



**94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**State of Illinois**  
**2005 and 2006**  
**HB0312**

Introduced 1/19/2005, by Rep. John A. Fritchey - Paul D. Froehlich

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

105 ILCS 5/27-20.3  
30 ILCS 805/8.29 new

from Ch. 122, par. 27-20.3

Amends the School Code. Provides that the required unit of instruction studying the events of the Holocaust shall be expanded to include the study of other events of genocide, including those in Ukraine, Cambodia, Bosnia, Rwanda, and Sudan. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

1 AN ACT concerning schools.

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 changing Section  
5 27-20.3 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/27-20.3) (from Ch. 122, par. 27-20.3)

7 Sec. 27-20.3. Genocide study ~~Holocaust Study~~. Every public  
8 elementary school and high school shall include in its  
9 curriculum a unit of instruction studying ~~the~~ events of  
10 genocide across the globe. This unit of instruction shall  
11 primarily include, but not be limited to, the Famine-Genocide  
12 in Ukraine from 1932 to 1933, the Nazi atrocities of 1933 to  
13 1945 ~~. This period in world history is known as the Holocaust,~~  
14 and more recent acts of genocide in Cambodia, Bosnia, Rwanda,  
15 and Sudan, during which 6,000,000 Jews and millions of non Jews  
16 ~~were exterminated.~~ The studying of this material is a  
17 reaffirmation of the awareness that crimes of genocide continue  
18 to be perpetrated as they had been in the past and of the  
19 commitment of free peoples from all nations to prevent  
20 additional acts of genocide from occurring in the future ~~to~~  
21 ~~never again permit the occurrence of another Holocaust.~~

22 The State Superintendent of Education may prepare and make  
23 available to all school boards instructional materials which  
24 may be used as guidelines for development of a unit of  
25 instruction under this Section; provided, however, that each  
26 school board shall itself determine the minimum amount of  
27 instruction time which shall qualify as a unit of instruction  
28 satisfying the requirements of this Section.

29 (Source: P.A. 86-780.)

30 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding  
31 Section 8.29 as follows:

1 (30 ILCS 805/8.29 new)

2 Sec. 8.29. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8  
3 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the  
4 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of  
5 the 94th General Assembly.

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