



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 3-1, 4-50, 5-50, and 6-100 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/3-1) (from Ch. 46, par. 3-1)

7 Sec. 3-1. Every person (i) who has resided in this State  
8 and in the election district 30 days next preceding any  
9 election therein, ~~or~~ (ii) who has resided in and is registered  
10 to vote from the election district 30 days next preceding any  
11 election therein and has moved to another election district in  
12 this State within said 30 days and has made and subscribed to  
13 the affidavit provided in paragraph (b) of Section 17-10 of  
14 this Act, ~~or~~ (iii) who has resided in and is registered to vote  
15 from the election district 30 days next preceding any election  
16 therein and has not moved to another residence but whose  
17 address has changed as a result of implementation of a 9-1-1  
18 emergency telephone system and has made and subscribed to the  
19 affidavit provided in subsection (a) of Section 17-10, or (iv)  
20 who has resided in this State and in the election district  
21 fewer than 30 days next preceding any election therein but who  
22 was a member of the United States service, as defined in  
23 Section 20-1, within 30 days next preceding that election and

1 who is a citizen of the United States, of the age of 18 or more  
2 years is entitled to vote at such election for all offices and  
3 on all propositions; provided that a person described in item  
4 (iv) must register to vote in accordance with Section 4-50,  
5 5-50, or 6-100. Any military establishment within the  
6 boundaries of Illinois is "in this State" even though the  
7 government of the United States may have exclusive jurisdiction  
8 over such establishment.

9 (Source: P.A. 90-664, eff. 7-30-98.)

10 (10 ILCS 5/4-50)

11 Sec. 4-50. Grace period. Notwithstanding any other  
12 provision of this Code to the contrary, each election authority  
13 shall establish procedures for the registration of voters and  
14 for change of address during the period from the close of  
15 registration for a primary or election and until (i) the 14th  
16 day before the primary or election and (ii) for persons  
17 described in item (iv) of Section 3-1, the 5th day before the  
18 primary or election. During this grace period, an unregistered  
19 qualified elector may register to vote, and until the 14th day  
20 before the primary or election a registered voter may submit a  
21 change of address form, in person in the office of the election  
22 authority or at a voter registration location specifically  
23 designated for this purpose by the election authority. The  
24 election authority shall register that individual, or change a  
25 registered voter's address, in the same manner as otherwise

1 provided by this Article for registration and change of  
2 address.

3 If a voter who registers or changes address during this  
4 grace period wishes to vote at the first election or primary  
5 occurring after the grace period, he or she must do so by grace  
6 period voting, either in person in the office of the election  
7 authority or at a location specifically designated for this  
8 purpose by the election authority, or by mail, at the  
9 discretion of the election authority. Grace period voting shall  
10 be in a manner substantially similar to voting under Article  
11 19.

12 Within one day after a voter casts a grace period ballot,  
13 the election authority shall transmit the voter's name, street  
14 address, and precinct, ward, township, and district numbers, as  
15 the case may be, to the State Board of Elections, which shall  
16 maintain those names and that information in an electronic  
17 format on its website, arranged by county and accessible to  
18 State and local political committees. The name of each person  
19 issued a grace period ballot shall also be placed on the  
20 appropriate precinct list of persons to whom absentee and early  
21 ballots have been issued, for use as provided in Sections 17-9  
22 and 18-5.

23 A person who casts a grace period ballot shall not be  
24 permitted to revoke that ballot and vote another ballot with  
25 respect to that primary or election. Ballots cast by persons  
26 who register or change address during the grace period must be

1 transmitted to and counted at the election authority's central  
2 ballot counting location and shall not be transmitted to and  
3 counted at precinct polling places. The grace period ballots  
4 determined to be valid shall be added to the vote totals for  
5 the precincts for which they were cast in the order in which  
6 the ballots were opened.

7 (Source: P.A. 93-1082, eff. 7-1-05; 94-1000, eff. 7-3-06.)

8 (10 ILCS 5/5-50)

9 Sec. 5-50. Grace period. Notwithstanding any other  
10 provision of this Code to the contrary, each election authority  
11 shall establish procedures for the registration of voters and  
12 for change of address during the period from the close of  
13 registration for a primary or election and until (i) the 14th  
14 day before the primary or election and (ii) for persons  
15 described in item (iv) of Section 3-1, the 5th day before the  
16 primary or election. During this grace period, an unregistered  
17 qualified elector may register to vote, and until the 14th day  
18 before the primary or election a registered voter may submit a  
19 change of address form, in person in the office of the election  
20 authority or at a voter registration location specifically  
21 designated for this purpose by the election authority. The  
22 election authority shall register that individual, or change a  
23 registered voter's address, in the same manner as otherwise  
24 provided by this Article for registration and change of  
25 address.

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2 grace period wishes to vote at the first election or primary  
3 occurring after the grace period, he or she must do so by grace  
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22 permitted to revoke that ballot and vote another ballot with  
23 respect to that primary or election. Ballots cast by persons  
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2 determined to be valid shall be added to the vote totals for  
3 the precincts for which they were cast in the order in which  
4 the ballots were opened.

5 (Source: P.A. 93-1082, eff. 7-1-05; 94-1000, eff. 7-3-06.)

6 (10 ILCS 5/6-100)

7 Sec. 6-100. Grace period. Notwithstanding any other  
8 provision of this Code to the contrary, each election authority  
9 shall establish procedures for the registration of voters and  
10 for change of address during the period from the close of  
11 registration for a primary or election and until (i) the 14th  
12 day before the primary or election and (ii) for persons  
13 described in item (iv) of Section 3-1, the 5th day before the  
14 primary or election. During this grace period, an unregistered  
15 qualified elector may register to vote, and until the 14th day  
16 before the primary or election a registered voter may submit a  
17 change of address form, in person in the office of the election  
18 authority or at a voter registration location specifically  
19 designated for this purpose by the election authority. The  
20 election authority shall register that individual, or change a  
21 registered voter's address, in the same manner as otherwise  
22 provided by this Article for registration and change of  
23 address.

24 If a voter who registers or changes address during this  
25 grace period wishes to vote at the first election or primary

1 occurring after the grace period, he or she must do so by grace  
2 period voting, either in person in the office of the election  
3 authority or at a location specifically designated for this  
4 purpose by the election authority, or by mail, at the  
5 discretion of the election authority. Grace period voting shall  
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9 the election authority shall transmit the voter's name, street  
10 address, and precinct, ward, township, and district numbers, as  
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12 maintain those names and that information in an electronic  
13 format on its website, arranged by county and accessible to  
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