



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 305/180 new  
110 ILCS 520/155 new  
110 ILCS 660/5-265 new  
110 ILCS 665/10-270 new  
110 ILCS 670/15-265 new  
110 ILCS 675/20-275 new  
110 ILCS 680/25-270 new  
110 ILCS 685/30-280 new  
110 ILCS 690/35-275 new

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois. Requires the governing board of each public university to implement the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant assistance to those students who satisfy the eligibility requirements of the program. Provides that to be eligible for grant assistance, a student must: (i) be a resident of Illinois, and his or her parents must be residents of Illinois, (ii) have attended and graduated from an Illinois high school, (iii) be under 24 years of age and admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student, (iv) have an expected family contribution as determined through FAFSA that equals \$0, (v) have total family assets that are less than \$50,000, and (vi) be enrolled in a least 12 semester hours during the fall or spring semester. Provides that grant assistance is available for up to 4 years of attendance. Requires the grant recipient to maintain Illinois residency and satisfactory academic progress, and to work at least 10 to 12 hours a week as part of the promise program.

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1 AN ACT concerning higher education.

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

4 Section 5. The University of Illinois Act is amended by  
5 adding Section 180 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 305/180 new)

7 Sec. 180. Illinois College Promise program.

8 (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
9 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
10 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
11 eligibility requirements:

12 (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
13 residents of the State of Illinois.

14 (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
15 Illinois high school.

16 (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
17 admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

18 (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
19 determined through the Free Application for Federal  
20 Student Aid equals \$0.

21 (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
22 than \$50,000.

23 (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12

1 semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

2 (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
3 Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
4 year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
5 Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
6 which they seek to receive a grant.

7 (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
8 hours per week.

9 (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
10 program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
11 of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
12 student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
13 satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
14 by the Board of Trustees.

15 Section 10. The Southern Illinois University Management  
16 Act is amended by adding Section 155 as follows:

17 (110 ILCS 520/155 new)

18 Sec. 155. Illinois College Promise program.

19 (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
20 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
21 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
22 eligibility requirements:

23 (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
24 residents of the State of Illinois.

1           (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
2           Illinois high school.

3           (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
4           admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

5           (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
6           determined through the Free Application for Federal  
7           Student Aid equals \$0.

8           (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
9           than \$50,000.

10           (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
11           semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

12           (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
13           Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
14           year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
15           Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
16           which they seek to receive a grant.

17           (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
18           hours per week.

19           (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
20           program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
21           of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
22           student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
23           satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
24           by the Board.

25           Section 15. The Chicago State University Law is amended by

1 adding Section 5-265 as follows:

2 (110 ILCS 660/5-265 new)

3 Sec. 5-265. Illinois College Promise program.

4 (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
5 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
6 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
7 eligibility requirements:

8 (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
9 residents of the State of Illinois.

10 (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
11 Illinois high school.

12 (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
13 admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

14 (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
15 determined through the Free Application for Federal  
16 Student Aid equals \$0.

17 (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
18 than \$50,000.

19 (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
20 semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

21 (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
22 Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
23 year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
24 Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
25 which they seek to receive a grant.

1       (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
2 hours per week.

3       (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
4 program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
5 of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
6 student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
7 satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
8 by the Board.

9       Section 20. The Eastern Illinois University Law is amended  
10 by adding Section 10-270 as follows:

11       (110 ILCS 665/10-270 new)

12       Sec. 10-270. Illinois College Promise program.

13       (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
14 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
15 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
16 eligibility requirements:

17           (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
18 residents of the State of Illinois.

19           (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
20 Illinois high school.

21           (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
22 admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

23           (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
24 determined through the Free Application for Federal

1       Student Aid equals \$0.

2           (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
3       than \$50,000.

4           (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
5       semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

6           (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
7       Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
8       year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
9       Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
10       which they seek to receive a grant.

11           (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
12       hours per week.

13           (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
14       program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
15       of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
16       student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
17       satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
18       by the Board.

19           Section 25. The Governors State University Law is amended  
20       by adding Section 15-265 as follows:

21           (110 ILCS 670/15-265 new)

22           Sec. 15-265. Illinois College Promise program.

23           (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
24       the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant

1 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
2 eligibility requirements:

3 (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
4 residents of the State of Illinois.

5 (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
6 Illinois high school.

7 (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
8 admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

9 (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
10 determined through the Free Application for Federal  
11 Student Aid equals \$0.

12 (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
13 than \$50,000.

14 (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
15 semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

16 (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
17 Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
18 year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
19 Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
20 which they seek to receive a grant.

21 (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
22 hours per week.

23 (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
24 program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
25 of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
26 student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as



1 satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
2 by the Board.

3 Section 30. The Illinois State University Law is amended  
4 by adding Section 20-275 as follows:

5 (110 ILCS 675/20-275 new)

6 Sec. 20-275. Illinois College Promise program.

7 (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
8 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
9 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
10 eligibility requirements:

11 (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
12 residents of the State of Illinois.

13 (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
14 Illinois high school.

15 (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
16 admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

17 (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
18 determined through the Free Application for Federal  
19 Student Aid equals \$0.

20 (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
21 than \$50,000.

22 (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
23 semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

24 (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the

1 Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
2 year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
3 Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
4 which they seek to receive a grant.

5 (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
6 hours per week.

7 (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
8 program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
9 of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
10 student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
11 satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
12 by the Board.

13 Section 35. The Northeastern Illinois University Law is  
14 amended by adding Section 25-270 as follows:

15 (110 ILCS 680/25-270 new)

16 Sec. 25-270. Illinois College Promise program.

17 (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
18 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
19 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
20 eligibility requirements:

21 (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
22 residents of the State of Illinois.

23 (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
24 Illinois high school.

1           (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
2           admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

3           (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
4           determined through the Free Application for Federal  
5           Student Aid equals \$0.

6           (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
7           than \$50,000.

8           (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
9           semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

10          (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
11          Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
12          year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
13          Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
14          which they seek to receive a grant.

15          (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
16          hours per week.

17          (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
18          program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
19          of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
20          student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
21          satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
22          by the Board.

23                 Section 40. The Northern Illinois University Law is  
24                 amended by adding Section 30-280 as follows:

1 (110 ILCS 685/30-280 new)

2 Sec. 30-280. Illinois College Promise program.

3 (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
4 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
5 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
6 eligibility requirements:

7 (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
8 residents of the State of Illinois.

9 (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
10 Illinois high school.

11 (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
12 admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

13 (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
14 determined through the Free Application for Federal  
15 Student Aid equals \$0.

16 (5) The student's total family assets must be less  
17 than \$50,000.

18 (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
19 semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

20 (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
21 Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
22 year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
23 Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
24 which they seek to receive a grant.

25 (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
26 hours per week.

1       (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
2 program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
3 of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
4 student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
5 satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
6 by the Board.

7       Section 45. The Western Illinois University Law is amended  
8 by adding Section 35-275 as follows:

9       (110 ILCS 690/35-275 new)

10       Sec. 35-275. Illinois College Promise program.

11       (a) The Board of Trustees shall implement and administer  
12 the Illinois College Promise program to provide grant  
13 assistance to those students who satisfy the following  
14 eligibility requirements:

15           (1) The student and his or her parents or guardian are  
16 residents of the State of Illinois.

17           (2) The student attended and graduated from an  
18 Illinois high school.

19           (3) The student is under 24 years of age and is  
20 admitted as a new freshman or new transfer student.

21           (4) The student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC)  
22 determined through the Free Application for Federal  
23 Student Aid equals \$0.

24           (5) The student's total family assets must be less

1 than \$50,000.

2 (6) The student must be enrolled in a least 12  
3 semester hours during the fall or spring semester.

4 (b) Students applying for a grant shall complete the  
5 Illinois College Promise grant application in their initial  
6 year of enrollment. Students shall complete the Free  
7 Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year in  
8 which they seek to receive a grant.

9 (c) Grant recipients shall work approximately 10 to 12  
10 hours per week.

11 (d) Grant assistance through the Illinois College Promise  
12 program is available to an eligible student for up to 4 years  
13 of attendance. To continue to receive a grant, an eligible  
14 student must maintain Illinois residency, as well as  
15 satisfactory academic progress as determined by rules adopted  
16 by the Board.