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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 930/Act title	
110 ILCS 930/1	from Ch. 144, par. 2301
110 ILCS 930/2	from Ch. 144, par. 2302
110 ILCS 930/3	from Ch. 144, par. 2303
110 ILCS 930/4	from Ch. 144, par. 2304
110 ILCS 930/6	from Ch. 144, par. 2306
110 ILCS 930/7	from Ch. 144, par. 2307
110 ILCS 930/8	from Ch. 144, par. 2308
110 ILCS 930/9	from Ch. 144, par. 2309
110 ILCS 930/10	from Ch. 144, par. 2310
110 ILCS 930/11	from Ch. 144, par. 2311
110 ILCS 930/11.5 new	
110 ILCS 930/5 rep.	

Amends the Illinois Consortium for Educational Opportunity Act. Changes the short title to the Diversifying Faculty in Illinois Program Act. Makes changes concerning the definition of "institution of higher education", the Program Board, assistance to graduates, subcommittees, reporting, grants, and other matters. Effective July 1, 2004.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

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 Illinois Consortium for Educational
5 Opportunity Act is amended by changing the title of the Act and
6 Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11 and by adding
7 Section 11.5 as follows:

8 (110 ILCS 930/Act title)

9 An Act to create the Diversifying Faculty in Illinois
10 Program ~~Illinois Consortium for Educational Opportunity~~.

11 (110 ILCS 930/1) (from Ch. 144, par. 2301)

12 Sec. 1. Short Title. This Act ~~shall be known and~~ may be
13 cited as the Diversifying Faculty in Illinois ~~Illinois~~
14 ~~Consortium for Educational Opportunity~~ Act.

15 (Source: P.A. 84-785.)

16 (110 ILCS 930/2) (from Ch. 144, par. 2302)

17 Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this Act, unless the
18 context otherwise requires:

19 ~~(a) "Board" means the Board of Higher Education.~~

20 ~~(b) "Institution of higher education" means a publicly or~~
21 ~~privately operated educational institution located within~~
22 ~~Illinois: (1) which offers instruction leading toward or~~
23 ~~prerequisite to an academic or professional degree beyond the~~
24 ~~baccalaureate degree, excluding theological schools, and (2)~~
25 ~~which requires that in order to obtain such degree the student~~
26 ~~satisfactorily completes appropriate courses of class,~~
27 ~~laboratory or research study in residence under a faculty whose~~
28 ~~members hold appropriate academic degrees, and (3) which meets~~
29 ~~the standards of approval established by the Board of Higher~~
30 ~~Education.~~

1 ~~(e) "Consortium Board" means the representatives of the~~
2 ~~institutions of higher education participating in the~~
3 ~~Consortium established under this Act.~~

4 "DFI" ~~(d) "ICEOP"~~ means the Diversifying Faculty in
5 Illinois Program ~~Illinois Consortium for Educational~~
6 ~~Opportunity program~~ of financial assistance to minorities who
7 are traditionally underrepresented as participants in
8 postsecondary education. The program shall assist them in
9 pursuing a graduate or professional degree and shall also
10 assist program graduates to find employment at an Illinois
11 institution of higher education, including a community
12 college, in a faculty or staff position.

13 "Program Board" means the entity created to administer the
14 grant program authorized by this Act.

15 "Qualified institution of higher education" means a
16 qualifying publicly or privately operated educational
17 institution located within Illinois (i) that offers
18 instruction leading toward or prerequisite to an academic or
19 professional degree beyond the baccalaureate degree, excluding
20 theological schools, and (ii) that is authorized to operate in
21 the State of Illinois.

22 ~~(e)~~ "Racial minority" means a person who is a citizen of
23 the United States or a lawful permanent resident alien of the
24 United States and who is:

25 (1) Black (a person having origins in any of the black
26 racial groups in Africa);

27 (2) Hispanic (a person of Spanish or Portuguese culture
28 with origins in Mexico, South or Central America, or the
29 Caribbean Islands, regardless of race);

30 (3) Asian American (a person having origins in any of
31 the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the
32 Indian Subcontinent or the Pacific Islands); or

33 (4) American Indian or Alaskan Native (a person having
34 origins in any of the original peoples of North America).

35 (Source: P.A. 84-785.)

1 (110 ILCS 930/3) (from Ch. 144, par. 2303)

2 Sec. 3. Composition of the Program Consortium Board. The
3 Program Board shall be comprised of 21 members and shall be
4 appointed by the Board of Higher Education. Persons appointed
5 to the Program Board shall include, but need not be limited to,
6 individuals who are in leadership positions in institutions of
7 higher education, including community colleges. Consortium
8 Board shall include one representative from each of the
9 institutions of higher education participating in the
10 Consortium.

11 ~~The method of selection shall be determined by each~~
12 ~~institution of higher education.~~

13 The Board shall assure, ~~by additional appointments to the~~
14 ~~Consortium Board, if necessary,~~ that racial minorities who are
15 traditionally underrepresented in postsecondary education
16 programs and activities are members of the Program Consortium
17 Board.

18 (Source: P.A. 84-785.)

19 (110 ILCS 930/4) (from Ch. 144, par. 2304)

20 Sec. 4. Responsibilities of the Program Consortium Board.
21 The Program Consortium Board shall be responsible for:

22 (a) Establishing policy for administration of the DFI
23 ~~ICEOP~~ grant program authorized under this Act, including
24 criteria to promote placement of grant recipients.

25 (b) Reviewing and approving applications for
26 participation in the DFI ~~ICEOP~~ grant program.

27 (c) Establishing subcommittees or panels as necessary
28 to review applications and promote student placement.

29 (d) Reporting annually to the Board on program outcomes
30 and results, including lists of new and continuing
31 scholarship award recipients by institution, level, and
32 field of study; lists of recipients retained in the program
33 from the previous year; lists of placements of most recent
34 program graduates; a description of institutional efforts
35 to place program graduates; and a description of policy and

1 administrative actions designed to increase placement of
2 grant recipients.

3 (Source: P.A. 84-785.)

4 (110 ILCS 930/6) (from Ch. 144, par. 2306)

5 Sec. 6. DFI ~~ICEOP~~ grants. A program of financial assistance
6 is established to implement the policy of encouraging minority
7 students to enroll and complete academic programs at the
8 postbaccalaureate level and to enhance the diversity of faculty
9 and staff of Illinois institutions of higher education. The
10 Board of Higher Education shall provide administrative
11 assistance for the Program Consortium Board and shall
12 distribute funds appropriated by the General Assembly for this
13 purpose in accordance with decisions made by the Program
14 ~~Consortium~~ Board.

15 (Source: P.A. 84-785.)

16 (110 ILCS 930/7) (from Ch. 144, par. 2307)

17 Sec. 7. Eligibility for DFI ~~ICEOP~~ grants. An individual is
18 eligible for an award under the provisions of this Act when the
19 Program Consortium Board finds:

20 (a) That the individual is a resident of this State and
21 a citizen or lawful permanent resident alien of the United
22 States;

23 (b) That the individual is a member of a racial
24 minority as defined under the terms of this Act;

25 (c) That the individual has earned any educational
26 diploma at an institution of education located in this
27 State, or is a resident of the State for no less than three
28 years prior to applying for the grant, and the individual
29 must hold a baccalaureate degree from an institution of
30 higher learning;

31 (d) That the individual's financial resources are such
32 that, in the absence of a DFI ~~an ICEOP~~ grant, the
33 individual will be prevented from pursuing a graduate or
34 professional degree at a qualified institution of higher

1 education of his or her choice;

2 (e) That the individual has above average academic
3 ability to pursue a graduate or professional degree; and

4 (f) That the individual meets other qualifications
5 which shall be established by the Program Consortium Board.
6 Grant funds shall be awarded only to those persons pursuing
7 a graduate or professional degree program at a qualified
8 institution of higher education.

9 The ~~Consortium~~ Board shall by rule promulgate, pursuant to
10 the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, precise standards
11 to be used by the Program Board to determine whether a program
12 applicant has above average academic ability to pursue a
13 graduate or professional degree.

14 (Source: P.A. 85-1337.)

15 (110 ILCS 930/8) (from Ch. 144, par. 2308)

16 Sec. 8. Application. The Program Consortium Board shall
17 design the application for the DFI ~~ICEOP~~ award and determine
18 the timetable for submission of the application.

19 (Source: P.A. 84-785.)

20 (110 ILCS 930/9) (from Ch. 144, par. 2309)

21 Sec. 9. Terms of award. After a person has been accepted
22 into the DFI ~~ICEOP~~, the individual shall be eligible for an
23 annual award which may ~~shall~~ be renewable for up to an
24 additional 3 years provided that he or she makes satisfactory
25 progress toward completing his or her degree. The Program
26 ~~Consortium~~ Board shall determine the award amount annually.

27 (Source: P.A. 92-45, eff. 7-1-02.)

28 (110 ILCS 930/10) (from Ch. 144, par. 2310)

29 Sec. 10. Conditions of award. Conditions for acceptance of
30 a DFI ~~an ICEOP~~ award are that the recipient shall agree to: (1)
31 accept a teaching or nonteaching full-time appointment at an
32 Illinois institution of higher education; or (2) ~~accept a~~
33 ~~position at one of the higher education governing boards for~~

1 ~~the period equal to the number of years that he or she was a~~
2 ~~participant in the ICEOP; or (3)~~ accept a position as an
3 employee of this State in an administrative,
4 educational-related ~~education-related~~ position for the period
5 equal to the number of years that he or she was a participant
6 in the DFI ~~ICEOP~~.

7 (Source: P.A. 85-727.)

8 (110 ILCS 930/11) (from Ch. 144, par. 2311)

9 Sec. 11. Penalty for failure to fulfill the conditions of a
10 DFI ~~an ICEOP~~ award. If the obligation of the award is not met,
11 repayment of the funds awarded may be required according to
12 procedures ~~rules~~ developed by the Program Consortium Board.

13 (Source: P.A. 84-785.)

14 (110 ILCS 930/11.5 new)

15 Sec. 11.5. Continuing participants. Program participants
16 admitted under the provisions of the former Illinois Minority
17 Graduate Incentive Program/Illinois Consortium for Educational
18 Opportunity Program prior to January 1, 2004 shall be governed
19 by the statutory provisions and rules governing the program at
20 the time of their admission.

21 (110 ILCS 930/5 rep.)

22 Section 10. The Illinois Consortium for Educational
23 Opportunity Act is amended by repealing Section 5.

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
25 2004.