

1 AN ACT concerning schools.

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 Sections 10-20.28 and 34-18.14 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/10-20.28) (from Ch. 122, par. 10-20.28)

7 Sec. 10-20.28. Cellular radio telecommunication devices
8 prohibition.

9 (a) The General Assembly finds and declares that the
10 educational development of all persons to the limits of their
11 capacities is a fundamental goal of the people of this State
12 and that to achieve such goal it is essential to provide a
13 safe and secure learning environment within the public
14 schools. While recognizing that cellular radio
15 telecommunication devices may be used for inappropriate
16 activities during school hours and on school property and
17 may, on occasion, cause disruption to the classroom
18 environment, the General Assembly also recognizes that the
19 use of cellular radio telecommunication devices can decrease
20 the response time of officials to emergency situations. In
21 addition, cellular radio telecommunication devices allow
22 parents an additional and timely method of contacting their
23 children should an emergency situation arise. Therefore, it
24 is the purpose and intention of the General Assembly in
25 enacting this legislation to (i) reduce the occurrence of
26 inappropriate and disruptive activities during school hours
27 and on school property occurring through the use of cellular
28 radio telecommunication devices and (ii) increase the safety
29 of students and school personnel during school hours and on
30 school property.

31 (b) The school board may establish appropriate rules and

1 disciplinary procedures governing the use or possession of
2 cellular radio telecommunication devices by a student while
3 in a school or on school property, during regular school
4 hours, or at any other time. To--prohibit--the--use--or
5 possession--of--any--cellular--radio--telecommunication--device--by
6 any--pupil--while--such--pupil--is--in--any--school--building--or--on
7 any--school--property,--during--regular--school--hours--or--at--any
8 other--time,--and--to--by--rule--provide--for--the--imposition--of
9 appropriate--discipline--upon--any--pupil--who--violates--such
10 prohibition. Exceptions may be made by the school board with
11 the approval of the school principal.

12 (Source: P.A. 86-1391.)

13 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.14) (from Ch. 122, par. 34-18.14)

14 Sec. 34-18.14. Cellular radio telecommunication devices
15 prohibition.

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5 (b) The board may establish appropriate rules and
 6 disciplinary procedures governing the use or possession of
 7 cellular radio telecommunication devices by a student while
 8 in a school or on school property, during regular school
 9 hours, or at any other time. ~~The board shall prohibit the use~~
 10 ~~or possession of any cellular radio telecommunication device~~
 11 ~~by any pupil while such pupil is in any school building or on~~
 12 ~~any school property, during regular school hours or at any~~
 13 ~~other time, and shall by rule provide for the imposition of~~
 14 ~~appropriate discipline upon any pupil who violates such~~
 15 ~~prohibition. Exceptions may be made by the board of education~~
 16 ~~with the approval of the school principal.~~

17 (Source: P.A. 86-1391.)

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