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**SPRINGFIELD, IL, May 30, 2000** - The State Board of Elections today unveiled a new feature of its award winning web site that allows Illinoisans to quickly and easily identify the names and district numbers of their elected state officials.

The board's "District/Official Locating System" can be found on its web site at [www.elections.state.il.us](http://www.elections.state.il.us). By just entering a nine digit zip-code, or an address and five digit zip-code, browsers can find their U.S. Senators, Congressman, all six state constitutional officers, their state senator and state representative.

Board staff has programmed millions of nine digit zip-codes to identify individual congressional and state legislative districts.

If you don't know the nine digit code, simply enter your address and five digit zip-code. In addition to elected officials' names and districts, their e-mail addresses, offices, faxes and telephone numbers can also be accessed.

Board director Ron Michaelson said that the new system was initiated in response to requests from those who used the board's web site.

"A number of people who accessed our web site were looking for their elected officials from their individual districts," Michaelson said. "This new feature is a direct response to those requests. We think this will be a very popular and heavily used feature of our web site."

Michaelson said that the district locator is easy to use and he welcomes comments.

"We try to be responsive to suggestions from those who use our web site and we're always looking for ways to improve it," Michaelson said.

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