

ABLEST INC  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HEIST CHARLES H**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**321 N CLARK STREET, SUITE 2800, C/O TODD PFISTER**

(Street)

**CHICAGO, IL 60610**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ABLEST INC [AIH]**

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/31/2005**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/16/2005	Â	G5	107,545 D \$ <sup>(1)</sup>	199,193	D	Â
Common Stock	09/16/2005	Â	G5	107,545 D \$ <sup>(1)</sup>	132,248	I	Held by wife in trust
Common Stock	09/16/2005	Â	G5	191,047 D \$ <sup>(2)</sup>	8,146	D	Â
Common Stock	09/16/2005	Â	G5	191,047 D \$ <sup>(2)</sup>	191,047	I	Held in

Stock										trust
Common Stock	^	^	^	^	^	^	454,645	I		By C. H. Heist Intervivos Trust
Common Stock	^	^	^	^	^	^	160,894	I		In trusts for children <sup>(3)</sup>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HEIST CHARLES H 321 N CLARK STREET, SUITE 2800 C/O TODD PFISTER CHICAGO, IL 60610	^ X	^ X	^	Chairman

## Signatures

/s/ Carolyn T. Long as Attorney in Fact for Charles H. Heist  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 Date 03/13/2006

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares gifted by the reporting person on September 16, 2005 to a revocable trust for the benefit of the reporting person's wife.

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- (2) These shares were previously reported as directly beneficially owned but were contributed to a revocable trust on September 16, 2005.
- (3) Shares held in trust for the benefit of Kelli Ann Heist, Charles B. Heist, IV, and Rebecca Lynn Heist.

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