

104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2025 and 2026 HB3336

Introduced 2/18/2025, by Rep. Thaddeus Jones

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/1A-70 new 30 ILCS 105/5.1030 new 35 ILCS 5/208.7 new

Amends the Election Code. Provides that the State Board of Elections shall create a payment system to collect fees from any prospective candidate for elected office in a consolidated or general election in the State. Provides that the State Board of Elections shall deposit all moneys collected under the provision into the Election Income Tax Rebate Fund. Provides that, beginning in 2027, the Department of Revenue shall pay an annual rebate to each individual taxpayer who files an Illinois income tax return with the moneys in the Election Income Tax Rebate Fund. Amends the State Finance Act to create the Election Income Tax Rebate Fund.

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1 AN ACT concerning elections.

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

- Section 5. The Election Code is amended by adding Section 1A-70 as follows:
- 6 (10 ILCS 5/1A-70 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 1A-70. Election income tax rebate fees.</u>
- 8 (a) Beginning on January 1, 2026, the State Board of
 9 Elections shall create a payment system to collect fees from
 10 any prospective candidate for elected office in a consolidated
- or general election in this State in the following amounts:
- first day petitions for nomination may be circulated; and

(1) \$2,500 pre-filing fee to paid no later than the

- 14 (2) \$2,5000 filing fee to be paid when the candidate
- files nomination papers with an election authority.
- 16 (b) The State Board of Elections shall adopt rules to
- 17 require that all candidates for elected office certify payment
- of the fees required under this Section when the candidate
- 19 <u>files nominations papers with an election authority. An</u>
- 20 election authority shall not accept nomination papers that are
- 21 <u>not accompanied by the certification of payment.</u>
- (c) The State Board of Elections shall deposit all moneys
- 23 collected under this Section into the Election Income Tax

- 1 Rebate Fund.
- 2 (d) All fees collected under this Section shall be in
- 3 addition to any other fees collected under this Code.
- 4 Section 10. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
- 5 Section 5.1030 as follows:
- 6 (30 ILCS 105/5.1030 new)
- 7 Sec. 5.1030. The Election Income Tax Rebate Fund.
- 8 Section 15. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by
- 9 adding Section 208.7 as follows:
- 10 (35 ILCS 5/208.7 new)
- 11 Sec. 208.7. Election income tax Rebate.
- 12 (a) The Election Income Tax Rebate Fund is created as a
- special fund in the State treasury. Moneys in the Fund shall be
- 14 used for the purpose of paying rebates under this Section.
- 15 (b) Beginning in 2027, the Department shall pay an annual
- 16 rebate to each individual taxpayer who files an Illinois
- income tax return with the Department on or before the second
- 18 Friday in October of the calendar year for which the rebate is
- 19 made. Each person who is entitled to a rebate under this
- 20 Section shall receive an equal portion of the moneys in the
- 21 Election Income Tax Rebate Fund. By August 1 of each calendar
- 22 year, the Department shall begin to certify to the

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(c) The amount of a rebate under this Section shall not be included in the taxpayer's income or resources for the purposes of determining eligibility or benefit level in any means-tested benefit program administered by a governmental

10 <u>entity unless required by federal law.</u>

provided under this Section to taxpayers.