



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2015 and 2016

HB6127

Introduced 2/11/2016, by Rep. Elgie R. Sims, Jr.

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/10-19.4 new
105 ILCS 5/34-18.50 new

Amends the School Code to provide that each school year, on or before the September fall enrollment count, the maximum number of students assigned to each teacher who is teaching courses in public school classrooms for grades kindergarten through 12 may not exceed 27 students, which must be maintained after the September fall enrollment count. Requires the State Board of Education to annually calculate class size based upon the September fall enrollment count. Provides that nothing shall be construed as preventing a school district from requiring a class size smaller than the class size required by the amendatory Act. Effective July 1, 2017.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES
ACT MAY REQUIRE
REIMBURSEMENT

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 adding Sections
5 10-19.4 and 34-18.50 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/10-19.4 new)

7 Sec. 10-19.4. Maximum class size.

8 (a) Each school year, on or before the September fall
9 enrollment count, the maximum number of students assigned to
10 each teacher who is teaching courses in public school
11 classrooms for grades kindergarten through 12 may not exceed 27
12 students, which must be maintained after the September fall
13 enrollment count.

14 (b) The State Board of Education shall annually calculate
15 class size under subsection (a) of this Section based upon the
16 September fall enrollment count.

17 (c) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as
18 preventing a school district from requiring a class size
19 smaller than the class size required by subsection (a) of this
20 Section.

21 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.50 new)

22 Sec. 34-18.50. Maximum class size.

1 (a) Each school year, on or before the September fall
2 enrollment count, the maximum number of students assigned to
3 each teacher who is teaching courses in public school
4 classrooms for grades kindergarten through 12 may not exceed 27
5 students, which must be maintained after the September fall
6 enrollment count.

7 (b) The State Board of Education shall annually calculate
8 class size under subsection (a) of this Section based upon the
9 September fall enrollment count.

10 (c) Nothing in this Section shall be construed as
11 preventing the school district from requiring a class size
12 smaller than the class size required by subsection (a) of this
13 Section.

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
15 2017.