

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 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Fire  
5 Sprinkler Dormitory Act.

6 Section 5. Definition. "Post-secondary educational  
7 institution" means an Illinois public or private college or  
8 university offering degrees and instruction above the high  
9 school level. This term does not include any public or private  
10 college or university that does not provide on-campus housing  
11 for its students in dormitories or equivalent facilities that  
12 are owned, operated, or maintained by the public or private  
13 college or university. This term does not include (i) any  
14 public or private junior or community college or (ii) any  
15 institution offering degrees and instruction that uses  
16 correspondence as its primary mode of student instruction.

17 Section 10. Fire sprinkler systems required. Subject to the  
18 establishment of a fire sprinkler dormitory revolving loan  
19 program under Section 15 of this Act, fire sprinkler systems  
20 are required in the dormitories of all post-secondary  
21 educational institutions by 2013. This includes current  
22 structures as well as newly constructed dormitories.

23 Section 15. Fire Sprinkler Dormitory Revolving Loan  
24 Program. The Illinois Finance Authority and the Office of the  
25 State Fire Marshal shall jointly administer a fire sprinkler  
26 dormitory revolving loan program. The program shall provide  
27 low-interest loans for the installation of fire sprinkler  
28 systems in college dormitories by post-secondary educational  
29 institutions. The loan funds, subject to appropriation, shall  
30 be paid out of the Fire Sprinkler Dormitory Revolving Loan

1 Fund, a special fund in the State treasury. The Fund shall  
2 consist of any moneys transferred into or appropriated to the  
3 Fund as well as all repayments of loans made under this  
4 Section. The Fund shall be used for loans to post-secondary  
5 educational institutions for costs associated with the  
6 installation of fire sprinkler systems in dormitories and for  
7 no other purpose. All interest earned on moneys in the Fund  
8 shall be deposited into the Fund.

9 Section 25. Rules. The Illinois Finance Authority and the  
10 Office of the State Fire Marshal shall adopt rules to  
11 administer the revolving loan program.  
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13 Section 30. The State Finance Act is amended by adding  
14 Section 5.625 as follows:

15 (30 ILCS 105/5.625 new)

16 Sec. 5.625. The Fire Sprinkler Dormitory Revolving Loan  
17 Fund.

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January  
19 1, 2005.