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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 579

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 579 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Sections
5 2-3.62 and 3-0.01 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.62) (from Ch. 122, par. 2-3.62)
7 Sec. 2-3.62. Educational Service Centers.

8 (a) A regional network of educational service centers shall
9 be established by the State Board of Education to coordinate
10 and combine existing services in a manner which is practical
11 and efficient and to provide new services to schools as
12 provided in this Section. Services to be made available by such
13 centers shall include the planning, implementation and
14 evaluation of:

15 (1) (blank);

16 (2) computer technology education;

1 (3) mathematics, science and reading resources for
2 teachers including continuing education, inservice
3 training and staff development.

4 The centers may provide training, technical assistance,
5 coordination and planning in other program areas such as school
6 improvement, school accountability, financial planning,
7 consultation, and services, career guidance, early childhood
8 education, alcohol/drug education and prevention, family life
9 - sex education, electronic transmission of data from school
10 districts to the State, alternative education and regional
11 special education, and telecommunications systems that provide
12 distance learning. Such telecommunications systems may be
13 obtained through the Department of Central Management Services
14 pursuant to Section 405-270 of the Department of Central
15 Management Services Law (20 ILCS 405/405-270). The programs and
16 services of educational service centers may be offered to
17 private school teachers and private school students within each
18 service center area provided public schools have already been
19 afforded adequate access to such programs and services.

20 Upon the abolition of the office, removal from office,
21 disqualification for office, resignation from office, or
22 expiration of the current term of office of the regional
23 superintendent of schools, whichever is earlier, the chief
24 administrative officer of the centers serving that portion of a
25 Class II county school unit outside of a city of 500,000 or
26 more inhabitants shall have and exercise, in and with respect

1 to each educational service region having a population of
2 2,000,000 or more inhabitants and in and with respect to each
3 school district located in any such educational service region,
4 all of the rights, powers, duties, and responsibilities
5 theretofore vested by law in and exercised and performed by the
6 regional superintendent of schools for that area under the
7 provisions of this Code or any other laws of this State.

8 The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules and
9 regulations necessary to implement this Section. The rules
10 shall include detailed standards which delineate the scope and
11 specific content of programs to be provided by each Educational
12 Service Center, as well as the specific planning,
13 implementation and evaluation services to be provided by each
14 Center relative to its programs. The Board shall also provide
15 the standards by which it will evaluate the programs provided
16 by each Center.

17 (b) Centers serving Class 1 county school units shall be
18 governed by an 11-member board, 3 members of which shall be
19 public school teachers nominated by the local bargaining
20 representatives to the appropriate regional superintendent for
21 appointment and no more than 3 members of which shall be from
22 each of the following categories, including but not limited to
23 superintendents, regional superintendents, school board
24 members and a representative of an institution of higher
25 education. The members of the board shall be appointed by the
26 regional superintendents whose school districts are served by

1 the educational service center. The composition of the board
2 will reflect the revisions of this amendatory Act of 1989 as
3 the terms of office of current members expire.

4 (c) The centers shall be of sufficient size and number to
5 assure delivery of services to all local school districts in
6 the State.

7 (d) From monies appropriated for this program the State
8 Board of Education shall provide grants paid from the Personal
9 Property Tax Replacement Fund to qualifying Educational
10 Service Centers applying for such grants in accordance with
11 rules and regulations promulgated by the State Board of
12 Education to implement this Section.

13 (e) The governing authority of each of the 18 regional
14 educational service centers shall appoint a family life - sex
15 education advisory board consisting of 2 parents, 2 teachers, 2
16 school administrators, 2 school board members, 2 health care
17 professionals, one library system representative, and the
18 director of the regional educational service center who shall
19 serve as chairperson of the advisory board so appointed.
20 Members of the family life - sex education advisory boards
21 shall serve without compensation. Each of the advisory boards
22 appointed pursuant to this subsection shall develop a plan for
23 regional teacher-parent family life - sex education training
24 sessions and shall file a written report of such plan with the
25 governing board of their regional educational service center.
26 The directors of each of the regional educational service

1 centers shall thereupon meet, review each of the reports
2 submitted by the advisory boards and combine those reports into
3 a single written report which they shall file with the Citizens
4 Council on School Problems prior to the end of the regular
5 school term of the 1987-1988 school year.

6 (f) The 14 educational service centers serving Class I
7 county school units shall be disbanded on the first Monday of
8 August, 1995, and their statutory responsibilities and
9 programs shall be assumed by the regional offices of education,
10 subject to rules and regulations developed by the State Board
11 of Education. The regional superintendents of schools elected
12 by the voters residing in all Class I counties shall serve as
13 the chief administrators for these programs and services. By
14 rule of the State Board of Education, the 10 educational
15 service regions of lowest population shall provide such
16 services under cooperative agreements with larger regions.

17 (Source: P.A. 97-619, eff. 11-14-11; 98-24, eff. 6-19-13.)

18 (105 ILCS 5/3-0.01) (from Ch. 122, par. 3-0.01)

19 Sec. 3-0.01. "County superintendent of schools" and
20 "regional superintendent of schools" defined - Application of
21 Article.

22 (a) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (b), after
23 the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1975, the chief
24 administrative officer of an educational service region shall
25 be designated and referred to as the "regional superintendent

1 of schools" or the "regional superintendent" and after the
2 effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993 the office held
3 by the chief administrative officer shall be designated and
4 referred to as the "regional office of education". For purposes
5 of the School Code and except as otherwise provided by
6 subsection (b), any reference to "county superintendent of
7 schools" or "county superintendent" means the regional
8 superintendent of schools.

9 (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Article,
10 but subject to subsection (b-1), in educational service regions
11 containing 2,000,000 or more inhabitants, the office of
12 regional superintendent of schools is abolished. Subject to
13 Section 2-3.105 of this Code, beginning on July 1, 2010 (the
14 effective date of Public Act 96-893) ~~this amendatory Act of the~~
15 ~~96th General Assembly~~, all rights, powers, duties and
16 responsibilities theretofore vested by law in, and exercised
17 and performed by the regional superintendent of schools and by
18 any assistant regional superintendents or other assistants or
19 employees in the office of the regional superintendent of
20 schools being abolished shall be vested in, exercised and
21 performed by the chief administrative officer of the
22 educational service centers established pursuant to Section
23 2-3.62 of this Code for any educational service region
24 containing 2,000,000 or more inhabitants. Beginning on the
25 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General
26 Assembly, in an educational service region containing

1 2,000,000 or more inhabitants: (i) all books, records, maps,
2 papers and other documents belonging to or subject to the
3 control or disposition of the former regional superintendent of
4 schools by virtue of his office shall be transferred and
5 delivered to the State Board of Education; (ii) possession or
6 control over all moneys, deposits and accounts in the
7 possession or subject to the control or disposition of the
8 former regional superintendent of schools by virtue of his
9 office, including but not limited to undistributed or
10 unexpended moneys drawn from, and all amounts on deposit in,
11 the county, institute and supervisory expense funds, shall be
12 transferred to and placed under the control and disposition of
13 the State Board of Education, excepting only those moneys or
14 accounts, if any, the source of which is the county treasury,
15 for proper redistribution to the educational service centers;
16 and (iii) all other equipment, furnishings, supplies and other
17 personal property belonging to or subject to the control or
18 disposition of the former regional superintendent of schools by
19 virtue of his office, excepting only those items which were
20 provided by the county board, shall be transferred and
21 delivered to the State Board of Education. Beginning on July 1,
22 2010 (the effective date of Public Act 96-893) ~~this amendatory~~
23 ~~Act of the 96th General Assembly~~, any reference in this Code to
24 "regional superintendent of schools" or "regional
25 superintendent", or "county superintendent of schools" or
26 "county superintendent" shall mean, with respect to any

1 educational service region containing 2,000,000 or more
2 inhabitants in which the office of regional superintendent of
3 schools is abolished, the chief administrative officer of the
4 educational service centers established pursuant to Section
5 2-3.62 of this Code for the educational service region. Upon
6 and after the first Monday of August 1995, references in this
7 Code and elsewhere to educational service regions of 2,000,000
8 or fewer inhabitants shall exclude any educational service
9 region containing a city of 500,000 or more inhabitants and
10 references in this Code and elsewhere to educational service
11 regions of 2,000,000 or more inhabitants shall mean an
12 educational service region containing a city of 500,000 or more
13 inhabitants regardless of the actual population of the region.

14 (b-1) References to "regional superintendent" shall also
15 include the chief administrative officer of the educational
16 service centers established under Section 2-3.62 of this Code
17 and serving that portion of a Class II county outside a city of
18 500,000 or more population ~~elected at the general election in~~
19 ~~1994 and every 4 years thereafter.~~

20 (c) This Article applies to the regional superintendent of
21 a multicounty educational service region formed under Article
22 3A as well as to a single county or partial county region,
23 except that in case of conflict between the provisions of this
24 Article and of Article 3A in the case of a multicounty region,
25 the provisions of Article 3A shall apply. Any reference to
26 "county" or to "educational service region" in this Article

1 means a regional office of education.

2 (Source: P.A. 96-893, eff. 7-1-10.)

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