

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1436

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 1436, AS AMENDED,
3 by inserting immediately after the enacting clause the
4 following:

5 "Section 3. The School Code is amended by changing
6 Sections 21-7.1 and 21-27 as follows:

7 (105 ILCS 5/21-7.1) (from Ch. 122, par. 21-7.1)

8 Sec. 21-7.1. Administrative certificate.

9 (a) After July 1, 1999, an administrative certificate
10 valid for 5 years of supervising and administering in the
11 public common schools (unless changed under subsection (a-5)
12 of this Section) may be issued to persons who have graduated
13 from a regionally accredited institution of higher learning
14 with a master's degree and who have been recommended by a
15 recognized institution of higher learning as having completed
16 a program of preparation for one or more of these
17 endorsements. Such programs of academic and professional
18 preparation required for endorsement shall be administered by
19 the institution in accordance with standards set forth by the
20 State Superintendent of Education in consultation with the
21 State Teacher Certification Board.

22 (a-5) Beginning July 1, 2003, if an administrative

1 certificate holder holds a Standard Teaching Certificate, the
2 validity period of the administrative certificate shall be
3 changed, if necessary, so that the validity period of the
4 administrative certificate coincides with the validity period
5 of the Standard Teaching Certificate. Beginning July 1, 2003,
6 if an administrative certificate holder holds a Master
7 Teaching Certificate, the validity period of the
8 administrative certificate shall be changed so that the
9 validity period of the administrative certificate coincides
10 with the validity period of the Master Teaching Certificate.

11 (b) No administrative certificate shall be issued for
12 the first time after June 30, 1987 and no endorsement
13 provided for by this Section shall be made or affixed to an
14 administrative certificate for the first time after June 30,
15 1987 unless the person to whom such administrative
16 certificate is to be issued or to whose administrative
17 certificate such endorsement is to be affixed has been
18 required to demonstrate as a part of a program of academic or
19 professional preparation for such certification or
20 endorsement: (i) an understanding of the knowledge called for
21 in establishing productive parent-school relationships and of
22 the procedures fostering the involvement which such
23 relationships demand; and (ii) an understanding of the
24 knowledge required for establishing a high quality school
25 climate and promoting good classroom organization and
26 management, including rules of conduct and instructional
27 procedures appropriate to accomplishing the tasks of
28 schooling; and (iii) a demonstration of the knowledge and
29 skills called for in providing instructional leadership. The
30 standards for demonstrating an understanding of such
31 knowledge shall be set forth by the State Board of Education
32 in consultation with the State Teacher Certification Board,
33 and shall be administered by the recognized institutions of
34 higher learning as part of the programs of academic and

1 professional preparation required for certification and
2 endorsement under this Section. As used in this subsection:
3 "establishing productive parent-school relationships" means
4 the ability to maintain effective communication between
5 parents and school personnel, to encourage parental
6 involvement in schooling, and to motivate school personnel to
7 engage parents in encouraging student achievement, including
8 the development of programs and policies which serve to
9 accomplish this purpose; and "establishing a high quality
10 school climate" means the ability to promote academic
11 achievement, to maintain discipline, to recognize substance
12 abuse problems among students and utilize appropriate law
13 enforcement and other community resources to address these
14 problems, to support teachers and students in their education
15 endeavors, to establish learning objectives and to provide
16 instructional leadership, including the development of
17 policies and programs which serve to accomplish this purpose;
18 and "providing instructional leadership" means the ability to
19 effectively evaluate school personnel, to possess general
20 communication and interpersonal skills, and to establish and
21 maintain appropriate classroom learning environments. The
22 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to or affect
23 the initial issuance or making on or before June 30, 1987 of
24 any administrative certificate or endorsement provided for
25 under this Section, nor shall such provisions apply to or
26 affect the renewal after June 30, 1987 of any such
27 certificate or endorsement initially issued or made on or
28 before June 30, 1987.

29 (c) Administrative certificates shall be renewed every 5
30 ~~five~~ years with the first renewal being 5 ~~five~~ years
31 following the initial receipt of an administrative
32 certificate, unless the validity period for the
33 administrative certificate has been changed under subsection
34 (a-5) of this Section, in which case the certificate shall be

1 renewed at the same time that the Standard or Master Teaching
2 Certificate is renewed.

3 (c-5) Before July 1, 2003, renewal requirements for
4 administrators whose positions require certification shall be
5 based upon evidence of continuing professional education
6 which promotes the following goals: (1) improving
7 administrators' knowledge of instructional practices and
8 administrative procedures; (2) maintaining the basic level of
9 competence required for initial certification; and (3)
10 improving the mastery of skills and knowledge regarding the
11 improvement of teaching performance in clinical settings and
12 assessment of the levels of student performance in their
13 schools. Evidence of continuing professional education must
14 include verification of biennial attendance in a program
15 developed by the Illinois Administrators' Academy and
16 verification of annual participation in a school district
17 approved activity which contributes to continuing
18 professional education.

19 (c-10) Beginning July 1, 2003, persons holding
20 administrative certificates must follow the certificate
21 renewal procedure set forth in this subsection (c-10),
22 provided that those persons holding administrative
23 certificates on June 30, 2003 who are renewing those
24 certificates on or after July 1, 2003 shall be issued new
25 administrative certificates valid for 5 years (unless changed
26 under subsection (a-5) of this Section), which may be renewed
27 thereafter as set forth in this subsection (c-10).

28 (1) A person holding an administrative certificate
29 and employed in a position requiring administrative
30 certification, including a regional superintendent of
31 schools, must develop an administrative certificate
32 renewal plan for satisfying the continuing professional
33 development required to renew his or her administrative
34 certificate. An administrative certificate renewal plan

1 must include a minimum of 3 individual improvement goals
2 developed by the certificate holder and must include
3 without limitation the following continuing professional
4 development purposes:

5 (A) To improve the administrator's knowledge
6 of instructional practices and administrative
7 procedures in accordance with the Illinois
8 Professional School Leader Standards.

9 (B) To maintain the basic level of competence
10 required for initial certification.

11 (C) To improve the administrator's mastery of
12 skills and knowledge regarding the improvement of
13 teaching performance in clinical settings and
14 assessment of the levels of student performance in
15 the schools.

16 An administrative certificate renewal plan must include a
17 description of how the improvement goals are to be
18 achieved and an explanation of the selected continuing
19 professional development activities to be completed, each
20 of which must meet one or more of the continuing
21 professional development purposes specified in this
22 paragraph (1).

23 (2) In addition to the requirements in paragraph
24 (1) of this subsection (c-10), the administrative
25 certificate renewal plan must include the following in
26 order for the certificate to be renewed:

27 (A) Participation in continuing professional
28 development activities, which must total a minimum
29 of 100 hours of continuing professional development
30 and which must meet all of the following
31 requirements:

32 (i) The participation must consist of a
33 minimum of 5 activities per validity period of
34 the certificate.

1 (ii) The activities must address the
2 goals in the certificate holder's professional
3 development plan.

4 (iii) The activities must be aligned with
5 the Illinois Professional School Leader
6 Standards.

7 (iv) A portion of the activities must
8 address the certificate holder's school
9 improvement plan at either the district or
10 school level.

11 (v) The participation must include a
12 communication, dissemination, or application
13 component.

14 (vi) There must be documentation of
15 completion of each activity.

16 (B) Participation every year in an Illinois
17 Administrators' Academy course, which participation
18 must total a minimum of 36 continuing professional
19 development hours during the period of the
20 certificate's validity and which must include all of
21 the following:

22 (i) Completion of applicable required
23 coursework, as defined by the State Board of
24 Education.

25 (ii) Completion of a communication,
26 dissemination, or application component.

27 (iii) Documentation of completion of each
28 activity.

29 (3) Each administrator who is subject to the
30 requirements of this subsection (c-10) but who is not
31 serving as a district or regional superintendent, a
32 director of a cooperative program or special education
33 program, or a director of a State-operated school must
34 submit his or her administrative certificate renewal plan

1 for review to the superintendent of the employing school
2 district or to the director of the cooperative or special
3 education program or State-operated school (or to the
4 superintendent's or director's designee). Each district
5 or regional superintendent, director of a cooperative
6 program or special education program, or director of a
7 State-operated school must submit his or her
8 administrative certificate renewal plan for review to a
9 review panel comprised of peers established by the
10 regional superintendent of schools for the geographic
11 area where the certificate holder is employed as an
12 administrator.

13 (4) If the certificate holder's plan does not
14 conform to the requirements of this subsection (c-10),
15 the reviewer or review panel must notify the certificate
16 holder, who must revise the administrative certificate
17 renewal plan. A certificate holder who is not a regional
18 superintendent of schools may appeal that determination
19 to the regional superintendent of schools for the
20 geographic area where the certificate holder is employed
21 as an administrator. A certificate holder who is a
22 regional superintendent of schools may appeal that
23 determination to the State Superintendent of Education.
24 The regional superintendent of schools or the State
25 Superintendent of Education (or the regional
26 superintendent's or State Superintendent's designee)
27 shall facilitate any modification of the plan, if
28 necessary, to make it acceptable.

29 (5) A certificate holder may modify his or her
30 administrative certificate renewal plan at any time
31 during the validity period of the administrative
32 certificate through the process outlined in paragraphs
33 (3) and (4) of this subsection (c-10).

34 (6) Evidence of completion of the activities in the

1 administrative certificate renewal plan must be submitted
2 to the responsible reviewer or review panel. Before the
3 expiration of the administrative certificate, the
4 certificate holder must request from the responsible
5 reviewer or review panel a signed verification form
6 developed by the State Board of Education confirming that
7 the certificate holder has met the requirements for
8 renewal contained in this Section. A certificate holder
9 who is not a regional superintendent of schools must
10 submit this form to the responsible regional
11 superintendent of schools (or his or her designee) at the
12 time of application for renewal of the certificate. A
13 certificate holder who is a regional superintendent of
14 schools must submit this form for validation to the State
15 Superintendent of Education (or his or her designee) at
16 the time of application for renewal of the certificate.

17 (7) The regional superintendent of schools shall
18 review and validate the verification form for a
19 certificate holder. Based on compliance with all of the
20 requirements for renewal, the regional superintendent of
21 schools shall forward a recommendation for renewal or
22 non-renewal to the State Superintendent of Education and
23 shall notify the certificate holder of the
24 recommendation. The State Superintendent of Education
25 shall review the recommendation to renew or non-renew and
26 shall notify, in writing, the certificate holder of a
27 decision denying renewal of his or her certificate. Any
28 decision regarding non-renewal of an administrative
29 certificate may be appealed to the State Teacher
30 Certification Board.

31 The State Board of Education, in consultation with the
32 State Teacher Certification Board, shall adopt rules to
33 implement this subsection (c-10).

34 The regional superintendent of schools shall monitor the

1 process for renewal of administrative certificates
2 established in this subsection (c-10).

3 (c-15) The State Board of Education, in consultation
4 with the State Teacher Certification Board, shall develop
5 procedures for implementing this Section and shall administer
6 the renewal of administrative certificates. Failure to submit
7 satisfactory evidence of continuing professional education
8 which contributes to promoting the goals of this Section
9 shall result in a loss of administrative certification.

10 (d) Any limited or life supervisory certificate issued
11 prior to July 1, 1968 shall continue to be valid for all
12 administrative and supervisory positions in the public
13 schools for which it is valid as of that date as long as its
14 holder meets the requirements for registration or renewal as
15 set forth in the statutes or until revoked according to law.

16 (e) The administrative or supervisory positions for
17 which the certificate shall be valid shall be determined by
18 one or more of 3 endorsements: general supervisory, general
19 administrative and superintendent.

20 Subject to the provisions of Section 21-1a, endorsements
21 shall be made under conditions set forth in this Section.
22 The State Board of Education shall, in consultation with the
23 State Teacher Certification Board, adopt rules pursuant to
24 the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, establishing
25 requirements for obtaining administrative certificates where
26 the minimum administrative or supervisory requirements
27 surpass those set forth in this Section.

28 The State Teacher Certification Board shall file with the
29 State Board of Education a written recommendation when
30 considering additional administrative or supervisory
31 requirements. All additional requirements shall be based
32 upon the requisite knowledge necessary to perform those tasks
33 required by the certificate. The State Board of Education
34 shall in consultation with the State Teacher Certification

1 Board, establish standards within its rules which shall
2 include the academic and professional requirements necessary
3 for certification. These standards shall at a minimum
4 contain, but not be limited to, those used by the State Board
5 of Education in determining whether additional knowledge will
6 be required. Additionally, the State Board of Education
7 shall in consultation with the State Teacher Certification
8 Board, establish provisions within its rules whereby any
9 member of the educational community or the public may file a
10 formal written recommendation or inquiry regarding
11 requirements.

12 (1) Until July 1, 2003, the general supervisory
13 endorsement shall be affixed to the administrative
14 certificate of any holder who has at least 16 semester
15 hours of graduate credit in professional education
16 including 8 semester hours of graduate credit in
17 curriculum and research and who has at least 2 years of
18 full-time teaching experience or school service personnel
19 experience in public schools, schools under the
20 supervision of the Department of Corrections, schools
21 under the administration of the Department of
22 Rehabilitation Services, or nonpublic schools meeting the
23 standards established by the State Superintendent of
24 Education or comparable out-of-state recognition
25 standards approved by the State Superintendent of
26 Education.

27 Such endorsement shall be required for supervisors,
28 curriculum directors and for such similar and related
29 positions as determined by the State Superintendent of
30 Education in consultation with the State Teacher
31 Certification Board.

32 (2) The general administrative endorsement shall be
33 affixed to the administrative certificate of any holder
34 who has at least 20 semester hours of graduate credit in

1 educational administration and supervision and who has at
2 least 2 years of full-time teaching experience or school
3 service personnel experience in public schools, schools
4 under the supervision of the Department of Corrections,
5 schools under the administration of the Department of
6 Rehabilitation Services, or nonpublic schools meeting the
7 standards established by the State Superintendent of
8 Education or comparable out-of-state recognition
9 standards approved by the State Superintendent of
10 Education.

11 Such endorsement shall be required for principal,
12 assistant principal, assistant or associate
13 superintendent, junior college dean and for related or
14 similar positions as determined by the State
15 Superintendent of Education in consultation with the
16 State Teacher Certification Board.

17 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act,
18 after January 1, 1990 and until January 1, 1991, any
19 teacher employed by a district subject to Article 34
20 shall be entitled to receive an administrative
21 certificate with a general administrative endorsement
22 affixed thereto if he or she: (i) had at least 3 years of
23 experience as a certified teacher for such district prior
24 to August 1, 1985; (ii) obtained a Master's degree prior
25 to August 1, 1985; (iii) completed at least 20 hours of
26 graduate credit in education courses (including at least
27 12 hours in educational administration and supervision)
28 prior to September 1, 1987; and (iv) has received a
29 rating of superior for at least each of the last 5 years.
30 Any person who obtains an administrative certificate with
31 a general administrative endorsement affixed thereto
32 under this paragraph shall not be qualified to serve in
33 any administrative position except assistant principal.

34 (3) The chief school business official endorsement

1 shall be affixed to the administrative certificate of any
2 holder who qualifies by having a Master's degree, two
3 years of administrative experience in school business
4 management, and a minimum of 20 semester hours of
5 graduate credit in a program established by the State
6 Superintendent of Education in consultation with the
7 State Teacher Certification Board for the preparation of
8 school business administrators. Such endorsement shall
9 also be affixed to the administrative certificate of any
10 holder who qualifies by having a Master's Degree in
11 Business Administration, Finance or Accounting from a
12 regionally accredited institution of higher education.

13 After June 30, 1977, such endorsement shall be
14 required for any individual first employed as a chief
15 school business official.

16 (4) The superintendent endorsement shall be affixed
17 to the administrative certificate of any holder who has
18 completed 30 semester hours of graduate credit beyond the
19 master's degree in a program for the preparation of
20 superintendents of schools including 16 semester hours of
21 graduate credit in professional education and who has at
22 least 2 years experience as an administrator or
23 supervisor in the public schools or the State Board of
24 Education or education service regions or in nonpublic
25 schools meeting the standards established by the State
26 Superintendent of Education or comparable out-of-state
27 recognition standards approved by the State
28 Superintendent of Education and holds general supervisory
29 or general administrative endorsement, or who has had 2
30 years of experience as a supervisor or administrator
31 while holding an all-grade supervisory certificate or a
32 certificate comparable in validity and educational and
33 experience requirements.

34 After June 30, 1968, such endorsement shall be

1 required for a superintendent of schools, except as
2 provided in the second paragraph of this Section and in
3 Section 34-6.

4 Any person appointed to the position of
5 superintendent between the effective date of this Act and
6 June 30, 1993 in a school district organized pursuant to
7 Article 32 with an enrollment of at least 20,000 pupils
8 shall be exempt from the provisions of this paragraph
9 Subsection (4) until June 30, 1996.

10 (f) All official interpretations or acts of issuing or
11 denying administrative certificates or endorsements by the
12 State Teacher's Certification Board, State Board of Education
13 or the State Superintendent of Education, from the passage of
14 P.A. 81-1208 on November 8, 1979 through September 24, 1981
15 are hereby declared valid and legal acts in all respects and
16 further that the purported repeal of the provisions of this
17 Section by P.A. 81-1208 and P.A. 81-1509 is declared null and
18 void.

19 (Source: P.A. 91-102, eff. 7-12-99.)

20 (105 ILCS 5/21-27)

21 Sec. 21-27. The Illinois Teaching Excellence Program.
22 The Illinois Teaching Excellence Program is hereby
23 established to provide categorical funding for monetary
24 incentives and bonuses for teachers who are employed by
25 school districts and who hold a Master Certificate. The
26 State Board of Education shall allocate and distribute to
27 each school district an amount as annually appropriated by
28 the General Assembly from federal funds for the Illinois
29 Teaching Excellence Program. Unless otherwise provided by
30 appropriation, each school district's annual allocation shall
31 be the sum of the amounts earned for the following incentives
32 and bonuses:

33 (1) An annual ~~A--one-time~~ payment of \$3,000 to be

1 paid to each teacher who successfully completes the
2 program leading to and who receives a Master Certificate
3 and is employed as a teacher by a school district. The
4 school district shall distribute this payment to each
5 eligible teacher as a single payment or in not more than
6 3 payments.

7 (2) An annual incentive equal to \$1,000 shall be
8 paid to each teacher who holds a Master Certificate, who
9 is employed as a teacher by a school district, and who
10 agrees, in writing, to provide 60 hours of mentoring
11 during that year to classroom teachers. This mentoring
12 may include, either singly or in combination, (i)
13 providing high quality professional development for new
14 and experienced teachers, and (ii) assisting National
15 Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)
16 candidates through the NBPTS certification process. The
17 school district shall distribute 50% of each annual
18 incentive payment upon completion of 30 hours of the
19 required mentoring and the remaining 50% of the incentive
20 upon completion of the required 60 hours of mentoring.
21 Credit may not be granted by a school district for
22 mentoring or related services provided during a regular
23 school day or during the total number of days of required
24 service for the school year.

25 (3) An annual incentive equal to \$3,000 shall be
26 paid to each teacher who holds a Master Certificate, who
27 is employed as a teacher by a school district, and who
28 agrees, in writing, to provide 60 hours of mentoring
29 during that year to classroom teachers in schools on the
30 Academic Early Warning List or in schools in which 50% or
31 more of the students receive free or reduced price
32 lunches, or both. The school district shall distribute
33 50% of each annual incentive payment upon completion of
34 30 hours of the required mentoring and the remaining 50%

1 of the incentive upon completion of the required 60 hours
2 of mentoring. Credit may not be granted by a school
3 district for mentoring or related services provided
4 during a regular school day or during the total number of
5 days of required service for the school year.

6 Each regional superintendent of schools shall provide
7 information about the Master Certificate Program of the
8 National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)
9 and this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly to each
10 individual seeking to register or renew a certificate under
11 Section 21-14 of this Code.

12 (Source: P.A. 91-606, eff. 8-16-99.); and

13 by replacing Section 99 with the following:

14 "Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
15 becoming law, except that Section 3 takes effect on July 1,
16 2002."