



93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 947/15

Amends the Higher Education Student Assistance Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning establishment of the Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

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1 AN ACT concerning higher education.

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

4 Section 5. The Higher Education Student Assistance Act is
5 amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 947/15)

7 Sec. 15. Illinois Student Assistance Commission.

8 (a) There is established the Illinois Student Assistance
9 Commission, consisting of 10 persons ~~to be~~ appointed by the
10 Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The
11 membership of the Commission shall consist of one
12 representative of the institutions of higher learning operated
13 by the State; one representative of the private institutions of
14 higher learning located in the State; one representative of the
15 public community colleges located in the State; one
16 representative of the public high schools located in the State;
17 5 citizens of the State chosen for their knowledge of and
18 interest in higher education, but not employed by,
19 professionally affiliated with, or members of the governing
20 boards of any institution of higher learning located in the
21 State, and one student member selected from nominations
22 submitted to the Governor by multi-campus student
23 organizations, including but not limited to, the Illinois
24 Student Association, the Organization of Community College
25 Students, the recognized advisory committee of students of the
26 Board of Higher Education, and the recognized advisory
27 committee of students of the Federation of Independent Illinois
28 Colleges and Universities. The Governor shall designate one
29 member, other than the student member, as chairman. Each member
30 of the Commission, including the student member, shall serve
31 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses
32 necessarily incurred in performing his or her duties under this

1 Act. Subject to a requirement that Commission members in office
2 on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995 may serve
3 the full term to which they were appointed, the appointment of
4 Commission members to terms that commence on or after that
5 effective date shall be made in a manner that gives effect at
6 the earliest possible time to the change that is required by
7 this amendatory Act in the representative composition of the
8 Commission's membership.

9 (b) The term of office of each member, other than the
10 student member, is 6 years from July 1 of the year of
11 appointment, and until his successor is appointed and
12 qualified. If a member's tenure of office, other than that of
13 the student member, is terminated for any reason before his or
14 her term has expired, the Governor shall fill the vacancy by
15 the appointment of a person who has the same representative
16 status as the person whose term has been so terminated, and the
17 new appointee shall hold office only for the remainder of that
18 term and until a successor is appointed and qualified. The term
19 of the student member shall be for 2 years from July 1 of each
20 odd-numbered year. If the tenure of the student member is
21 terminated for any reason, the vacancy shall be filled in the
22 same manner as heretofore provided for a regular term of office
23 appointment of the student member. The new student appointee
24 shall hold office only for the remainder of that term. No
25 student member may receive a scholarship or grant pursuant to
26 this Act during his or her term of office with the Commission.

27 (c) In accordance with the provisions of the State
28 Universities Civil Service Act, the Commission shall employ a
29 professionally qualified person as the Executive Director of
30 the Commission, and such other employees as may be necessary to
31 effectuate the purposes of this Act.

32 (d) The Commission shall meet at least once in each fiscal
33 year, and may meet at other times which the Chairman may
34 designate by giving at least 10 days' written notice to each
35 member.

36 (Source: P.A. 89-419, eff. 6-1-96.)