



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/9/2023, by Sen. Craig Wilcox

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 the University of Illinois Act, the Southern Illinois University Management Act, the Chicago State University Law, the Eastern Illinois University Law, the Governors State University Law, the Illinois State University Law, the Northeastern State University Law, the Northern Illinois University Law, and the Western Illinois University Law. Provides that, before any student fee is raised at a public university, a majority of the student body that is eligible to vote in student government elections must approve the fee increase. Includes requirements relating to the form of the question and notice to be given. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning 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. Student fee increases.

8 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
9 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
10 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
11 the fee increase.

12 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
13 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
14 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
15 given to the student body. The question shall be in
16 substantially the following form:

17 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:

18 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO

19 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

20 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
21 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student

1 body.

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

4 (110 ILCS 520/155 new)

5 Sec. 155. Student fee increases.

6 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
7 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
8 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
9 the fee increase.

10 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
11 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
12 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
13 given to the student body. The question shall be in
14 substantially the following form:

15 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:

16 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO

17 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

18 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
19 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
20 body.

21 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. Student fee increases.

4 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
5 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
6 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
7 the fee increase.

8 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
9 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
10 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
11 given to the student body. The question shall be in
12 substantially the following form:

13 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:
14 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO
15 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

16 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
17 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
18 body.

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

21 (110 ILCS 665/10-270 new)

1 Sec. 10-270. Student fee increases.

2 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
3 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
4 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
5 the fee increase.

6 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
7 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
8 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
9 given to the student body. The question shall be in
10 substantially the following form:

11 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:
12 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO
13 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

14 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
15 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
16 body.

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

19 (110 ILCS 670/15-265 new)

20 Sec. 15-265. Student fee increases.

21 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
22 of the university, a majority of the student body that is

1 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
2 the fee increase.

3 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
4 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
5 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
6 given to the student body. The question shall be in
7 substantially the following form:

8 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:
9 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO
10 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

11 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
12 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
13 body.

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

16 (110 ILCS 675/20-275 new)

17 Sec. 20-275. Student fee increases.

18 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
19 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
20 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
21 the fee increase.

22 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees

1 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
2 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
3 given to the student body. The question shall be in
4 substantially the following form:

5 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:
6 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO
7 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

8 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
9 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
10 body.

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

13 (110 ILCS 680/25-270 new)

14 Sec. 25-270. Student fee increases.

15 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
16 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
17 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
18 the fee increase.

19 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
20 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
21 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
22 given to the student body. The question shall be in

1 substantially the following form:

2 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:
3 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO
4 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

5 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
6 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
7 body.

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

10 (110 ILCS 685/30-280 new)

11 Sec. 30-280. Student fee increases.

12 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
13 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
14 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
15 the fee increase.

16 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
17 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
18 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
19 given to the student body. The question shall be in
20 substantially the following form:

21 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:

1 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO
2 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

3 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
4 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
5 body.

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

8 (110 ILCS 690/35-275 new)

9 Sec. 35-275. Student fee increases.

10 (a) Before the Board of Trustees may raise any student fee
11 of the university, a majority of the student body that is
12 eligible to vote in student government elections must approve
13 the fee increase.

14 (b) The question of whether or not to raise a fee or fees
15 shall be submitted to the student body for a vote in the same
16 manner as student government elections, with reasonable notice
17 given to the student body. The question shall be in
18 substantially the following form:

19 "Shall the following (fee or fees) be increased:
20 (Fee name): From (current fee) to (increased fee). YES/NO
21 (insert additional fees in the same manner)"

1 (c) If the student body approves a fee increase, the Board
2 may increase the fee up to the amount approved by the student
3 body.

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