

1 AN ACT relating to fictitious higher education degrees.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Fictitious Higher Education Degree Act.

6 Section 5. Fictitious degree. If a resident of this State
7 applies for a higher education degree through the Internet
8 and the institution offering the degree has not been approved
9 by the Board of Higher Education as an institution that may
10 award a higher education degree through the Internet, then
11 the degree must contain a statement that the institution has
12 not been approved by the Board of Higher Education as an
13 institution that may award a higher education degree.

14 Section 10. Investigation. If the Board of Higher
15 Education becomes aware that an institution is in violation
16 of Section 5 of this Act, then the Board may refer the
17 incident to the appropriate law enforcement officials for
18 investigation into the violation of any criminal laws.

19 Section 90. Rules. The Board of Higher Education may
20 adopt any rules necessary to implement this Act.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
22 becoming law.