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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2354

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 2354 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section
5 2-3.196 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.196 new)

7 Sec. 2-3.196. Science in Elementary Schools Task Force.

8 (a) The State Board of Education shall create the Science
9 in Elementary Schools Task Force. The State Board of Education
10 shall appoint science and health education specialists,
11 educators or former educators who teach or have taught the
12 subject of science or health, medical doctors, doctors of
13 osteopathy or osteopathic medicine, parents, registered
14 nurses, chiropractic physicians, exercise physiologists, and
15 physical therapists to the Task Force.

16 The members of the Task Force shall serve without

1 compensation.

2 (b) The State Board of Education shall provide
3 administrative support to the Task Force.

4 (c) By June 1, 2024, the Task Force shall create a
5 crosswalk and alignment of the current Illinois Learning
6 Standards, the Next Generation Science Standards adopted by
7 the State Board of Education, and the Illinois Learning
8 Standards for Science, with links to available resources so
9 elementary teachers have access to high quality,
10 age-appropriate, and free educational materials that are
11 centered on anatomy, physiology, and nutrition to empower
12 students with the knowledge of their own bodies and to care for
13 their own health and well-being throughout their lives.

14 (d) The Task Force shall focus its recommendations on how
15 to empower students with the knowledge to adequately
16 understand their own bodies and care for their own health and
17 well-being throughout their lives, with the idea that science
18 education is more human-centered. The Task Force shall
19 additionally focus on connecting this human-centered science
20 education with other sciences as students advance to other
21 areas of their science education, such as chemistry, biology,
22 and physics, taught at later grade levels.

23 (e) The Task Force shall make recommendations to the State
24 Board of Education on updating its science standards by
25 December 31, 2025. By December 31, 2030, the State Board of
26 Education shall review and provide updates as appropriate to

1 the crosswalk and alignment documents and elementary
2 storylines. The State Board of Education shall conduct these
3 reviews and provide these updates, at a minimum, every 5 years
4 thereafter.

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