

FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES INC
Form 8-K
February 28, 2007

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

FEBRUARY 27, 2007

FIRST MID-ILLINOIS BANCSHARES, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State of Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

0-13368
(Commission File Number)

37-1103704
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**1515 CHARLESTON AVENUE
MATTOON, IL**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

61938
(Zip Code)

(217) 234-7454
(Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On February 27, 2007, the Board of Directors of First Mid-Illinois Bancshares, Inc. (the "Company") authorized the repurchase of \$5 million of additional shares of the Company's common stock by the Company either in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, bringing the total amount of common stock that the Company is authorized to repurchase under all its repurchase programs to approximately \$6,012,000. This repurchase program has no fixed expiration date.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST MID-ILLINOIS BANCSHARES, INC.

Dated: February 28, 2007 /s/ William S. Rowland

William S. Rowland
President and Chief Executive Officer