

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB1434

Introduced 2/21/2007, by Rep. Fred Crespo - Sidney H. Mathias - Paul D. Froehlich

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 805/3-65 new

Amends the Public Community College Act. Provides that the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 512 may create a pilot baccalaureate program under which the district may establish and offer bachelor's degrees in 2 fields of study if certain conditions are met, including requiring (i) that the degree programs not compete with any nearby public university, (ii) that the district identify and document unmet workforce needs, (iii) that the degree programs not require any additional funding from local taxes or the State, (iv) that the Illinois Community College Board and the Board of Higher Education approve the offering of the degree programs, and (v) that the pilot program expire 4 years after the initial offering of the degree programs, unless otherwise extended by law. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

| 1 AN | ACT | concerning | education. |
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| 2 | Be | it | enacted | by | the | People | of | the | State | of | Illinois, |
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| 4 | Section | 5. | The | Public | Community | College | Act | is | amended | by |
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| 5 | adding Secti | on | 3-65 | as foli | lows: | | | | | |

- 6 (110 ILCS 805/3-65 new)
- Sec. 3-65. Harper College pilot baccalaureate program. The

 Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 512 may

 establish and offer a pilot program under which the district

 may offer bachelor's degrees in 2 fields of study if all of the

 following conditions are met:
- 12 (1) The Board of Trustees has determined that it has

 13 the expertise, resources, and interest to offer quality

 14 baccalaureate degree programs and the programs are

 15 consistent with existing board policy.
- 16 (2) The district has identified and documented unmet
 17 workforce needs.
- 18 <u>(3) The degree programs will not compete with any</u>
 19 nearby public university.
- 20 (4) The degree programs will not require any additional 21 funding from local taxes or the State.
- 22 (5) The State Board and the Board of Higher Education 23 have approved the offering of the degree programs.

| 1 | (6) | The pilo | t progr | am will | expire | 4 years | after | the |
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| 2 | initial | offering | of the | degree | programs | , unless | otherw | <u>vise</u> |
| 3 | extended | d by law. | | | | | | |

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