

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4141

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the College Student Voter Registration Act. Beginning July 1, 2006, requires public universities, colleges, and community colleges in Illinois to (i) provide voter registration to students as part of the school registration process, (ii) specifically ask eligible students if they wish to register to vote, and (iii) request appointment of a sufficient number of deputy voter registrars.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning voter registration of college students.

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

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as theCollege Student Voter Registration Act.

6 Section 5. Voter registration of students.

7 (a) Beginning July 1, 2006, each public university, 8 college, and community college in this State shall request the 9 appointment in accordance with the Election Code of a 10 sufficient number of deputy registrars for the purpose of 11 registering eligible students to vote.

(b) Beginning July 1, 2006, each person who is eligible to vote in this State shall be asked when he or she registers as a student at a public university, college, or community college in this State whether the person wishes to register to vote at his or her current address.

17 (c) Beginning July 1, 2006, as part of its student 18 registration process, and at the time and place of that student 19 registration process, each public university, college, and 20 community college in this State shall provide voter 21 registration for all students who are eligible to vote in 22 Illinois and wish to register at their current addresses.

23 Section 10. Cooperation in use of voter registration 24 databases. The State Board of Elections, county clerks, boards 25 of election commissioners, and public universities, colleges, 26 and community colleges in this State shall cooperate in the use 27 of electronic voter registration databases for the purposes of 28 this Act.

Section 15. Time of voter registration. Nothing in this Actshall be construed to permit the voter registration of students

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1 during any period in which voter registration is not permitted 2 under the Election Code.