

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 Secretary of State Merit Employment Code is
5 amended by changing Section 12 as follows:

6 (15 ILCS 310/12) (from Ch. 124, par. 112)

7 Sec. 12. Employees of the Office of the Secretary of State
8 - election to public office - leave of absence - re-entry of
9 service. Any person holding a position in the Office of the
10 Secretary of State, who is elected to public office, may ~~shall~~,
11 upon request, be granted a leave of absence, without pay, from
12 such position. The leave of absence shall continue so long as
13 he remains an elected officer or for a period of 5 years,
14 whichever is shorter ~~and for a period of 30 calendar days~~
15 ~~thereafter.~~

16 If such person files a written request with the Director of
17 Personnel to re-enter active service with the Office of the
18 Secretary of State within a 30-day period following the
19 termination of his leave, ~~such 30 day period~~ he may ~~shall~~ be
20 reinstated to his former position or a position of comparable
21 duties, responsibilities and pay.

22 (Source: P.A. 80-13.)

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.