

1 AN ACT regarding higher education.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Public Community College Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 2-12.2 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 805/2-12.2 new)

7 Sec. 2-12.2. New district; former Metropolitan Community  
8 College District No. 541.

9 (a) The State Board shall establish a new community  
10 college district, to be known as Gateway Community College,  
11 to be comprised of the territory of former Metropolitan  
12 Community College District No. 541 established under Section  
13 2-12.1. The State Board may not abolish, restrict, or take  
14 over the operation of Gateway Community College without first  
15 notifying the General Assembly and receiving permission from  
16 the General Assembly for the action.

17 (b) The State Board shall provide financial and  
18 technical assistance to Gateway Community College in becoming  
19 established. The State Board shall transfer to Gateway  
20 Community College all documents, equipment, and books and any  
21 other personal property that was in the possession of or  
22 owned by former Metropolitan Community College District No.  
23 541 at the time that it was abolished. If the State Board  
24 fails to transfer the documents, equipment, books, or any  
25 other personal property to Gateway Community College, the  
26 State Board shall make a full accounting of the items not  
27 placed in the physical and legal custody of Gateway Community  
28 College to the governing board of Gateway Community College,  
29 with an estimate of the replacement cost of the items, and  
30 shall credit the accounts of Gateway Community College in  
31 that amount. The State Board shall, upon the date of the

1 establishment of Gateway Community College, convey to Gateway  
2 Community College the real estate and improvements that  
3 comprised the campus of former Metropolitan Community College  
4 District No. 541 at the time that it was abolished.

5 (c) The State Board shall adopt all rules necessary to  
6 carry out its responsibilities under this Section.