

Sponsors: Didech

CURRENT LAW: Illinois’s existing anti-SLAPP law is nearly 20 years old and is not working as intended. Reform is needed now to ensure that all First Amendment rights—freedom of speech, freedom of the press, the right to assemble or petition, and the right of association—are protected in Illinois.

- Providing an early “off ramp” to dismiss lawsuits that infringe on First Amendment rights
- Requiring an expedited hearing and ruling from the judge
- Protecting conduct not protected under current Illinois anti-SLAPP law
- Saving the defendant time and money
- Conserving court resources

UPEPA Legislative Activity as of 1/29/25

- UPEPA introduced
- UPEPA enacted

BILL SUPPORTERS

American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois (ACLU of IL)

Better Government Association (BGA)

Freedom of the Press Foundation

Illinois Press Association

Uniform Law Commission