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SPECIAL EDITION

**Date:** April 22, 2016

**To:** The GSU Community

**From:** Elaine P. Maimon, President

**Re:** Update on the FY 2016 State Appropriations Process

Today Illinois lawmakers passed legislation that partially funds Illinois higher education. The bipartisan bill, which is expected to be signed by Governor Bruce Rauner, is a stop gap measure designed to provide immediate funding for Illinois public universities and colleges until a final budget for Fiscal Year 2016 is reached.

Of the \$600 million allocated in partial MAP and state funding for Illinois public universities, Governors State University will receive \$6.97 million (or 31 percent of its FY 2015 appropriations), and \$1.2 million in MAP funding (or 43 percent of MAP funds fronted by GSU for the 1,941 students who received the grants in the Spring and Fall semesters).

While we are pleased to receive this partial funding for FY 16, the budget crisis still exists. We will, therefore, continue our collaborative efforts to address the budget shortfall through the internal budget development process that is currently underway. Likewise, we will continue our efforts to work with state lawmakers for a reasonable final budget for both FYs 2016 and 2017.

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