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SPRINGFIELD, IL, March 2, 2001 - The State Board of Elections today announced that an upgraded version of its campaign disclosure filing software is now available for use.

The board's Illinois Disclosure Information System (IDIS) program, which has been nationally recognized as a model for other states, is the technology that enables political committees to file electronically required campaign financial reports.

In its effort to maintain the highest standard of performance, the board recently completed improvements to IDIS software that will make electronic filing of campaign disclosure documents easier and faster.

Board director Ron Michaelson praised the enhancements to its award-winning program.

"We are very proud of IDIS and our state-of-the-art electronic filing system," Michaelson said, "and we will continue to develop and provide the newest and most advanced technology available."

The new program incorporates simplified and improved features recommended by users and board staff. Michaelson said that it offers enhancements such as: the ability to print receipts, expenditures and labels; archiving of old data; and importing of names and addresses.

Michaelson said that the new program, called IDIS Version 1.1, is free and available for download from the board's web site. It may also be obtained on diskette or CD Rom.

See the boards' web site at www.elections.state.il.us for further information and enhancements on IDIS Version 1.1.

Board staff is also available to answer questions at 217-782-4141 in Springfield or 312-814-6440 in Chicago.

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