



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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### HB3932

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 420/3A-45 new	
10 ILCS 5/7-10	from Ch. 46, par. 7-10
10 ILCS 5/8-8	from Ch. 46, par. 8-8
10 ILCS 5/10-5	from Ch. 46, par. 10-5
10 ILCS 5/10-8	from Ch. 46, par. 10-8

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. Provides that no person may be appointed to a board, commission, authority, or task force on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act if, on the date of his or her appointment, he or she has been adjudicated in arrears in court ordered child support or maintenance, or a combination of child support and maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000 and has been found in contempt by the court for failure to pay that support or maintenance. Amends the Election Code. Provides that statements of candidacy must include a statement that the candidate is not delinquent in the payment of court ordered child support or maintenance, or a combination of child support and maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000. Provides that each electoral board designated for the purpose of hearing and passing upon objector's petitions shall independently verify that no candidate under its jurisdiction is delinquent in the payment of court ordered child support or maintenance, or a combination of child support and maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Governmental Ethics Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 3A-45 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 420/3A-45 new)

7 Sec. 3A-45. Eligibility for appointment. Notwithstanding  
8 any other provision of law, no person may be appointed to a  
9 board, commission, authority, or task force on or after the  
10 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General  
11 Assembly if, as of the date of his or her appointment, he or  
12 she has been adjudicated in arrears in court ordered child  
13 support or maintenance, or a combination of child support and  
14 maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000 and  
15 has been found in contempt by the court for failure to pay that  
16 support or maintenance. The prohibition under this Section  
17 applies until such time as the appointee is no longer  
18 delinquent in the payment of any of the obligations listed in  
19 this Section.

20 Section 10. The Election Code is amended by changing  
21 Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-5, and 10-8 as follows:

1 (10 ILCS 5/7-10) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-10)

2 Sec. 7-10. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no  
3 candidate for nomination, or State central committeeman, or  
4 township committeeman, or precinct committeeman, or ward  
5 committeeman or candidate for delegate or alternate delegate to  
6 national nominating conventions, shall be printed upon the  
7 primary ballot unless a petition for nomination has been filed  
8 in his behalf as provided in this Article in substantially the  
9 following form:

10 We, the undersigned, members of and affiliated with the  
11 .... party and qualified primary electors of the .... party, in  
12 the .... of ....., in the county of .... and State of Illinois,  
13 do hereby petition that the following named person or persons  
14 shall be a candidate or candidates of the .... party for the  
15 nomination for (or in case of committeemen for election to) the  
16 office or offices hereinafter specified, to be voted for at the  
17 primary election to be held on (insert date).

18	Name	Office	Address
19	John Jones	Governor	Belvidere, Ill.
20	Jane James	Lieutenant Governor	Peoria, Ill.
21	Thomas Smith	Attorney General	Oakland, Ill.

22 Name..... Address.....

23 State of Illinois)

24 ) ss.

1 County of.....)

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

11 .....

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

13 .....

14 Each sheet of the petition other than the statement of  
15 candidacy and candidate's statement shall be of uniform size  
16 and shall contain above the space for signatures an appropriate  
17 heading giving the information as to name of candidate or  
18 candidates, in whose behalf such petition is signed; the  
19 office, the political party represented and place of residence;  
20 and the heading of each sheet shall be the same.

21 Such petition shall be signed by qualified primary electors  
22 residing in the political division for which the nomination is  
23 sought in their own proper persons only and opposite the  
24 signature of each signer, his residence address shall be  
25 written or printed. The residence address required to be

1 written or printed opposite each qualified primary elector's  
2 name shall include the street address or rural route number of  
3 the signer, as the case may be, as well as the signer's county,  
4 and city, village or town, and state. However the county or  
5 city, village or town, and state of residence of the electors  
6 may be printed on the petition forms where all of the electors  
7 signing the petition reside in the same county or city, village  
8 or town, and state. Standard abbreviations may be used in  
9 writing the residence address, including street number, if any.  
10 At the bottom of each sheet of such petition shall be added a  
11 circulator statement signed by a person 18 years of age or  
12 older who is a citizen of the United States, stating the street  
13 address or rural route number, as the case may be, as well as  
14 the county, city, village or town, and state; and certifying  
15 that the signatures on that sheet of the petition were signed  
16 in his or her presence and certifying that the signatures are  
17 genuine; and either (1) indicating the dates on which that  
18 sheet was circulated, or (2) indicating the first and last  
19 dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3) certifying that  
20 none of the signatures on the sheet were signed more than 90  
21 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petition and  
22 certifying that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief  
23 the persons so signing were at the time of signing the  
24 petitions qualified voters of the political party for which a  
25 nomination is sought. Such statement shall be sworn to before  
26 some officer authorized to administer oaths in this State.

1 No petition sheet shall be circulated more than 90 days  
2 preceding the last day provided in Section 7-12 for the filing  
3 of such petition.

4 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on  
5 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any  
6 signature from the petition, provided that:

7 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial the  
8 petition at the place where the signature is struck; and

9 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a  
10 certification listing the page number and line number of  
11 each signature struck from the petition. Such  
12 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

13 Such sheets before being filed shall be neatly fastened  
14 together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile and  
15 fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable  
16 manner, and the sheets shall then be numbered consecutively.  
17 The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end  
18 to end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll. All petition  
19 sheets which are filed with the proper local election  
20 officials, election authorities or the State Board of Elections  
21 shall be the original sheets which have been signed by the  
22 voters and by the circulator thereof, and not photocopies or  
23 duplicates of such sheets. Each petition must include as a part  
24 thereof, a statement of candidacy for each of the candidates  
25 filing, or in whose behalf the petition is filed. This  
26 statement shall set out the address of such candidate and 7 the

1 office for which he is a candidate; it shall state that the  
 2 candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to which  
 3 the petition relates and is qualified for the office specified  
 4 (in the case of a candidate for State's Attorney it shall state  
 5 that the candidate is at the time of filing such statement a  
 6 licensed attorney-at-law of this State); it shall state that he  
 7 has filed (or will file before the close of the petition filing  
 8 period) a statement of economic interests as required by the  
 9 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act; shall state that he or she is  
 10 not delinquent in the payment of court ordered child support or  
 11 maintenance, or a combination of child support and maintenance,  
 12 in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000; it shall request  
 13 that the candidate's name be placed upon the official ballot; it  
 14 and shall be subscribed and sworn to by such candidate before  
 15 some officer authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds in the  
 16 State and shall be in substantially the following form:

Statement of Candidacy

18	Name	Address	Office	District	Party
19	John Jones	102 Main St.	Governor	Statewide	Republican
20		Belvidere,			
21		Illinois			

22 State of Illinois)

23 ) ss.

24 County of .....)

25 I, ....., being first duly sworn, say that I reside at ....

1 Street in the city (or village) of ....., in the county of .....,  
 2 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a  
 3 qualified primary voter of the .... party; that I am a  
 4 candidate for nomination (for election in the case of  
 5 committeeman and delegates and alternate delegates) to the  
 6 office of .... to be voted upon at the primary election to be  
 7 held on (insert date); that I am legally qualified (including  
 8 being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility  
 9 requirement for the office I seek the nomination for) to hold  
 10 such office; that I am not delinquent in the payment of court  
 11 ordered child support or maintenance, or a combination of child  
 12 support and maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater than  
 13 \$10,000; and that I have filed (or I will file before the close  
 14 of the petition filing period) a statement of economic  
 15 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act  
 16 and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official  
 17 primary ballot for nomination for (or election to in the case  
 18 of committeemen and delegates and alternate delegates) such  
 19 office.

20 Signed .....

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

23 Signed .....

24 (Official Character)

25 (Seal, if officer has one.)

26 For purposes of a statement of candidacy under this



1 Section, an individual shall be considered "delinquent in the  
2 payment of court ordered child support or maintenance" if he or  
3 she has been adjudicated in arrears in court ordered child  
4 support or maintenance and has been found in contempt by the  
5 court for failure to pay that support or maintenance.

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

14 A candidate for the offices listed in this Section must  
15 obtain the number of signatures specified in this Section on  
16 his or her petition for nomination.

17 (a) Statewide office or delegate to a national nominating  
18 convention. If a candidate seeks to run for statewide office or  
19 as a delegate or alternate delegate to a national nominating  
20 convention elected from the State at-large, then the  
21 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least 5,000  
22 but not more than 10,000 signatures.

23 (b) Congressional office or congressional delegate to a  
24 national nominating convention. If a candidate seeks to run for  
25 United States Congress or as a congressional delegate or

1 alternate congressional delegate to a national nominating  
2 convention elected from a congressional district, then the  
3 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the  
4 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary  
5 electors of his or her party in his or her congressional  
6 district. In the first primary election following a  
7 redistricting of congressional districts, a candidate's  
8 petition for nomination must contain at least 600 signatures of  
9 qualified primary electors of the candidate's political party  
10 in his or her congressional district.

11 (c) County office. If a candidate seeks to run for any  
12 countywide office, including but not limited to county board  
13 chairperson or county board member, elected on an at-large  
14 basis, in a county other than Cook County, then the candidate's  
15 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of  
16 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or  
17 her party who cast votes at the last preceding general election  
18 in his or her county. If a candidate seeks to run for county  
19 board member elected from a county board district, then the  
20 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the  
21 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary  
22 electors of his or her party in the county board district. In  
23 the first primary election following a redistricting of county  
24 board districts or the initial establishment of county board  
25 districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must contain  
26 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the

1 qualified electors of his or her party in the entire county who  
2 cast votes at the last preceding general election divided by  
3 the total number of county board districts comprising the  
4 county board; provided that in no event shall the number of  
5 signatures be less than 25.

6 (d) County office; Cook County only.

7 (1) If a candidate seeks to run for countywide office  
8 in Cook County, then the candidate's petition for  
9 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures  
10 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party  
11 who cast votes at the last preceding general election in  
12 Cook County.

13 (2) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board  
14 Commissioner, then the candidate's petition for nomination  
15 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to  
16 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of his or her party  
17 in his or her county board district. In the first primary  
18 election following a redistricting of Cook County Board of  
19 Commissioners districts, a candidate's petition for  
20 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures  
21 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party  
22 in the entire county who cast votes at the last preceding  
23 general election divided by the total number of county  
24 board districts comprising the county board; provided that  
25 in no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

26 (3) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board

1 of Review Commissioner, which is elected from a district  
2 pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 5-5 of the Property  
3 Tax Code, then the candidate's petition for nomination must  
4 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of  
5 the total number of registered voters in his or her board  
6 of review district in the last general election at which a  
7 commissioner was regularly scheduled to be elected from  
8 that board of review district. In no event shall the number  
9 of signatures required be greater than the requisite number  
10 for a candidate who seeks countywide office in Cook County  
11 under subsection (d)(1) of this Section. In the first  
12 primary election following a redistricting of Cook County  
13 Board of Review districts, a candidate's petition for  
14 nomination must contain at least 4,000 signatures or at  
15 least the number of signatures required for a countywide  
16 candidate in Cook County, whichever is less, of the  
17 qualified electors of his or her party in the district.

18 (e) Municipal or township office. If a candidate seeks to  
19 run for municipal or township office, then the candidate's  
20 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of  
21 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of  
22 his or her party in the municipality or township. If a  
23 candidate seeks to run for alderman of a municipality, then the  
24 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the  
25 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary  
26 electors of his or her party of the ward. In the first primary

1 election following redistricting of aldermanic wards or  
2 trustee districts of a municipality or the initial  
3 establishment of wards or districts, a candidate's petition for  
4 nomination must contain the number of signatures equal to at  
5 least 0.5% of the total number of votes cast for the candidate  
6 of that political party who received the highest number of  
7 votes in the entire municipality at the last regular election  
8 at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from  
9 the entire municipality, divided by the number of wards or  
10 districts. In no event shall the number of signatures be less  
11 than 25.

12 (f) State central committeeperson. If a candidate seeks to  
13 run for State central committeeperson, then the candidate's  
14 petition for nomination must contain at least 100 signatures of  
15 the primary electors of his or her party of his or her  
16 congressional district.

17 (g) Sanitary district trustee. If a candidate seeks to run  
18 for trustee of a sanitary district in which trustees are not  
19 elected from wards, then the candidate's petition for  
20 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures equal  
21 to 0.5% of the primary electors of his or her party from the  
22 sanitary district. If a candidate seeks to run for trustee of a  
23 sanitary district in which trustees are elected from wards,  
24 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain at  
25 least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the primary  
26 electors of his or her party in the ward of that sanitary

1 district. In the first primary election following  
2 redistricting of sanitary districts elected from wards, a  
3 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the  
4 signatures of 150 qualified primary electors of his or her ward  
5 of that sanitary district.

6 (h) Judicial office. If a candidate seeks to run for  
7 judicial office in a district, then the candidate's petition  
8 for nomination must contain the number of signatures equal to  
9 0.4% of the number of votes cast in that district for the  
10 candidate for his or her political party for the office of  
11 Governor at the last general election at which a Governor was  
12 elected, but in no event less than 500 signatures. If a  
13 candidate seeks to run for judicial office in a circuit or  
14 subcircuit, then the candidate's petition for nomination must  
15 contain the number of signatures equal to 0.25% of the number  
16 of votes cast for the judicial candidate of his or her  
17 political party who received the highest number of votes at the  
18 last general election at which a judicial officer from the same  
19 circuit or subcircuit was regularly scheduled to be elected,  
20 but in no event less than 1,000 signatures in circuits and  
21 subcircuits located in the First Judicial District or 500  
22 signatures in every other Judicial District.

23 (i) Precinct, ward, and township committeeperson. If a  
24 candidate seeks to run for precinct committeeperson, then the  
25 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least 10  
26 signatures of the primary electors of his or her party for the

1 precinct. If a candidate seeks to run for ward committeeperson,  
2 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain no  
3 less than the number of signatures equal to 10% of the primary  
4 electors of his or her party of the ward, but no more than 16%  
5 of those same electors; provided that the maximum number of  
6 signatures may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever is  
7 greater. If a candidate seeks to run for township  
8 committeeperson, then the candidate's petition for nomination  
9 must contain no less than the number of signatures equal to 5%  
10 of the primary electors of his or her party of the township,  
11 but no more than 8% of those same electors; provided that the  
12 maximum number of signatures may be 50 more than the minimum  
13 number, whichever is greater.

14 (j) State's attorney or regional superintendent of schools  
15 for multiple counties. If a candidate seeks to run for State's  
16 attorney or regional Superintendent of Schools who serves more  
17 than one county, then the candidate's petition for nomination  
18 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of  
19 the primary electors of his or her party in the territory  
20 comprising the counties.

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

1           For purposes of this Section the number of primary electors  
2 shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in the  
3 applicable district, for the candidate for that political party  
4 who received the highest number of votes, statewide, at the  
5 last general election in the State at which electors for  
6 President of the United States were elected. For political  
7 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be  
8 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for  
9 that political party who received the highest number of votes  
10 in the political subdivision at the last regular election at  
11 which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from  
12 that subdivision. For wards or districts of political  
13 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be  
14 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for  
15 that political party who received the highest number of votes  
16 in the ward or district at the last regular election at which  
17 an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that ward  
18 or district.

19           A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign  
20 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one  
21 party.

22           The changes made to this Section of this amendatory Act of  
23 the 93rd General Assembly are declarative of existing law,  
24 except for item (3) of subsection (d).

25           Petitions of candidates for nomination for offices herein  
26 specified, to be filed with the same officer, may contain the



1 names of 2 or more candidates of the same political party for  
2 the same or different offices. In the case of the offices of  
3 Governor and Lieutenant Governor, a joint petition including  
4 one candidate for each of those offices must be filed.

5 (Source: P.A. 96-1018, eff. 1-1-11; 97-81, eff. 7-5-11.)

6 (10 ILCS 5/8-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 8-8)

7 Sec. 8-8. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no  
8 candidate for nomination shall be printed upon the primary  
9 ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed  
10 in his behalf as provided for in this Section. Each such  
11 petition shall include as a part thereof the oath required by  
12 Section 7-10.1 of this Act and a statement of candidacy by the  
13 candidate filing or in whose behalf the petition is filed. This  
14 statement shall set out the address of such candidate, the  
15 office for which he is a candidate, shall state that the  
16 candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to which  
17 the petition relates, is qualified for the office specified, is  
18 not delinquent in the payment of court ordered child support or  
19 maintenance, or a combination of child support and maintenance,  
20 in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000, and has filed a  
21 statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois  
22 Governmental Ethics Act, shall request that the candidate's  
23 name be placed upon the official ballot and shall be subscribed  
24 and sworn by such candidate before some officer authorized to  
25 take acknowledgment of deeds in this State and may be in

1 substantially the following form:

2 State of Illinois)

3 ) ss.

4 County .....)

5 I, ....., being first duly sworn, say that I reside at ....

6 street in the city (or village of) .... in the county of ....

7 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a

8 qualified primary voter of .... party; that I am a candidate

9 for nomination to the office of .... to be voted upon at the

10 primary election to be held on (insert date); that I am legally

11 qualified to hold such office; that I am not delinquent in the

12 payment of court ordered child support or maintenance, or a

13 combination of child support and maintenance, in an amount

14 equal to or greater than \$10,000; and that I have filed a

15 statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois

16 Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my name be

17 printed upon the official primary ballot for nomination for

18 such office.

19 Signed .....

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

22 Signed .... (Official Character)

23 (Seal if officer has one.)

24 For purposes of a statement of candidacy under this

25 Section, an individual shall be considered "delinquent in the

26 payment of court ordered child support or maintenance" if he or

1 she has been adjudicated in arrears in court ordered child  
2 support or maintenance and has been found in contempt by the  
3 court for failure to pay that support or maintenance.

4 The receipt issued by the Secretary of State indicating  
5 that the candidate has filed the statement of economic  
6 interests required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act must  
7 be filed with the petitions for nomination as provided in  
8 subsection (8) of Section 7-12 of this Code.

9 All petitions for nomination for the office of State  
10 Senator shall be signed by at least 1,000 but not more than  
11 3,000 of the qualified primary electors of the candidate's  
12 party in his legislative district.

13 All petitions for nomination for the office of  
14 Representative in the General Assembly shall be signed by at  
15 least 500 but not more than 1,500 of the qualified primary  
16 electors of the candidate's party in his or her representative  
17 district.

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

26 For the purposes of this Section, the number of primary

1 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in  
2 the applicable district, for the candidate for such political  
3 party who received the highest number of votes, state-wide, at  
4 the last general election in the State at which electors for  
5 President of the United States were elected.

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

20 In the affidavit at the bottom of each petition sheet, the  
21 petition circulator shall either (1) indicate the dates on  
22 which he or she circulated that sheet, or (2) indicate the  
23 first and last dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3)  
24 certify that none of the signatures on the sheet were signed  
25 more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the  
26 petition. No petition sheet shall be circulated more than 90

1 days preceding the last day provided in Section 8-9 for the  
2 filing of such petition.

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

7 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on  
8 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any  
9 signature from the petition, provided that:

10 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial the  
11 petition at the place where the signature is struck; and

12 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a  
13 certification listing the page number and line number of  
14 each signature struck from the petition. Such  
15 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

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

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

18 Sec. 10-5. All petitions for nomination shall, besides  
19 containing the names of candidates, specify as to each:

20 1. The office or offices to which such candidate or  
21 candidates shall be nominated.

22 2. The new political party, if any, represented, expressed  
23 in not more than 5 words. However, such party shall not bear  
24 the same name as, nor include the name of any established  
25 political party as defined in this Article. This prohibition

1 does not preclude any established political party from making  
2 nominations in those cases in which it is authorized to do so.

3 3. The place of residence of any such candidate or  
4 candidates with the street and number thereof, if any. In the  
5 case of electors for President and Vice-President of the United  
6 States, the names of candidates for President and  
7 Vice-President may be added to the party name or appellation.

8 Such certificate of nomination or nomination papers in  
9 addition shall include as a part thereof, the oath required by  
10 Section 7-10.1 of this Act and must include a statement of  
11 candidacy for each of the candidates named therein, except  
12 candidates for electors for President and Vice-President of the  
13 United States. Each such statement shall set out the address of  
14 such candidate, the office for which he is a candidate, shall  
15 state that the candidate is qualified for the office specified,  
16 is not delinquent in the payment of court ordered child support  
17 or maintenance, or a combination of child support and  
18 maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000, and  
19 has filed (or will file before the close of the petition filing  
20 period) a statement of economic interests as required by the  
21 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act, shall request that the  
22 candidate's name be placed upon the official ballot and shall  
23 be subscribed and sworn to by such candidate before some  
24 officer authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds in this  
25 State, and may be in substantially the following form:  
26 State of Illinois)

1 ) SS.

2 County of.....)

3 I,....., being first duly sworn, say that I reside at....  
4 street, in the city (or village) of.... in the county of....  
5 State of Illinois; and that I am a qualified voter therein;  
6 that I am a candidate for election to the office of.... to be  
7 voted upon at the election to be held on the.... day  
8 of.....,.....; ~~and~~ that I am legally qualified to hold such  
9 office; that I am not delinquent in the payment of court  
10 ordered child support or maintenance, or a combination of child  
11 support and maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater than  
12 \$10,000; and that I have filed (or will file before the close  
13 of the petition filing period) a statement of economic  
14 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act,  
15 and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official  
16 ballot for election to such office.

17 Signed.....

18 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by.... who  
19 is to me personally known, this.... day of.....,.....

20 Signed.....

21 (Official Character)

22 (Seal, if officer has one.)

23 For purposes of a statement of candidacy under this  
24 Section, an individual shall be considered "delinquent in the  
25 payment of court ordered child support or maintenance" if he or  
26 she has been adjudicated in arrears in court ordered child

1 support or maintenance and has been found in contempt by the  
2 court for failure to pay that support or maintenance.

3 In addition, a new political party petition shall have  
4 attached thereto a certificate stating the names and addresses  
5 of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in  
6 nomination pursuant to Section 10-11.

7 Nomination papers filed under this Section are not valid if  
8 the candidate named therein fails to file a statement of  
9 economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental  
10 Ethics Act in relation to his candidacy with the appropriate  
11 officer by the end of the period for the filing of nomination  
12 papers unless he has filed a statement of economic interests in  
13 relation to the same governmental unit with that officer during  
14 the same calendar year as the year in which such nomination  
15 papers were filed. If the nomination papers of any candidate  
16 and the statement of economic interest of that candidate are  
17 not required to be filed with the same officer, the candidate  
18 must file with the officer with whom the nomination papers are  
19 filed a receipt from the officer with whom the statement of  
20 economic interests is filed showing the date on which such  
21 statement was filed. Such receipt shall be so filed not later  
22 than the last day on which nomination papers may be filed.

23 (Source: P.A. 84-551.)

24 (10 ILCS 5/10-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 10-8)

25 Sec. 10-8. Certificates of nomination and nomination



1 papers, and petitions to submit public questions to a  
2 referendum, being filed as required by this Code, and being in  
3 apparent conformity with the provisions of this Act, shall be  
4 deemed to be valid unless objection thereto is duly made in  
5 writing within 5 business days after the last day for filing  
6 the certificate of nomination or nomination papers or petition  
7 for a public question, with the following exceptions:

8 A. In the case of petitions to amend Article IV of the  
9 Constitution of the State of Illinois, there shall be a  
10 period of 35 business days after the last day for the  
11 filing of such petitions in which objections can be filed.

12 B. In the case of petitions for advisory questions of  
13 public policy to be submitted to the voters of the entire  
14 State, there shall be a period of 35 business days after  
15 the last day for the filing of such petitions in which  
16 objections can be filed.

17 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,  
18 the electoral board designated in Section 10-9 for the purpose  
19 of hearing and passing upon objector's petitions shall  
20 independently verify that no candidate under its jurisdiction  
21 is delinquent in the payment of court ordered child support or  
22 maintenance, or a combination of child support and maintenance,  
23 in an amount equal to or greater than \$10,000. If the electoral  
24 board finds that a candidate is delinquent in the payment of  
25 court ordered child support or maintenance, or a combination of  
26 child support and maintenance, in an amount equal to or greater

1 than \$10,000, then that candidate shall be removed from the  
2 ballot regardless of whether or not an objection has been  
3 filed. Such a finding by the electoral board is subject to  
4 judicial review as provided in Section 10-10.1.

5 Any legal voter of the political subdivision or district in  
6 which the candidate or public question is to be voted on, or  
7 any legal voter in the State in the case of a proposed  
8 amendment to Article IV of the Constitution or an advisory  
9 public question to be submitted to the voters of the entire  
10 State, having objections to any certificate of nomination or  
11 nomination papers or petitions filed, shall file an objector's  
12 petition together with a copy thereof in the principal office  
13 or the permanent branch office of the State Board of Elections,  
14 or in the office of the election authority or local election  
15 official with whom the certificate of nomination, nomination  
16 papers or petitions are on file. In the case of nomination  
17 papers or certificates of nomination, the State Board of  
18 Elections, election authority or local election official shall  
19 note the day and hour upon which such objector's petition is  
20 filed, and shall, not later than 12:00 noon on the second  
21 business day after receipt of the petition, transmit by  
22 registered mail or receipted personal delivery the certificate  
23 of nomination or nomination papers and the original objector's  
24 petition to the chairman of the proper electoral board  
25 designated in Section 10-9 hereof, or his authorized agent, and  
26 shall transmit a copy by registered mail or receipted personal

1 delivery of the objector's petition, to the candidate whose  
2 certificate of nomination or nomination papers are objected to,  
3 addressed to the place of residence designated in said  
4 certificate of nomination or nomination papers. In the case of  
5 objections to a petition for a proposed amendment to Article IV  
6 of the Constitution or for an advisory public question to be  
7 submitted to the voters of the entire State, the State Board of  
8 Elections shall note the day and hour upon which such  
9 objector's petition is filed and shall transmit a copy of the  
10 objector's petition by registered mail or receipted personal  
11 delivery to the person designated on a certificate attached to  
12 the petition as the principal proponent of such proposed  
13 amendment or public question, or as the proponents' attorney,  
14 for the purpose of receiving notice of objections. In the case  
15 of objections to a petition for a public question, to be  
16 submitted to the voters of a political subdivision, or district  
17 thereof, the election authority or local election official with  
18 whom such petition is filed shall note the day and hour upon  
19 which such objector's petition was filed, and shall, not later  
20 than 12:00 noon on the second business day after receipt of the  
21 petition, transmit by registered mail or receipted personal  
22 delivery the petition for the public question and the original  
23 objector's petition to the chairman of the proper electoral  
24 board designated in Section 10-9 hereof, or his authorized  
25 agent, and shall transmit a copy by registered mail or  
26 receipted personal delivery, of the objector's petition to the

1 person designated on a certificate attached to the petition as  
2 the principal proponent of the public question, or as the  
3 proponent's attorney, for the purposes of receiving notice of  
4 objections.

5 The objector's petition shall give the objector's name and  
6 residence address, and shall state fully the nature of the  
7 objections to the certificate of nomination or nomination  
8 papers or petitions in question, and shall state the interest  
9 of the objector and shall state what relief is requested of the  
10 electoral board.

11 The provisions of this Section and of Sections 10-9, 10-10  
12 and 10-10.1 shall also apply to and govern objections to  
13 petitions for nomination filed under Article 7 or Article 8,  
14 except as otherwise provided in Section 7-13 for cases to which  
15 it is applicable, and also apply to and govern petitions for  
16 the submission of public questions under Article 28.

17 (Source: P.A. 86-1348.)

18 Section 97. Severability. The provisions of this Act are  
19 severable under Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes.

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
21 becoming law.