

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. Each State university shall report
19 annually to the Board on programs of instruction, research, or
20 public service that have been terminated, dissolved, reduced,
21 or consolidated by the university. Each State university shall
22 also report to the Board all programs of instruction, research,
23 and public service that exhibit a trend of low performance in
24 enrollments, degree completions, and high expense per degree.
25 The Board shall compile an annual report that shall contain
26 information on new programs created, existing programs that

1 have been closed or consolidated, and programs that exhibit low
2 performance or productivity. The report must be submitted to
3 the General Assembly. The Board shall have the authority to
4 define relevant terms and timelines by rule with respect to
5 this reporting.

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

7 (110 ILCS 205/8) (from Ch. 144, par. 188)

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

24 In order to maintain a cohesive system of higher education,
25 the Board and its staff shall communicate on a regular basis

1 with all public university presidents. They shall meet at least
2 semiannually to achieve economies of scale where possible and
3 provide the most innovative and efficient programs and
4 services.

5 The Board, in the analysis of formulating the annual budget
6 request, shall consider rates of tuition and fees at the state
7 universities and colleges. The Board shall also consider the
8 current and projected utilization of the total physical plant
9 of each campus of a university or college in approving the
10 capital budget for any new building or facility.

11 The Board of Higher Education shall submit to the Governor,
12 to the General Assembly, and to the appropriate budget agencies
13 of the Governor and General Assembly its analysis and
14 recommendations on such budget proposals.

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

1 not to be consistent, such capital improvement shall not be
2 constructed.

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