

GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S "50 PERCENT BUDGET"

*CREATES \$9.2 BILLION FUNDING GAP,
FORCES MASSIVE CUTS IN FUNDAMENTAL STATE SERVICES*

ILLINOIS STUDENT ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

To close General Assembly's budget gap, ISAC must:

Cut financial aid to Illinois college students by \$275 million. These cuts include:

- Reducing MAP scholarship awards by 75 percent for 145,000 low-income students **\$242 million**
- Cutting book stipends by 50 percent for 2,500 low-income, first-time college students **\$5 million**
- Eliminating Minority Teachers of Illinois Scholarship Program for 580 students **\$3 million**
- Eliminating Future Teacher/Golden Apple Scholarships for 900 students **\$7 million**

Eliminating these and other scholarship programs will affect 184,000 Illinois students.