

Illinois Community College Trustees Association ACTION ALERT
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The Illinois House of Representatives reconvened the session in Springfield late Monday afternoon to attempt to approve a Fiscal Year 2011 budget. The Senate, which has already approved an FY 2011 budget, is scheduled to return to Springfield on Wednesday afternoon. Both the Senate and House must agree on a budget in order to approve it and send it to the Governor.

On Tuesday, several House Democrats offered amendments that attempted to reduce the Senate approved budget by \$1.3 billion. One of the proposed amendments reduced state funding of higher education by \$100 million and failed in committee on a vote of 3 - 10. Under the proposal, community college funding would have been reduced by over \$17.5 million or 5.7%. ICCTA and the Illinois Community College Board were present during the hearing to successfully oppose the amendment and the reduction.

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