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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3053

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 3053 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Section  
5 27-6 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/27-6) (from Ch. 122, par. 27-6)

7 Sec. 27-6. Courses in physical education required; special  
8 activities.

9 (a) Pupils enrolled in the public schools and State  
10 universities engaged in preparing teachers shall be required to  
11 engage daily during the school day, except on block scheduled  
12 days for those public schools engaged in block scheduling, in  
13 courses of physical education for such periods as are  
14 compatible with the optimum growth and developmental needs of  
15 individuals at the various age levels except when appropriate  
16 excuses are submitted to the school by a pupil's parent or

1 guardian or by a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act  
2 of 1987 and except as provided in subsection (b) of this  
3 Section.

4 Special activities in physical education shall be provided  
5 for pupils whose physical or emotional condition, as determined  
6 by a person licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987,  
7 prevents their participation in the courses provided for normal  
8 children.

9 (b) A school board is authorized to excuse pupils enrolled  
10 in grades 11 and 12 from engaging in physical education courses  
11 if those pupils request to be excused for any of the following  
12 reasons: (1) for ongoing participation in an interscholastic  
13 athletic program; (2) to enroll in academic classes which are  
14 required for admission to an institution of higher learning,  
15 provided that failure to take such classes will result in the  
16 pupil being denied admission to the institution of his or her  
17 choice; or (3) to enroll in academic classes which are required  
18 for graduation from high school, provided that failure to take  
19 such classes will result in the pupil being unable to graduate.  
20 A school board may also excuse pupils in grades 9 through 12  
21 enrolled in a marching band program for credit from engaging in  
22 physical education courses if those pupils request to be  
23 excused for ongoing participation in such marching band  
24 program. In addition, a pupil in any of grades 3 through 12 who  
25 is eligible for special education may be excused if the pupil's  
26 parent or guardian agrees that the pupil must utilize the time

1 set aside for physical education to receive special education  
2 support and services or, if there is no agreement, the  
3 individualized education program team for the pupil determines  
4 that the pupil must utilize the time set aside for physical  
5 education to receive special education support and services,  
6 which agreement or determination must be made a part of the  
7 individualized education program. However, a pupil requiring  
8 adapted physical education must receive that service in  
9 accordance with the individualized education program developed  
10 for the pupil. If requested, a school board is authorized to  
11 excuse a pupil from engaging in a physical education course if  
12 the pupil has an individualized education program under Article  
13 14 of this Code, is participating in an adaptive athletic  
14 program outside of the school setting, and documents such  
15 participation as determined by the school board. A school board  
16 may also excuse pupils in grades 9 through 12 enrolled in a  
17 Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) program sponsored by  
18 the school district from engaging in physical education  
19 courses. School boards which choose to exercise this authority  
20 shall establish a policy to excuse pupils on an individual  
21 basis.

22 (c) The provisions of this Section are subject to the  
23 provisions of Section 27-22.05.

24 (Source: P.A. 94-189, eff. 7-12-05; 94-198, eff. 1-1-06;  
25 94-200, eff. 7-12-05; 94-1098, eff. 2-2-07; 95-331, eff.  
26 8-21-07.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,  
2    2013.".