

Board Meeting  
March 13, 2006

MERGE THE INSTITUTE FOR LEGISLATIVE STUDIES WITH THE INSTITUTE  
FOR LEGAL AND POLICY STUDIES, SPRINGFIELD

**Action:** Approve the Merger of the Institute for Legislative Studies with the Institute for Legal and Policy Studies and Naming the New Unit the Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies, Springfield

**Funding:** No Funding Required

The Chancellor at Springfield with the advice of the Springfield Senate recommends approval of the merger of the Institute for Legislative Studies with the Institute for Legal and Policy Studies and naming the new unit the Institute for Legal, Legislative and Policy Studies.

The institutes are both units within the Center for State Policy and Leadership. By merging the two units under a single director and a unified administrative structure, the goals and objectives of the Center for State Policy and Leadership can be more effectively and efficiently achieved. The savings in administrative costs can be used to create additional joint faculty appointments between University of Illinois at Springfield academic units and the Center.

The University Senates Conference has indicated that no further Senate jurisdiction is involved.

The President of the University concurs. This action is subject to further review and approval by the Illinois Board of Higher Education.