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Introduced 01/27/06, by Rep. Calvin L. Giles

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

30 ILCS 105/8a	from Ch.	127,	par.	144a
105 ILCS 5/18-11	from Ch.	122,	par.	18-11

Amends the State Finance Act and the School Code. Provides that on or before the 11th and 21st days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund and Education Assistance Fund 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for distribution to all school districts from those Funds. With respect to payments from the Common School Fund, provides that as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of each of the months of August through the following June (instead of July), the State Comptroller shall draw his or her warrants upon the State Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education in an amount equal to 1/22 (instead of 1/24) of the total amount to be distributed to school districts for the fiscal year. Effective July 1, 2006.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY HB5551

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AN ACT concerning education.

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

Section 5. The State Finance Act is amended by changing
Section 8a as follows:

6 (30 ILCS 105/8a) (from Ch. 127, par. 144a)

Sec. 8a. Common School Fund; transfers to Common School
Fund and Education Assistance Fund.

9 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this Section 10 and except as otherwise provided in this subsection (a) with 11 respect to amounts transferred from the General Revenue Fund to 12 the Common School Fund for distribution therefrom for the 13 benefit of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of 14 Illinois and the Public School Teachers' Pension and Retirement 15 Fund of Chicago:

(1) With respect to all school districts, for each 16 fiscal year before fiscal year 2007, other than fiscal year 17 18 1994, on or before the eleventh and twenty-first days of 19 each of the months of August through the following July, at a time or times designated by the Governor, the State 20 Treasurer and the State Comptroller shall transfer from the 21 General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund and 22 Education Assistance Fund, as appropriate, 1/24 or so much 23 24 thereof as may be necessary of the amount appropriated to 25 the State Board of Education for distribution to all school 26 districts from such Common School Fund and Education Assistance Fund, for the fiscal year, including interest on 27 the School Fund proportionate for that distribution for 28 29 such year.

30 (1.5) With respect to all school districts, for fiscal
 31 year 2007 and each fiscal year thereafter, on or before the
 32 11th and 21st days of each of the months of August through

1 the following June, at a time or times designated by the 2 Governor, the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common 3 School Fund and Education Assistance Fund, as appropriate, 4 5 1/22 or so much thereof as may be necessary of the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for 6 distribution to all school districts from the Common School 7 Fund and Education Assistance Fund, for the fiscal year, 8 including interest on the Common School Fund proportionate 9 for that distribution for that year. 10

11 (2) With respect to all school districts, but for fiscal year 1994 only, on the 11th day of August, 1993 and 12 on or before the 11th and 21st days of each of the months 13 of October, 1993 through July, 1994 at a time or times 14 designated by the Governor, the State Treasurer and the 15 16 State Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue 17 Fund to the Common School Fund 1/24 or so much thereof as may be necessary of the amount appropriated to the State 18 Board of Education for distribution to all school districts 19 20 from such Common School Fund, for fiscal year 1994, including interest on the School Fund proportionate for 21 that distribution for such year; and on or before the 21st 22 23 day of August, 1993 at a time or times designated by the Governor, the State Treasurer and the State Comptroller 24 shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common 25 School Fund 3/24 or so much thereof as may be necessary of 26 27 the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for 28 distribution to all school districts from the Common School 29 Fund, for fiscal year 1994, including interest proportionate for that distribution on the School Fund for 30 31 such fiscal year.

The amounts of the payments made in July of each year, if required: (i) shall be considered an outstanding liability as of the 30th day of June immediately preceding those July payments, within the meaning of Section 25 of this Act; (ii) shall be payable from the appropriation for the fiscal year - 3 - LRB094 16301 NHT 51549 b

1 that ended on that 30th day of June; and (iii) shall be 2 considered payments for claims covering the school year that 3 commenced during the immediately preceding calendar year.

foregoing 4 Notwithstanding the provisions of this 5 subsection, as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of 6 each of the months of August through May, 1/24, and on or as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of June, 1/12 of the 7 8 annual amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for 9 distribution and payment during that fiscal year from the Common School Fund to and for the benefit of the Teachers' 10 Retirement System of the State of Illinois (until the end of 11 12 State fiscal year 1995) and the Public School Teachers' Pension 13 and Retirement Fund of Chicago as provided by the Illinois Pension Code and Section 18-7 of the School Code, or so much 14 15 thereof as may be necessary, shall be transferred by the State 16 Treasurer and the State Comptroller from the General Revenue 17 Fund to the Common School Fund to permit semi-monthly payments from the Common School Fund to and for the benefit of such 18 19 teacher retirement systems as required by Section 18-7 of the 20 School Code.

Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section, on or 21 as soon as may be after the 15th day of each month, beginning 22 23 in July of 1995, 1/12 of the annual amount appropriated for that fiscal year from the Common School Fund to the Teachers' 24 Retirement System of the State of Illinois (other than amounts 25 26 appropriated under Section 1.1 of the State Pension Funds 27 Continuing Appropriation Act), or so much thereof as may be 28 necessary, shall be transferred by the State Treasurer and the 29 State Comptroller from the General Revenue Fund to the Common 30 School Fund to permit monthly payments from the Common School 31 Fund to that retirement system in accordance with Section 32 16-158 of the Illinois Pension Code and Section 18-7 of the School Code, except that such transfers in fiscal year 2004 33 from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund for the 34 35 benefit of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois shall be reduced in the aggregate by the State 36

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1 Comptroller and State Treasurer to adjust for the amount 2 transferred to the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of 3 Illinois pursuant to subsection (a) of Section 6z-61. Amounts appropriated to the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of 4 5 Illinois under Section 1.1 of the State Pension Funds Continuing Appropriation Act shall be transferred by the State 6 Treasurer and the State Comptroller from the General Revenue 7 8 Fund to the Common School Fund as necessary to provide for the 9 payment of vouchers drawn against those appropriations.

10 The Governor may notify the State Treasurer and the State 11 Comptroller to transfer, at a time designated by the Governor, 12 such additional amount as may be necessary to effect advance 13 distribution to school districts of amounts that otherwise would be payable in the next month pursuant to Sections 18-8 14 15 through 18-10 of the School Code. The State Treasurer and the 16 State Comptroller shall thereupon transfer such additional 17 amount. The aggregate amount transferred from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund in the eleven months 18 19 beginning August 1 of any fiscal year shall not be in excess of the amount necessary for payment of claims certified by the 20 21 Superintendent Education State of pursuant to the 22 appropriation of the Common School Fund for that fiscal year. 23 Notwithstanding the provisions of the first paragraph in this 24 section, no transfer to effect an advance distribution shall be made in any month except on notification, as provided above, by 25 26 the Governor.

The State Comptroller and State Treasurer shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund and the Education Assistance Fund such amounts as may be required to honor the vouchers presented by the State Board of Education pursuant to Sections 18-3, 18-4.3, 18-5, 18-6 and 18-7 of the School Code.

33 The State Comptroller shall report all transfers provided 34 for in this Act to the President of the Senate, Minority Leader 35 of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and Minority Leader of the 36 House. HB5551

1 (b) On or before the 11th and 21st days of each of the 2 months of June, 1982 through July, 1983, at a time or times 3 designated by the Governor, the State Treasurer and the State 4 Comptroller shall transfer from the General Revenue Fund to the 5 Common School Fund 1/24 or so much thereof as may be necessary 6 of the amount appropriated to the State Board of Education for distribution from such Common School Fund, for that same fiscal 7 year, including interest on the School Fund for such year. The 8 9 amounts of the payments in the months of July, 1982 and July, 1983 shall be considered an outstanding liability as of the 10 11 30th day of June immediately preceding such July payment, 12 within the meaning of Section 25 of this Act, and shall be payable from the appropriation for the fiscal year which ended 13 on such 30th day of June, and such July payments shall be 14 15 considered payments for claims covering school years 1981-1982 16 and 1982-1983 respectively.

17 In the event the Governor makes notification to effect advanced distribution under the provisions of subsection (a) of 18 19 this Section, the aggregate amount transferred from the General 20 Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund in the 12 months beginning August 1, 1981 or the 12 months beginning August 1, 21 1982 shall not be in excess of the amount necessary for payment 22 23 of claims certified by the State Superintendent of Education pursuant to the appropriation of the Common School Fund for the 24 fiscal years commencing on the first of July of the years 1981 25 26 and 1982.

27 (Source: P.A. 93-665, eff. 3-5-04.)

28 Section 10. The School Code is amended by changing Section 29 18-11 as follows:

30 (105 ILCS 5/18-11) (from Ch. 122, par. 18-11)

31 Sec. 18-11. Payment of claims.

32 (a) For each fiscal year before fiscal year 2007, except
 33 Except as provided in subsection (b) of this Section with
 34 respect to payments made under Sections 18-8 through 18-10 of

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this Code for the period of June 1982 through July 1983 $_{ au}$ and 1 2 except as provided in subsection (c) of this Section with 3 respect to payments made under Sections 18-8 through 18-10 for 4 fiscal year 1994 only, as soon as may be after the 10th and 5 20th days of each of the months of August through the following 6 July, if moneys are available in the common school fund in the State treasury for payments under Sections 18-8 through 18-10, 7 8 the State Comptroller shall draw his warrants upon the State 9 Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education pursuant 10 to Section 2-3.17b and in accordance with the transfers from 11 the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund as specified 12 in Section 8a of the State Finance Act.

Each such semimonthly warrant shall be in an amount equal 13 to 1/24 of the total amount to be distributed to school 14 districts for the fiscal year. The amount of payments made in 15 16 July of each year shall be considered as payments for claims 17 covering the school year that commenced during the immediately preceding calendar year. If the payments provided for under 18 19 Sections 18-8 through 18-10 have been assigned as security for 20 State aid anticipation certificates pursuant to Section 18-18, the State Board of Education shall pay the appropriate amount 21 of the payment, as specified in the notification required by 22 23 Section 18-18, directly to the assignee.

(a-5) With respect to payments made under Sections 18-8.05 24 through 18-10 of this Code for fiscal year 2007 and each fiscal 25 year thereafter, as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days 26 27 of each of the months of August through the following June, if moneys are available in the Common School Fund in the State 28 treasury for payments under Sections 18-8.05 through 18-10 of 29 30 this Code, the State Comptroller shall draw his or her warrants 31 upon the State Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education pursuant to Section 2-3.17b of this Code and in 32 accordance with the transfers from the General Revenue Fund to 33 the Common School Fund as specified in Section 8a of the State 34 35 Finance Act.

36 Each such semimonthly warrant shall be in an amount equal

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to 1/22 of the total amount to be distributed to school 1 2 districts for the fiscal year. If the payments provided for under Sections 18-8.05 through 18-10 of this Code have been 3 assigned as security for State aid anticipation certificates 4 5 pursuant to Section 18-18 of this Code, then the State Board of Education shall pay the appropriate amount of the payment, as 6 specified in the notification required by Section 18-18 of this 7 Code, directly to the assignee. 8

(b) As soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days of each 9 of the months of June, 1982 through July, 1983, if moneys are 10 11 available in the Common School Fund in the State treasury for 12 payments under Sections 18-8 through 18-10, the State 13 Comptroller shall draw his warrants upon the State Treasurer proportionate for the various counties payable to the regional 14 15 superintendent of schools in accordance with the transfers from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund as specified 16 17 in Section 8a of the State Finance Act.

Each such semimonthly warrant for the months of June and July, 1982 shall be in an amount equal to 1/24 of the total amount to be distributed to school districts by the regional superintendent for school year 1981-1982.

Each such semimonthly warrant for the months of August, 1982 through July, 1983 shall be in an amount equal to 1/24 of the total amount to be distributed to school districts by the regional superintendent for school year 1982-1983.

26 The State Superintendent of Education shall, from monies 27 appropriated for such purpose, compensate districts for 28 interest lost arising from the change in payments in June, 1982 29 to payments in the months of June and July, 1982, for claims 30 arising from school year 1981-1982. The amount appropriated for such purpose shall be based upon the Prime Commercial Rate in 31 32 effect May 15, 1982. The amount of such compensation shall be 33 equal to the ratio of the district's net State aid entitlement for school year 1981-1982 divided by the total net State aid 34 35 entitlement times the funds appropriated for such purpose. Payment in full of the amount of compensation derived from the 36

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1 computation required in the preceding sentence shall be made as 2 soon as may be after July 1, 1982 upon warrants payable to the 3 several regional superintendents of schools.

The State Superintendent of Education shall, from monies 4 5 appropriated for such purpose, compensate districts for 6 interest lost arising from the change in payments in June, 1983 to payments in the months of June and July, 1983, for claims 7 8 arising from school year 1982-1983. The amount appropriated for 9 such purpose shall be based upon an interest rate of no less 10 than 15 per cent or the Prime Commercial Rate in effect May 15, 11 1983, whichever is greater. The amount of such compensation 12 shall be equal to the ratio of the district's net State aid 13 entitlement for school year 1982-1983 divided by the total net 14 State aid entitlement times the funds appropriated for such 15 purpose. Payment in full of the amount of compensation derived 16 from the computation required in the preceding sentence shall 17 be made as soon as may be after July 1, 1983 upon warrants payable to the several regional superintendents of schools. 18

19 The State Superintendent of Education shall, from monies 20 appropriated for such purpose, compensate districts for interest lost arising from the change in payments in June, 1992 21 22 and each year thereafter to payments in the months of June and 23 July, 1992 and each year thereafter. The amount appropriated 24 for such purpose shall be based upon the Prime Commercial Rate in effect June 15, 1992 and June 15 annually thereafter. The 25 26 amount of such compensation shall be equal to the ratio of the 27 district's net State aid entitlement divided by the total net 28 State aid entitlement times the amount of funds appropriated 29 for such purpose. Payment of the compensation shall be made as 30 soon as may be after July 1 upon warrants payable to the several regional superintendents of schools. 31

The regional superintendents shall make payments to their respective school districts as soon as may be after receipt of the warrants unless the payments have been assigned as security for State aid anticipation certificates pursuant to Section 18-18. If such an assignment has been made, the regional HB5551

superintendent shall, as soon as may be after receipt of the warrants, pay the appropriate amount of the payment as specified in the notification required by Section 18-18, directly to the assignee.

5 As used in this Section, "Prime Commercial Rate" means such 6 prime rate as from time to time is publicly announced by the 7 largest commercial banking institution in this State, measured 8 in terms of total assets.

(c) With respect to all school districts but for fiscal 9 10 year 1994 only, as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th days 11 of August, 1993 and as soon as may be after the 10th and 20th 12 days of each of the months of October, 1993 through July, 1994 13 if moneys are available in the Common School Fund in the State treasury for payments under Sections 18-8 through 18-10, the 14 15 State Comptroller shall draw his warrants upon the State 16 Treasurer as directed by the State Board of Education in 17 accordance with transfers from the General Revenue Fund to the Common School Fund as specified in Section 8a of the State 18 19 Finance Act. The warrant for the 10th day of August, 1993 and 20 each semimonthly warrant for the months of October, 1993 through July, 1994 shall be in an amount equal to 1/24 of the 21 22 total amount to be distributed to that school district for 23 fiscal year 1994, and the warrant for the 20th day of August, 24 1993 shall be in an amount equal to 3/24 of that total. The amount of payments made in July of 1994 shall be considered as 25 26 payments for claims covering the school year that commenced 27 during the immediately preceding calendar year.

28 (Source: P.A. 87-14; 87-887; 87-895; 88-45; 88-89; 88-641, eff.
29 9-9-94.)

30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,31 2006.