

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing
5 Sections 4-6, 4-6.1, 5-5, 5-16.1, 6-29, 6-50, and 6-50.1 as
6 follows:

7 (10 ILCS 5/4-6) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-6)

8 Sec. 4-6. For the purpose of registering voters under
9 this Article in addition to the method provided for precinct
10 registration under Section 4-7, the office of the county
11 clerk shall be open every day, except Saturday, Sunday, and
12 legal holidays, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. On Saturdays the
13 hours of registration shall be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon,
14 and such additional hours as the county clerk may designate.
15 If, however, the county board otherwise duly regulates and
16 fixes the hours of opening and closing of all county offices
17 at the county seat of any county, such regulation shall
18 control and supersede the hours herein specified. There shall
19 be no registration at the office of the county clerk or at
20 the office of municipal and township or road district clerks
21 serving as deputy registrars during the 27 days preceding any
22 regular or special election at which the cards provided in
23 this Article are used, or until the 2nd day following such
24 regular or special election; provided, that if by reason of
25 the proximity of any such elections to one another the effect
26 of this provision would be to close registrations for all or
27 any part of the 10 days immediately prior to such 27 day
28 period, the county clerk shall accept, solely for use in the
29 subsequent and not in any intervening election, registrations
30 and transfers of registration within the period from the 27th
31 to the 38th days, both inclusive, prior to such subsequent

1 election. In any election called for the submission of the
2 revision or alteration of, or the amendments to the
3 Constitution, submitted by a Constitutional Convention, the
4 final day for registration at the office of the election
5 authority charged with the printing of the ballot of this
6 election shall be the 15th day prior to the date of election.

7 Any qualified person residing within the county or any
8 portion thereof subject to this Article may register or
9 re-register with the county clerk. The county clerk shall
10 provide for precinct registration on election day. A person
11 registering on election day must be a resident of the
12 precinct in which he or she registers.

13 Each county clerk shall appoint one or more registration
14 or re-registration teams for the purpose of accepting the
15 registration or re-registration of any voter who files an
16 affidavit that he is physically unable to appear at any
17 appointed place of registration or re-registration. Each team
18 shall consist of one member of each political party having
19 the highest and second highest number of registered voters in
20 the county. The county clerk shall designate a team to visit
21 each disabled person and shall accept the registration or
22 re-registration of each such person as if he had applied for
23 registration or re-registration at the office of the county
24 clerk.

25 As used in this Article, "deputy registrars" and
26 "registration officers" mean any person authorized to accept
27 registrations of electors under this Article.

28 (Source: P.A. 92-816, eff. 8-21-02.)

29 (10 ILCS 5/4-6.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-6.1)

30 Sec. 4-6.1. In addition to registration at the office of
31 the county clerk, and at the offices of municipal and
32 township or road district clerks, each county clerk shall
33 provide for the following additional methods of

1 registration:

2 (1) the appointment of deputy registrars as
3 provided in Section 4-6.2; and

4 (2) the establishment of temporary places of
5 registration, as provided in Section 4-6.3.

6 Each county clerk may provide for precinct registration
7 pursuant to Section 4-7 in addition to precinct registration
8 on election day as provided in Section 4-6.

9 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

10 (10 ILCS 5/5-5) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-5)

11 Sec. 5-5. For the purpose of registering voters under
12 this Article 5, in addition to the method provided for
13 precinct registration under Sections 5-6 and 5-17 of this
14 Article 5, the office of the county clerk shall be open
15 between 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. on all days except
16 Saturday, Sunday and holidays, but there shall be no
17 registration at such office during the 35 days immediately
18 preceding any election required to be held under the law but
19 if no precinct registration is being conducted prior to any
20 election then registration may be taken in the office of the
21 county clerk up to and including the 28th day prior to an
22 election. On Saturdays, the hours of registration shall be
23 from 9:00 a. m. to 12:00 p. m. noon. During such 35 or 27 day
24 period, registration of electors of political subdivisions
25 wherein a regular, or special election is required to be held
26 shall cease and shall not be resumed for the registration of
27 electors of such political subdivisions until the second day
28 following the day of such election. In any election called
29 for the submission of the revision or alteration of, or the
30 amendments to the Constitution, submitted by a Constitutional
31 Convention, the final day for registration at the office of
32 the election authority charged with the printing of the
33 ballot of this election shall be the 15th day prior to the

1 date of the election. The county clerk shall provide for
2 precinct registration on election day. A person registering
3 on election day must be a resident of the precinct in which
4 he or she registers.

5 Each county clerk shall appoint one deputy for the
6 purpose of accepting the registration of any voter who files
7 an affidavit that he is physically unable to appear at any
8 appointed place of registration. The county clerk shall
9 designate a deputy to visit each disabled person and shall
10 accept the registration of each such person as if he had
11 applied for registration at the office of the county clerk.

12 The offices of city, village, incorporated town and town
13 clerks shall also be open for the purpose of registering
14 voters residing in the territory in which this Article is in
15 effect, and also, in the case of city, village and
16 incorporated town clerks, for the purpose of registering
17 voters residing in a portion of the city, village or
18 incorporated town not located within the county, on all days
19 on which the office of the county clerk is open for the
20 registration of voters of such cities, villages, incorporated
21 towns and townships.

22 (Source: P.A. 92-816, eff. 8-21-02.)

23 (10 ILCS 5/5-16.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-16.1)

24 Sec. 5-16.1. In addition to registration at the office of
25 the county clerk and at the offices of municipal and township
26 clerks, each county subject to this Article shall provide for
27 the following methods of registration:

28 (1) The appointment of deputy registrars as provided in
29 Section 5-16.2;

30 (2) The establishment of temporary places of
31 registration as provided in Section 5-16.3.

32 Each county subject to this Article may provide for
33 precinct registration pursuant to Section 5-17 in addition to

1 precinct registration on election day as provided in Section
2 5-5.

3 (Source: P.A. 83-1059.)

4 (10 ILCS 5/6-29) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-29)
5 Sec. 6-29. For the purpose of registering voters under
6 this Article, the office of the Board of Election
7 Commissioners shall be open during ordinary business hours of
8 each week day, from 9 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon on the last
9 four Saturdays immediately preceding the end of the period of
10 registration preceding each election, and such other days and
11 such other times as the board may direct. During the 27 days
12 immediately preceding any election there shall be no
13 registration of voters at the office of the Board of Election
14 Commissioners in cities, villages and incorporated towns of
15 fewer than 200,000 inhabitants. In cities, villages and
16 incorporated towns of 200,000 or more inhabitants, there
17 shall be no registration of voters at the office of the Board
18 of Election Commissioners during the 35 days immediately
19 preceding any election; provided, however, where no precinct
20 registration is being conducted prior to any election then
21 registration may be taken in the office of the Board up to
22 and including the 28th day prior to such election. The Board
23 of Election Commissioners may set up and establish as many
24 branch offices for the purpose of taking registrations as it
25 may deem necessary, and the branch offices may be open on any
26 or all dates and hours during which registrations may be
27 taken in the main office. All officers and employees of the
28 Board of Election Commissioners who are authorized by such
29 board to take registrations under this Article shall be
30 considered officers of the circuit court, and shall be
31 subject to the same control as is provided by Section 14-5 of
32 this Act with respect to judges of election.

33 In any election called for the submission of the revision

1 or alteration of, or the amendments to the Constitution,
2 submitted by a Constitutional Convention, the final day for
3 registration at the office of the election authority charged
4 with the printing of the ballot of this election shall be the
5 15th day prior to the date of election.

6 The board shall provide for precinct registration on
7 election day. A person registering on election day must be a
8 resident of the precinct in which he or she registers.

9 The board of Election Commissioners shall appoint one or
10 more registration teams, consisting of 2 of its employees for
11 each team, for the purpose of accepting the registration of
12 any voter who files an affidavit, within the period for
13 taking registrations provided for in this article, that he is
14 physically unable to appear at the office of the Board or at
15 any appointed place of registration. On the day or days when
16 a precinct registration is being conducted such teams shall
17 consist of one member from each of the 2 leading political
18 parties who are serving on the Precinct Registration Board.
19 Each team so designated shall visit each disabled person and
20 shall accept the registration of such person the same as if
21 he had applied for registration in person.

22 Any otherwise qualified person who is absent from his
23 county of residence due to business of the United States, or
24 who is temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of
25 the United States, may make application to become registered
26 by mail to the Board of Election Commissioners within the
27 periods for registration provided for in this Article or by
28 simultaneous application for absentee registration and
29 absentee ballot as provided in Article 20 of this Code.

30 Upon receipt of such application the Board of Election
31 Commissioners shall immediately mail an affidavit of
32 registration in duplicate, which affidavit shall contain the
33 following and such other information as the State Board of
34 Elections may think it proper to require for the

1 identification of the applicant:

2 Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and
3 first or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the
4 initial for such middle name, if any.

5 Sex.

6 Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue or
7 other location of the dwelling, and such additional clear and
8 definite description as may be necessary to determine the
9 exact location of the dwelling of the applicant. Where the
10 location cannot be determined by street and number, then the
11 section, congressional township and range number may be used,
12 or such other information as may be necessary, including post
13 office mailing address.

14 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
15 precinct.

16 Nativity. The state or country in which the applicant
17 was born.

18 Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or
19 naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place and date of
20 naturalization.

21 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.

22 Out of State address of

23 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION

24 State of)

25) ss.

26 County of)

27 I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the
28 United States; that on the day of the next election I shall
29 have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election
30 precinct 30 days; that I am fully qualified to vote, that I
31 am not registered to vote anywhere else in the United States,
32 that I intend to remain a resident of the State of Illinois,
33 and of the election precinct, that I intend to return to the
34 State of Illinois, and that the above statements are true.

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(His or her signature or mark)

3 Subscribed and sworn to before me, an officer qualified
4 to administer oaths, on (insert date).

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6 Signature of officer administering oath.

7 Upon receipt of the executed duplicate affidavit of
8 Registration, the Board of Election Commissioners shall
9 transfer the information contained thereon to duplicate
10 Registration Cards provided for in Section 6-35 of this
11 Article and shall attach thereto a copy of each of the
12 duplicate affidavit of registration and thereafter such
13 registration card and affidavit shall constitute the
14 registration of such person the same as if he had applied for
15 registration in person.

16 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99; 92-816, eff. 8-21-02.)

17 (10 ILCS 5/6-50) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-50)

18 Sec. 6-50. The office of the board of election
19 commissioners shall be open during ordinary business hours of
20 each week day, from 9 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon on the last
21 four Saturdays immediately preceding the end of the period of
22 registration preceding each election, and such other days and
23 such other times as the board may direct. There shall be no
24 registration at the office of the board of election
25 commissioners in cities, villages and incorporated towns of
26 fewer than 200,000 inhabitants during the 27 days preceding
27 any primary, regular or special election at which the cards
28 provided for in this article are used, or until the second
29 day following such primary, regular or special election. In
30 cities, villages and incorporated towns of 200,000 or more
31 inhabitants, there shall be no registration of voters at the
32 office of the board of election commissioners during the 35
33 days immediately preceding any election; provided, however,

1 where no precinct registration is being conducted prior to
2 any election then registration may be taken in the office of
3 the board up to and including the 28th day prior to such
4 election. In any election called for the submission of the
5 revision or alteration of, or the amendments to the
6 Constitution, submitted by a Constitutional Convention, the
7 final day for registration at the office of the election
8 authority charged with the printing of the ballot of this
9 election shall be the 15th day prior to the date of election.

10 The board shall provide for precinct registration on
11 election day. A person registering on election day must be a
12 resident of the precinct in which he or she registers.

13 The Board of Election Commissioners shall appoint one or
14 more registration teams, each consisting of one member from
15 each of the 2 leading political parties, for the purpose of
16 accepting the registration of any voter who files an
17 affidavit, within the period for taking registrations
18 provided for in this Article, that he is physically unable to
19 appear at the office of the Board or at any appointed place
20 of registration. On the day or days when a precinct
21 registration is being conducted such teams shall consist of
22 one member from each of the 2 leading political parties who
23 are serving on the precinct registration board. Each team so
24 designated shall visit each disabled person and shall accept
25 the registration of such person the same as if he had applied
26 for registration in person.

27 The office of the board of election commissioners may be
28 designated as a place of registration under Section 6-51 of
29 this Article and, if so designated, may also be open for
30 purposes of registration on such day or days as may be
31 specified by the board of election commissioners under the
32 provisions of that Section.

33 (Source: P.A. 92-816, eff. 8-21-02.)

1 (10 ILCS 5/6-50.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-50.1)
2 Sec. 6-50.1. In addition to registration at the office of
3 the board of election commissioners, the board of election
4 commissioners shall provide the following methods of
5 registration:

6 (1) The appointment of deputy registrars as provided in
7 Section 6-50.2;

8 (2) The establishment of temporary places of
9 registration as provided in Section 6-50.3.

10 The board of election commissioners may provide for
11 registration pursuant to Section 6-51 in addition to precinct
12 registration on election day as provided in Section 6-50.

13 (Source: P.A. 83-1059.)

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
15 becoming law.