

1 AN ACT regarding education.

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

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 30-9 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/30-9) (from Ch. 122, par. 30-9)

7 Sec. 30-9. General Assembly scholarship; conditions of  
8 admission; award by competitive examination.

9 Each member of the General Assembly may nominate annually  
10 2 persons of school age and otherwise eligible, from his  
11 district; one shall receive a certificate of scholarship in  
12 the University of Illinois and the other shall receive a  
13 certificate of scholarship in any other State supported  
14 university designated by the member. Any member of the  
15 General Assembly in making nominations under this Section may  
16 designate that his nominee be granted a 4 year scholarship or  
17 may instead designate 2 or 4 nominees for that particular  
18 scholarship, each to receive a 2 year or a one year  
19 scholarship, respectively. The nominee, if a graduate of a  
20 school accredited by the University to which nominated, shall  
21 be admitted to the university on the same conditions as to  
22 educational qualifications as are other graduates of  
23 accredited schools. If the nominee is not a graduate of a  
24 school accredited by the university to which nominated, he  
25 must, before being entitled to the benefits of the  
26 scholarship, pass an examination given by the superintendent  
27 of schools of the county where he resides at the time stated  
28 in Section 30-7 for the competitive examination. The  
29 president of each university shall prescribe the rules  
30 governing the examination for scholarship to his university.

31 A member of the General Assembly may award the

1 scholarship by competitive examination conducted under like  
2 rules as prescribed in Section 30-7 even though one or more  
3 of the applicants are graduates of schools accredited by the  
4 university.

5 A member of the General Assembly may delegate to the  
6 Illinois Student Assistance Commission the authority to  
7 nominate persons for General Assembly scholarships which that  
8 member would otherwise be entitled to award, or may direct  
9 the Commission to evaluate and make recommendations to the  
10 member concerning candidates for such scholarships. In the  
11 event a member delegates his nominating authority or directs  
12 the Commission to evaluate and make recommendations  
13 concerning candidates for General Assembly scholarships, the  
14 member shall inform the Commission in writing of the criteria  
15 which he wishes the Commission to apply in nominating or  
16 recommending candidates. Those criteria may include some or  
17 all of the criteria provided in Section 25 of the Higher  
18 Education Student Assistance Act. A member of the General  
19 Assembly may delegate to the Department of Children and  
20 Family Services the authority to nominate persons for General  
21 Assembly scholarships that the member would otherwise be  
22 entitled to award, and the Department may nominate any ward  
23 of the State regardless of where that person resides as long  
24 as he or she resides within the State. A delegation of  
25 authority under this paragraph may be revoked at any time by  
26 the member.

27 Failure of a member of the General Assembly to make a  
28 nomination in any year shall not cause that scholarship to  
29 lapse, but the member may make a nomination for such  
30 scholarship at any time thereafter before the expiration of  
31 his term, and the person so nominated shall be entitled to  
32 the same benefits as holders of other scholarships provided  
33 herein. Any such scholarship for which a member has made no  
34 nomination prior to the expiration of the term for which he

1 was elected shall lapse upon the expiration of that term.

2 (Source: P.A. 87-997.)