AN ACT regarding schools.

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    Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:
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    Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing
Section 9-12 as follows:
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    (105 ILCS 5/9-12) (from Ch. 122, par. 9-12)
    Sec. 9-12. Ballot forms. Ballots for the election of
    school officers shall be in one of the following forms:
(FORMAT 1
Ballot position for candidates shall be determined by the
order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to Section
9-11.1.
This format is used by Boards of School Directors.
School Directors are elected at large.)
OFFICIAL BALLOT
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL
DIRECTORS TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR ....
( )
( )
( )
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL
DIRECTORS TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR ....
( )
( )
( )
(FORMAT 2
Ballot position for candidates shall be determined by the
order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to Section

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9-11.1.
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This format is used when school board members are elected at large. Membership on the school board is not restricted by area of residence.

Types of school districts generally using this format are:

Common school districts;
Community unit and community consolidated school districts formed on or after January 1, 1975;

Community unit school districts formed prior to January 1, 1975 that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11A-8;

Community unit, community consolidated and combined school districts in which more than $90 \%$ of the population is in one congressional township;

High school districts in which less than $15 \%$ of the taxable property is located in unincorporated territory; and unit districts (OLD TYPE);

Combined school districts formed on or after July 1, 1983;

Combined school districts formed before July 1, 1983 and community consolidated school districts that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11B-7.)

OFFICIAL BALLOT
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR .... ( )
( )
( )
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR ....
( )
( )
( )
(FORMATS 2a and 2b

Ballot position for at large candidates shall be determined by the order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to Section 9-11.1 and ballot position for candidates grouped by "affected school district", as that term is defined in Section 9-11.2, shall be determined by order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.

Format 2a is used only in electing, to unstaggered terms expiring on the date of the regular school election held in calendar year 2001, the initial 7 members of the board of education of a combined school district that is established as provided in subsection (a-5) of Section 11B-7, and Format 2 b is used only in electing, when required under Section 10-10, a successor to serve the remainder of the unstaggered, unexpired term of any such initial board member in whose office a vacancy has occurred.)

Format 2a:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TO SERVE A FULL TERM EXPIRING ON
(Insert date of regular school election in 2001)
Instructions to voter: One member of the board of education is to be elected at large from within the territory included within the boundaries of (insert name of the combined school district as proposed or formed), 3 members are to be elected from the territory included within the boundaries of (former) Elementary School District No. ....., and 3 members are to be elected from the territory included

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within the boundaries of (former) Elementary School District
No.
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                    FOR THE MEMBER
                OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
                        TO BE ELECTED AT LARGE
                            VOTE FOR ONE
            ( )
            ( )
                    FOR MEMBERS OF
                THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
                    TO BE ELECTED FROM
                (FORMER) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ....
                    VOTE FOR THREE
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
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                                    FOR MEMBERS OF
            THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
                    TO BE ELECTED FROM
                (FORMER) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ....
                    VOTE FOR THREE
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
                Format 2b:
    OFFICIAL BALLOT
FOR A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TO BE ELECTED AT LARGE
TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING ON
(Insert date of regular school election in 2001)

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                                    VOTE FOR ONE
        ( )
        ( )
            FOR MEMBERS (A MEMBER)
            OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
                TO BE ELECTED FROM
        FORMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ....
            TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING ON
        (Insert date of regular school election in 2001)
                                    VOTE FOR ...
        ( )
        ( )
            FOR MEMBERS (A MEMBER)
            OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
                TO BE ELECTED FROM
            FORMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ....
            TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING ON
            (Insert date of regular school election in 2001)
                    VOTE FOR ...
            ( )
            ( )
(FORMAT 3
    Ballot position for incorporated and unincorporated areas
shall be determined by the order of petition filing or
lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.
                            This format is used by community unit, community
consolidated and combined school districts when the territory
is less than 2 congressional townships, or 72 square miles,
but consists of more than one congressional township, or 36
square miles, outside of the corporate limits of any city,
village or incorporated town within the school district. The
School Code requires that not more than 5 board members shall
be selected from any city, village or incorporated town in
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the school district. At least two board members must reside in the unincorporated area of the school district.

Except for those community unit school districts formed before January 1, 1975 that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11A-8 and except for combined school districts formed before July 1, 1983 and community consolidated school districts that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11B-7, this format applies to community unit and community consolidated school districts formed prior to January 1, 1975 and combined school districts formed prior to July 1, 1983.)

OFFICIAL BALLOT
Instructions to voter: The board of education shall be composed of members from both the incorporated and the unincorporated area; not more than 5 board members shall be selected from any city, village or incorporated town.

On the basis of existing board membership, not more than .... may be elected from the incorporated areas. FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM

VOTE FOR ....

Area
( )
( )
( )
( )
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR ....
. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Area
( )
( )
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( )
( )
(FORMAT 4
Ballot position for township areas shall be determined by the order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.

Except for those community unit school districts formed prior to January 1, 1975 that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11A-8 and except for those combined school districts formed before July 1, 1983 and community consolidated school districts that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11B-7, this format applies to community unit and community consolidated school districts formed prior to January 1, 1975 and combined school districts formed prior to July 1, 1983 when the territory of the school district is greater than 2 congressional townships, or 72 square miles. This format applies only when less than $75 \%$ of the population is in one congressional township. Congressional townships of less than 100 inhabitants shall not be considered for the purpose of such mandatory board representation. In this case, not more than 3 board members may be selected from any one congressional township.)

## OFFICIAL BALLOT

Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is restricted to a maximum of 3 members from any congressional township. On the basis of existing board membership, members may be elected in the following numbers from each congressional township.

Not more than .... may be elected from Township ....

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Range
    Not more than .... may be elected from Township ....
Range ....
    Not more than .... may be elected from Township ....
Range ....
    (Include each remaining congressional township in
district as needed)
            FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
            EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
                VOTE FOR ....
            Township ............. Range
            ( ) .............................
            ( ) ..............................
        Township .............. Range
            ( )
            ( )
        FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
            AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
                VOTE FOR ....
            Township ............. Range
            ( )
            ( )
        Township ............. Range
            ( )
            ( )
(FORMAT 5
    Ballot position for township areas shall be determined by
the order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to
Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.
Except for those community unit school districts formed before January 1, 1975 that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11A-8 and except for those combined school districts formed before July 1, 1983 and
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community consolidated school districts that elect board members at large and without restriction by area of residence within the district under subsection (c) of Section 11B-7, this format is used by community unit and community consolidated school districts formed prior to January 1, 1975, and combined school districts formed prior to July 1, 1983, when the territory of the school district is greater than 2 congressional townships, or 72 square miles and when at least $75 \%$, but not more than $90 \%$, of the population resides in one congressional township. In this case, 4 school board members shall be selected from that one congressional township and the 3 remaining board members shall be selected from the rest of the district. If a school district from which school board members are to be selected is located in a county under township organization and if the surveyed boundaries of a congressional township from which one or more of those school board members is to be selected, as described by township number and range, are coterminous with the boundaries of the township as identified by the township name assigned to it as a political subdivision of the State, then that township may be referred to on the ballot by both its township name and by township number and range.)

OFFICIAL BALLOT
Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is to consist of 4 members from the congressional township that has at least $75 \%$ but not more than $90 \%$ of the population, and 3 board members from the remaining congressional townships in the school district. On the basis of existing board membership, members may be elected in the following numbers from each congressional township. FOR MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM

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FROM (name)........ TOWNSHIP ..... RANGE .....
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                    VOTE FOR ONE
                ( )
                ( )
            FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
            TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
                    VOTE FOR ....
..... shall be elected from (name)...... Township .....
Range .....; ...... board members shall be elected from the
remaining congressional townships.
            (name)....... TOWNSHIP ..... RANGE .....
                    ( )
                    ( )
            The Remaining Congressional Townships
                    ( )
                    ( )
(FORMAT 6
                            Ballot position for candidates shall be determined by the
order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to Section
9-11.1.
    This format is used by school districts in which voters
have approved a referendum to elect school board members by
school board district. The school district is then divided
into 7 school board districts, each of which elects one
member to the board of education.)
                    OFFICIAL BALLOT
                            DISTRICT ....... (1 through 7)
        FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
            A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
                                VOTE FOR ONE
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
                (-OR-)
                OFFICIAL BALLOT
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            DISTRICT ....... (1 through 7)
            FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
                AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
                VOTE FOR ONE
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
REVERSE SIDE:
                    OFFICIAL BALLOT
            DISTRICT ....... (1 through 7)
                (Precinct name or number)
    School District No. ......, ........... County, Illinois
            Election Tuesday (insert date)
            (facsimile signature of Election Authority)
                    (County)
(FORMAT 7
                            Ballot position for incorporated and unincorporated areas
shall be determined by the order of petition filing or
lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.
                            This format is used by high school districts if more than
15% but less than 30% of the taxable property is located in
the unincorporated territory of the school district. In this
case, at least one board member shall be a resident of the
unincorporated territory.)
OFFICIAL BALLOT
Instructions to voter: More than 15\% but less than \(30 \%\) of the taxable property of this high school district is located in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore, at least one board member shall be a resident of the unincorporated areas.
On the basis of existing board membership, at least one member shall be elected from the unincorporated area. FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
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VOTE FOR ....
Area
( )
( )
..................... Area
( )
( )
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR ... Area
( )
( )
..................... Area
( )
( )
(FORMAT 7a
Ballot position for candidates shall be determined by the order of petition filing or lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.

This format is used by high school districts if more than $15 \%$ but less than $30 \%$ of the taxable property is located in the unincorporated territory of the school district and on the basis of existing board membership no board member is required to be elected from the unincorporated area.)

OFFICIAL BALLOT
Instruction to voter: More than 15\% but less than 30\% of the taxable property of this high school district is located in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore, at least one board member shall be a resident of the unincorporated areas.

On the basis of existing board membership, members may be elected from any area or areas. FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE

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            A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
                    VOTE FOR ....
    ( )
    ( )
    ( )
    FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
        AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
                            VOTE FOR ....
        ( )
        ( )
        ( )
(FORMAT 8
    Ballot position for incorporated and unincorporated areas
shall be determined by the order of petition filing or
lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.
    This format is used by high school districts if more than
30% of the taxable property is located in the unincorporated
territory of the school district. In this case, at least two
board members shall be residents of the unincorporated
territory.)
                    OFFICIAL BALLOT
    Instructions to voters: Thirty percent (30%) or more of
the taxable property of this high school district is located
in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore,
at least two board members shall be residents of the
unincorporated territory.
    On the basis of existing board membership at least 2
members shall be elected from the unincorporated area.
    FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
        A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
                            VOTE FOR ....
                            Area
        ( )
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                                    Area
            ( )
            ( )
        FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
            AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
                VOTE FOR ....
                    Area
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
(FORMAT 8a
    Ballot position for incorporated and unincorporated areas
shall be determined by the order of petition filing or
lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.
    This format is used by high school districts if more than
30% of the taxable property is located in the unincorporated
territory of the school district. In this case, at least two
board members shall be residents of the unincorporated
territory.)
                    OFFICIAL BALLOT
    Instructions to voters: Thirty percent (30%) or more of
the taxable property of this high school district is located
in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore,
at least two board members shall be residents of the
unincorporated territory.
    On the basis of existing board membership at least one
member shall be elected from the unincorporated area.
        FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
            A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
                                VOTE FOR ....
                                    Area
            ( )
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            ( )
        .................... Area
            ( )
            ( )
        FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
            AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM
                VOTE FOR ....
                    Area
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
            ( )
(FORMAT 8b
    Ballot position for incorporated and unincorporated areas
shall be determined by the order of petition filing or
lottery held pursuant to Sections 9-11.1 and 9-11.2.
    This format is used by high school districts if more than
30% of the taxable property is located in the unincorporated
territory of the school district. In this case, at least two
board members shall be residents of the unincorporated
territory.)
                    OFFICIAL BALLOT
    Instructions to voters: Thirty percent (30%) or more of
the taxable property of this high school district is located
in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore,
at least two board members shall be residents of the
unincorporated territory.
    On the basis of existing board membership, members may be
elected from any area or areas.
        FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE
            A FULL 4-YEAR TERM
                                    VOTE FOR ....
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FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR ....
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(Source: P.A. 90-14, eff. 7-1-97; 90-459, eff. 8-17-97;
91-357, eff. 7-29-99.)

