



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2011 and 2012

HB1717

by Rep. Jim Durkin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 430/5-57 new

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Provides that any member of a board or commission whose appointment requires the advice and consent of the Senate and who receives a salary from the State must either (1) divest himself or herself of any funds supporting his or her candidacy for any federal, State, or local public office by (A) a direct return of funds to contributors in amounts not to exceed his or her individual contributions, (B) a transfer of funds to a charitable organization or organizations, or (C) a combination of items (A) and (B), or (2) have the funds placed in an account that is frozen for the duration of his or her term as a member of the board or commission, except for account activity related to covering the reasonable costs of maintaining the account. Provides that failure to comply with this Section shall render the office vacant. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning government.

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

4 Section 5. The State Officials and Employees Ethics Act is
5 amended by adding Section 5-57 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 430/5-57 new)

7 Sec. 5-57. Divesting or freezing of election funds of board
8 and commission members. Any appointed member of a board or
9 commission whose appointment required the advice and consent of
10 the Senate and who receives a salary from the State must either
11 (1) divest himself or herself of any funds supporting his or
12 her candidacy for any federal, State, or local public office by
13 (A) a direct return of funds to contributors in amounts not to
14 exceed his or her individual contributions, (B) a transfer of
15 funds to a charitable organization or organizations, or (C) a
16 combination of items (A) and (B), or (2) have the funds placed
17 in an account that is frozen for the duration of his or her
18 term as a member of the board or commission, except for account
19 activity related to covering the reasonable costs of
20 maintaining the account. Failure to comply with this Section
21 shall render the office vacant.

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.