

AN ACT concerning State government.

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

Section 5. The University of Illinois Trustees Act is amended by changing Section 1 as follows:

(110 ILCS 310/1) (from Ch. 144, par. 41)

Sec. 1. The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois shall consist of the Governor and at least 12 trustees. Nine trustees shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The other trustees shall be students, of whom one student shall be selected from each University campus.

Each student trustee shall serve a term of one year, beginning on July 1 or on the date of his or her selection, whichever is later, and expiring on the next succeeding June 30.

Each trustee shall have all of the privileges of membership, except that only one student trustee shall have the right to cast a legally binding vote. The Governor shall designate which one of the student trustees shall possess, for his or her entire term, the right to cast a legally binding vote. Each student trustee who does not possess the right to cast a legally binding vote shall have the right to cast an

advisory vote and the right to make and second motions and to attend executive sessions.

Each trustee shall be governed by the same conflict of interest standards. Pursuant to those standards, it shall not be a conflict of interest for a student trustee to vote on matters pertaining to students generally, such as tuition and fees. However, it shall be a conflict of interest for a student trustee to vote on faculty member tenure or promotion. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the Chancellor at any campus or the President of the University or the election of officers. Student trustees shall be chosen by campus-wide student election, and the student trustee designated by the Governor to possess a legally binding vote shall be one of the students selected by this method. A student trustee who does not possess a legally binding vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees shall not be considered a trustee for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. To be eligible for selection as a student trustee and to be eligible to remain as a voting or nonvoting student trustee, a student trustee must be a resident of this State, must have and maintain a grade point average that is equivalent to at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and must be a full time student enrolled at all times during his or her term

of office except for that part of the term which follows the completion of the last full regular semester of an academic year and precedes the first full regular semester of the succeeding academic year at the University (sometimes commonly referred to as the summer session or summer school). If a voting or nonvoting student trustee fails to continue to meet or maintain the residency, minimum grade point average, or enrollment requirement established by this Section, his or her membership on the Board shall be deemed to have terminated by operation of law. The University may not use residency for tuition purposes as a factor in making the determination that a student is or is not a resident of this State. The following factors shall positively demonstrate residency in this State for the purposes of the residency requirement for student trustees and candidates for student trustee:

- (1) evidence of the student's Illinois domicile for at least the previous 6 months;
- (2) evidence of the student's current, valid Illinois driver's license; and
- (3) evidence of the student's valid Illinois voter registration.

A positive demonstration of residency in this State for student trustees and candidates for student trustees under this Section does not apply to residency requirements for tuition purposes.

If a voting student trustee resigns or otherwise ceases to serve on the Board, the Governor shall, within 30 days,

designate one of the remaining student trustees to possess the right to cast a legally binding vote for the remainder of his or her term. If a nonvoting student trustee resigns or otherwise ceases to serve on the Board, the chief executive of the student government from that campus shall, within 30 days, select a new nonvoting student trustee to serve for the remainder of the term.

No more than 5 of the 9 appointed trustees shall be affiliated with the same political party. Each trustee appointed by the Governor must be a resident of this State. A failure to meet or maintain this residency requirement constitutes a resignation from and creates a vacancy in the Board. The term of office of each appointed trustee shall be 6 years from the third Monday in January of each odd numbered year. The regular terms of office of the appointed trustees shall be staggered so that 3 terms expire in each odd-numbered year.

Vacancies for appointed trustees shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as original appointments. If a vacancy in membership occurs at a time when the Senate is not in session, the Governor shall make temporary appointments until the next meeting of the Senate, when he shall appoint persons to fill such memberships for the remainder of their respective terms. If the Senate is not in session when appointments for a full term are made, appointments shall be made as in the case of vacancies.

No action of the board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the board, or by reason of any failure to select student trustees.

(Source: P.A. 98-778, eff. 7-21-14.)

Section 10. The Southern Illinois University Management Act is amended by changing Section 5 as follows:

(110 ILCS 520/5) (from Ch. 144, par. 655)

Sec. 5. Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each quarter on a campus of Southern Illinois University. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its voting members shall constitute a quorum. The student members shall have all of the privileges of membership, including the right to make and second motions and to attend executive sessions, other than the right to vote, except that the student member designated by the Governor as the voting student member shall have the right to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the Chancellor at

any campus or the President of the University or the election of officers. A student member who is not entitled to vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees shall not be considered a member for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board, or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman of the Board or by any 3 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-715, eff. 1-1-01; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

Section 15. The Chicago State University Law is amended by changing Section 5-25 as follows:

(110 ILCS 660/5-25)

Sec. 5-25. Officers; meetings. Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each

quarter on the campus of Chicago State University at Chicago, Illinois. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum. The student member shall have all of the privileges of membership, including the right to make and second motions, to attend executive sessions, and to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the President of the University or the election of officers. Unless the student member is entitled to vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees, he or she shall not be considered a member for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman of the Board or by any 3 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-715, eff. 1-1-01; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16,

eff. 6-28-01.)

Section 20. The Eastern Illinois University Law is amended by changing Section 10-25 as follows:

(110 ILCS 665/10-25)

Sec. 10-25. Officers; meetings. Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each quarter on the campus of Eastern Illinois University at Charleston, Illinois. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum. The student member shall have all of the privileges of membership, including the right to make and second motions, to attend executive sessions, and to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the President of the University or the election of officers. Unless the student member is entitled to vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees, he or she shall not be considered a member for the purpose of determining

whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman of the Board or by any 3 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-715, eff. 1-1-01; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

Section 25. The Governors State University Law is amended by changing Section 15-25 as follows:

(110 ILCS 670/15-25)

Sec. 15-25. Officers; meetings. Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each quarter on the campus of Governors State University at University Park, Illinois. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum. The student member shall have all of the privileges of membership,

including the right to make and second motions, to attend executive sessions, and to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the President of the University or the election of officers. Unless the student member is entitled to vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees, he or she shall not be considered a member for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman of the Board or by any 3 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-715, eff. 1-1-01; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

Section 30. The Illinois State University Law is amended by changing Section 20-25 as follows:

(110 ILCS 675/20-25)

Sec. 20-25. Officers; meetings. Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each quarter on the campus of Illinois State University at Normal, Illinois. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum. The student member shall have all of the privileges of membership, including the right to make and second motions, to attend executive sessions, and to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the President of the University or the election of officers. Unless the student member is entitled to vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees, he or she shall not be considered a member for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman of the Board or by any 3 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-715, eff. 1-1-01; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

Section 35. The Northeastern Illinois University Law is amended by changing Section 25-25 as follows:

(110 ILCS 680/25-25)

Sec. 25-25. Officers; meetings. Members of the Board appointed by the Governor shall elect by secret ballot from their own number a chairperson, who shall serve for a period of 2 years from his or her election and who shall preside over meetings of the Board, a secretary, and other officers that the Board deems necessary. The secretary and other officers shall also serve for a period of 2 years from their election.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each quarter on the campus of Northeastern Illinois University at Chicago, Illinois. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum. The student member shall have all of the privileges of membership, including the right to make and second motions, to attend

executive sessions, and to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the President of the University or the election of officers. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairperson of the Board or by any 4 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-565, eff. 8-14-99; 91-715, eff. 1-1-01; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

Section 40. The Northern Illinois University Law is amended by changing Section 30-25 as follows:

(110 ILCS 685/30-25)

Sec. 30-25. Officers; meetings. Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a

secretary.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each quarter on the campus of Northern Illinois University at Dekalb, Illinois or on any other University-owned property located in the State. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum. The student member shall have all of the privileges of membership, including the right to make and second motions, to attend executive sessions, and to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on any item involving the employment or compensation of the President of the University or the election of officers. Unless the student member is entitled to vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees, he or she shall not be considered a member for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman of the Board or by any 3 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University

shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 91-715, eff. 1-1-01; 91-778, eff. 1-1-01; 92-16, 6-28-01.)

Section 45. The Western Illinois University Law is amended by changing Section 35-25 as follows:

(110 ILCS 690/35-25)

Sec. 35-25. Officers; meetings. Members of the Board shall elect annually by secret ballot from their own number a chairman who shall preside over meetings of the Board and a secretary.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at least once each quarter. One of these meetings must be held on the Quad Cities campus of Western Illinois University and all other meetings must be held on the campus of Western Illinois University at Macomb, Illinois. At all regular meetings of the Board, a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum. The student member shall have all of the privileges of membership, including the right to make and second motions, to attend executive sessions, and to vote on all Board matters except those involving faculty tenure, faculty promotion or any issue on which the student member has a direct conflict of interest. For the purposes of this Section, a student member shall not be deemed to have a direct conflict of interest in and may vote on

any item involving the employment or compensation of the President of the University or the election of officers. Unless the student member is entitled to vote on a measure at a meeting of the Board or any of its committees, he or she shall not be considered a member for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present at the time that measure is voted upon. No action of the Board shall be invalidated by reason of any vacancies on the Board or by reason of any failure to select a student member.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the chairman of the Board or by any 3 members of the Board.

At each regular and special meeting that is open to the public, members of the public and employees of the University shall be afforded time, subject to reasonable constraints, to make comments to or ask questions of the Board.

(Source: P.A. 98-999, eff. 8-18-14.)

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