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AN ACT concerning elections.

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

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing 5 Sections 23-1.1a, 23-1.2a, 23-1.13a, and 23-19 as follows:

б (10 ILCS 5/23-1.1a) (from Ch. 46, par. 23-1.1a) 23-1.1a. Election 7 Sec. contest - Statewide -8 Jurisdiction. The Supreme Court shall have jurisdiction over contests of the results of any election, including a primary, 9 for an elected officer provided for in Article V of the 10 Constitution and for the office of presidential elector, and 11 12 shall retain jurisdiction throughout the course of such 13 election contests.

14 (Source: P.A. 89-5, eff. 1-1-96.)

15 (10 ILCS 5/23-1.2a) (from Ch. 46, par. 23-1.2a)

Sec. 23-1.2a. Election contest - Statewide offices - Who 16 17 may contest - Time and place for filing - Fee. The results 18 of an election, including a primary, for an elected executive 19 officer provided for in Article V of the Constitution and for the office of presidential elector may be challenged (1) by 20 21 any candidate whose name was on the ballot for that office, (2) by any person who filed a declaration of intent to be a 22 write-in candidate for that office, or (3) by any person who 23 voted in that election, provided that such person's challenge 24 25 is supported by a verified petition signed by persons who voted in the election in a number no less than the largest 26 number of signatures required to nominate a person to be a 27 candidate of any political party which nominated a candidate 28 for the office being contested. 29

30 Any person, including a candidate, qualified pursuant to

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this Section and desiring to contest the results of an election for such an office shall, within 15 days of the date of the official proclamation of results of such election, file a Petition of State Election Contest with the clerk of the Supreme Court together with a filing fee in the amount of \$10,000.

7 (Source: P.A. 89-5, eff. 1-1-96.)

8 (10 ILCS 5/23-1.13a) (from Ch. 46, par. 23-1.13a) 23-1.13a. If any of the powers or duties to be 9 Sec. 10 exercised or performed by the Supreme Court under Sections 23-1.12a may not constitutionally be 11 23-1.1a through exercised or performed by the Supreme Court by reason of 12 jurisdictional limitations, then Sections 23-1.1a through 13 14 23-1.12a shall nonetheless continue to govern contests of 15 elections for elected officers provided for in Article V of the Constitution and for the office of presidential electors, 16 17 and in such event the Supreme Court shall, pursuant to its 18 general administrative and supervisory powers, assign to a circuit court those adjudicatory powers and duties with 19 20 respect to such a contest as may not be exercised or 21 performed by the Supreme Court, subject to appropriate 22 judicial review.

23 (Source: P.A. 89-5, eff. 1-1-96.)

24 (10 ILCS 5/23-19) (from Ch. 46, par. 23-19)

Sec. 23-19. The election of any person declared elected to any office other than <u>a presidential elector</u>, Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of State, State Comptroller, Treasurer, Attorney General, Senator or Representative, may be contested by any elector of the state, judicial division, district, county, town or precinct in and for which the person is declared elected.

32 (Source: P.A. 78-592.)

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