

1 AN ACT relating to higher 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
5 by changing Section 7 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
10 University, the Board of Trustees of Eastern Illinois
11 University, the Board of Trustees of Governors State
12 University, the Board of Trustees of Illinois State
13 University, the Board of Trustees of Northeastern Illinois
14 University, the Board of Trustees of Northern Illinois
15 University, the Board of Trustees of Western Illinois
16 University, the Illinois Community College Board and the
17 campuses under their governance or supervision shall not
18 hereafter undertake the establishment of any new unit of
19 instruction, research or public service without the approval
20 of the Board. The term "new unit of instruction, research or
21 public service" includes the establishment of a college,
22 school, division, institute, department or other unit in any
23 field of instruction, research or public service not
24 theretofore included in the program of the institution, and
25 includes the establishment of any new branch or campus. The
26 term does not include reasonable and moderate extensions of
27 existing curricula, research, or public service programs
28 which have a direct relationship to existing programs; and
29 the Board may, under its rule making power, define the
30 character of such reasonable and moderate extensions.

31 Such governing boards shall submit to the Board all

1 proposals for a new unit of instruction, research, or public
2 service. The Board may approve or disapprove the proposal in
3 whole or in part, ~~or~~ approve modifications thereof, or grant
4 conditional approval with final approval or disapproval
5 required within 3 years whenever in its judgment such action
6 is consistent with the objectives of an existing or proposed
7 master plan of higher education.

8 The Board of Higher Education is authorized to review
9 periodically all existing programs of instruction, research
10 and public service at the state universities and colleges and
11 to advise the appropriate board of control if the
12 contribution of each program is not educationally and
13 economically justified.

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

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