

**104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY****State of Illinois****2025 and 2026****HB1157**

Introduced 1/9/2025, by Rep. Daniel Didech

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/2A-1.1a	from Ch. 46, par. 2A-1.1a
60 ILCS 1/30-5	
65 ILCS 20/21-5a	from Ch. 24, par. 21-5a
105 ILCS 5/33-1b	from Ch. 122, par. 33-1b

Amends the Election Code, the Township Code, the Revised Cities and Villages Act of 1941, and the School Code. In provisions of those Acts concerning the postponing of specified elections and an annual meeting in the event of a conflict with the celebration of Passover, provides that the term "the celebration of Passover" includes the eight-day period beginning on the 15th day of the Hebrew lunisolar month of Nisan.

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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
5 Section 2A-1.1a as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/2A-1.1a) (from Ch. 46, par. 2A-1.1a)
7 Sec. 2A-1.1a. Whenever the date designated in paragraph
8 (b) of Section 2A-1.1 for the consolidated election conflicts
9 with the celebration of Passover, that election shall be
10 postponed to the first Tuesday following the last day of
11 Passover. As used in this Section, "the celebration of
12 Passover" includes the eight-day period beginning on the 15th
13 day of the Hebrew lunisolar month of Nisan.

14 (Source: P.A. 82-1014.)

15 Section 10. The Township Code is amended by changing
16 Section 30-5 as follows:

17 (60 ILCS 1/30-5)
18 Sec. 30-5. Annual township meeting.
19 (a) The annual township meeting in the respective
20 townships for the transaction of the business of the township
21 shall be held on the second Tuesday of April in each year,

1 after 6 p.m., at the place appointed for those meetings.
2 Elections for township officers shall be held in accordance
3 with the consolidated schedule of elections prescribed by the
4 general election law.

5 (b) Whenever the date designated in subsection (a)
6 conflicts with the celebration of Passover or Ramadan, the
7 township board may postpone the annual township meeting to the
8 first Tuesday following the last day of Passover or Ramadan.
9 As used in this Section, "the celebration of Passover"
10 includes the eight-day period beginning on the 15th day of the
11 Hebrew lunisolar month of Nisan.

12 (c) Whenever the consolidated election provided for in
13 subsection (b) of Section 2A-1.1 of the Election Code is
14 rescheduled to the second Tuesday in April under Section
15 2A-1.1a of the Election Code, the annual township meeting
16 shall be held on the third Tuesday in April at the time
17 designated by the electors or the township board, whichever is
18 appropriate.

19 (d) If the Governor declares a disaster under Section 7 of
20 the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act and the disaster
21 declaration is effective during the dates designated for a
22 township's annual meeting under subsection (a), (b), or (c), a
23 township board may postpone the annual meeting if
24 circumstances related to the disaster declaration prevent a
25 township from holding its annual meeting. An annual township
26 meeting postponed under this subsection shall be held on the

1 third Tuesday, after 6 p.m., of the month following the
2 expiration of the disaster declaration. If a subsequent
3 disaster is declared under Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency
4 Management Agency Act prior to or one day after the expiration
5 of the disaster declaration upon which the township board
6 based its decision to postpone the annual meeting and the
7 township board intends to proceed with the annual meeting
8 during this subsequent disaster declaration, the township
9 board must consult with and receive written approval from the
10 county health department in order to proceed with the annual
11 meeting during the course of the subsequent disaster
12 declaration.

13 (Source: P.A. 101-632, eff. 6-5-20; 102-554, eff. 8-20-21.)

14 Section 15. The Revised Cities and Villages Act of 1941 is
15 amended by changing Section 21-5a as follows:

16 (65 ILCS 20/21-5a) (from Ch. 24, par. 21-5a)

17 Sec. 21-5a. Whenever the date for the runoff election of
18 the mayor of the city of Chicago conflicts with the
19 celebration of Passover, that election shall be postponed to
20 the first Tuesday following the last day of Passover. As used
21 in this Section, "the celebration of Passover" includes the
22 eight-day period beginning on the 15th day of the Hebrew
23 lunisolar month of Nisan.

24 (Source: P.A. 89-95, eff. 1-1-96.)

1 Section 20. The School Code is amended by changing Section
2 33-1b as follows:

3 (105 ILCS 5/33-1b) (from Ch. 122, par. 33-1b)

4 Sec. 33-1b. Whenever the date designated in Section 33-1
5 for the election of members of boards of education conflicts
6 with the celebration of Passover, that election shall be
7 postponed to the first Tuesday following the last day of
8 Passover. As used in this Section, "the celebration of
9 Passover" includes the eight-day period beginning on the 15th
10 day of the Hebrew lunisolar month of Nisan.

11 (Source: P.A. 82-1014.)