

AN ACT concerning energy efficiency.

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

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Agency Energy Efficiency Act.

Section 5. Legislative findings; purpose. The State government is one of the largest consumers of energy in the State. As a result, the General Assembly finds that:

(1) a 10% reduction in energy use by all State agencies would result in a decreased demand on the citizens of the State;

(2) the use of energy for electricity, heating, and cooling of State buildings and transportation in State vehicles has a significant impact on public health and the environment; and

(3) State agencies should set a strong example in energy efficiency, water conservation, recycling, and waste reduction to demonstrate cost-effective solutions to citizens, businesses, and other government jurisdictions.

Section 10. Energy use; goal. All executive branch State agencies shall make it a goal to reduce energy use in State facilities by 10% within 10 years after the effective date of this Act.

Section 15. Administration. All State agencies shall work with the Department of Central Management Services in achieving the goal set out in Section 10. The Department shall:

(1) ensure that all existing State energy efficiency measures are achieved;

(2) provide State agencies with the technical expertise necessary to implement policies adopted under this Act;

(3) implement an energy information system to measure progress toward the goal set out in Section 10; and

(4) report to the Governor on a quarterly basis, beginning January 2008, regarding the progress on implementing the policies of this Act and achieving the goal set out in Section 10.

For purposes of this Act, "Department" means the Department of Central Management Services.

Section 25. Agency duties. All executive branch State agencies shall:

(1) implement an energy information system to track its energy and water usage;

(2) purchase Energy Star equipment, including air conditioners, computers, appliances, and office equipment, unless justification is provided and the Department approves a waiver of this requirement; and

(3) form an internal committee to assess the environmental impacts of that agency's activities and identify practical alternatives for incorporating pollution prevention and resource conservation into agency management and operational practices. Each internal committee shall consist of representatives from different departments and program areas of the agency, including purchasing, maintenance, and facility management.

A chairperson shall be appointed to coordinate the internal committee's activities and act as liaison to the Department. The chairperson shall report to the Department, on a quarterly basis beginning December 2007, regarding the progress on implementing the policies of this Act and achieving the goal set out in Section 10.

Section 30. Termination. On or before January 1, 2009, the Department shall evaluate the reports submitted by each executive branch State agency and determine whether the costs of implementing the provisions of this Act exceed the energy savings achieved. If the Department finds that implementation costs exceed energy savings, the Department shall request approval from the General Assembly to terminate implementation of the provisions under this Act.