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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1954

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 1954 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by adding  
5 Division 3-16 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/Div. 3-16 heading new)

7 Division 3-16. Recall of Countywide Elected Officials

8 (55 ILCS 5/3-16001 new)

9 Sec. 3-16001. Recall of a countywide elected official.

10 (a) Any county may establish a process by which countywide  
11 elected officials may be recalled by the electors of the  
12 county, by submitting the proposition to the electors of the  
13 county and obtaining their approval of the proposition at a  
14 referendum held at the general election of 2026 as provided in  
15 Section 3-16002. A referendum to adopt a process by which

1 countywide elected officials may be recalled by the electors  
2 may be called for by a resolution adopted before the general  
3 election of 2026 by the county board of the county.

4 (b) As used in this Division, "countywide elected  
5 official" means any elected official who is elected by the  
6 entire county, but it does not include either: (i) a county  
7 treasurer who is subject to removal under Section 3-10020 or  
8 (ii) a regional superintendent of schools.

9 (55 ILCS 5/3-16002 new)

10 Sec. 3-16002. Referendum on resolution of county board.

11 (a) If the county board adopts a resolution calling for a  
12 referendum at the general election of 2026 on the proposal to  
13 adopt a process by which countywide elected officials may be  
14 recalled by the electors of that county, within the time  
15 provided in the general election law, the county clerk and the  
16 county board shall provide for the submission of such  
17 proposition to the electors of the county in accordance with  
18 this Section at the general election of 2026.

19 (b) The referendum shall be conducted in such a manner as  
20 is prescribed in the general election law.

21 The proposition shall be in substantially the following  
22 form:

23 -----  
24 Shall the County of  
25 ..... adopt a process

1 by which countywide elected YES  
2 officials may be recalled -----  
3 by the electors of the county NO  
4 as provided for by Section  
5 3-16003 of the Counties Code?  
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7 (55 ILCS 5/3-16003 new)

8 Sec. 3-16003. Recall of countywide elected officials.

9 (a) If the referendum described in Section 3-16002 is  
10 approved by a majority of the voters voting on the  
11 proposition, then the recall of countywide elected officials  
12 in that county may thereafter be proposed by a petition signed  
13 by a number of electors equal in number to at least 15% of the  
14 total votes cast for Governor in that county in the preceding  
15 gubernatorial election. A petition under this Section shall  
16 have been signed by the petitioning electors not more than 50  
17 days after an affidavit has been filed with the State Board of  
18 Elections providing notice of intent to circulate a petition  
19 to recall the countywide elected official. The affidavit may  
20 be filed no sooner than 6 months after the beginning of the  
21 countywide elected official's term of office and may not be  
22 filed in the last 6 months of the countywide elected  
23 official's term of office.

24 (b) The form of the petition, circulation, and procedure  
25 for determining the validity and sufficiency of a petition

1 shall be as provided by law. If the petition is valid and  
2 sufficient, the State Board of Elections shall certify the  
3 petition not more than 50 days after the date the petition was  
4 filed, and the question "Shall (name) be recalled from the  
5 office of (name of office)?" must be submitted to the electors  
6 at a special election called by the State Board of Elections,  
7 to occur not more than 100 days after certification of the  
8 petition. A recall petition certified by the State Board of  
9 Elections under this Section may not be withdrawn and another  
10 recall petition under this Section may not be initiated  
11 against the countywide elected official during the remainder  
12 of the official's current term of office. Any recall petition  
13 or recall election pending on the date of the next general  
14 election at which a candidate for the same countywide office  
15 is elected is moot.

16 (c) The countywide elected official is immediately removed  
17 upon certification of the recall election results if a  
18 majority of the electors voting on the question vote to recall  
19 the countywide elected official. If the countywide elected  
20 official is removed, the vacancy shall be filled as provided  
21 in the Election Code or this Code.

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