



## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/30-9	from Ch. 122, par. 30-9
105 ILCS 5/30-10	from Ch. 122, par. 30-10
105 ILCS 5/30-11	from Ch. 122, par. 30-11

Amends the School Code. Provides that, beginning on July 1, 2011, no scholarships may be awarded under provisions that permit members of the General Assembly to award scholarships to persons for attendance at a State sponsored university. A scholarship awarded before July 1, 2011 is valid until its stated term expires, but may not be renewed. Effective July 1, 2011.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

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 Sections  
5 30-9, 30-10, and 30-11 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/30-9) (from Ch. 122, par. 30-9)

7 Sec. 30-9. General Assembly scholarship; conditions of  
8 admission; award by competitive examination.

9 Each member of the General Assembly may nominate annually 2  
10 persons of school age and otherwise eligible, from his  
11 district; each shall receive a certificate of scholarship in  
12 any State supported university designated by the member. Any  
13 member of the General Assembly in making nominations under this  
14 Section may designate that his nominee be granted a 4 year  
15 scholarship or may instead designate 2 or 4 nominees for that  
16 particular scholarship, each to receive a 2 year or a one year  
17 scholarship, respectively. The nominee, if a graduate of a  
18 school accredited by the University to which nominated, shall  
19 be admitted to the university on the same conditions as to  
20 educational qualifications as are other graduates of  
21 accredited schools. If the nominee is not a graduate of a  
22 school accredited by the university to which nominated, he  
23 must, before being entitled to the benefits of the scholarship,

1 pass an examination given by the superintendent of schools of  
2 the county where he resides at the time stated in Section 30-7  
3 for the competitive examination. The president of each  
4 university shall prescribe the rules governing the examination  
5 for scholarship to his university.

6 A member of the General Assembly may award the scholarship  
7 by competitive examination conducted under like rules as  
8 prescribed in Section 30-7 even though one or more of the  
9 applicants are graduates of schools accredited by the  
10 university.

11 A member of the General Assembly may delegate to the  
12 Illinois Student Assistance Commission the authority to  
13 nominate persons for General Assembly scholarships which that  
14 member would otherwise be entitled to award, or may direct the  
15 Commission to evaluate and make recommendations to the member  
16 concerning candidates for such scholarships. In the event a  
17 member delegates his nominating authority or directs the  
18 Commission to evaluate and make recommendations concerning  
19 candidates for General Assembly scholarships, the member shall  
20 inform the Commission in writing of the criteria which he  
21 wishes the Commission to apply in nominating or recommending  
22 candidates. Those criteria may include some or all of the  
23 criteria provided in Section 25 of the Higher Education Student  
24 Assistance Act. A delegation of authority under this paragraph  
25 may be revoked at any time by the member.

26 Failure of a member of the General Assembly to make a

1 nomination in any year shall not cause that scholarship to  
2 lapse, but the member may make a nomination for such  
3 scholarship at any time thereafter before the expiration of his  
4 term, and the person so nominated shall be entitled to the same  
5 benefits as holders of other scholarships provided herein. Any  
6 such scholarship for which a member has made no nomination  
7 prior to the expiration of the term for which he was elected  
8 shall lapse upon the expiration of that term.

9 Beginning on July 1, 2011, no scholarships may be awarded  
10 under this Section. However, a scholarship awarded under this  
11 Section before July 1, 2011 is valid until its stated term  
12 expires, but may not be renewed.

13 (Source: P.A. 93-349, eff. 7-24-03.)

14 (105 ILCS 5/30-10) (from Ch. 122, par. 30-10)

15 Sec. 30-10. Filing nominations-Failure to accept or  
16 pass-Second nomination.

17 Nominations, under Section 30-9, showing the name and  
18 address of the nominee, and the term of the scholarship,  
19 whether 4 years, 2 years or one year, must be filed with the  
20 State Superintendent of Education not later than the opening  
21 day of the semester or term with which the scholarship is to  
22 become effective. The State Superintendent of Education shall  
23 forthwith notify the president of the university of such  
24 nomination.

25 If the nominee fails to accept the nomination or, not being

1 a graduate of a school accredited by the university, fails to  
2 pass the examination for admission, the president of the  
3 university shall at once notify the State Superintendent of  
4 Education. Upon receiving such notification, the State  
5 Superintendent of Education shall notify the nominating  
6 member, who may name another person for the scholarship. The  
7 second nomination must be received by the State Superintendent  
8 of Education not later than the middle of the semester or term  
9 with which the scholarship was to have become effective under  
10 the original nomination in order to become effective as of the  
11 opening date of such semester or term otherwise it shall not  
12 become effective until the beginning of the next semester or  
13 term following the making of the second nomination. Upon  
14 receiving such notification, the State Superintendent of  
15 Education shall notify the president of the university of such  
16 second nomination. If any person nominated after the effective  
17 date of this amendatory Act of 1973 to receive a General  
18 Assembly scholarship changes his residence to a location  
19 outside of the district from which he was nominated, his  
20 nominating member may terminate that scholarship at the  
21 conclusion of the college year in which he is then enrolled.  
22 For purposes of this paragraph, a person changes his residence  
23 if he registers to vote in a location outside of the district  
24 from which he was nominated, but does not change his residence  
25 merely by taking off-campus housing or living in a  
26 nonuniversity residence.

1       Beginning on July 1, 2011, no scholarships may be awarded  
2       under this Section. However, a scholarship awarded under this  
3       Section before July 1, 2011 is valid until its stated term  
4       expires, but may not be renewed.

5       (Source: P.A. 93-349, eff. 7-24-03.)

6               (105 ILCS 5/30-11) (from Ch. 122, par. 30-11)

7       Sec. 30-11. Failure to use scholarship - Further  
8       nominations.

9       If any nominee under Section 30-9 or 30-10 discontinues his  
10       course of instruction or fails to use the scholarship, leaving  
11       1, 2, 3, or 4 years thereof unused, the member of the General  
12       Assembly may, except as otherwise provided in this Article,  
13       nominate some other person eligible under this Article from his  
14       district who shall be entitled to the scholarship for the  
15       unexpired period thereof. Such appointment to an unexpired  
16       scholarship vacated before July 1, 1961, may be made only by  
17       the member of the General Assembly who made the original  
18       appointment and during the time he is such a member. If a  
19       scholarship is vacated on or after July 1, 1961, and the member  
20       of the General Assembly who made the original appointment has  
21       ceased to be a member, some eligible person may be nominated in  
22       the following manner to fill the vacancy: If the original  
23       appointment was made by a Senator, such nomination shall be  
24       made by the Senator from the same district; if the original  
25       appointment was made by a Representative, such nomination shall

1 be made by the Representative from the same district. Every  
2 nomination to fill a vacancy must be accompanied either by a  
3 release of the original nominee or if he is dead then an  
4 affidavit to that effect by some competent person. The failure  
5 of a nominee to register at the university within 20 days after  
6 the opening of any semester or term shall be deemed a release  
7 by him of the nomination, unless he has been granted a leave of  
8 absence in accordance with Section 30-14 or unless his absence  
9 is by reason of his entry into the military service of the  
10 United States. The university shall immediately upon the  
11 expiration of 20 days after the beginning of the semester or  
12 term notify the State Board of Education as to the status of  
13 each scholarship, who shall forthwith notify the nominating  
14 member of any nominee's failure to register or, if the  
15 nominating member has ceased to be a member of the General  
16 Assembly, shall notify the member or members entitled to make  
17 the nomination to fill the vacancy. All nominations to unused  
18 or unexpired scholarships shall be effective as of the opening  
19 of the semester or term of the university during which they are  
20 made if they are filed with the university during the first  
21 half of the semester or term, otherwise they shall not be  
22 effective until the opening of the next following semester or  
23 term.

24 Beginning on July 1, 2011, no scholarships may be awarded  
25 under this Section. However, a scholarship awarded under this  
26 Section before July 1, 2011 is valid until its stated term

1 expires, but may not be renewed.

2 (Source: P.A. 93-349, eff. 7-24-03.)

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,  
4 2011.