

1 AN ACT relating to higher education.

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

4 Section 5. The Northeastern Illinois University Law is
5 amended by changing Section 25-15 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 680/25-15)

7 Sec. 25-15. Membership; terms; vacancies. The Board
8 shall consist of 9 voting members who are residents of this
9 State and are appointed by the Governor, by and with the
10 advice and consent of the Senate, and one voting member who
11 is a student at Northeastern Illinois University. The
12 student member shall be elected by a campus-wide election of
13 all students of the University. The student member shall
14 serve a term of one year beginning on July 1 of each year,
15 except that the student member initially selected under this
16 amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly shall serve a
17 term beginning on the date of his or her selection and
18 expiring on the next succeeding June 30. A student member
19 may serve only for one term. To be eligible to remain as a
20 student member of the Board, the student member must be a
21 resident of this State, must have and maintain a grade point
22 average that is equivalent to at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale,
23 and must be a full time ~~undergraduate~~ student enrolled at all
24 times during his or her term of office except for that part
25 of the term which follows the completion of the last full
26 regular semester of an academic year and precedes the first
27 full regular semester of the succeeding academic year at the
28 university (sometimes commonly referred to as the summer
29 session or summer school). If a student member serving on
30 the Board fails to continue to meet or maintain the
31 residency, minimum grade point average, or enrollment

1 requirement established by this Section, his or her
2 membership on the Board shall be deemed to have terminated by
3 operation of law. If any member of the Board appointed by
4 the Governor fails to continue to meet or maintain the
5 residency requirement established by this Section, he or she
6 shall resign membership on the Board within 30 days
7 thereafter and, failing submission of this resignation, his
8 or her membership on the Board shall be deemed to have
9 terminated by operation of law. Of the members first
10 appointed by the Governor, 4 shall be appointed for terms to
11 expire on the third Monday in January, 1999 and until their
12 successors are appointed and qualified, and 3 shall be
13 appointed for terms to expire on the third Monday in January,
14 2001 and until their successors are appointed and qualified.
15 The 2 additional members appointed by the Governor, by and
16 with the advice and consent of the Senate, under this
17 amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, shall not be
18 from the same political party and shall be appointed for
19 terms to expire on the third Monday in January, 2003 and
20 until their successors are appointed and qualified. Any
21 vacancy in membership existing on January 1, 1999 shall be
22 filled by appointment by the Governor, with the advice and
23 consent of the Senate, for a term to expire on the third
24 Monday in January, 2003. If the Senate is not in session on
25 the effective date of this Article, or if a vacancy in an
26 appointive membership occurs at a time when the Senate is not
27 in session, the Governor shall make temporary appointments to
28 fill the vacancy. Members with these temporary appointments
29 shall be deemed qualified to serve upon appointment and shall
30 continue to serve until the next meeting of the Senate when
31 the Governor shall appoint persons to fill such memberships,
32 by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for the
33 remainder of their respective terms. No more than 5 of the
34 members appointed by the Governor shall be affiliated with

1 the same political party. Each member appointed by the
2 Governor must be a resident of this State. A failure to meet
3 or maintain this residency requirement constitutes a
4 resignation from and creates a vacancy in the Board. Upon
5 the expiration of the terms of members appointed by the
6 Governor for other than temporary appointments, their
7 respective successors shall be appointed, by and with the
8 advice and consent of the Senate, for terms of 6 years from
9 the third Monday in January of each odd-numbered year. Any
10 members appointed to the Board shall continue to serve in
11 such capacity until their successors are appointed and
12 qualified.

13 (Source: P.A. 91-565, eff. 8-14-99; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01;
14 91-798, eff. 7-9-00; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

15 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
16 becoming law.