Illinois State Motto

"State Sovereignty, National Union"

Illinois State Slogan

"Land of Lincoln"

The slogan was adopted by the General Assembly in 1955. The State of Illinois has a copyright for the exclusive use of the slogan.

Illinois Nickname

"The Prairie State"

This nickname was given to Illinois by the first settlers to arrive here due to the vast expanses of prairie.

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