



## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2013 and 2014

SB1540

Introduced 2/13/2013, by Sen. Chapin Rose

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/4-6.2	from Ch. 46, par. 4-6.2
10 ILCS 5/5-16.2	from Ch. 46, par. 5-16.2
10 ILCS 5/6-50.2	from Ch. 46, par. 6-50.2

Amends the Election Code. Requires a deputy registrar to return completed voter registration materials to the proper election authority within 2 business days after receipt until the last day for accepting registrations before an election (now, within 7 days until the 35th day before an election and within 48 hours between the 35th and 28th days before an election). Prohibits the State Board of Elections and the Secretary of State from adopting rules that require otherwise for Secretary of State employees serving as deputy registrars at driver's license facilities. Prohibits the unauthorized copying or dissemination of personal or other information from a voter registration application. Makes violation a Class A misdemeanor.

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CORRECTIONAL  
BUDGET AND  
IMPACT NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 4-6.2, 5-16.2, and 6-50.2 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/4-6.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-6.2)

7 Sec. 4-6.2. (a) The county clerk shall appoint all  
8 municipal and township or road district clerks or their duly  
9 authorized deputies as deputy registrars who may accept the  
10 registration of all qualified residents of the State.

11 The county clerk shall appoint all precinct  
12 committeepersons in the county as deputy registrars who may  
13 accept the registration of any qualified resident of the State,  
14 except during the 27 days preceding an election.

15 The county clerk shall appoint each of the following named  
16 persons as deputy registrars upon the written request of such  
17 persons:

18 1. The chief librarian, or a qualified person  
19 designated by the chief librarian, of any public library  
20 situated within the election jurisdiction, who may accept  
21 the registrations of any qualified resident of the State,  
22 at such library.

23 2. The principal, or a qualified person designated by

1 the principal, of any high school, elementary school, or  
2 vocational school situated within the election  
3 jurisdiction, who may accept the registrations of any  
4 qualified resident of the State, at such school. The county  
5 clerk shall notify every principal and vice-principal of  
6 each high school, elementary school, and vocational school  
7 situated within the election jurisdiction of their  
8 eligibility to serve as deputy registrars and offer  
9 training courses for service as deputy registrars at  
10 conveniently located facilities at least 4 months prior to  
11 every election.

12 3. The president, or a qualified person designated by  
13 the president, of any university, college, community  
14 college, academy or other institution of learning situated  
15 within the election jurisdiction, who may accept the  
16 registrations of any resident of the State, at such  
17 university, college, community college, academy or  
18 institution.

19 4. A duly elected or appointed official of a bona fide  
20 labor organization, or a reasonable number of qualified  
21 members designated by such official, who may accept the  
22 registrations of any qualified resident of the State.

23 5. A duly elected or appointed official of a bonafide  
24 State civic organization, as defined and determined by rule  
25 of the State Board of Elections, or qualified members  
26 designated by such official, who may accept the

1 registration of any qualified resident of the State. In  
2 determining the number of deputy registrars that shall be  
3 appointed, the county clerk shall consider the population  
4 of the jurisdiction, the size of the organization, the  
5 geographic size of the jurisdiction, convenience for the  
6 public, the existing number of deputy registrars in the  
7 jurisdiction and their location, the registration  
8 activities of the organization and the need to appoint  
9 deputy registrars to assist and facilitate the  
10 registration of non-English speaking individuals. In no  
11 event shall a county clerk fix an arbitrary number  
12 applicable to every civic organization requesting  
13 appointment of its members as deputy registrars. The State  
14 Board of Elections shall by rule provide for certification  
15 of bonafide State civic organizations. Such appointments  
16 shall be made for a period not to exceed 2 years,  
17 terminating on the first business day of the month  
18 following the month of the general election, and shall be  
19 valid for all periods of voter registration as provided by  
20 this Code during the terms of such appointments.

21 6. The Director of Healthcare and Family Services, or a  
22 reasonable number of employees designated by the Director  
23 and located at public aid offices, who may accept the  
24 registration of any qualified resident of the county at any  
25 such public aid office.

26 7. The Director of the Illinois Department of

1           Employment Security, or a reasonable number of employees  
2           designated by the Director and located at unemployment  
3           offices, who may accept the registration of any qualified  
4           resident of the county at any such unemployment office.

5           8. The president of any corporation as defined by the  
6           Business Corporation Act of 1983, or a reasonable number of  
7           employees designated by such president, who may accept the  
8           registrations of any qualified resident of the State.

9           If the request to be appointed as deputy registrar is  
10          denied, the county clerk shall, within 10 days after the date  
11          the request is submitted, provide the affected individual or  
12          organization with written notice setting forth the specific  
13          reasons or criteria relied upon to deny the request to be  
14          appointed as deputy registrar.

15          The county clerk may appoint as many additional deputy  
16          registrars as he considers necessary. The county clerk shall  
17          appoint such additional deputy registrars in such manner that  
18          the convenience of the public is served, giving due  
19          consideration to both population concentration and area. Some  
20          of the additional deputy registrars shall be selected so that  
21          there are an equal number from each of the 2 major political  
22          parties in the election jurisdiction. The county clerk, in  
23          appointing an additional deputy registrar, shall make the  
24          appointment from a list of applicants submitted by the Chairman  
25          of the County Central Committee of the applicant's political  
26          party. A Chairman of a County Central Committee shall submit a

1 list of applicants to the county clerk by November 30 of each  
2 year. The county clerk may require a Chairman of a County  
3 Central Committee to furnish a supplemental list of applicants.

4 Deputy registrars may accept registrations at any time  
5 other than the 27 day period preceding an election. All persons  
6 appointed as deputy registrars shall be registered voters  
7 within the county and shall take and subscribe to the following  
8 oath or affirmation:

9 "I do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that I  
10 will support the Constitution of the United States, and the  
11 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will  
12 faithfully discharge the duties of the office of deputy  
13 registrar to the best of my ability and that I will register no  
14 person nor cause the registration of any person except upon his  
15 personal application before me.

16 .....  
17 (Signature Deputy Registrar)"

18 This oath shall be administered by the county clerk, or by  
19 one of his deputies, or by any person qualified to take  
20 acknowledgement of deeds and shall immediately thereafter be  
21 filed with the county clerk.

22 Appointments of deputy registrars under this Section,  
23 except precinct committeemen, shall be for 2-year terms,  
24 commencing on December 1 following the general election of each  
25 even-numbered year; except that the terms of the initial  
26 appointments shall be until December 1st following the next

1 general election. Appointments of precinct committeemen shall  
2 be for 2-year terms commencing on the date of the county  
3 convention following the general primary at which they were  
4 elected. The county clerk shall issue a certificate of  
5 appointment to each deputy registrar, and shall maintain in his  
6 office for public inspection a list of the names of all  
7 appointees.

8 (b) The county clerk shall be responsible for training all  
9 deputy registrars appointed pursuant to subsection (a), at  
10 times and locations reasonably convenient for both the county  
11 clerk and such appointees. The county clerk shall be  
12 responsible for certifying and supervising all deputy  
13 registrars appointed pursuant to subsection (a). Deputy  
14 registrars appointed under subsection (a) shall be subject to  
15 removal for cause.

16 (c) Completed registration materials under the control of  
17 deputy registrars, appointed pursuant to subsection (a), shall  
18 be returned to the appointing election authority by first-class  
19 mail within 2 business days or personal delivery within 7 days,  
20 except that ~~completed registration materials received by the~~  
21 ~~deputy registrars during the period between the 35th and 28th~~  
22 ~~day preceding an election shall be returned by the deputy~~  
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25 received by the deputy registrars on the last 28th day  
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4 subsection (a), not later than the next working day following  
5 the close of registration. The State Board of Elections and the  
6 Secretary of State may not adopt rules applicable to Secretary  
7 of State employees serving as deputy registrars at driver's  
8 license examination stations that conflict with this  
9 subsection as to the time for return of completed materials and  
10 the election authority to which the materials must be returned.

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13 any deputy registrar regardless of the number of unaccounted  
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15 possession.

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1 personal information such as the applicant's name, address,  
2 phone number, social security number, or driver's license  
3 number.

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8 residence.

9 (Source: P.A. 97-81, eff. 7-5-11.)

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21 This oath shall be administered and certified to by one of  
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18 license examination stations that conflict with this  
19 subsection as to the time for return of completed materials and  
20 the election authority to which the materials must be returned.

21 (d) The county clerk or board of election commissioners, as  
22 the case may be, must provide any additional forms requested by  
23 any deputy registrar regardless of the number of unaccounted  
24 registration forms the deputy registrar may have in his or her  
25 possession.

26 (e) No deputy registrar shall engage in any electioneering

1 or the promotion of any cause during the performance of his or  
2 her duties.

3 (f) The board of election commissioners shall not be  
4 criminally or civilly liable for the acts or omissions of any  
5 deputy registrar. Such deputy registrars shall not be deemed to  
6 be employees of the board of election commissioners. A person,  
7 including a deputy registrar, who copies, photocopies, or  
8 disseminates information from a voter registration application  
9 except as authorized or required by State or federal law, rule,  
10 or regulation commits a Class A misdemeanor. Information  
11 includes, but is not limited to, personal information such as  
12 the applicant's name, address, phone number, social security  
13 number, or driver's license number.

14 (g) Completed registration materials returned by deputy  
15 registrars for persons residing outside the election  
16 jurisdiction shall be transmitted by the board of election  
17 commissioners within 2 days after receipt to the election  
18 authority of the person's election jurisdiction of residence.

19 (Source: P.A. 97-81, eff. 7-5-11.)