

AN ACT concerning education.

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

Section 5. The Board of Higher Education Act is amended by adding Section 9.30 as follows:

(110 ILCS 205/9.30 new)

Sec. 9.30. Course transferability program.

(a) Subject to appropriation, the Board shall implement and administer a statewide program, using the World Wide Web, to assist students, advisors, faculty, and administrators from public and private institutions of higher education in obtaining consistent and accurate information about transfer courses and their applicability towards degree completion by publishing course equivalency guides, academic programs, courses offered, transfer course evaluations, and degree requirements.

(b) Under the program, the Board shall provide appropriate assistance and support to participating public and private institutions of higher education. The Board shall designate participants based on which institutions apply to be part of the program. However, all data shall be managed by each institution of higher education and each institution shall retain complete ownership of the data submitted.

(c) The program's Internet website shall contain the following:

(1) Transfer course articulations, which shall be updated annually.

(2) Institutional reference tables.

(3) Degree requirements, which shall be updated annually.

(4) Course banks, which shall be updated annually.

(5) Academic program pull down menus, which shall be

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updated annually.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.