



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB5348

Introduced 1/31/2022, by Rep. Thomas M. Bennett

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/27-2.5 new

Amends the School Code. Allows a school board to discontinue, by publicly adopted resolution, any instructional mandate in the Courses of Study Article of the School Code unless a separate State appropriation is made for the school district that provides full funding for the specific instructional mandate (with exceptions). Provides that if a student requests information on any instructional mandate that has been discontinued, then the school district shall provide the student with the requested information. Effective immediately.

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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 School Code is amended by adding Section
5 27-2.5 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/27-2.5 new)

7 Sec. 27-2.5. Instructional mandate discontinuance.

8 (a) For the purposes of this Section, "instructional
9 mandate" means any State law in this Article that requires a
10 school district to devote any amount of time to the
11 instruction of or engagement by students in a subject or
12 course.

13 (b) Notwithstanding Section 2-3.25g or any other provision
14 of this Code, a school board may discontinue, by publicly
15 adopted resolution, any instructional mandate in this Article
16 unless a separate State appropriation, other than funding
17 received by the school district under Section 18-8.15 of this
18 Code, is made for the school district that provides full
19 funding for the specific instructional mandate. This Section,
20 however, does not permit a school board to discontinue by
21 resolution the requirements set forth in Sections 27-5, 27-6,
22 27-7, and 27-22 of this Code and Sections 27-24 through
23 27-24.8 of this Code.

1 (c) If a student requests information on any instructional
2 mandate that has been discontinued under this Section, then
3 the school district shall provide the student with the
4 requested information.

5 (d) The State Board of Education may adopt any rules that
6 it deems necessary for the implementation of this Section.

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
8 becoming law.