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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/1A-16	
10 ILCS 5/1A-45	
10 ILCS 5/3-6	
10 ILCS 5/4-2	from Ch. 46, par. 4-2
10 ILCS 5/4-23	from Ch. 46, par. 4-23
10 ILCS 5/5-2	from Ch. 46, par. 5-2
10 ILCS 5/5-29.01	from Ch. 46, par. 5-29.01
10 ILCS 5/6-27	from Ch. 46, par. 6-27
10 ILCS 5/6-62	from Ch. 46, par. 6-62
10 ILCS 5/6-67.01	from Ch. 46, par. 6-67.01
10 ILCS 5/7-10	from Ch. 46, par. 7-10
10 ILCS 5/7-45	from Ch. 46, par. 7-45
10 ILCS 5/8-8	from Ch. 46, par. 8-8
10 ILCS 5/10-4	from Ch. 46, par. 10-4
10 ILCS 5/17-9	from Ch. 46, par. 17-9
10 ILCS 5/17-10	from Ch. 46, par. 17-10
10 ILCS 5/18A-5	
10 ILCS 5/20-3	from Ch. 46, par. 20-3
10 ILCS 5/28-3	from Ch. 46, par. 28-3

Amends the Election Code. Changes the minimum voting age to 16 years old (instead of 18 years old) for State and local elections. Makes conforming changes.

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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 1A-16, 1A-45, 3-6, 4-2, 4-23, 5-2, 5-29.01, 6-27,
6 6-62, 6-67.01, 7-10, 7-45, 8-8, 10-4, 17-9, 17-10, 18A-5,
7 20-3, and 28-3 as follows:

8 (10 ILCS 5/1A-16)

9 Sec. 1A-16. Voter registration information; Internet
10 posting; processing of voter registration forms; content of
11 such forms. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the
12 following provisions shall apply to voter registration under
13 this Code.

14 (a) Voter registration information; Internet posting of
15 voter registration form. Within 90 days after August 21, 2003
16 (the effective date of Public Act 93-574), the State Board of
17 Elections shall post on its World Wide Web site the following
18 information:

19 (1) A comprehensive list of the names, addresses,
20 phone numbers, and websites, if applicable, of all county
21 clerks and boards of election commissioners in Illinois.

22 (2) A schedule of upcoming elections and the deadline
23 for voter registration.

1 (3) A downloadable, printable voter registration form,
2 in at least English and in Spanish versions, that a person
3 may complete and mail or submit to the State Board of
4 Elections or the appropriate county clerk or board of
5 election commissioners.

6 Any forms described under paragraph (3) must state the
7 following:

8 If you do not have a driver's license or social
9 security number, and this form is submitted by mail, and
10 you have never registered to vote in the jurisdiction you
11 are now registering in, then you must send, with this
12 application, either (i) a copy of a current and valid
13 photo identification, or (ii) a copy of a current utility
14 bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other
15 government document that shows the name and address of the
16 voter. If you do not provide the information required
17 above, then you will be required to provide election
18 officials with either (i) or (ii) described above the
19 first time you vote at a voting place.

20 (b) Acceptance of registration forms by the State Board of
21 Elections and county clerks and board of election
22 commissioners. The State Board of Elections, county clerks,
23 and board of election commissioners shall accept all completed
24 voter registration forms described in subsection (a)(3) of
25 this Section and Section 1A-17 and voter registration forms
26 created under Section 30 of the Address Confidentiality for

1 Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Human
2 Trafficking, or Stalking Act that are:

3 (1) postmarked on or before the day that voter
4 registration is closed under this Code;

5 (2) not postmarked, but arrives no later than 5 days
6 after the close of registration;

7 (3) submitted in person by a person using the form on
8 or before the day that voter registration is closed under
9 this Code; or

10 (4) submitted in person by a person who submits one or
11 more forms on behalf of one or more persons who used the
12 form on or before the day that voter registration is
13 closed under this Code.

14 Upon the receipt of a registration form, the State Board
15 of Elections shall mark the date on which the form was received
16 and send the form via first class mail to the appropriate
17 county clerk or board of election commissioners, as the case
18 may be, within 2 business days based upon the home address of
19 the person submitting the registration form. The county clerk
20 and board of election commissioners shall accept and process
21 any form received from the State Board of Elections.

22 (c) Processing of registration forms by county clerks and
23 boards of election commissioners. The county clerk or board of
24 election commissioners shall promulgate procedures for
25 processing the voter registration form.

26 (d) Contents of the voter registration form. The State

1 Board shall create a voter registration form, which must
2 contain the following content:

3 (1) Instructions for completing the form.

4 (2) A summary of the qualifications to register to
5 vote in Illinois.

6 (3) Instructions for mailing in or submitting the form
7 in person.

8 (4) The phone number for the State Board of Elections
9 should a person submitting the form have questions.

10 (5) A box for the person to check that explains one of
11 3 reasons for submitting the form:

12 (a) new registration;

13 (b) change of address; or

14 (c) change of name.

15 (6) a box for the person to check yes or no that asks,
16 "Are you a citizen of the United States?", a box for the
17 person to check yes or no that asks, "Will you be 16 ~~18~~
18 years of age on or before election day?", and a statement
19 of "If you checked 'no' in response to either of these
20 questions, then do not complete this form.".

21 (7) A space for the person to fill in his or her home
22 telephone number.

23 (8) Spaces for the person to fill in his or her first,
24 middle, and last names, street address (principal place of
25 residence), county, city, state, and zip code.

26 (9) Spaces for the person to fill in his or her mailing

1 address, city, state, and zip code if different from his
2 or her principal place of residence.

3 (10) A space for the person to fill in his or her
4 Illinois driver's license number if the person has a
5 driver's license.

6 (11) A space for a person without a driver's license
7 to fill in the last four digits of his or her social
8 security number if the person has a social security
9 number.

10 (12) A space for a person without an Illinois driver's
11 license to fill in his or her identification number from
12 his or her State Identification card issued by the
13 Secretary of State.

14 (13) A space for the person to fill the name appearing
15 on his or her last voter registration, the street address
16 of his or her last registration, including the city,
17 county, state, and zip code.

18 (14) A space where the person swears or affirms the
19 following under penalty of perjury with his or her
20 signature:

21 (a) "I am a citizen of the United States.";

22 (b) "I will be at least 16 ~~18~~ years old on or
23 before the next election.";

24 (c) "I will have lived in the State of Illinois and
25 in my election precinct at least 30 days as of the date
26 of the next election."; and

1 (d) "The information I have provided is true to
2 the best of my knowledge under penalty of perjury. If I
3 have provided false information, then I may be fined,
4 imprisoned, or, if I am not a U.S. citizen, deported
5 from or refused entry into the United States."

6 (15) A space for the person to fill in his or her
7 e-mail address if he or she chooses to provide that
8 information.

9 (d-5) Compliance with federal law; rulemaking authority.
10 The voter registration form described in this Section shall be
11 consistent with the form prescribed by the Federal Election
12 Commission under the National Voter Registration Act of 1993,
13 P.L. 103-31, as amended from time to time, and the Help America
14 Vote Act of 2002, P.L. 107-252, in all relevant respects. The
15 State Board of Elections shall periodically update the form
16 based on changes to federal or State law. The State Board of
17 Elections shall promulgate any rules necessary for the
18 implementation of this Section; provided that the rules
19 comport with the letter and spirit of the National Voter
20 Registration Act of 1993 and Help America Vote Act of 2002 and
21 maximize the opportunity for a person to register to vote.

22 (d-10) No later than 90 days after the 2022 general
23 election, the State Board of Elections shall permit applicants
24 to choose between "male", "female", or "non-binary" when
25 designating the applicant's sex on the voter registration
26 form.

1 (e) Forms available in paper form. The State Board of
2 Elections shall make the voter registration form available in
3 regular paper stock and form in sufficient quantities for the
4 general public. The State Board of Elections may provide the
5 voter registration form to the Secretary of State, county
6 clerks, boards of election commissioners, designated agencies
7 of the State of Illinois, and any other person or entity
8 designated to have these forms by this Code in regular paper
9 stock and form or some other format deemed suitable by the
10 Board. Each county clerk or board of election commissioners
11 has the authority to design and print its own voter
12 registration form so long as the form complies with the
13 requirements of this Section. The State Board of Elections,
14 county clerks, boards of election commissioners, or other
15 designated agencies of the State of Illinois required to have
16 these forms under this Code shall provide a member of the
17 public with any reasonable number of forms that he or she may
18 request. Nothing in this Section shall permit the State Board
19 of Elections, county clerk, board of election commissioners,
20 or other appropriate election official who may accept a voter
21 registration form to refuse to accept a voter registration
22 form because the form is printed on photocopier or regular
23 paper stock and form.

24 (f) (Blank).

25 (Source: P.A. 102-292, eff. 1-1-22; 102-668, eff. 11-15-21.)

1 (10 ILCS 5/1A-45)

2 Sec. 1A-45. Electronic Registration Information Center.

3 (a) The State Board of Elections shall enter into an
4 agreement with the Electronic Registration Information Center
5 effective no later than January 1, 2016, for the purpose of
6 maintaining a statewide voter registration database. The State
7 Board of Elections shall comply with the requirements of the
8 Electronic Registration Information Center Membership
9 Agreement. The State Board of Elections shall require a term
10 in the Electronic Registration Information Center Membership
11 Agreement that requires the State to share identification
12 records contained in the Secretary of State's Driver Services
13 Department and Vehicle Services Department, the Department of
14 Human Services, the Department of Healthcare and Family
15 Services, the Department on Aging, and the Department of
16 Employment Security databases (excluding those fields
17 unrelated to voter eligibility, such as income or health
18 information).

19 (b) The Secretary of State and the State Board of
20 Elections shall enter into an agreement to permit the
21 Secretary of State to provide the State Board of Elections
22 with any information required for compliance with the
23 Electronic Registration Information Center Membership
24 Agreement. The Secretary of State shall deliver this
25 information as frequently as necessary for the State Board of
26 Elections to comply with the Electronic Registration

1 Information Center Membership Agreement.

2 (b-5) The State Board of Elections and the Department of
3 Human Services, the Department of Healthcare and Family
4 Services, the Department on Aging, and the Department of
5 Employment Security shall enter into an agreement to require
6 each department to provide the State Board of Elections with
7 any information necessary to transmit member data under the
8 Electronic Registration Information Center Membership
9 Agreement. The director or secretary, as applicable, of each
10 agency shall deliver this information on an annual basis to
11 the State Board of Elections pursuant to the agreement between
12 the entities.

13 (c) Any communication required to be delivered to a
14 registrant or potential registrant pursuant to the Electronic
15 Registration Information Center Membership Agreement shall
16 include at least the following message:

17 "Our records show people at this address may not be
18 registered to vote at this address, but you may be
19 eligible to register to vote or re-register to vote at
20 this address. If you are a U.S. Citizen, a resident of
21 Illinois, and will be 16 ~~18~~ years old or older before the
22 next general election in November, you are qualified to
23 vote.

24 We invite you to check your registration online at
25 (enter URL) or register to vote online at (enter URL), by
26 requesting a mail-in voter registration form by (enter

1 instructions for requesting a mail-in voter registration
2 form), or visiting the (name of election authority) office
3 at (address of election authority)."

4 The words "register to vote online at (enter URL)" shall
5 be bolded and of a distinct nature from the other words in the
6 message required by this subsection (c).

7 (d) Any communication required to be delivered to a
8 potential registrant that has been identified by the
9 Electronic Registration Information Center as eligible to vote
10 but who is not registered to vote in Illinois shall be prepared
11 and disseminated at the direction of the State Board of
12 Elections. All other communications with potential registrants
13 or re-registrants pursuant to the Electronic Registration
14 Information Center Membership Agreement shall be prepared and
15 disseminated at the direction of the appropriate election
16 authority.

17 (e) The Executive Director of the State Board of Elections
18 or his or her designee shall serve as the Member
19 Representative to the Electronic Registration Information
20 Center.

21 (f) The State Board of Elections may adopt any rules
22 necessary to enforce this Section or comply with the
23 Electronic Registration Information Center Membership
24 Agreement.

25 (Source: P.A. 102-558, eff. 8-20-21.)

1 (10 ILCS 5/3-6)

2 Sec. 3-6. Voting age. Notwithstanding any other provision
3 of law, a person who is 15 ~~17~~ years old on the date of a
4 caucus, general primary election, or consolidated primary
5 election and who is otherwise qualified to vote is qualified
6 to vote at that caucus, general primary, or consolidated
7 primary, including voting a vote by mail, grace period, or
8 early voting ballot with respect to that general primary or
9 consolidated primary, if that person will be 16 ~~18~~ years old on
10 the date of the immediately following general election or
11 consolidated election for which candidates are nominated at
12 that primary.

13 References in this Code and elsewhere to the requirement
14 that a person must be 16 ~~18~~ years old to vote shall be
15 interpreted in accordance with this Section, except that a
16 person must be at least 18 years old to vote for federal
17 officers.

18 For the purposes of this Code, an individual who is 15 ~~17~~
19 years of age and who will be 16 ~~18~~ years of age on the date of
20 the general or consolidated election shall be deemed competent
21 to execute and attest to any voter registration forms. An
22 individual who is 15 ~~17~~ years of age, will be 16 ~~18~~ years of
23 age on the date of the immediately following general or
24 consolidated election, and is otherwise qualified to vote
25 shall be deemed eligible to circulate a nominating petition or
26 a petition proposing a public question.

1 (Source: P.A. 99-722, eff. 8-5-16; 100-201, eff. 8-18-17.)

2 (10 ILCS 5/4-2) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-2)

3 Sec. 4-2. No person shall be entitled to be registered in
4 and from any precinct unless such person shall by the date of
5 the election next following have resided in the State and
6 within the precinct 30 days and be otherwise qualified to vote
7 at such election. Every applicant who shall be 16 ~~18~~ years of
8 age or over on the day of the next election shall be permitted
9 to register, if otherwise qualified.

10 To constitute residence under this Act, Article 3 is
11 controlling.

12 (Source: P.A. 81-953.)

13 (10 ILCS 5/4-23) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-23)

14 Sec. 4-23. The provisions of this Article 4, so far as they
15 require the registration of voters as a condition to their
16 being allowed to vote, shall not apply to persons otherwise
17 entitled to vote, who are, at the time of the election, or at
18 any time within 60 days prior to such election have been,
19 engaged in the military or naval service of the United States,
20 and who appear personally at the polling place on election day
21 and produce to the judges of election satisfactory evidence
22 thereof, but such persons, if otherwise qualified to vote,
23 shall be permitted to vote at such election without previous
24 registration.

1 All such persons shall also make an affidavit which shall
2 be in substantially the following form:

3 "State of Illinois)

4) ss.

5 County of)

6 Precinct Ward

7 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I
8 am a citizen of the United States, of the age of 16 ~~18~~ years or
9 over, and that within the past 60 days prior to the date of
10 this election at which I am applying to vote, I have been
11 engaged in the (military or naval) service of the United
12 States; and I am qualified to vote under and by virtue of the
13 Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois, and that I am a
14 legally qualified voter of this precinct and ward except that
15 I have, because of such service, been unable to register as a
16 voter; that I now reside at (insert street and number, if
17 any) in this precinct and ward, that I have maintained a legal
18 residence in this precinct and ward for 30 days and in the
19 State 30 days next preceding this election.

20

21 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

22

23 Judge of Election."

24 The affidavit of any such person shall be supported by the
25 affidavit of a resident and qualified voter of any such

1 precinct and ward, which affidavit shall be in substantially
2 the following form:

3 "State of Illinois)

4) ss.

5 County of)

6 Precinct Ward

7 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I am a
8 resident of this precinct and ward and entitled to vote at this
9 election; that I am acquainted with (name of the
10 applicant); that I verily believe him or her to be an actual
11 bona fide resident of this precinct and ward and that I verily
12 believe that he or she has maintained a legal residence
13 therein 30 days, and in this State 30 days next preceding this
14 election.

15

16 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

17

18 Judge of Election."

19 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

20 (10 ILCS 5/5-2) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-2)

21 Sec. 5-2. No person shall be entitled to be registered in
22 and from any precinct unless such person shall by the date of
23 the election next following have resided in the State and
24 within the precinct 30 days and be otherwise qualified to vote
25 at such election. Every applicant who shall be 16 ~~18~~ years of

1 age or over on the day of the next election shall be permitted
2 to register, if otherwise qualified. To constitute residence
3 under this Article 5 Article 3 is controlling.

4 (Source: P.A. 81-953.)

5 (10 ILCS 5/5-29.01) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-29.01)

6 Sec. 5-29.01. The provisions of this Article 5, so far as
7 they require the registration of voters as a condition to
8 their being allowed to vote shall not apply to persons
9 otherwise entitled to vote, who are, at the time of the
10 election, or at any time within 60 days prior to such election,
11 have been engaged in the military or naval service of the
12 United States, and who appear personally at the polling place
13 on election day and produce to the judges of election
14 satisfactory evidence thereof, but such persons, if otherwise
15 qualified to vote, shall be permitted to vote at such election
16 without previous registration.

17 All such persons shall also make an affidavit which shall
18 be in substantially the following form:

19 "State of Illinois)

20)ss.

21 County of)

22 Precinct Ward

23 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I am a citizen
24 of the United States, of the age of 16 ~~18~~ years or over, and
25 that within the past 60 days prior to the date of this election

1 at which I am applying to vote, I have been engaged in the
 2 (military or naval) service of the United States; and I am
 3 qualified to vote under and by virtue of the Constitution and
 4 laws of the State of Illinois, and that I am a legally
 5 qualified voter of this precinct and ward except that I have,
 6 because of such service, been unable to register as a voter;
 7 that I now reside at (insert street and number, if any) in
 8 this precinct and ward, that I have maintained a legal
 9 residence in this precinct and ward for 30 days and in the
 10 State 30 days next preceding this election.

11
 12 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).
 13
 14 Judge of Election."

15 The affidavit of any such person shall be supported by the
 16 affidavit of a resident and qualified voter of any such
 17 precinct and ward, which affidavit shall be in substantially
 18 the following form:

19 "State of Illinois)
 20)ss.
 21 County of)
 22 Precinct Ward

23 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I am a
 24 resident of this precinct and ward and entitled to vote at this
 25 election; that I am acquainted with (name of the

1 applicant); that I verily believe him to be an actual bona fide
 2 resident of this precinct and ward and that I verily believe
 3 that he has maintained a legal residence therein 30 days and in
 4 this State 30 days next preceding this election.

5

6 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

7

8 Judge of Election."

9 The provisions of this Article 5, so far as they require
 10 the registration of voters as a condition to their being
 11 allowed to vote shall not apply to persons otherwise entitled
 12 to vote who have made and subscribed to the affidavit provided
 13 in paragraph (b) of Section 17-10 of this Act.

14 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

15 (10 ILCS 5/6-27) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-27)

16 Sec. 6-27. Every person having resided in the State and in
 17 election precinct 30 days next preceding any election therein
 18 and who shall be a citizen of the United States of the age of
 19 16 ~~18~~ or more years, shall be entitled to vote at such
 20 elections described in the last preceding Section.

21 After the first registration provided by this Article, the
 22 vote of no person, other than an elector voting pursuant to
 23 Article 20 of this Act or exempt under Section 6-67.01 or
 24 6-67.02 of this Article from registration, shall be received
 25 in any election conducted under the provisions of this Article

1 6 or Articles 14 and 18 of this Act unless such person has
2 registered under the provisions of this Article in the
3 precinct in which such person resides. For the purposes of
4 this Article, the word "election" shall include primary.

5 No person shall be entitled to be registered in or from any
6 precinct unless such person shall, by the date of the election
7 next following, have resided in the State and within the
8 precinct for 30 days, and be otherwise qualified to vote at
9 such election. Every applicant who shall be 16 ~~18~~ years of age
10 on the day of the next election shall be permitted to register,
11 if otherwise qualified.

12 To constitute residence under this Act, Article 3 is
13 controlling.

14 (Source: P.A. 81-953.)

15 (10 ILCS 5/6-62) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-62)

16 Sec. 6-62. It shall be the duty of the person or officer
17 having charge of the vital records of a city, village or
18 incorporated town to furnish to the board of election
19 commissioners, monthly, a report of the names and previous
20 residences of all persons over 16 ~~18~~ years of age that have
21 died during the preceding month.

22 (Source: P.A. 96-1484, eff. 1-1-11.)

23 (10 ILCS 5/6-67.01) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-67.01)

24 Sec. 6-67.01. The provisions of this Article 6, so far as

1 they require the registration of voters as a condition to
2 their being allowed to vote shall not apply to persons
3 otherwise entitled to vote, who are, at the time of the
4 election, or at any time within 60 days prior to such election
5 have been engaged in the military or naval service of the
6 United States, and who appear personally at the polling place
7 on election day and produce to the judges of election
8 satisfactory evidence thereof, but such persons, if otherwise
9 qualified to vote, shall be permitted to vote at such election
10 without previous registration.

11 All such persons shall also make an affidavit which shall
12 be in substantially the following form:

13 "State of Illinois)

14)ss.

15 County of)

16 Precinct Ward

17 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I am a citizen
18 of the United States, of the age of 16 ~~18~~ years or over, and
19 that within the past 60 days prior to the date of this election
20 at which I am applying to vote, I have been engaged in the
21 (military or naval) service of the United States; and I am
22 qualified to vote under and by virtue of the Constitution and
23 laws of the State of Illinois, and that I am a legally
24 qualified voter of this precinct and ward except that I have,
25 because of such service, been unable to register as a voter;
26 that I now reside at (insert street and number, if any) in

1 this precinct and ward, and that I have maintained a legal
2 residence in this precinct and ward for 30 days and in the
3 State 30 days next preceding this election.

4

5 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

6

7 Judge of Election."

8 The affidavit of any such person shall be supported by the
9 affidavit of a resident and qualified voter of such precinct
10 and ward, which affidavit shall be in substantially the
11 following form:

12 "State of Illinois)

13)ss.

14 County of)

15 Precinct Ward

16 I, ..., do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I am a resident
17 of this precinct and ward and entitled to vote at this
18 election; that I am acquainted with (name of the
19 applicant); that I verily believe him to be an actual bona fide
20 resident of this precinct and ward and that I verily believe
21 that he has maintained a legal residence therein 30 days and in
22 this State 30 days next preceding this election.

23

24 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

25

1 Judge of Election."

2 The provisions of this Article 6, so far as they require
3 the registration of voters as a condition to their being
4 allowed to vote shall not apply to persons otherwise entitled
5 to vote who have made and subscribed to the affidavit provided
6 in paragraph (b) of Section 17-10 of this Act.

7 (Source: P.A. 91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

8 (10 ILCS 5/7-10) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-10)

9 Sec. 7-10. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no
10 candidate for nomination, or State central committeeperson, or
11 township committeeperson, or precinct committeeperson, or ward
12 committeeperson or candidate for delegate or alternate
13 delegate to national nominating conventions, shall be printed
14 upon the primary ballot unless a petition for nomination has
15 been filed in his behalf as provided in this Article in
16 substantially the following form:

17 We, the undersigned, members of and affiliated with the
18 party and qualified primary electors of the party,
19 in the of, in the county of and State of
20 Illinois, do hereby petition that the following named person
21 or persons shall be a candidate or candidates of the party
22 for the nomination for (or in case of committeepersons for
23 election to) the office or offices hereinafter specified, to
24 be voted for at the primary election to be held on (insert
25 date).

1	Name	Office	Address
2	John Jones	Governor	Belvidere, Ill.
3	Jane James	Lieutenant Governor	Peoria, Ill.
4	Thomas Smith	Attorney General	Oakland, Ill.

5 Name..... Address.....

6 State of Illinois)

7) ss.

8 County of.....)

9 I,, do hereby certify that I reside at No.
10 street, in the of, county of, and State of
11, that I am 16 ~~18~~ years of age or older, that I am a
12 citizen of the United States, and that the signatures on this
13 sheet were signed in my presence, and are genuine, and that to
14 the best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were
15 at the time of signing the petitions qualified voters of the
16 party, and that their respective residences are correctly
17 stated, as above set forth.

18

19 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

20

21 Each sheet of the petition other than the statement of
22 candidacy and candidate's statement shall be of uniform size
23 and shall contain above the space for signatures an

1 appropriate heading giving the information as to name of
2 candidate or candidates, in whose behalf such petition is
3 signed; the office, the political party represented and place
4 of residence; and the heading of each sheet shall be the same.

5 Such petition shall be signed by qualified primary
6 electors residing in the political division for which the
7 nomination is sought in their own proper persons only and
8 opposite the signature of each signer, his residence address
9 shall be written or printed. The residence address required to
10 be written or printed opposite each qualified primary
11 elector's name shall include the street address or rural route
12 number of the signer, as the case may be, as well as the
13 signer's county, and city, village or town, and state.
14 However, the county or city, village or town, and state of
15 residence of the electors may be printed on the petition forms
16 where all of the electors signing the petition reside in the
17 same county or city, village or town, and state. Standard
18 abbreviations may be used in writing the residence address,
19 including street number, if any. At the bottom of each sheet of
20 such petition shall be added a circulator statement signed by
21 a person 16 ~~18~~ years of age or older who is a citizen of the
22 United States, stating the street address or rural route
23 number, as the case may be, as well as the county, city,
24 village or town, and state; and certifying that the signatures
25 on that sheet of the petition were signed in his or her
26 presence and certifying that the signatures are genuine; and

1 either (1) indicating the dates on which that sheet was
2 circulated, or (2) indicating the first and last dates on
3 which the sheet was circulated, or (3) for elections where the
4 petition circulation period is 90 days, certifying that none
5 of the signatures on the sheet were signed more than 90 days
6 preceding the last day for the filing of the petition, or (4)
7 for the 2022 general primary election only, certify that the
8 signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of
9 January 13, 2022 through March 14, 2022 or certify that the
10 signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of
11 January 13, 2022 through the date on which this statement was
12 sworn or affirmed to and certifying that to the best of his or
13 her knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the
14 time of signing the petitions qualified voters of the
15 political party for which a nomination is sought. Such
16 statement shall be sworn to before some officer authorized to
17 administer oaths in this State.

18 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, no petition
19 sheet shall be circulated more than 90 days preceding the last
20 day provided in Section 7-12 for the filing of such petition.

21 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on
22 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
23 signature from the petition, provided that:

- 24 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial
25 the petition at the place where the signature is struck;
26 and

1 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
2 certification listing the page number and line number of
3 each signature struck from the petition. Such
4 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

5 Such sheets before being filed shall be neatly fastened
6 together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile and
7 fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable
8 manner, and the sheets shall then be numbered consecutively.
9 The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end
10 to end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll. All petition
11 sheets which are filed with the proper local election
12 officials, election authorities or the State Board of
13 Elections shall be the original sheets which have been signed
14 by the voters and by the circulator thereof, and not
15 photocopies or duplicates of such sheets. Each petition must
16 include as a part thereof, a statement of candidacy for each of
17 the candidates filing, or in whose behalf the petition is
18 filed. This statement shall set out the address of such
19 candidate, the office for which he is a candidate, shall state
20 that the candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to
21 which the petition relates and is qualified for the office
22 specified (in the case of a candidate for State's Attorney it
23 shall state that the candidate is at the time of filing such
24 statement a licensed attorney-at-law of this State), shall
25 state that he has filed (or will file before the close of the
26 petition filing period) a statement of economic interests as

1 required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act, shall
 2 request that the candidate's name be placed upon the official
 3 ballot, and shall be subscribed and sworn to by such candidate
 4 before some officer authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds
 5 in the State and shall be in substantially the following form:

6 Statement of Candidacy

7	Name	Address	Office	District	Party
8	John Jones	102 Main St.	Governor	Statewide	Republican
9		Belvidere,			
10		Illinois			

11 State of Illinois)

12) ss.

13 County of)

14 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at
 15 Street in the city (or village) of, in the county of,
 16 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a
 17 qualified primary voter of the party; that I am a
 18 candidate for nomination (for election in the case of
 19 committeeperson and delegates and alternate delegates) to the
 20 office of to be voted upon at the primary election to be
 21 held on (insert date); that I am legally qualified (including
 22 being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility
 23 requirement for the office I seek the nomination for) to hold
 24 such office and that I have filed (or I will file before the
 25 close of the petition filing period) a statement of economic

1 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act
 2 and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official
 3 primary ballot for nomination for (or election to in the case
 4 of committeepersons and delegates and alternate delegates)
 5 such office.

6 Signed

7 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by,
 8 who is to me personally known, on (insert date).

9 Signed

10 (Official Character)

11 (Seal, if officer has one.)

12 The petitions, when filed, shall not be withdrawn or added
 13 to, and no signatures shall be revoked except by revocation
 14 filed in writing with the State Board of Elections, election
 15 authority or local election official with whom the petition is
 16 required to be filed, and before the filing of such petition.
 17 Whoever forges the name of a signer upon any petition required
 18 by this Article is deemed guilty of a forgery and on conviction
 19 thereof shall be punished accordingly.

20 A candidate for the offices listed in this Section must
 21 obtain the number of signatures specified in this Section on
 22 his or her petition for nomination.

23 (a) Statewide office or delegate to a national nominating
 24 convention. Except as otherwise provided in this Code, if a
 25 candidate seeks to run for statewide office or as a delegate or

1 alternate delegate to a national nominating convention elected
2 from the State at-large, then the candidate's petition for
3 nomination must contain at least 5,000 but not more than
4 10,000 signatures.

5 (b) Congressional office or congressional delegate to a
6 national nominating convention. Except as otherwise provided
7 in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run for United States
8 Congress or as a congressional delegate or alternate
9 congressional delegate to a national nominating convention
10 elected from a congressional district, then the candidate's
11 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
12 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
13 his or her party in his or her congressional district. In the
14 first primary election following a redistricting of
15 congressional districts, a candidate's petition for nomination
16 must contain at least 600 signatures of qualified primary
17 electors of the candidate's political party in his or her
18 congressional district.

19 (c) County office. Except as otherwise provided in this
20 Code, if a candidate seeks to run for any countywide office,
21 including, but not limited to, county board chairperson or
22 county board member, elected on an at-large basis, in a county
23 other than Cook County, then the candidate's petition for
24 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
25 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party who
26 cast votes at the last preceding general election in his or her

1 county. If a candidate seeks to run for county board member
2 elected from a county board district, then the candidate's
3 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
4 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
5 his or her party in the county board district. In the first
6 primary election following a redistricting of county board
7 districts or the initial establishment of county board
8 districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must contain
9 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
10 qualified electors of his or her party in the entire county who
11 cast votes at the last preceding general election divided by
12 the total number of county board districts comprising the
13 county board; provided that in no event shall the number of
14 signatures be less than 25.

15 (d) County office; Cook County only.

16 (1) If a candidate seeks to run for countywide office
17 in Cook County, then the candidate's petition for
18 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
19 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
20 who cast votes at the last preceding general election in
21 Cook County.

22 (2) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board
23 Commissioner, then the candidate's petition for nomination
24 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to
25 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of his or her party
26 in his or her county board district. In the first primary

1 election following a redistricting of Cook County Board of
2 Commissioners districts, a candidate's petition for
3 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
4 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
5 in the entire county who cast votes at the last preceding
6 general election divided by the total number of county
7 board districts comprising the county board; provided that
8 in no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

9 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this Code, if a
10 candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board of Review
11 Commissioner, which is elected from a district pursuant to
12 subsection (c) of Section 5-5 of the Property Tax Code,
13 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain
14 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
15 total number of registered voters in his or her board of
16 review district in the last general election at which a
17 commissioner was regularly scheduled to be elected from
18 that board of review district. In no event shall the
19 number of signatures required be greater than the
20 requisite number for a candidate who seeks countywide
21 office in Cook County under subsection (d)(1) of this
22 Section. In the first primary election following a
23 redistricting of Cook County Board of Review districts, a
24 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least
25 4,000 signatures or at least the number of signatures
26 required for a countywide candidate in Cook County,

1 whichever is less, of the qualified electors of his or her
2 party in the district.

3 (e) Municipal or township office. If a candidate seeks to
4 run for municipal or township office, then the candidate's
5 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
6 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
7 his or her party in the municipality or township. If a
8 candidate seeks to run for alderperson of a municipality, then
9 the candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least
10 the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified
11 primary electors of his or her party of the ward. In the first
12 primary election following redistricting of wards or trustee
13 districts of a municipality or the initial establishment of
14 wards or districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must
15 contain the number of signatures equal to at least 0.5% of the
16 total number of votes cast for the candidate of that political
17 party who received the highest number of votes in the entire
18 municipality at the last regular election at which an officer
19 was regularly scheduled to be elected from the entire
20 municipality, divided by the number of wards or districts. In
21 no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

22 (f) State central committeeperson. If a candidate seeks to
23 run for State central committeeperson, then the candidate's
24 petition for nomination must contain at least 100 signatures
25 of the primary electors of his or her party of his or her
26 congressional district.

1 (g) Sanitary district trustee. Except as otherwise
2 provided in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run for trustee
3 of a sanitary district in which trustees are not elected from
4 wards, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
5 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
6 primary electors of his or her party from the sanitary
7 district. If a candidate seeks to run for trustee of a sanitary
8 district in which trustees are elected from wards, then the
9 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the
10 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the primary electors of
11 his or her party in the ward of that sanitary district. In the
12 first primary election following redistricting of sanitary
13 districts elected from wards, a candidate's petition for
14 nomination must contain at least the signatures of 150
15 qualified primary electors of his or her ward of that sanitary
16 district.

17 (h) Judicial office. Except as otherwise provided in this
18 Code, if a candidate seeks to run for judicial office in a
19 district, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
20 contain the number of signatures equal to 0.4% of the number of
21 votes cast in that district for the candidate for his or her
22 political party for the office of Governor at the last general
23 election at which a Governor was elected, but in no event less
24 than 500 signatures. If a candidate seeks to run for judicial
25 office in a circuit or subcircuit, then the candidate's
26 petition for nomination must contain the number of signatures

1 equal to 0.25% of the number of votes cast for the judicial
2 candidate of his or her political party who received the
3 highest number of votes at the last general election at which a
4 judicial officer from the same circuit or subcircuit was
5 regularly scheduled to be elected, but in no event less than
6 1,000 signatures in circuits and subcircuits located in the
7 First Judicial District or 500 signatures in every other
8 Judicial District.

9 (i) Precinct, ward, and township committeeperson. Except
10 as otherwise provided in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run
11 for precinct committeeperson, then the candidate's petition
12 for nomination must contain at least 10 signatures of the
13 primary electors of his or her party for the precinct. If a
14 candidate seeks to run for ward committeeperson, then the
15 candidate's petition for nomination must contain no less than
16 the number of signatures equal to 10% of the primary electors
17 of his or her party of the ward, but no more than 16% of those
18 same electors; provided that the maximum number of signatures
19 may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever is greater.
20 If a candidate seeks to run for township committeeperson, then
21 the candidate's petition for nomination must contain no less
22 than the number of signatures equal to 5% of the primary
23 electors of his or her party of the township, but no more than
24 8% of those same electors; provided that the maximum number of
25 signatures may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever
26 is greater.

1 (j) State's attorney or regional superintendent of schools
2 for multiple counties. If a candidate seeks to run for State's
3 attorney or regional Superintendent of Schools who serves more
4 than one county, then the candidate's petition for nomination
5 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of
6 the primary electors of his or her party in the territory
7 comprising the counties.

8 (k) Any other office. If a candidate seeks any other
9 office, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
10 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
11 registered voters of the political subdivision, district, or
12 division for which the nomination is made or 25 signatures,
13 whichever is greater.

14 For purposes of this Section the number of primary
15 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in
16 the applicable district, for the candidate for that political
17 party who received the highest number of votes, statewide, at
18 the last general election in the State at which electors for
19 President of the United States were elected. For political
20 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be
21 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
22 that political party who received the highest number of votes
23 in the political subdivision at the last regular election at
24 which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from
25 that subdivision. For wards or districts of political
26 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be

1 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
2 that political party who received the highest number of votes
3 in the ward or district at the last regular election at which
4 an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that
5 ward or district.

6 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
7 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one
8 party.

9 The changes made to this Section by Public Act 93-574 are
10 declarative of existing law, except for item (3) of subsection
11 (d).

12 Petitions of candidates for nomination for offices herein
13 specified, to be filed with the same officer, may contain the
14 names of 2 or more candidates of the same political party for
15 the same or different offices. In the case of the offices of
16 Governor and Lieutenant Governor, a joint petition including
17 one candidate for each of those offices must be filed.

18 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-687, eff. 12-17-21;
19 102-692, eff. 1-7-22.)

20 (10 ILCS 5/7-45) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-45)

21 Sec. 7-45. Whenever a person offering to vote at a primary
22 is challenged, and is not personally known to the judges of
23 election to have the qualifications required in this Article
24 to vote, the person so challenged shall make and subscribe an
25 affidavit in the following form, which shall be presented to

1 and retained by the primary judges and returned by them
2 affixed to the primary poll book or with the official poll
3 record:

4 State of Illinois)

5)ss.

6 County of)

7 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen
8 of the United States, of the age of 16 ~~18~~ years or over, and am
9 qualified to vote under and by virtue of the Constitution and
10 laws of the State of Illinois, and am a legally qualified voter
11 of the precinct; that I now reside at(insert street and
12 number, if any) in this precinct, and am a member of and
13 affiliated with the party; that I have not voted at a
14 primary of another political party within a period of 23
15 calendar months prior to the calendar month in which this
16 primary is being held; and that I voted at the city,
17 village, incorporated town, or town primary, with the
18 political party at the election held in, which
19 the political party was entitled at such primary to make
20 nominations of candidates for city, village, incorporated town
21 or town offices only, and for no other offices, and that the
22 name or names of no candidate or candidates of the
23 political party (the political party with which the primary
24 elector declares himself affiliated) were, at such city,
25 village, incorporated town or town primary, printed on the
26 primary ballot; that I have not signed the petition for

1 this precinct and entitled to vote at this primary; that I am
 2 acquainted with(name of the party challenged), whose
 3 right to vote at this primary has been challenged; that I know
 4 him or her to be an actual bona fide resident of this precinct,
 5 and that he has resided herein 30 days, and I verily believe he
 6 or she has resided in this State 30 days next preceding this
 7 primary; that I verily believe he or she is a member of and
 8 affiliated with the party.

9

10 Subscribed and sworn to before me, this day of,
 11

12

13 Judge of Primary

14 (Source: P.A. 86-867.)

15 (10 ILCS 5/8-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 8-8)

16 Sec. 8-8. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no
 17 candidate for nomination shall be printed upon the primary
 18 ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed
 19 in his behalf as provided for in this Section. Each such
 20 petition shall include as a part thereof the oath required by
 21 Section 7-10.1 of this Code Act and a statement of candidacy by
 22 the candidate filing or in whose behalf the petition is filed.
 23 This statement shall set out the address of such candidate
 24 and the office for which he is a candidate; and shall state that
 25 the candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to

1 which the petition relates, is qualified for the office
 2 specified, and has filed a statement of economic interests as
 3 required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act; shall
 4 request that the candidate's name be placed upon the official
 5 ballot; and shall be subscribed and sworn by such candidate
 6 before some officer authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds
 7 in this State and may be in substantially the following form:

8 State of Illinois)

9) ss.

10 County

11 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at
 12 street in the city (or village of) in the county of
 13 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a
 14 qualified primary voter of party; that I am a candidate
 15 for nomination to the office of to be voted upon at the
 16 primary election to be held on (insert date); that I am legally
 17 qualified to hold such office and that I have filed a statement
 18 of economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental
 19 Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be printed upon
 20 the official primary ballot for nomination for such office.

21 Signed

22 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by,
 23 who is to me personally known, on (insert date).

24 Signed (Official Character)

25 (Seal if officer has one.)

26 The receipt issued by the Secretary of State indicating

1 that the candidate has filed the statement of economic
2 interests required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act
3 must be filed with the petitions for nomination as provided in
4 subsection (8) of Section 7-12 of this Code.

5 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, all petitions
6 for nomination for the office of State Senator shall be signed
7 by at least 1,000 but not more than 3,000 of the qualified
8 primary electors of the candidate's party in his legislative
9 district.

10 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, all petitions
11 for nomination for the office of Representative in the General
12 Assembly shall be signed by at least 500 but not more than
13 1,500 of the qualified primary electors of the candidate's
14 party in his or her representative district.

15 Opposite the signature of each qualified primary elector
16 who signs a petition for nomination for the office of State
17 Representative or State Senator such elector's residence
18 address shall be written or printed. The residence address
19 required to be written or printed opposite each qualified
20 primary elector's name shall include the street address or
21 rural route number of the signer, as the case may be, as well
22 as the signer's county and city, village, or town.

23 For the purposes of this Section, the number of primary
24 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in
25 the applicable district, for the candidate for such political
26 party who received the highest number of votes, state-wide, at

1 the last general election in the State at which electors for
2 President of the United States were elected.

3 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
4 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one
5 party.

6 In the affidavit at the bottom of each sheet, the petition
7 circulator, who shall be a person 16 ~~18~~ years of age or older
8 who is a citizen of the United States, shall state his or her
9 street address or rural route number, as the case may be, as
10 well as his or her county, city, village or town, and state;
11 and shall certify that the signatures on that sheet of the
12 petition were signed in his or her presence; and shall certify
13 that the signatures are genuine; and shall certify that, to
14 the best of his or her knowledge and belief, the persons so
15 signing were at the time of signing the petition qualified
16 primary voters for which the nomination is sought.

17 In the affidavit at the bottom of each petition sheet, the
18 petition circulator shall ~~either~~ (1) indicate the dates on
19 which he or she circulated that sheet, or (2) indicate the
20 first and last dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3)
21 for elections where the petition circulation period is 90
22 days, certify that none of the signatures on the sheet were
23 signed more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing
24 of the petition, or (4) for the 2022 general primary election
25 only, certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed
26 during the period of January 13, 2022 through March 14, 2022 or

1 certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed during
2 the period of January 13, 2022 through the date on which this
3 statement was sworn or affirmed to. No petition sheet shall be
4 circulated more than 90 days preceding the last day provided
5 in Section 8-9 for the filing of such petition.

6 All petition sheets which are filed with the State Board
7 of Elections shall be the original sheets which have been
8 signed by the voters and by the circulator, and not
9 photocopies or duplicates of such sheets.

10 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on
11 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
12 signature from the petition, provided that:

13 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial
14 the petition at the place where the signature is struck;
15 and

16 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
17 certification listing the page number and line number of
18 each signature struck from the petition. Such
19 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

20 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-692, eff. 1-7-22;
21 revised 2-28-22.)

22 (10 ILCS 5/10-4) (from Ch. 46, par. 10-4)

23 Sec. 10-4. Form of petition for nomination. All petitions
24 for nomination under this Article 10 for candidates for public
25 office in this State, shall in addition to other requirements

1 provided by law, be as follows: Such petitions shall consist
2 of sheets of uniform size and each sheet shall contain, above
3 the space for signature, an appropriate heading, giving the
4 information as to name of candidate or candidates in whose
5 behalf such petition is signed; the office; the party; place
6 of residence; and such other information or wording as
7 required to make same valid, and the heading of each sheet
8 shall be the same. Such petition shall be signed by the
9 qualified voters in their own proper persons only, and
10 opposite the signature of each signer his residence address
11 shall be written or printed. The residence address required to
12 be written or printed opposite each qualified primary
13 elector's name shall include the street address or rural route
14 number of the signer, as the case may be, as well as the
15 signer's county, and city, village or town, and state.
16 However, the county or city, village or town, and state of
17 residence of such electors may be printed on the petition
18 forms where all of the electors signing the petition reside in
19 the same county or city, village or town, and state. Standard
20 abbreviations may be used in writing the residence address,
21 including street number, if any. Except as otherwise provided
22 in this Code, no signature shall be valid or be counted in
23 considering the validity or sufficiency of such petition
24 unless the requirements of this Section are complied with. At
25 the bottom of each sheet of such petition shall be added a
26 circulator's statement, signed by a person 16 ~~18~~ years of age

1 or older who is a citizen of the United States; stating the
2 street address or rural route number, as the case may be, as
3 well as the county, city, village or town, and state;
4 certifying that the signatures on that sheet of the petition
5 were signed in his or her presence; certifying that the
6 signatures are genuine; and either (1) indicating the dates on
7 which that sheet was circulated, or (2) indicating the first
8 and last dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3)
9 certifying that none of the signatures on the sheet were
10 signed more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing
11 of the petition; and certifying that to the best of his
12 knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the time of
13 signing the petition duly registered voters under Article 4,
14 5, or 6 of this Code of the political subdivision or district
15 for which the candidate or candidates shall be nominated, and
16 certifying that their respective residences are correctly
17 stated therein. Such statement shall be sworn to before some
18 officer authorized to administer oaths in this State. Except
19 as otherwise provided in this Code, no petition sheet shall be
20 circulated more than 90 days preceding the last day provided
21 in Section 10-6 for the filing of such petition. Such sheets,
22 before being presented to the electoral board or filed with
23 the proper officer of the electoral district or division of
24 the state or municipality, as the case may be, shall be neatly
25 fastened together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile
26 and fastening them together at one edge in a secure and

1 suitable manner, and the sheets shall then be numbered
2 consecutively. The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting
3 them together end to end, so as to form a continuous strip or
4 roll. All petition sheets which are filed with the proper
5 local election officials, election authorities or the State
6 Board of Elections shall be the original sheets which have
7 been signed by the voters and by the circulator, and not
8 photocopies or duplicates of such sheets. A petition, when
9 presented or filed, shall not be withdrawn, altered, or added
10 to, and no signature shall be revoked except by revocation in
11 writing presented or filed with the officers or officer with
12 whom the petition is required to be presented or filed, and
13 before the presentment or filing of such petition. Whoever
14 forges any name of a signer upon any petition shall be deemed
15 guilty of a forgery, and on conviction thereof, shall be
16 punished accordingly. The word "petition" or "petition for
17 nomination", as used herein, shall mean what is sometimes
18 known as nomination papers, in distinction to what is known as
19 a certificate of nomination. The words "political division for
20 which the candidate is nominated", or its equivalent, shall
21 mean the largest political division in which all qualified
22 voters may vote upon such candidate or candidates, as the
23 state in the case of state officers; the township in the case
24 of township officers et cetera. Provided, further, that no
25 person shall circulate or certify petitions for candidates of
26 more than one political party, or for an independent candidate

1 or candidates in addition to one political party, to be voted
2 upon at the next primary or general election, or for such
3 candidates and parties with respect to the same political
4 subdivision at the next consolidated election.

5 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-687, eff. 12-17-21.)

6 (10 ILCS 5/17-9) (from Ch. 46, par. 17-9)

7 Sec. 17-9. Any person desiring to vote shall give his name
8 and, if required to do so, his residence to the judges of
9 election, one of whom shall thereupon announce the same in a
10 loud and distinct tone of voice, clear, and audible; the
11 judges of elections shall check each application for ballot
12 against the list of voters registered in that precinct to whom
13 grace period, vote by mail, or early ballots have been issued
14 for that election, which shall be provided by the election
15 authority and which list shall be available for inspection by
16 pollwatchers. A voter applying to vote in the precinct on
17 election day whose name appears on the list as having been
18 issued a grace period, vote by mail, or early ballot shall not
19 be permitted to vote in the precinct, except that a voter to
20 whom a vote by mail ballot was issued may vote in the precinct
21 if the voter submits to the election judges that vote by mail
22 ballot for cancellation. If the voter is unable to submit the
23 vote by mail ballot, it shall be sufficient for the voter to
24 submit to the election judges (i) a portion of the vote by mail
25 ballot if the vote by mail ballot was torn or mutilated or (ii)

1 an affidavit executed before the election judges specifying
2 that (A) the voter never received a vote by mail ballot or (B)
3 the voter completed and returned a vote by mail ballot and was
4 informed that the election authority did not receive that vote
5 by mail ballot. All applicable provisions of Articles 4, 5 or 6
6 shall be complied with and if such name is found on the
7 register of voters by the officer having charge thereof, he
8 shall likewise repeat said name, and the voter shall be
9 allowed to enter within the proximity of the voting booths, as
10 above provided. One of the judges shall give the voter one, and
11 only one of each ballot to be voted at the election, on the
12 back of which ballots such judge shall indorse his initials in
13 such manner that they may be seen when each such ballot is
14 properly folded, and the voter's name shall be immediately
15 checked on the register list. In those election jurisdictions
16 where perforated ballot cards are utilized of the type on
17 which write-in votes can be cast above the perforation, the
18 election authority shall provide a space both above and below
19 the perforation for the judge's initials, and the judge shall
20 endorse his or her initials in both spaces. Whenever a
21 proposal for a constitutional amendment or for the calling of
22 a constitutional convention is to be voted upon at the
23 election, the separate blue ballot or ballots pertaining
24 thereto shall, when being handed to the voter, be placed on top
25 of the other ballots to be voted at the election in such manner
26 that the legend appearing on the back thereof, as prescribed

1 in Section 16-6 of this Act, shall be plainly visible to the
2 voter. At all elections, when a registry may be required, if
3 the name of any person so desiring to vote at such election is
4 not found on the register of voters, he or she shall not
5 receive a ballot until he or she shall have complied with the
6 law prescribing the manner and conditions of voting by
7 unregistered voters. If any person desiring to vote at any
8 election shall be challenged, he or she shall not receive a
9 ballot until he or she shall have established his right to vote
10 in the manner provided hereinafter; and if he or she shall be
11 challenged after he has received his ballot, he shall not be
12 permitted to vote until he or she has fully complied with such
13 requirements of the law upon being challenged. Besides the
14 election officer, not more than 2 voters in excess of the whole
15 number of voting booths provided shall be allowed within the
16 proximity of the voting booths at one time. The provisions of
17 this Act, so far as they require the registration of voters as
18 a condition to their being allowed to vote shall not apply to
19 persons otherwise entitled to vote, who are, at the time of the
20 election, or at any time within 60 days prior to such election
21 have been engaged in the military or naval service of the
22 United States, and who appear personally at the polling place
23 on election day and produce to the judges of election
24 satisfactory evidence thereof, but such persons, if otherwise
25 qualified to vote, shall be permitted to vote at such election
26 without previous registration.

1 All such persons shall also make an affidavit which shall
2 be in substantially the following form:

3 State of Illinois,)

4) ss.

5 County of)

6 Precinct Ward

7 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen
8 of the United States, of the age of 16 ~~18~~ years or over, and
9 that within the past 60 days prior to the date of this election
10 at which I am applying to vote, I have been engaged in the
11 (military or naval) service of the United States; and I am
12 qualified to vote under and by virtue of the Constitution and
13 laws of the State of Illinois, and that I am a legally
14 qualified voter of this precinct and ward except that I have,
15 because of such service, been unable to register as a voter;
16 that I now reside at (insert street and number, if any) in
17 this precinct and ward; that I have maintained a legal
18 residence in this precinct and ward for 30 days and in this
19 State 30 days next preceding this election.

20

21 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

22

23 Judge of Election.

24 The affidavit of any such person shall be supported by the
25 affidavit of a resident and qualified voter of any such

1 precinct and ward, which affidavit shall be in substantially
2 the following form:

3 State of Illinois,)

4) ss.

5 County of)

6 Precinct Ward

7 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I am a
8 resident of this precinct and ward and entitled to vote at this
9 election; that I am acquainted with (name of the
10 applicant); that I verily believe him to be an actual bona fide
11 resident of this precinct and ward and that I verily believe
12 that he or she has maintained a legal residence therein 30 days
13 and in this State 30 days next preceding this election.

14

15 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

16

17 Judge of Election.

18 All affidavits made under the provisions of this Section
19 shall be enclosed in a separate envelope securely sealed, and
20 shall be transmitted with the returns of the elections to the
21 county clerk or to the board of election commissioners, who
22 shall preserve the said affidavits for the period of 6 months,
23 during which period such affidavits shall be deemed public
24 records and shall be freely open to examination as such.

25 (Source: P.A. 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15.)

1 (10 ILCS 5/17-10) (from Ch. 46, par. 17-10)

2 Sec. 17-10. (a) Whenever, at any election, in any
3 precinct, any person offering to vote is not personally known
4 to the judges of election to have the qualifications required
5 in this Act, if his vote is challenged by a legal voter at such
6 election, he or she shall make and subscribe an affidavit, in
7 the following form, which shall be retained by the judges of
8 election, and returned by them affixed to the poll books or
9 with the official poll record:

10 State of Illinois)

11)ss.

12 County of)

13 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen
14 of the United States; that I am 16 ~~18~~ years of age or over;
15 that I have resided in this State and in this election district
16 30 days next preceding this election; that I have not voted at
17 this election; that I am a duly qualified voter in every
18 respect; that I now reside at (here give the particular house
19 or place of residence, and, if in a town or city, the street
20 and number), in this election district; *1. that I registered
21 to vote from said address; *2. that I changed my residence to
22 the above address from, both of which are in this election
23 district; *3. that I changed my name from to that which I
24 have signed below; *4. that I have not changed my residence but
25 my address has changed as a result of implementation of a 9-1-1

1 emergency telephone system.

2 So help me God, (or "This I do solemnly and sincerely
3 affirm", as the case may be).

4

5 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

6

7 *1. If registration is not required, draw a line through 1
8 above.

9 *2. Fill in the blank ONLY if you have moved within 2
10 years.

11 *3. Fill in the blank ONLY if you have changed your name
12 within 2 years.

13 *4. Fill in the blank ONLY if you have not changed your
14 residence but your address has changed as a result of
15 implementation of a 9-1-1 emergency telephone system.

16 In addition to such an affidavit, the person so challenged
17 shall provide to the judges of election proof of residence by
18 producing two forms of identification showing the person's
19 current residence address, provided that such identification
20 may include a lease or contract for a residence and not more
21 than one piece of mail addressed to the person at his current
22 residence address and postmarked not earlier than 30 days
23 prior to the date of the election, or the person shall procure
24 a witness personally known to the judges of election, and
25 resident in the precinct (or district), or who shall be proved

1 by some legal voter of such precinct or district, known to the
2 judges to be such, who shall take the oath following, viz:

3 I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a resident of
4 this election precinct (or district), and entitled to vote at
5 this election, and that I have been a resident of this State
6 for 30 days last past, and am well acquainted with the person
7 whose vote is now offered; that he is an actual and bona fide
8 resident of this election precinct (or district), and has
9 resided herein 30 days, and as I verily believe, in this State,
10 30 days next preceding this election.

11 The oath in each case may be administered by either of the
12 judges of election, or by any officer, resident in the
13 precinct or district, authorized by law to administer oaths.

14 (b) Whenever, at any regular or special election, in any
15 precinct, district, city, village, incorporated town, town or
16 ward, any person offering to vote has moved therefrom within
17 30 days prior to said regular or special election, he shall
18 make and subscribe an affidavit, in the following form, which
19 shall be supported by providing to the judges of election
20 proof of residence by producing two forms of identification
21 showing the person's current residence address, provided that
22 such identification may include not more than one piece of
23 mail addressed to the person at his current residence address
24 and postmarked not earlier than 30 days prior to the date of
25 the election, or by one affidavit of a registered voter in the
26 precinct, as provided herein, both of which shall be retained

1 by the judges of election, and returned by them affixed to the
2 poll books or with the official poll record:

3 State of Illinois)

4)ss.

5 County of)

6 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a
7 citizen of the United States; that I am 16 ~~18~~ years of age;
8 that I have not voted at this election; that prior to 30 days
9 preceding this election I was a duly qualified and registered
10 voter in every respect in this election district; that I have
11 recently moved from (here give the particular house or place
12 of residence, and, if in a town or city, the street and
13 number), in this election district; that I now reside at (here
14 give the particular house or place of residence, and, if in a
15 town or city, the street and number), in another election
16 district in the State.

17 So help me God, (or "This I do solemnly and sincerely
18 affirm", as the case may be).

19

20 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

21

22 State of Illinois)

23)ss.

24 County of)

25 Precinct Ward

26 I,, do solemnly swear (or affirm), that I am a

1 resident of this precinct and entitled to vote at this
 2 election; that I am acquainted with (name of the
 3 applicant); that I verily believe him to have been an actual
 4 bona fide resident and registered voter of this precinct and
 5 that he maintained a legal residence therein, 30 days next
 6 preceding this election.

7

8 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

9

10 Judge of Election.

11 The oath may be administered by either of the judges of
 12 election, or by any officer, resident in the precinct or
 13 district, authorized by law to administer oaths.

14 (c) For purposes of this Section, the submission of a
 15 photo identification issued by a college or university,
 16 accompanied by either (i) a copy of the applicant's contract
 17 or lease for a residence or (ii) one piece of mail addressed to
 18 the person at his or her current residence address and
 19 postmarked not earlier than 30 days prior to the date of the
 20 election, shall be sufficient to establish proof of residence.

21 (Source: P.A. 96-317, eff. 1-1-10.)

22 (10 ILCS 5/18A-5)

23 Sec. 18A-5. Provisional voting; general provisions.

24 (a) A person who claims to be a registered voter is

1 entitled to cast a provisional ballot under the following
2 circumstances:

3 (1) The person's name does not appear on the official
4 list of eligible voters for the precinct in which the
5 person seeks to vote and the person has refused an
6 opportunity to register at the polling location or another
7 grace period registration site. The official list is the
8 centralized statewide voter registration list established
9 and maintained in accordance with Section 1A-25;

10 (2) The person's voting status has been challenged by
11 an election judge, a pollwatcher, or any legal voter and
12 that challenge has been sustained by a majority of the
13 election judges;

14 (3) A federal or State court order extends the time
15 for closing the polls beyond the time period established
16 by State law and the person votes during the extended time
17 period;

18 (4) The voter registered to vote by mail and is
19 required by law to present identification when voting
20 either in person or by early voting ballot, but fails to do
21 so;

22 (5) The voter's name appears on the list of voters who
23 voted during the early voting period, but the voter claims
24 not to have voted during the early voting period;

25 (6) The voter received a vote by mail ballot but did
26 not return the vote by mail ballot to the election

1 authority; or

2 (7) The voter attempted to register to vote on
3 election day, but failed to provide the necessary
4 documentation.

5 (b) The procedure for obtaining and casting a provisional
6 ballot at the polling place shall be as follows:

7 (1) After first verifying through an examination of
8 the precinct register that the person's address is within
9 the precinct boundaries, an election judge at the polling
10 place shall notify a person who is entitled to cast a
11 provisional ballot pursuant to subsection (a) that he or
12 she may cast a provisional ballot in that election. An
13 election judge must accept any information provided by a
14 person who casts a provisional ballot that the person
15 believes supports his or her claim that he or she is a duly
16 registered voter and qualified to vote in the election.
17 However, if the person's residence address is outside the
18 precinct boundaries, the election judge shall inform the
19 person of that fact, give the person the appropriate
20 telephone number of the election authority in order to
21 locate the polling place assigned to serve that address,
22 and instruct the person to go to the proper polling place
23 to vote.

24 (2) The person shall execute a written form provided
25 by the election judge that shall state or contain all of
26 the following that is available:

1 (i) an affidavit stating the following:

2 State of Illinois, County of,
3 Township, Precinct, Ward
4, I,, do solemnly
5 swear (or affirm) that: I am a citizen of the
6 United States; I am 16 ~~18~~ years of age or older; I
7 have resided in this State and in this precinct
8 for 30 days preceding this election; I have not
9 voted in this election; I am a duly registered
10 voter in every respect; and I am eligible to vote
11 in this election. Signature Printed Name of
12 Voter Printed Residence Address of Voter
13 City State Zip Code
14 Telephone Number Date of Birth and
15 Illinois Driver's License Number or Last 4
16 digits of Social Security Number or State
17 Identification Card Number issued to you by the
18 Illinois Secretary of State

19 (ii) A box for the election judge to check one of
20 the reasons why the person was given a provisional
21 ballot under subsection (a) of this Section.

22 (iii) An area for the election judge to affix his
23 or her signature and to set forth any facts that
24 support or oppose the allegation that the person is
25 not qualified to vote in the precinct in which the
26 person is seeking to vote.

1 The written affidavit form described in this
2 subsection (b)(2) must be printed on a multi-part form
3 prescribed by the county clerk or board of election
4 commissioners, as the case may be.

5 (3) After the person executes the portion of the
6 written affidavit described in subsection (b)(2)(i) of
7 this Section, the election judge shall complete the
8 portion of the written affidavit described in subsection
9 (b)(2)(iii) and (b)(2)(iv).

10 (4) The election judge shall give a copy of the
11 completed written affidavit to the person. The election
12 judge shall place the original written affidavit in a
13 self-adhesive clear plastic packing list envelope that
14 must be attached to a separate envelope marked as a
15 "provisional ballot envelope". The election judge shall
16 also place any information provided by the person who
17 casts a provisional ballot in the clear plastic packing
18 list envelope. Each county clerk or board of election
19 commissioners, as the case may be, must design, obtain or
20 procure self-adhesive clear plastic packing list envelopes
21 and provisional ballot envelopes that are suitable for
22 implementing this subsection (b)(4) of this Section.

23 (5) The election judge shall provide the person with a
24 provisional ballot, written instructions for casting a
25 provisional ballot, and the provisional ballot envelope
26 with the clear plastic packing list envelope affixed to

1 it, which contains the person's original written affidavit
2 and, if any, information provided by the provisional voter
3 to support his or her claim that he or she is a duly
4 registered voter. An election judge must also give the
5 person written information that states that any person who
6 casts a provisional ballot shall be able to ascertain,
7 pursuant to guidelines established by the State Board of
8 Elections, whether the provisional vote was counted in the
9 official canvass of votes for that election and, if the
10 provisional vote was not counted, the reason that the vote
11 was not counted.

12 (6) After the person has completed marking his or her
13 provisional ballot, he or she shall place the marked
14 ballot inside of the provisional ballot envelope, close
15 and seal the envelope, and return the envelope to an
16 election judge, who shall then deposit the sealed
17 provisional ballot envelope into a securable container
18 separately identified and utilized for containing sealed
19 provisional ballot envelopes. Ballots that are provisional
20 because they are cast after 7:00 p.m. by court order shall
21 be kept separate from other provisional ballots. Upon the
22 closing of the polls, the securable container shall be
23 sealed with filament tape provided for that purpose, which
24 shall be wrapped around the box lengthwise and crosswise,
25 at least twice each way, and each of the election judges
26 shall sign the seal.

1 (c) Instead of the affidavit form described in subsection
2 (b), the county clerk or board of election commissioners, as
3 the case may be, may design and use a multi-part affidavit form
4 that is imprinted upon or attached to the provisional ballot
5 envelope described in subsection (b). If a county clerk or
6 board of election commissioners elects to design and use its
7 own multi-part affidavit form, then the county clerk or board
8 of election commissioners shall establish a mechanism for
9 accepting any information the provisional voter has supplied
10 to the election judge to support his or her claim that he or
11 she is a duly registered voter. In all other respects, a county
12 clerk or board of election commissioners shall establish
13 procedures consistent with subsection (b).

14 (d) The county clerk or board of election commissioners,
15 as the case may be, shall use the completed affidavit form
16 described in subsection (b) to update the person's voter
17 registration information in the State voter registration
18 database and voter registration database of the county clerk
19 or board of election commissioners, as the case may be. If a
20 person is later determined not to be a registered voter based
21 on Section 18A-15 of this Code, then the affidavit shall be
22 processed by the county clerk or board of election
23 commissioners, as the case may be, as a voter registration
24 application.

25 (Source: P.A. 100-201, eff. 8-18-17.)

1 (10 ILCS 5/20-3) (from Ch. 46, par. 20-3)

2 Sec. 20-3. The election authority shall furnish the
3 following applications for registration by mail or vote by
4 mail ballot which shall be considered a method of application
5 in lieu of the official postcard.

6 1. Members of the United States Service and citizens of
7 the United States temporarily residing outside the territorial
8 limits of the United States may make application within the
9 periods prescribed in Sections 20-2 or 20-2.1, as the case may
10 be. Such application shall be substantially in the following
11 form:

12 "APPLICATION FOR BALLOT

13 To be voted at the election in the precinct
14 in which is located my residence at, in the
15 city/village/township of(insert home address)
16 County of and State of Illinois.

17 I state that I am a citizen of the United States; that on
18 (insert date of election) I shall have resided in the State of
19 Illinois and in the election precinct for 30 days; that on the
20 above date I shall be the age of 16 ~~18~~ years or above; that I
21 am lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at that
22 election; that I am (check category 1, 2, or 3 below):

- 23 1. () a member of the United States Service,
- 24 2. () a citizen of the United States temporarily
- 25 residing outside the territorial limits of the United States
- 26 and that I expect to be absent from the said county of my

1 residence on the date of holding such election, and that I will
2 have no opportunity to vote in person on that day.

3 I hereby make application for an official ballot or
4 ballots to be voted by me at such election if I am absent from
5 the said county of my residence, and I agree that I shall
6 return said ballot or ballots to the election authority
7 postmarked no later than election day, for counting no later
8 than during the period for counting provisional ballots, the
9 last day of which is the 14th day following election day or
10 shall destroy said ballot or ballots.

11 (Check below only if category 2 and not previously
12 registered)

13 () I hereby make application to become registered as a
14 voter and agree to return the forms and affidavits for
15 registration to the election authority not later than 30 days
16 before the election.

17 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Article 29
18 of the Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the
19 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

20

21 Post office address or service address to which
22 registration materials or ballot should be mailed

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26"

1 If application is made for a primary election ballot, such
2 application shall designate the name of the political party
3 with which the applicant is affiliated.

4 Such applications may be obtained from the election
5 authority having jurisdiction over the person's precinct of
6 residence.

7 2. A spouse or dependent of a member of the United States
8 Service, said spouse or dependent being a registered voter in
9 the county, may make application on behalf of said person in
10 the office of the election authority within the periods
11 prescribed in Section 20-2 which shall be substantially in the
12 following form:

13 "APPLICATION FOR BALLOT to be voted at the..... election
14 in the precinct in which is located the residence of the person
15 for whom this application is made at.....(insert
16 residence address) in the city/village/township of.....
17 County of..... and State of Illinois.

18 I certify that the following named person.....
19 (insert name of person) is a member of the United States
20 Service.

21 I state that said person is a citizen of the United States;
22 that on (insert date of election) said person shall have
23 resided in the State of Illinois and in the election precinct
24 for which this application is made for 30 days; that on the
25 above date said person shall be the age of 16 ~~18~~ years or
26 above; that said person is lawfully entitled to vote in such

1 precinct at that election; that said person is a member of the
 2 United States Service, and that in the course of his duties
 3 said person expects to be absent from his county of residence
 4 on the date of holding such election, and that said person will
 5 have no opportunity to vote in person on that day.

6 I hereby make application for an official ballot or
 7 ballots to be voted by said person at such election and said
 8 person agrees that he shall return said ballot or ballots to
 9 the election authority postmarked no later than election day,
 10 for counting no later than during the period for counting
 11 provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th day
 12 following election day, or shall destroy said ballot or
 13 ballots.

14 I hereby certify that I am the (mother, father, sister,
 15 brother, husband or wife) of the said elector, and that I am a
 16 registered voter in the election precinct for which this
 17 application is made. (Strike all but one that is applicable.)

18 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Article 29
 19 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the
 20 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

21 Name of applicant

22 Residence address

23 City/village/township.....

24 Service address to which ballot should be mailed:

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2"

3 If application is made for a primary election ballot, such
4 application shall designate the name of the political party
5 with which the person for whom application is made is
6 affiliated.

7 Such applications may be obtained from the election
8 authority having jurisdiction over the voting precinct in
9 which the person for whom application is made is entitled to
10 vote.

11 (Source: P.A. 101-270, eff. 1-1-21; 102-292, eff. 1-1-22.)

12 (10 ILCS 5/28-3) (from Ch. 46, par. 28-3)

13 Sec. 28-3. Form of petition for public question. Petitions
14 for the submission of public questions shall consist of sheets
15 of uniform size and each sheet shall contain, above the space
16 for signature, an appropriate heading, giving the information
17 as to the question of public policy to be submitted, and
18 specifying the state at large or the political subdivision or
19 district or precinct or combination of precincts or other
20 territory in which it is to be submitted and, where by law the
21 public question must be submitted at a particular election,
22 the election at which it is to be submitted. In the case of a
23 petition for the submission of a public question described in
24 subsection (b) of Section 28-6, the heading shall also specify
25 the regular election at which the question is to be submitted

1 and include the precincts included in the territory concerning
2 which the public question is to be submitted, as well as a
3 common description of such territory in plain and nonlegal
4 language, such description to describe the territory by
5 reference to streets, natural or artificial landmarks,
6 addresses or any other method which would enable a voter
7 signing the petition to be informed of the territory
8 concerning which the question is to be submitted. The heading
9 of each sheet shall be the same. Such petition shall be signed
10 by the registered voters of the political subdivision or
11 district or precinct or combination of precincts in which the
12 question of public policy is to be submitted in their own
13 proper persons only, and opposite the signature of each signer
14 his residence address shall be written or printed, which
15 residence address shall include the street address or rural
16 route number of the signer, as the case may be, as well as the
17 signer's county, and city, village or town, and state;
18 provided that the county or city, village or town, and state of
19 residence of such electors may be printed on the petition
20 forms where all of the electors signing the petition reside in
21 the same county or city, village or town, and state. Standard
22 abbreviations may be used in writing the residence address,
23 including street number, if any. No signature shall be valid
24 or be counted in considering the validity or sufficiency of
25 such petition unless the requirements of this Section are
26 complied with.

1 At the bottom of each sheet of such petition shall be added
2 a circulator's statement, signed by a person 16 ~~18~~ years of age
3 or older who is a citizen of the United States, stating the
4 street address or rural route number, as the case may be, as
5 well as the county, city, village or town, and state;
6 certifying that the signatures on that sheet of the petition
7 were signed in his or her presence and are genuine, and that to
8 the best of his or her knowledge and belief the persons so
9 signing were at the time of signing the petition registered
10 voters of the political subdivision or district or precinct or
11 combination of precincts in which the question of public
12 policy is to be submitted and that their respective residences
13 are correctly stated therein. Such statement shall be sworn to
14 before some officer authorized to administer oaths in this
15 State.

16 Such sheets, before being filed with the proper officer or
17 board shall be bound securely and numbered consecutively. The
18 sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end to
19 end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll. All petition
20 sheets which are filed with the proper local election
21 officials, election authorities or the State Board of
22 Elections shall be the original sheets which have been signed
23 by the voters and by the circulator, and not photocopies or
24 duplicates of such sheets. A petition, when presented or
25 filed, shall not be withdrawn, altered, or added to, and no
26 signature shall be revoked except by revocation in writing

1 presented or filed with the board or officer with whom the
2 petition is required to be presented or filed, and before the
3 presentment or filing of such petition, except as may
4 otherwise be provided in another statute which authorize the
5 public question. Whoever forges any name of a signer upon any
6 petition shall be deemed guilty of a forgery, and on
7 conviction thereof, shall be punished accordingly.

8 In addition to the foregoing requirements, a petition
9 proposing an amendment to Article IV of the Constitution
10 pursuant to Section 3 of Article XIV of the Constitution or a
11 petition proposing a question of public policy to be submitted
12 to the voters of the entire State shall be in conformity with
13 the requirements of Section 28-9 of this Article.

14 If multiple sets of petitions for submission of the same
15 public questions are filed, the State Board of Elections,
16 appropriate election authority or local election official
17 where the petitions are filed shall within 2 business days
18 notify the proponent of his or her multiple petition filings
19 and that proponent has 3 business days after receipt of the
20 notice to notify the State Board of Elections, appropriate
21 election authority or local election official that he or she
22 may cancel prior sets of petitions. If the proponent notifies
23 the State Board of Elections, appropriate election authority
24 or local election official, the last set of petitions filed
25 shall be the only petitions to be considered valid by the State
26 Board of Elections, appropriate election authority or local

1 election official. If the proponent fails to notify the State
2 Board of Elections, appropriate election authority or local
3 election official then only the first set of petitions filed
4 shall be valid and all subsequent petitions shall be void.

5 (Source: P.A. 98-756, eff. 7-16-14.)