

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 932

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 932 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 7-2a as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/7-2a) (from Ch. 122, par. 7-2a)

7 Sec. 7-2a. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of  
8 this Section, (i) any petition for dissolution filed under  
9 this Article must specify the school district or districts to  
10 which all of the territory of the district proposed to be  
11 dissolved will be annexed and (ii)- any petition for  
12 dissolution may be made by the board of education of the  
13 district or a majority of the legal voters residing in the  
14 district proposed to be dissolved. No petition from any  
15 other district affected by the proposed dissolution shall be  
16 required.

17 (b) Any school district with a population of less than  
18 5,000 residents shall be dissolved and its territory annexed  
19 as provided in Section 7-11 by the regional board of school  
20 trustees upon the filing with the regional board of school  
21 trustees of a petition adopted by resolution of the board of  
22 education or a petition signed by two-thirds a majority of

1 the registered voters of the district seeking such  
2 dissolution. If a petition is initiated by two-thirds of the  
3 registered voters in a school district seeking to annex the  
4 district in its entirety to another school district or  
5 districts and the board of education of the annexing district  
6 or districts has not adopted a resolution agreeing to the  
7 annexation, then the annexation, if approved by the regional  
8 board of school trustees, is not effective until it is  
9 approved by the voters in each affected school district at an  
10 election held for the purpose of voting on the question. No  
11 petition shall be adopted or signed under this subsection  
12 until the board of education or the petitioners, as the case  
13 may be, shall have given at least 10 days' notice to be  
14 published once in a newspaper having general circulation in  
15 the district and shall have conducted a public informational  
16 meeting to inform the residents of the district of the  
17 proposed dissolution and to answer questions concerning the  
18 proposed dissolution. The petition shall be filed with and  
19 decided solely by the regional board of school trustees of  
20 the region in which the regional superintendent of schools  
21 has supervision of the school district being dissolved. The  
22 regional board of school trustees shall not act on a petition  
23 filed by a board of education if within 45 days after giving  
24 notice of the hearing required under Section 7-11 a petition  
25 in opposition to the petition of the board to dissolve,  
26 signed by a majority of the registered voters of the  
27 district, is filed with the regional board of school  
28 trustees. The regional board of school trustees shall have  
29 no authority to deny dissolution requested in a proper  
30 petition for dissolution filed under this subsection (b), but  
31 shall exercise its discretion in accordance with Section 7-11  
32 on the issue of annexing the territory of a district being  
33 dissolved, giving consideration to but not being bound by the  
34 wishes expressed by the residents of the various school

1 districts that may be affected by such annexation.

2 When dissolution and annexation become effective for  
3 purposes of administration and attendance as determined  
4 pursuant to Section 7-11, the positions of teachers in  
5 contractual continued service in the district being dissolved  
6 are transferred to an annexing district or to annexing  
7 districts pursuant to the provisions of Section 24-12  
8 relative to teachers having contractual continued service  
9 status whose positions are transferred from one board to the  
10 control of a different board, and those said provisions of  
11 Section 24-12 shall apply to said transferred teachers. In  
12 the event that the territory is added to 2 or more districts,  
13 the decision on which positions shall be transferred to which  
14 annexing districts shall be made giving consideration to the  
15 proportionate percent of pupils transferred and the annexing  
16 districts' staffing needs, and the transfer of specific  
17 individuals into such positions shall be based upon the  
18 request of those teachers in order of seniority in the  
19 dissolving district. The contractual continued service  
20 status of any teacher thereby transferred to an annexing  
21 district is not lost and the different board is subject to  
22 this Act with respect to such transferred teacher in the same  
23 manner as if such teacher was that district's employee and  
24 had been its employee during the time such teacher was  
25 actually employed by the board of the dissolving district  
26 from which the position was transferred.

27 (Source: P.A. 86-13; 87-1215.)".