

HB4426



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4426

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/19A-15

Amends the Election Code. Provides that on the day before election day, a permanent polling place for early voting must remain open no later than 5:00 p.m. Makes conforming and other changes. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

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 Section
5 19A-15 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/19A-15)

7 Sec. 19A-15. Period for early voting; hours.

8 (a) The period for early voting by personal appearance
9 begins the 40th day preceding a general primary, consolidated
10 primary, consolidated, or general election and extends through
11 the end of the day before election day.

12 (b) Except as otherwise provided by this Section, ~~a~~
13 ~~permanent polling place for early voting must remain open~~
14 beginning the 15th day before an election through the end of
15 the 9th day before election day, a permanent polling place for
16 early voting must remain open during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to
17 4:30 p.m. ~~or 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on weekdays. Beginning~~ ~~or~~
18 ~~except that beginning~~ 8 days before election day through the
19 end of the 2nd day before election day, a permanent polling
20 place for early voting must remain open during the hours of
21 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ~~or 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on weekdays,~~
22 and 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturdays and holidays, and
23 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays. On the day before election

1 day, a permanent polling place for early voting must remain
2 open no later than 5:00 p.m. In ~~7 except that,~~ in addition to
3 the hours required by this subsection, a permanent polling
4 place designated by an election authority under subsections
5 (c), (d), and (e) of Section 19A-10 must remain open for a
6 total of at least 8 hours on any holiday during the early
7 voting period and a total of at least 14 hours on the final
8 weekend during the early voting period.

9 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), an election authority
10 may close an early voting polling place if the building in
11 which the polling place is located has been closed by the State
12 or unit of local government in response to a severe weather
13 emergency or other force majeure. The election authority shall
14 notify the State Board of Elections of any closure and shall
15 make reasonable efforts to provide notice to the public of an
16 alternative location for early voting.

17 (d) (Blank).

18 (Source: P.A. 97-81, eff. 7-5-11; 97-766, eff. 7-6-12; 98-4,
19 eff. 3-12-13; 98-115, eff. 7-29-13; 98-691, eff. 7-1-14;
20 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15.)

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