

1 AN ACT relating to schools.

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

4 Section 5. The Private Business and Vocational Schools  
5 Act is amended by changing Section 1.1 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 425/1.1) (from Ch. 144, par. 136.1)

7 Sec. 1.1. Exemptions and annual filing.

8 (a) For purposes of this Act, the following shall not be  
9 considered to be a private business and vocational school:

10 (1) Any eleemosynary institution.

11 (2) Any religious institution.

12 (3) Any public educational institution exempt from  
13 property taxation under the laws of this State.

14 (4) Any in-service course of instruction and  
15 subject offered by an employer provided no tuition is  
16 charged and such instruction is offered only to employees  
17 of such employer.

18 (5) Any educational institution (A) which (i) on  
19 the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1984 or  
20 which on January 2, 2001 enrolls a majority of its  
21 students in degree programs and<sub>7</sub> has maintained an  
22 accredited status with the Commission on Institutions of  
23 Higher Education of the North Central Association of  
24 Colleges and Schools or (ii) on or after the effective  
25 date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly  
26 enrolls students in one or more bachelor-level programs,  
27 enrolls a majority of its students in degree programs,  
28 and is accredited by a national accrediting agency that  
29 is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education<sub>7</sub> and  
30 (B) which is regulated by the Illinois Board of Higher  
31 Education under the Private College Act or the Academic

1 Degree Act, or which is exempt from such regulation under  
2 either of the foregoing Acts solely for the reason that  
3 such educational institution was in operation on the  
4 effective date of either such Act.

5 (6) Any institution and the franchisees of such  
6 institution which offer exclusively a course of  
7 instruction in income tax theory or return preparation at  
8 a total contract price of no more than \$400, provided  
9 that the total annual enrollment of such institution for  
10 all such courses of instruction exceeds 500 students, and  
11 further provided that the total contract price for all  
12 instruction offered to a student in any one calendar year  
13 does not exceed \$400. For each calendar year after 1990,  
14 the total contract price shall be adjusted, rounded off  
15 to the nearest dollar, by the same percentage as the  
16 increase or decrease in the general price level as  
17 measured by the consumer price index for all urban  
18 consumers for the United States, or its successor index,  
19 as defined and officially reported by the United States  
20 Department of Labor, or its successor agency. The change  
21 in the index shall be that as first published by the  
22 Department of Labor for the calendar year immediately  
23 preceding the year in which the total contract price is  
24 calculated.

25 (b) An institution exempted under subsection (a) of this  
26 Section must file with the Superintendent an annual financial  
27 report to demonstrate continued compliance by the institution  
28 with the requirements on which the exemption is based.

29 (Source: P.A. 92-62, eff. 1-1-02.)

30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
31 becoming law.