



EXECUTIVE ORDER

NUMBER 1 (2003)

**EXECUTIVE ORDER INSTITUTING IMMEDIATE
HIRING AND PROMOTION FREEZE**

I, Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor of Illinois, order that no agency, department, bureau, board or commission subject to the control or direction of the Governor shall hire any employee or officer, fill any vacancy, create any new position, promote any employee or officer to any position or take any other action which will result in the increase or the maintenance of present levels in State employment or compensation (including benefits) payable in connection with State employment, including personal service contracts. All hiring and promotion are frozen. There will be no exceptions to this Executive Order without the express written permission of my office after submission of appropriate requests to my office.

This Executive Order shall be effective immediately.

Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor

January 14, 2003