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FACILITY CLOSURE TIMELINE

Stateville Correctional Facility

On February 28, 2008 during the Senate Appropriation I Committee, the Illinois Department of Corrections stated the Department was closing the maximum security facility at Stateville Correctional Center. The State Facility Closure Act (30 ILCS 608) requires the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability to seek a recommendation for closure from the Department of Corrections. The State Facility Closure Act has specific time frames in which requirements of the act must be met. Below is a timeline showing specific dates for the closure process of the maximum security facility at Stateville Correctional Center:

- **(Initial Announcement Date)** February 28, 2008. Official notice of closure.
- **(5 Days)** March 5, 2008. Commission requests recommendation for closure. The Department of Corrections will receive the request for closure on March 6, 2008. (The Commission by statute has 10 days to request a recommendation for closure.)
- **(30 Days)** April 17, 2008. Deadline for recommendation from the Department of Corrections.
- **(30 Days)**. A public comment period from April 18 – May 30, 2008.
- **(35 Days)** April 18, - June 6, 2008. The Commission must have a public hearing during this time frame. This hearing must take place within a 25-mile radius of Stateville Correctional Center.
- **(50 Days)** June 27, 2008. Deadline for the Commission to issue an advisory opinion.

The timeline above is based on business days excluding weekends and holidays. Should the Department of Corrections supply the Commission with a recommendation prior to the statutorily required 30-day period, the timeline would be adjusted to reflect any changes.