

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3673

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3673, AS AMENDED,
3 with reference to page and line numbers of Senate Amendment
4 No. 2, on page 1, line 5, by replacing "Section 18-9" with
5 "Sections 18-9 and 18-12"; and

6 on page 4, immediately below line 27, by inserting the
7 following:

8 "(105 ILCS 5/18-12) (from Ch. 122, par. 18-12)
9 Sec. 18-12. Dates for filing State aid claims.} The
10 school board of each school district shall require teachers,
11 principals, or superintendents to furnish from records kept
12 by them such data as it needs in preparing and certifying
13 under oath or affirmation to the regional superintendent its
14 school district report of claims provided in Sections 18-8
15 through 18-10 on blanks to be provided by the State
16 Superintendent of Education. The district claim shall be
17 based on the latest available equalized assessed valuation
18 and tax rates, as provided in Section 18-8.05 18-8 and shall
19 use the average daily attendance as determined by the method
20 outlined in Section 18-8.05 18-8 and shall be certified and
21 filed with the regional superintendent by July 1. Failure to
22 so file by July 1 constitutes a forfeiture of the right to

1 receive payment by the State until such claim is filed and
 2 vouchered for payment. The regional superintendent of
 3 schools shall certify the county report of claims by July 15;
 4 and the State Superintendent of Education shall voucher for
 5 payment those claims to the State Comptroller as provided in
 6 Section 18-11.

7 Except as otherwise provided in this Section, if any
 8 school district fails to provide the minimum school term
 9 specified in Section 10-19, the State aid claim for that year
 10 shall be reduced by the State Superintendent of Education in
 11 an amount equivalent to .56818% for each day less than the
 12 number of days required by this Code Act. However,

13 If the State Superintendent of Education determines that
 14 the such failure to provide the minimum school term was
 15 occasioned by an act or acts of God, or was occasioned by
 16 conditions beyond the control of the school district which
 17 posed a hazardous threat to the health and safety of pupils,
 18 the State aid claim need not be reduced.

19 If the State Superintendent of Education determines that
 20 the failure to provide the minimum school term was due to a
 21 school being closed on or after September 11, 2001 for more
 22 than one-half day of attendance due to a bioterrorism or
 23 terrorism threat that was investigated by a law enforcement
 24 agency, the State aid claim shall not be reduced.

25 If, during any school day, (i) a school district has
 26 provided at least one clock hour of instruction but must
 27 close the schools due to adverse weather conditions or due to
 28 a condition beyond the control of the school district that
 29 poses a hazardous threat to the health and safety of pupils
 30 prior to providing the minimum hours of instruction required
 31 for a full day of attendance, or (ii) the school district
 32 must delay the start of the school day due to adverse weather
 33 conditions and this delay prevents the district from
 34 providing the minimum hours of instruction required for a

1 full day of attendance, the partial day of attendance may be
2 counted as a full day of attendance. The partial day of
3 attendance and the reasons therefor shall be certified in
4 writing within a month of the closing or delayed start by the
5 local school district superintendent to the Regional
6 Superintendent of Schools for forwarding to the State
7 Superintendent of Education for approval.

8 If a school building is ordered to be closed by the
9 school board, in consultation with a local emergency response
10 agency, due to a condition that poses a hazardous threat to
11 the health and safety of pupils, then the school district
12 shall have a grace period of 4 days in which the general
13 State aid claim shall not be reduced so that alternative
14 housing of the pupils may be located.

15 No exception to the requirement of providing a minimum
16 school term may be approved by the State Superintendent of
17 Education pursuant to this Section unless a school district
18 has first used all emergency days provided for in its regular
19 calendar.

20 If the State Superintendent of Education declares that an
21 energy shortage exists during any part of the school year for
22 the State or a designated portion of the State, a district
23 may operate the school attendance centers within the district
24 4 days of the week during the time of the shortage by
25 extending each existing school day by one clock hour of
26 school work, and the State aid claim shall not be reduced,
27 nor shall the employees of that district suffer any reduction
28 in salary or benefits as a result thereof. A district may
29 operate all attendance centers on this revised schedule, or
30 may apply the schedule to selected attendance centers, taking
31 into consideration such factors as pupil transportation
32 schedules and patterns and sources of energy for individual
33 attendance centers.

34 No State aid claim may be filed for any district unless

1 the clerk or secretary of the school board executes and files
2 with the State Superintendent of Education, on forms
3 prescribed by the Superintendent, a sworn statement that the
4 district has complied with the requirements of Section
5 10-22.5 in regard to the nonsegregation of pupils on account
6 of color, creed, race, sex or nationality.

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8 the clerk or secretary of the school board executes and files
9 with the State Superintendent of Education, on forms
10 prescribed by the Superintendent, a sworn statement that to
11 the best of his or her knowledge or belief the employing or
12 assigning personnel have complied with Section 24-4 in all
13 respects.

14 (Source: P.A. 90-98, eff. 7-11-97.)".