assistance and intervention; and 10 (3) available counseling options for students affected by sexual abuse; -11 (4) methods for educating school personnel, students, 12 13 and staff on how to report child abuse to law enforcement 14 authorities and to the Department of Children and Family 15 Services and how to report grooming behaviors, including 16 when the grooming or abuse is committed by a member of the 17 school community; and (5) education and information about children's 18 19 advocacy centers and sexual assault crisis centers and 20 information about how to access a children's advocacy center or sexual assault crisis center serving the 21 22 district. 23 (c) A school district must provide training for school 24 personnel on child sexual abuse as described in paragraph 25 (1.5) of subsection (b) no later than January 31 of each year. 26 This Section may be referred to as Erin's Law.

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1 (Source: P.A. 96-1524, eff. 2-14-11.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
3 becoming law.".