



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/10/2011, by Sen. Edward D. Maloney

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 205/7
110 ILCS 205/8

from Ch. 144, par. 187
from Ch. 144, par. 188

Amends the Board of Higher Education Act. Provides that, following notification to and a period of consultation with the appropriate board of control, the Board of Higher Education is authorized to take action on the dissolution or reduce in scope any and all existing programs of instruction, research, or public service that the Board finds to lack educational or economical justification at the public universities and community colleges. Requires each public university and community college to submit its plan for capital improvements of non-instructional facilities to the Board for approval before final commitments are made only if the total cost of the project as approved by the institution's board of control is in excess of \$2 million.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES
ACT MAY REQUIRE
REIMBURSEMENT

A BILL FOR

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 Board of Higher Education Act is amended by
5 changing Sections 7 and 8 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 205/7) (from Ch. 144, par. 187)

7 Sec. 7. The Board of Trustees of the University of
8 Illinois, the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois
9 University, the Board of Trustees of Chicago State University,
10 the Board of Trustees of Eastern Illinois University, the Board
11 of Trustees of Governors State University, the Board of
12 Trustees of Illinois State University, the Board of Trustees of
13 Northeastern Illinois University, the Board of Trustees of
14 Northern Illinois University, the Board of Trustees of Western
15 Illinois University, the Illinois Community College Board and
16 the campuses under their governance or supervision shall not
17 hereafter undertake the establishment of any new unit of
18 instruction, research or public service without the approval of
19 the Board. The term "new unit of instruction, research or
20 public service" includes the establishment of a college,
21 school, division, institute, department or other unit in any
22 field of instruction, research or public service not
23 theretofore included in the program of the institution, and

1 includes the establishment of any new branch or campus. The
2 term does not include reasonable and moderate extensions of
3 existing curricula, research, or public service programs which
4 have a direct relationship to existing programs; and the Board
5 may, under its rule making power, define the character of such
6 reasonable and moderate extensions.

7 Such governing boards shall submit to the Board all
8 proposals for a new unit of instruction, research, or public
9 service. The Board may approve or disapprove the proposal in
10 whole or in part or approve modifications thereof whenever in
11 its judgment such action is consistent with the objectives of
12 an existing or proposed master plan of higher education.

13 The Board of Higher Education is authorized to review
14 periodically all existing programs of instruction, research
15 and public service at the State ~~state~~ universities and colleges
16 and to advise the appropriate board of control if the
17 contribution of each program is not educationally and
18 economically justified. Following notification to and a period
19 of consultation with the appropriate board of control, the
20 Board of Higher Education is authorized to take action on the
21 dissolution or reduce in scope any and all existing programs of
22 instruction, research, or public service that the Board finds
23 to lack educational or economical justification at the State
24 universities and colleges.

25 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96.)

1 (110 ILCS 205/8) (from Ch. 144, par. 188)

2 Sec. 8. The Board of Trustees of the University of
3 Illinois, the Board of Trustees of Southern Illinois
4 University, the Board of Trustees of Chicago State University,
5 the Board of Trustees of Eastern Illinois University, the Board
6 of Trustees of Governors State University, the Board of
7 Trustees of Illinois State University, the Board of Trustees of
8 Northeastern Illinois University, the Board of Trustees of
9 Northern Illinois University, the Board of Trustees of Western
10 Illinois University, and the Illinois Community College Board
11 shall submit to the Board not later than the 15th day of
12 November of each year its budget proposals for the operation
13 and capital needs of the institutions under its governance or
14 supervision for the ensuing fiscal year. Each budget proposal
15 shall conform to the procedures developed by the Board in the
16 design of an information system for State universities and
17 colleges.

18 In order to maintain a cohesive system of higher education,
19 the Board and its staff shall communicate on a regular basis
20 with all public university presidents. They shall meet at least
21 semiannually to achieve economies of scale where possible and
22 provide the most innovative and efficient programs and
23 services.

24 The Board, in the analysis of formulating the annual budget
25 request, shall consider rates of tuition and fees at the state
26 universities and colleges. The Board shall also consider the

1 current and projected utilization of the total physical plant
2 of each campus of a university or college in approving the
3 capital budget for any new building or facility.

4 The Board of Higher Education shall submit to the Governor,
5 to the General Assembly, and to the appropriate budget agencies
6 of the Governor and General Assembly its analysis and
7 recommendations on such budget proposals.

8 Each state supported institution within the application of
9 this Act must submit its plan for capital improvements of
10 non-instructional facilities to the Board for approval before
11 final commitments are made if the total cost of the project as
12 approved by the institution's board of control is in excess of
13 \$2 million. Non-instructional uses shall include but not be
14 limited to dormitories, union buildings, field houses,
15 stadium, other recreational facilities and parking lots. The
16 Board shall determine whether or not any project submitted for
17 approval is consistent with the master plan for higher
18 education and with instructional buildings that are provided
19 for therein. If the project is found by a majority of the Board
20 not to be consistent, such capital improvement shall not be
21 constructed.

22 (Source: P.A. 89-4, eff. 1-1-96.)