

1 AN ACT concerning higher education student assistance.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,  
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Higher Education Student Assistance Act  
5 is amended by changing Sections 50, 52, and 65.15 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 947/50)

7 Sec. 50. Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship  
8 program.

9 (a) As used in this Section:

10 "Eligible applicant" means a minority student who  
11 has graduated from high school or has received a General  
12 Educational Development Certification and has maintained  
13 a cumulative grade point average ~~at-the-postsecondary~~  
14 ~~level~~ of no less than 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and who by  
15 reason thereof is entitled to apply for scholarships to  
16 be awarded under this Section.

17 "Minority student" means a student who is either (i)  
18 Black (a person having origins in any of the black racial  
19 groups in Africa); (ii) Hispanic (a person of Spanish or  
20 Portuguese culture with origins in Mexico, South or  
21 Central America, or the Caribbean islands, regardless of  
22 race); (iii) Asian American (a person with origins in any  
23 of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia,  
24 the Indian subcontinent, including Pakistan, and the  
25 Pacific Islands, including, among others, Hawaii,  
26 Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia); or (iv) Native  
27 American (a person who is a member of a federally or  
28 state recognized Indian tribe, or whose parents or  
29 grandparents have such membership) and to include the  
30 native people of Alaska.

31 "Qualified student" means a person (i) who is a

1 resident of this State and a citizen or permanent  
 2 resident of the United States; (ii) who is a minority  
 3 student, as defined in this Section; (iii) who, as an  
 4 eligible applicant, has made a timely application for a  
 5 minority teaching scholarship under this Section; (iv)  
 6 who is enrolled on at least a half-time full--time basis  
 7 ~~at--the--sophomore--level--or--above--until--his--or--her--last~~  
 8 ~~semester~~ at a qualified Illinois institution of higher  
 9 learning ~~as--an--undergraduate--student--and--has--not--received~~  
 10 ~~a--baccalaureate--degree,--except--that--last--semester--seniors~~  
 11 ~~must--enroll--only--for--a--minimum--of--6--credit--hours--in--order~~  
 12 ~~to--retain--minority--scholarship--eligibility--under--this~~  
 13 ~~Section~~; (v) who is enrolled in a course of study leading  
 14 to teacher certification, including alternative teacher  
 15 certification; (vi) who maintains a grade point average  
 16 of no less than 2.5 on a 4.0 scale ~~while--enrolled--at--the~~  
 17 ~~postsecondary--level~~; and (vii) who continues to advance  
 18 satisfactorily toward the attainment of a degree.

19 (b) In order to encourage academically talented Illinois  
 20 minority students to pursue teaching careers at the preschool  
 21 or elementary or secondary school level, each qualified  
 22 student shall be awarded a minority teacher scholarship to  
 23 any qualified Illinois institution of higher learning.  
 24 However, preference may be given to qualified applicants  
 25 enrolled at or above the junior level.

26 (c) Each minority teacher scholarship awarded under this  
 27 Section shall be in an amount sufficient to pay the tuition  
 28 and fees and room and board costs of the qualified Illinois  
 29 institution of higher learning at which the recipient is  
 30 enrolled, up to an annual maximum of \$5,000; except that in  
 31 the case of a recipient who does not reside on-campus at the  
 32 institution at which he or she is enrolled, the amount of the  
 33 scholarship shall be sufficient to pay tuition and fee  
 34 expenses and a commuter allowance, up to an annual maximum of

1 \$5,000.

2 (d) The total amount of minority teacher scholarship  
3 assistance awarded by the Commission under this Section to an  
4 individual in any given fiscal year, when added to other  
5 financial assistance awarded to that individual for that  
6 year, shall not exceed the cost of attendance at the  
7 institution at which the student is enrolled. If the amount  
8 of minority teacher scholarship to be awarded to a qualified  
9 student as provided in subsection (c) of this Section exceeds  
10 the cost of attendance at the institution at which the  
11 student is enrolled, the minority teacher scholarship shall  
12 be reduced by an amount equal to the amount by which the  
13 combined financial assistance available to the student  
14 exceeds the cost of attendance.

15 (e) The maximum number of academic terms for which a  
16 qualified student can receive minority teacher scholarship  
17 assistance shall be 8 semesters or 12 quarters of  
18 undergraduate-study.

19 (f) In any academic year for which an eligible applicant  
20 under this Section accepts financial assistance through the  
21 Paul Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program, as authorized by  
22 Section 551 et seq. of the Higher Education Act of 1965, the  
23 applicant shall not be eligible for scholarship assistance  
24 awarded under this Section.

25 (g) All applications for minority teacher scholarships  
26 to be awarded under this Section shall be made to the  
27 Commission on forms which the Commission shall provide for  
28 eligible applicants. The form of applications and the  
29 information required to be set forth therein shall be  
30 determined by the Commission, and the Commission shall  
31 require eligible applicants to submit with their applications  
32 such supporting documents or recommendations as the  
33 Commission deems necessary.

34 (h) Subject to a separate appropriation for such

1 purposes, payment of any minority teacher scholarship awarded  
2 under this Section shall be determined by the Commission.  
3 All scholarship funds distributed in accordance with this  
4 subsection shall be paid to the institution and used only for  
5 payment of the tuition and fee and room and board expenses  
6 incurred by the student in connection with his or her  
7 attendance as an undergraduate student at a qualified  
8 Illinois institution of higher learning. Any minority  
9 teacher scholarship awarded under this Section shall be  
10 applicable to 2 semesters or 3 quarters of enrollment. If a  
11 qualified student withdraws from enrollment prior to  
12 completion of the first semester or quarter for which the  
13 minority teacher scholarship is applicable, the school shall  
14 refund to the Commission the full amount of the minority  
15 teacher scholarship.

16 (i) The Commission shall administer the minority teacher  
17 scholarship aid program established by this Section and shall  
18 make all necessary and proper rules not inconsistent with  
19 this Section for its effective implementation.

20 (j) When an appropriation to the Commission for a given  
21 fiscal year is insufficient to provide scholarships to all  
22 qualified students, the Commission shall allocate the  
23 appropriation in accordance with this subsection. If funds  
24 are insufficient to provide all qualified students with a  
25 scholarship as authorized by this Section, the Commission  
26 shall allocate the available scholarship funds for that  
27 fiscal year on the basis of the date the Commission receives  
28 a complete application form.

29 (k) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (j) or  
30 any other provision of this Section, at least 30% of the  
31 funds appropriated for scholarships awarded under this  
32 Section in each fiscal year shall be reserved for qualified  
33 male minority applicants. If the Commission does not receive  
34 enough applications from qualified male minorities on or

1 before January 1 of each fiscal year to award 30% of the  
 2 funds appropriated for these scholarships to qualified male  
 3 minority applicants, then the Commission may award a portion  
 4 of the reserved funds to qualified female minority  
 5 applicants.

6 (l) Prior to receiving scholarship assistance for any  
 7 academic year, each recipient of a minority teacher  
 8 scholarship awarded under this Section shall be required by  
 9 the Commission to sign an agreement under which the recipient  
 10 pledges that, within the one-year 5-year period following the  
 11 termination of the undergraduate program for which the  
 12 recipient was awarded a minority teacher scholarship, the  
 13 recipient (i) shall begin teaching teach for a period of not  
 14 less than one year for each year of scholarship assistance he  
 15 or she was awarded under this Section; and (ii) shall fulfill  
 16 this teaching obligation at a nonprofit Illinois public,  
 17 private, or parochial preschool, elementary school, or  
 18 secondary school at which no less than 30% of the enrolled  
 19 students are minority students in the year during which the  
 20 recipient begins teaching at the school; and (iii) shall,  
 21 upon request by the Commission, provide the Commission with  
 22 evidence that he or she is fulfilling or has fulfilled the  
 23 terms of the teaching agreement provided for in this  
 24 subsection.

25 (m) If a recipient of a minority teacher scholarship  
 26 awarded under this Section fails to fulfill the teaching  
 27 obligation set forth in subsection (l) of this Section, the  
 28 Commission shall require the recipient to repay the amount of  
 29 the scholarships received, prorated according to the fraction  
 30 of the teaching obligation not completed, at a rate of  
 31 interest equal to 5%, and, if applicable, reasonable  
 32 collection fees. The Commission may not, however, require a  
 33 recipient to repay the amount of scholarship received while  
 34 the recipient was enrolled at the freshman level, which

1 amount may not exceed \$5,000. The Commission is authorized to  
2 establish rules relating to its collection activities for  
3 repayment of scholarships under this Section. All repayments  
4 collected under this Section shall be forwarded to the State  
5 Comptroller for deposit into the State's General Revenue  
6 Fund.

7 (n) A recipient of minority teacher scholarship shall  
8 not be considered in violation of the agreement entered into  
9 pursuant to subsection (l) if the recipient (i) enrolls on a  
10 full time basis as a graduate student in a course of study  
11 related to the field of teaching at a qualified Illinois  
12 institution of higher learning; (ii) is serving, not in  
13 excess of 3 years, as a member of the armed services of the  
14 United States; (iii) is temporarily totally disabled for a  
15 period of time not to exceed 3 years as established by sworn  
16 affidavit of a qualified physician; (iv) is seeking and  
17 unable to find full time employment as a teacher at an  
18 Illinois public, private, or parochial preschool or  
19 elementary or secondary school that satisfies the criteria  
20 set forth in subsection (l) of this Section and is able to  
21 provide evidence of that fact; or, (v) becomes permanently  
22 totally disabled as established by sworn affidavit of a  
23 qualified physician.

24 (o) Scholarship recipients under this Section who  
25 withdraw from a program of teacher education ~~the--Minority~~  
26 ~~Teachers--of-Illinois-scholarship-program~~ but remain enrolled  
27 in school to continue their postsecondary studies in another  
28 academic discipline shall not be required to commence  
29 repayment of their Minority Teachers of Illinois scholarship  
30 so long as they remain enrolled in school on a full-time  
31 basis or if they can document for the Commission special  
32 circumstances that warrant extension of repayment.

33 (Source: P.A. 91-670, eff. 12-22-99.)

1 (110 ILCS 947/52)

2 Sec. 52. ITEACH David--A.--DeBelt Teacher Shortage  
3 Scholarship Program.

4 (a) In order to encourage academically talented Illinois  
5 students, especially minority students, to pursue teaching  
6 careers in teacher shortage disciplines, the Commission  
7 shall, each year, receive and consider applications for  
8 scholarship assistance under this Section. An applicant is  
9 eligible for a scholarship under this Section when the  
10 Commission finds that the applicant is:

11 (1) a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen;

12 (2) a resident of Illinois;

13 (3) a high school graduate or a person who has  
14 received a General Educational Development Certificate;

15 (4) enrolled or accepted for enrollment, on at  
16 least a half-time basis ~~at the sophomore level or above,~~  
17 at an Illinois institution of higher learning; and

18 (5) pursuing a postsecondary course of study  
19 leading to initial certification in a teacher shortage  
20 discipline or pursuing additional course work needed to  
21 gain State Board of Education approval to teach,  
22 including alternative teacher certification, in an  
23 approved specialized area in which a teacher shortage  
24 exists.

25 (b) Recipients shall be selected from among applicants  
26 qualified pursuant to subsection (a) based on a combination  
27 of the following criteria as set forth by the Commission: (1)  
28 academic excellence; (2) status as a minority student as  
29 defined in Section 50; and (3) financial need. Preference  
30 may be given to previous recipients of assistance under this  
31 Section, provided they continue to maintain eligibility and  
32 maintain satisfactory academic progress as determined by the  
33 institution of higher learning at which they enroll.  
34 Preference may also be given to qualified applicants enrolled

1 at or above the junior level.

2 (c) Each scholarship awarded under this Section shall be  
3 in an amount sufficient to pay the tuition and fees and room  
4 and board costs of the Illinois institution of higher  
5 learning at which the recipient is enrolled, up to an annual  
6 maximum of \$5,000; except that in the case of a recipient who  
7 does not reside on-campus at the institution of higher  
8 learning at which he or she is enrolled, the amount of the  
9 scholarship shall be sufficient to pay tuition and fee  
10 expenses and a commuter allowance, up to an annual maximum of  
11 \$5,000.

12 (d) The total amount of scholarship assistance awarded  
13 by the Commission under this Section to an individual in any  
14 given fiscal year, when added to other financial assistance  
15 awarded to that individual for that year, shall not exceed  
16 the cost of attendance at the institution of higher learning  
17 at which the student is enrolled.

18 (e) A recipient may receive up to 8 semesters or 12  
19 quarters of scholarship assistance under this Section.

20 (f) All applications for scholarship assistance to be  
21 awarded under this Section shall be made to the Commission in  
22 a form as set forth by the Commission. The form of  
23 application and the information required to be set forth  
24 therein shall be determined by the Commission, and the  
25 Commission shall require eligible applicants to submit with  
26 their applications such supporting documents as the  
27 Commission deems necessary.

28 (g) Subject to a separate appropriation made for such  
29 purposes, payment of any scholarship awarded under this  
30 Section shall be determined by the Commission. All  
31 scholarship funds distributed in accordance with this Section  
32 shall be paid to the institution on behalf of the recipients.  
33 Scholarship funds are applicable toward 2 semesters or 3  
34 quarters of enrollment within an academic year.



1           (h) The Commission shall administer the ITEACH David-A-  
 2     ~~DeBelt~~ Teacher Shortage Scholarship Program established by  
 3     this Section and shall make all necessary and proper rules  
 4     not inconsistent with this Section for its effective  
 5     implementation.

6           (i) Prior to receiving scholarship assistance for any  
 7     academic year, each recipient of a scholarship awarded under  
 8     this Section shall be required by the Commission to sign an  
 9     agreement under which the recipient pledges that, within the  
 10    ~~one-year~~ 5--year period following the termination of the  
 11    academic program for which the recipient was awarded a  
 12    scholarship, the recipient: (i) shall begin teaching ~~teach~~ in  
 13    a teacher shortage discipline for a period of not less than  
 14    one year for each year of scholarship assistance awarded  
 15    under this Section, (ii) shall fulfill this teaching  
 16    obligation at a nonprofit an Illinois public, private, or  
 17    parochial preschool or elementary or secondary school, and  
 18    (iii) shall, upon request of the Commission, provide the  
 19    Commission with evidence that he or she is fulfilling or has  
 20    fulfilled the terms of the teaching agreement provided for in  
 21    this subsection.

22          (j) If a recipient of a scholarship awarded under this  
 23    Section fails to fulfill the teaching obligation set forth in  
 24    subsection (i) of this Section, the Commission shall require  
 25    the recipient to repay the amount of the scholarships  
 26    received, prorated according to the fraction of the teaching  
 27    obligation not completed, plus interest at a rate of 5% ~~no~~  
 28    ~~greater than the highest rate applicable for educational~~  
 29    ~~loans made pursuant to Title IV, Part B of the Higher~~  
 30    ~~Education Act of 1965, as amended,~~ and if applicable,  
 31    reasonable collection fees. The Commission may not, however,  
 32    require a recipient to repay the amount of scholarship  
 33    received while the recipient was enrolled at the freshman  
 34    level, which amount may not exceed \$5,000. The Commission is

1 authorized to establish rules relating to its collection  
2 activities for repayment of scholarships under this Section.

3 (k) A recipient of a scholarship awarded by the  
4 Commission under this Section shall not be in violation of  
5 the agreement entered into pursuant to subsection (i) if the  
6 recipient (i) enrolls on a full-time basis as a graduate  
7 student in a course of study related to the field of teaching  
8 at an institution of higher learning; (ii) is serving as a  
9 member of the armed services of the United States; (iii) is  
10 temporarily totally disabled, as established by sworn  
11 affidavit of a qualified physician; or (iv) is seeking and  
12 unable to find full-time employment as a teacher at a school  
13 that satisfies the criteria set forth in subsection (i) and  
14 is able to provide evidence of that fact. Any such extension  
15 of the period during which the teaching requirement must be  
16 fulfilled shall be subject to limitations of duration as  
17 established by the Commission.

18 (Source: P.A. 90-201, eff. 7-24-97; 91-670, eff. 12-22-99.)

19 (110 ILCS 947/65.15)

20 Sec. 65.15. Special education teacher scholarships.

21 (a) There shall be awarded annually 250 scholarships to  
22 persons qualifying as members of either of the following  
23 groups:

24 (1) Students who are otherwise qualified to receive  
25 a scholarship as provided in subsections (b) and (c) of  
26 this Section and who make application to the Commission  
27 for such scholarship and agree to take courses that will  
28 prepare the student for the teaching of children  
29 described in Section 14-1 of the School Code.

30 (2) Persons holding a valid certificate issued  
31 under the laws relating to the certification of teachers  
32 and who make application to the Commission for such  
33 scholarship and agree to take courses that will prepare

1           them for the teaching of children described in Section  
2           14-1 of the School Code.

3           Scholarships awarded under this Section shall be issued  
4           pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Commission;  
5           provided that no rule or regulation promulgated by the State  
6           Board of Education prior to the effective date of this  
7           amendatory Act of 1993 pursuant to the exercise of any right,  
8           power, duty, responsibility or matter of pending business  
9           transferred from the State Board of Education to the  
10          Commission under this Section shall be affected thereby, and  
11          all such rules and regulations shall become the rules and  
12          regulations of the Commission until modified or changed by  
13          the Commission in accordance with law.

14          For the purposes of this Section scholarships awarded  
15          each school year shall be deemed to be issued on July 1 of  
16          the year prior to the start of the postsecondary school term  
17          and all calculations for use of the scholarship shall be  
18          based on such date. Each scholarship shall entitle its  
19          holder to exemption from fees as provided in subsection (a)  
20          of Section 65.40 while enrolled in a special education  
21          program of teacher education, for a period of not more than 4  
22          calendar years and shall be available for use at any time  
23          during such period of study except as provided in subsection  
24          (b) of Section 65.40.

25          Scholarships issued to holders of a valid certificate  
26          issued under the laws relating to the certification of  
27          teachers as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection may  
28          also entitle the holder thereof to a program of teacher  
29          education that will prepare the student for the teaching of  
30          children described in Section 14-1 of the School Code at the  
31          graduate level.

32          (b) Each year, the principal, or his or her designee,  
33          of each recognized public, private and parochial high school  
34          maintaining the twelfth grade shall certify to the Commission

1 the names and addresses of students who are completing an  
2 application with the intent to prepare to teach in any  
3 recognized public, private, or parochial school of Illinois  
4 and ranked scholastically in the upper one-half of their  
5 graduating class or, for those not yet graduated, whose  
6 scholastic rank in the 4-year high school course of study at  
7 the end of the sixth seventh semester is in the upper  
8 one-half of their class.

9 (c) Each holder of a scholarship must furnish proof to  
10 the Commission, in such form and at such intervals as the  
11 Commission prescribes, of the holder's continued enrollment  
12 in a teacher education program qualifying the holder for the  
13 scholarship. Any holder of a scholarship who fails to  
14 register in a special education program of teacher education  
15 at the university within 10 days after the commencement of  
16 the term, quarter or semester immediately following the  
17 receipt of the scholarship or who, having registered,  
18 withdraws from the university or transfers out of teacher  
19 education, shall thereupon forfeit the right to use it and it  
20 may be granted to the person having the next highest rank as  
21 shown on the list held by the Commission. If the person  
22 having the next highest rank, within 10 days after  
23 notification thereof by the Commission, fails to register at  
24 any such university in a special education program of teacher  
25 education, or who, having registered, withdraws from the  
26 university or transfers out of teacher education, the  
27 scholarship may then be granted to the person shown on the  
28 list as having the rank next below such person.

29 (d) Any person who has accepted a scholarship under the  
30 preceding subsections of this Section must, within one year  
31 after graduation from or termination of enrollment in a  
32 teacher education program, begin teaching at a nonprofit  
33 Illinois teach--in--any--recognized public, private, or  
34 parochial preschool or elementary or secondary school in-this

1 State for a period of at least 2 of the 5 years immediately  
2 following that graduation or termination, excluding, however,  
3 from the computation of that 5 year period (i) any time up to  
4 3 years spent in the military service, whether such service  
5 occurs before or after the person graduates; (ii) any time  
6 that person is enrolled full-time in an academic program  
7 related to the field of teaching leading to a graduate or  
8 postgraduate degree; (iii) the time that person is  
9 temporarily totally disabled for a period of time not to  
10 exceed 3 years, as established by the sworn affidavit of a  
11 qualified physician; (iv) the time that person is seeking and  
12 unable to find full time employment as a teacher at an  
13 Illinois public, private, or parochial school; or (v) the  
14 time that person is taking additional courses, on at least a  
15 half-time basis, needed to obtain certification as a teacher  
16 in Illinois.

17 A person who has accepted a scholarship under the  
18 preceding subsections of this Section and who has been unable  
19 to fulfill the teaching requirements of this Section may  
20 receive a deferment from the obligation of repayment under  
21 this subsection (d) under guidelines established by the  
22 Commission; provided that no guideline established for any  
23 such purpose by the State Board of Education prior to the  
24 effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993 shall be  
25 affected by the transfer to the Commission of the  
26 responsibility for administering and implementing the  
27 provisions of this Section, and all guidelines so established  
28 shall become the guidelines of the Commission until modified  
29 or changed by the Commission.

30 Any such person who fails to fulfill this teaching  
31 requirement shall pay to the Commission the amount of tuition  
32 waived by virtue of his or her acceptance of the scholarship,  
33 together with interest at 5% per year on that amount.  
34 However, (i) this obligation to repay the amount of tuition

1 waived plus interest does not apply when the failure to  
2 fulfill the teaching requirement results from the death or  
3 adjudication as a person under legal disability of the person  
4 holding the scholarship, and no claim for repayment may be  
5 filed against the estate of such a decedent or person under  
6 legal disability, and (ii) the Commission may not require a  
7 recipient to repay the amount of scholarship received while  
8 the recipient was enrolled at the freshman level, which  
9 amount may not exceed \$5,000. Payments received by the  
10 Commission under this subsection (d) shall be remitted to the  
11 State Treasurer for deposit in the general revenue fund.  
12 Each person receiving a scholarship shall be provided with a  
13 description of the provisions of this subsection (d) at the  
14 time he or she qualifies for the benefits of such a  
15 scholarship.

16 (e) This Section is basically the same as Sections 30-1,  
17 30-2, 30-3, and 30-4a of the School Code, which are repealed  
18 by this amendatory Act of 1993, and shall be construed as a  
19 continuation of the teacher scholarship program established  
20 by that prior law, and not as a new or different teacher  
21 scholarship program. The State Board of Education shall  
22 transfer to the Commission, as the successor to the State  
23 Board of Education for all purposes of administering and  
24 implementing the provisions of this Section, all books,  
25 accounts, records, papers, documents, contracts, agreements,  
26 and pending business in any way relating to the teacher  
27 scholarship program continued under this Section; and all  
28 scholarships at any time awarded under that program by, and  
29 all applications for any such scholarships at any time made  
30 to, the State Board of Education shall be unaffected by the  
31 transfer to the Commission of all responsibility for the  
32 administration and implementation of the teacher scholarship  
33 program continued under this Section. The State Board of  
34 Education shall furnish to the Commission such other

1 information as the Commission may request to assist it in  
2 administering this Section.

3 (Source: P.A. 91-496, eff. 8-13-99.)

4 Section 10. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by  
5 changing Section 3-648 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/3-648)

7 Sec. 3-648. Education license plates.

8 (a) The Secretary, upon receipt of an application made  
9 in the form prescribed by the Secretary, may issue special  
10 registration plates designated as Education license plates.  
11 The special plates issued under this Section shall be affixed  
12 only to passenger vehicles of the first division and motor  
13 vehicles of the second division weighing not more than 8,000  
14 pounds. Plates issued under this Section shall expire  
15 according to the multi-year procedure established by Section  
16 3-414.1 of this Code.

17 (b) The design and color of the plates shall be  
18 determined by a contest that every elementary school pupil in  
19 the State of Illinois is eligible to enter. The designs  
20 submitted for the contest shall be judged on September 30,  
21 2002, and the winning design shall be selected by a committee  
22 composed of the Secretary, the Director of State Police, 2  
23 members of the Senate, one member chosen by the President of  
24 the Senate and one member chosen by the Senate Minority  
25 Leader, and 2 members of the House of Representatives, one  
26 member chosen by the Speaker of the House and one member  
27 chosen by the House Minority Leader. The Secretary may allow  
28 the plates to be issued as vanity or personalized plates  
29 under Section 3-405.1 of the Code. The Secretary shall  
30 prescribe stickers or decals as provided under Section 3-412  
31 of this Code.

32 (c) An applicant for the special plate shall be charged

1 a \$40 fee for original issuance, in addition to the  
2 appropriate registration fee. Of this \$40 additional original  
3 issuance fee, \$15 shall be deposited into the Secretary of  
4 State Special License Plate Fund, to be used by the Secretary  
5 to help defray the administrative processing costs, and \$25  
6 shall be deposited into the Illinois Future Teacher Corps  
7 Scholarship Fund. For each registration renewal period, a  
8 \$40 fee, in addition to the appropriate registration fee,  
9 shall be charged. Of this \$40 additional renewal fee, \$2  
10 shall be deposited into the Secretary of State Special  
11 License Plate Fund and \$38 shall be deposited into the  
12 Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund. Each fiscal  
13 year, once deposits from the additional original issuance and  
14 renewal fees into the Secretary of State Special License  
15 Plate Fund have reached \$500,000, all the amounts received  
16 for the additional fees for the balance of the fiscal year  
17 shall be deposited into the Illinois Future Teacher Corps  
18 Scholarship Fund.

19 (d) The Illinois Future Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund  
20 is created as a special fund in the State treasury.  
21 Ninety-five percent of the moneys in the Illinois Future  
22 Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund shall be appropriated to the  
23 Illinois Student Assistance Commission for scholarships under  
24 Section 52 or 65.65 of the Higher Education Student  
25 Assistance Act, and 5% of the moneys in the Illinois Future  
26 Teacher Corps Scholarship Fund shall be appropriated to the  
27 State Board of Education for grants to the Golden Apple  
28 Foundation for Excellence in Teaching, a recognized  
29 charitable organization that meets the requirements of Title  
30 26, Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Code.

31 (Source: P.A. 92-445, eff. 8-17-01.)

32 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on  
33 January 1, 2003.