



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3973

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

110 ILCS 305/90 new
110 ILCS 520/75 new
110 ILCS 660/5-185 new
110 ILCS 665/10-185 new
110 ILCS 670/15-185 new
110 ILCS 675/20-190 new
110 ILCS 680/25-185 new
110 ILCS 685/30-195 new
110 ILCS 690/35-190 new

Amends various Acts relating to the governance of public universities in Illinois. Prohibits a university from using State funds to pay an individual to deliver the commencement address at any graduation ceremony conducted by the university. In the event that a university violates this prohibition, requires the State Comptroller to debit from the university's State operating aid an amount equal to the amount paid by the university to the commencement speaker. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

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 University of Illinois Act is amended by
5 adding Section 90 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 305/90 new)

7 Sec. 90. Commencement speaker; State funds prohibition.

8 The University may not use State funds to pay an individual to
9 deliver the commencement address at any graduation ceremony
10 conducted by the University. In the event that the University
11 violates this Section, the State Comptroller shall debit from
12 the University's State operating aid an amount equal to the
13 amount paid by the University to the commencement speaker.

14 Section 10. The Southern Illinois University Management
15 Act is amended by adding Section 75 as follows:

16 (110 ILCS 520/75 new)

17 Sec. 75. Commencement speaker; State funds prohibition.

18 The University may not use State funds to pay an individual to
19 deliver the commencement address at any graduation ceremony
20 conducted by the University. In the event that the University
21 violates this Section, the State Comptroller shall debit from

1 the University's State operating aid an amount equal to the
2 amount paid by the University to the commencement speaker.

3 Section 15. The Chicago State University Law is amended by
4 adding Section 5-185 as follows:

5 (110 ILCS 660/5-185 new)

6 Sec. 5-185. Commencement speaker; State funds prohibition.
7 The University may not use State funds to pay an individual to
8 deliver the commencement address at any graduation ceremony
9 conducted by the University. In the event that the University
10 violates this Section, the State Comptroller shall debit from
11 the University's State operating aid an amount equal to the
12 amount paid by the University to the commencement speaker.

13 Section 20. The Eastern Illinois University Law is amended
14 by adding Section 10-185 as follows:

15 (110 ILCS 665/10-185 new)

16 Sec. 10-185. Commencement speaker; State funds
17 prohibition. The University may not use State funds to pay an
18 individual to deliver the commencement address at any
19 graduation ceremony conducted by the University. In the event
20 that the University violates this Section, the State
21 Comptroller shall debit from the University's State operating
22 aid an amount equal to the amount paid by the University to the

1 commencement speaker.

2 Section 25. The Governors State University Law is amended
3 by adding Section 15-185 as follows:

4 (110 ILCS 670/15-185 new)

5 Sec. 15-185. Commencement speaker; State funds
6 prohibition. The University may not use State funds to pay an
7 individual to deliver the commencement address at any
8 graduation ceremony conducted by the University. In the event
9 that the University violates this Section, the State
10 Comptroller shall debit from the University's State operating
11 aid an amount equal to the amount paid by the University to the
12 commencement speaker.

13 Section 30. The Illinois State University Law is amended by
14 adding Section 20-190 as follows:

15 (110 ILCS 675/20-190 new)

16 Sec. 20-190. Commencement speaker; State funds
17 prohibition. The University may not use State funds to pay an
18 individual to deliver the commencement address at any
19 graduation ceremony conducted by the University. In the event
20 that the University violates this Section, the State
21 Comptroller shall debit from the University's State operating
22 aid an amount equal to the amount paid by the University to the

1 commencement speaker.

2 Section 35. The Northeastern Illinois University Law is
3 amended by adding Section 25-185 as follows:

4 (110 ILCS 680/25-185 new)

5 Sec. 25-185. Commencement speaker; State funds
6 prohibition. The University may not use State funds to pay an
7 individual to deliver the commencement address at any
8 graduation ceremony conducted by the University. In the event
9 that the University violates this Section, the State
10 Comptroller shall debit from the University's State operating
11 aid an amount equal to the amount paid by the University to the
12 commencement speaker.

13 Section 40. The Northern Illinois University Law is amended
14 by adding Section 30-195 as follows:

15 (110 ILCS 685/30-195 new)

16 Sec. 30-195. Commencement speaker; State funds
17 prohibition. The University may not use State funds to pay an
18 individual to deliver the commencement address at any
19 graduation ceremony conducted by the University. In the event
20 that the University violates this Section, the State
21 Comptroller shall debit from the University's State operating
22 aid an amount equal to the amount paid by the University to the

1 commencement speaker.

2 Section 45. The Western Illinois University Law is amended
3 by adding Section 35-190 as follows:

4 (110 ILCS 690/35-190 new)

5 Sec. 35-190. Commencement speaker; State funds
6 prohibition. The University may not use State funds to pay an
7 individual to deliver the commencement address at any
8 graduation ceremony conducted by the University. In the event
9 that the University violates this Section, the State
10 Comptroller shall debit from the University's State operating
11 aid an amount equal to the amount paid by the University to the
12 commencement speaker.

13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
14 becoming law.