

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 SB2152

Introduced 11/2/2005, by Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the School-As-Lender Contracts Prohibition Act. Prohibits a public university in Illinois that offers graduate courses from entering into a school-as-lender contract with a private lending institution, but allows the university to maintain its Direct Loan Programs. Provides that any university that violates the Act shall forfeit \$8.91 of State funding for every \$100 loaned to the university through a school-as-lender contract.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning education.

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

- 4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
- 5 School-As-Lender Contract Prohibition Act.
- 6 Section 5. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to provide
- 7 protection to public university students and taxpayers from
- 8 lending institutions whose purpose is to exploit federal
- 9 interest rate loopholes.
- 10 Section 10. Definitions. In this Act:
- "Board" means the Board of Higher Education.
- "Direct Loan Programs" means those programs maintained by a
- 13 public university in Illinois that are offered through the U.S.
- 14 Department of Education.
- "School-as-lender contract" means an exclusive contract
- 16 entered into between a university and a private lending
- 17 institution, wherein the lending institution provides the
- 18 university with loan money to serve its graduate students,
- 19 which allows the university to become its own lender, and, in
- 20 return, the private lending institution is granted exclusive
- 21 lending rights to the rest of the university's student
- 22 population.
- 23 Section 15. School-as-lender contracts prohibited. A
- 24 public university in Illinois that offers graduate courses may
- 25 not enter into a school-as-lender contract; however, the
- 26 university may maintain its Direct Loan Programs.
- 27 Section 20. Rulemaking. The Board of Higher Education has
- 28 the authority to adopt all rules necessary to implement and
- 29 administer the provisions this Act.

Section 25. Civil penalty. Any university that violates any provision of this Act, any rule adopted by the Board, or any order of the Board pursuant to this Act is liable for a civil penalty in which for every \$100 loaned to a university through a school-as-lender contract, that university shall forfeit \$8.91 in State funding. The Board shall provide for an administrative proceeding in which the civil penalty may be imposed.