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SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, June 30, 2005 - The Illinois State Board of Elections announced that it has redesigned and rolled out a new updated website to provide more and quicker information to its thousands of daily visitors.

The new website has been dramatically upgraded and provides new features, many in response to user suggestions.

Among the new features: a much improved layout of information accessible with fewer clicks, information ten times faster, provides improved security to protect data from unauthorized access.

Board Director Dan White praised the SBE's Information Technology staff that designed and reworked the website.

"I would like to thank and commend Information Technology Director Steve Flowers and his staff for their dedication and creativity, in particular staff persons Kim Matrisch, Jason Kilhoffer and Aaron Root, who rewrote hundreds of pages of program code and completed the project on time," White said.

"We are very proud of this effort and we invite all to access our website at www.elections.state.il.us, and let us know what you think," White said.

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