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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 80

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 80 by replacing

3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing

5 Sections 7-41, 17-29, 19-2.2, and 19A-70 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/7-41) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-41)

Sec. 7-41. (a) All officers upon whom is imposed by law the duty of designating and providing polling places for general elections, shall provide in each such polling place so designated and provided, a sufficient number of booths for such primary election, which booths shall be provided with shelves, such supplies and pencils as will enable the voter to prepare his ballot for voting and in which voters may prepare their ballots screened from all observation as to the manner in which they do so. Such booths shall be within plain view of the election officers and both they and the ballot boxes shall be

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- within plain view of those within the proximity of the voting booths. No person other than election officers and the challengers allowed by law and those admitted for the purpose of voting, as hereinafter provided, shall be permitted within
- 5 the proximity of the voting booths, except by authority of the
- 6 primary officers to keep order and enforce the law.
 - (b) The number of such voting booths shall not be less than one to every seventy-five voters or fraction thereof, who voted at the last preceding election in the precinct or election district.
- 11 (c) No person shall do any electioneering or soliciting of votes on primary day within any polling place or within one 12 13 hundred feet of any polling place, or, at the option of a church or private school, on any of the property of that church 14 15 or private school that is a polling place. Election officers 16 shall place 2 or more cones, small United States national flags, or some other marker a distance of 100 horizontal feet 17 from each entrance to the room used by voters to engage in 18 voting, which shall be known as the polling room. If the 19 20 polling room is located within a building that is a private business, a public or private school, or a church or other 21 22 organization founded for the purpose of religious worship and 23 the distance of 100 horizontal feet ends within the interior of 24 the building, then the markers shall be placed outside of the 25 building at each entrance used by voters to enter that building 26 on the grounds adjacent to the thoroughfare or walkway. If the

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polling room is located within a public or private building with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on the ground floor, then the markers shall be placed 100 horizontal feet from each entrance to the polling room used by voters to engage in voting. If the polling room is located in a public or private building with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on a floor above or below the ground floor, then the markers shall be placed a distance of 100 feet from the nearest elevator or staircase used by voters on the ground floor to access the floor where the polling room is located. The area within where the markers are placed shall be known as a campaign free zone, and electioneering is prohibited pursuant to this subsection. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a church or private school may choose to apply campaign free zone to its entire property, and, markers shall be placed near the boundaries on the grounds to the thoroughfares or walkways leading to the entrances used by the voters. At or near the door of each polling place, the election judges shall place signage indicating the proper entrance to the polling place. In addition, the election judges shall ensure that a sign identifying the location of the polling place is placed on a nearby public roadway. The State Board of Elections shall establish quidelines for the placement of polling place signage.

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1 zone, whether publicly or privately owned, is a public forum 2 for the time that the polls are open on an election day. At the 3 request of election officers any publicly owned building must 4 be made available for use as a polling place. A person shall 5 have the right to congregate and engage in electioneering on 6 any polling place property while the polls are open beyond the campaign free zone, including but not limited to, the placement 7 This subsection shall be construed 8 temporary signs. 9 liberally in favor of persons engaging in electioneering on all 10 polling place property beyond the campaign free zone for the 11 time that the polls are open on an election day.

(d) The regulation of electioneering on polling place property on an election day, including but not limited to the placement of temporary signs, is an exclusive power and function of the State. A home rule unit may not regulate electioneering and any ordinance or local law contrary to subsection (c) is declared void. This is a denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution.

20 (Source: P.A. 95-699, eff. 11-9-07.)

21 (10 ILCS 5/17-29) (from Ch. 46, par. 17-29)

Sec. 17-29. (a) No judge of election, pollwatcher, or other person shall, at any primary or election, do any electioneering or soliciting of votes or engage in any political discussion within any polling place, within 100 feet of any polling place,

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- or, at the option of a church or private school, on any of the
 property of that church or private school that is a polling
 place; no person shall interrupt, hinder or oppose any voter
 while approaching within those areas for the purpose of voting.
 Judges of election shall enforce the provisions of this
 - (b) Election officers shall place 2 or more cones, small United States national flags, or some other marker a distance of 100 horizontal feet from each entrance to the room used by voters to engage in voting, which shall be known as the polling room. If the polling room is located within a building that is a private business, a public or private school, or a church or other organization founded for the purpose of religious worship and the distance of 100 horizontal feet ends within the interior of the building, then the markers shall be placed outside of the building at each entrance used by voters to enter that building on the grounds adjacent to the thoroughfare or walkway. If the polling room is located within a public or private building with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on the ground floor, then the markers shall be placed 100 horizontal feet from each entrance to the polling room used by voters to engage in voting. If the polling room is located in a public or private building with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on a floor above or below the ground floor, then the markers shall be placed a distance of 100 feet from the nearest elevator or staircase used by voters on the

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The area on polling place property beyond the campaign free zone, whether publicly or privately owned, is a public forum for the time that the polls are open on an election day. At the request of election officers any publicly owned building must be made available for use as a polling place. A person shall have the right to congregate and engage in electioneering on any polling place property while the polls are open beyond the campaign free zone, including but not limited to, the placement temporary signs. This subsection shall be construed liberally in favor of persons engaging in electioneering on all polling place property beyond the campaign free zone for the time that the polls are open on an election day. At or near the door of each polling place, the election judges shall place signage indicating the proper entrance to the polling place. In addition, the election judges shall ensure that a identifying the location of the polling place is placed on a nearby public roadway. The State Board of Elections shall

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- (c) The regulation of electioneering on polling place property on an election day, including but not limited to the placement of temporary signs, is an exclusive power and function of the State. A home rule unit may not regulate electioneering and any ordinance or local law contrary to 7 subsection (c) is declared void. This is a denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution. (Source: P.A. 95-699, eff. 11-9-07.)
- 12 (10 ILCS 5/19-2.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 19-2.2)
- Sec. 19-2.2. (a) During the period beginning on the 40th 13 14 day preceding an election and continuing through the day 15 preceding such election, no advertising pertaining to any candidate or proposition to be voted upon shall be displayed in 16 or within 100 feet of any room used by voters pursuant to this 17 18 Article, or, at the option of a church or private school, on 19 any of the property of that church or private school that is a 20 polling place; nor shall any person engage in electioneering in or within 100 feet of any such room, or, at the option of a 21 22 church or private school, on any of the property of that church 23 or private school that is a polling place. Any person who 24 violates this Section may be punished as for contempt of court.
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(c) The regulation of electioneering on polling place property on an election day, including but not limited to the placement of temporary signs, is an exclusive power and function of the State. A home rule unit may not regulate electioneering and any ordinance or local law contrary to subsection (b) is declared void. This is a denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution.

(Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03; 93-847, eff. 7-30-04.)

(10 ILCS 5/19A-70) 1

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Sec. 19A-70. Advertising or campaigning in proximity of polling place; penalty. During the period prescribed in Section 19A-15 for early voting by personal appearance, the provisions of Sections 7-41, 17-29, and 19-22 shall apply; except that a person is prohibited from placing temporary signs on any part of the property of the building beyond the campaign free zone where the polling place is located. This provision is a denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions in accordance with subsection (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution. no advertising pertaining to any candidate or proposition to be voted on may be displayed in or within 100 feet of any polling place used by voters under this Article. No person may engage in electioneering in or within 100 feet of any polling place used by voters under this Article. The provisions of Section 17 29 with respect to establishment of a campaign free zone apply to polling places under this Article. Any person who violates this Section may be punished for contempt of court.

21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 22 becoming law.".

(Source: P.A. 94-645, eff. 8-22-05.)