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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 881

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 881 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Public Community College Act is amended by  
5 adding Section 2-23 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 805/2-23 new)

7 Sec. 2-23. We Want to Learn English Initiative.

8 (a) Subject to Section 7 of the Board of Higher Education  
9 Act and subject to appropriation, the State Board shall  
10 establish and administer a We Want to Learn English Initiative  
11 to provide resources for immigrants and refugees in this State  
12 to learn English in order to move towards becoming full members  
13 of American society.

14 (b) Each fiscal year, the State Board shall include, as a  
15 separate line item, in its budget proposal \$25,000,000 in  
16 funding for the We Want to Learn English Initiative. The State  
17 Board shall disburse this funding. No less than half of the  
18 funds appropriated for this Initiative each fiscal year shall  
19 be disbursed to community-based, not-for-profit organizations,  
20 immigrant social service organizations, faith-based  
21 organizations, and on-site job training programs so that  
22 immigrants and refugees can learn English where they live,  
23 work, pray, and socialize and where their children go to  
24 school.

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2    becoming law.".