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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2155

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 2155, AS AMENDED,
3 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Public Community College Act is amended by
6 changing Section 2-15 as follows:

7 (110 ILCS 805/2-15) (from Ch. 122, par. 102-15)

8 Sec. 2-15. Recognition. The State Board shall grant
9 recognition to community colleges which maintain equipment,
10 courses of study, standards of scholarship and other
11 requirements set by the State Board. Application for
12 recognition shall be made to the State Board. The State Board
13 shall set the criteria by which the community colleges shall be
14 judged and through the executive officer of the State Board
15 shall arrange for an official evaluation of the community
16 colleges and shall grant recognition of such community colleges

1 as may meet the required standards.

2 Recognition shall include regular peer audits of the
3 finances and operations of community colleges. Every community
4 college shall be subject to a peer audit every 5 years. The
5 peer audit shall review compliance with all applicable State
6 laws, including, but not limited to: laws regarding
7 transparency; contract formation, renewal, extension, or
8 termination; bonus payments; and Open Meetings Act
9 requirements.

10 If a community college district fails to meet the
11 recognition standards set by the State Board, and if the
12 district, in accordance with: (a) Government Auditing
13 Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United
14 States, (b) auditing standards established by the American
15 Institute of Certified Public Accountants, or (c) other
16 applicable State and federal standards, is found by the
17 district's auditor or the State Board working in cooperation
18 with the district's auditor to have material deficiencies in
19 the design or operation of financial control structures that
20 could adversely affect the district's financial integrity and
21 stability, or is found to have misused State or federal funds
22 and jeopardized its participation in State or federal programs,
23 the State Board may, notwithstanding any laws to the contrary,
24 implement one or more of the following emergency powers:

25 (1) To direct the district to develop and implement a plan
26 that addresses the budgetary, programmatic, and other relevant

1 factors contributing to the need to implement emergency
2 measures. The State Board shall assist in the development and
3 shall have final approval of the plan.

4 (2) To direct the district to contract for educational
5 services in accordance with Section 3-40. The State Board shall
6 assist in the development and shall have final approval of any
7 such contractual agreements.

8 (3) To approve and require revisions of the district's
9 budget.

10 (4) To appoint a Financial Administrator to exercise
11 oversight and control over the district's budget. The Financial
12 Administrator shall serve at the pleasure of the State Board
13 and may be an individual, partnership, corporation, including
14 an accounting firm, or other entity determined by the State
15 Board to be qualified to serve, and shall be entitled to
16 compensation. Such compensation shall be provided through
17 specific appropriations made to the State Board for that
18 express purpose.

19 (5) To develop and implement a plan providing for the
20 dissolution or reorganization of the district if in the
21 judgement of the State Board the circumstances so require.

22 (Source: P.A. 89-147, eff. 7-14-95.)".