



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB1529

Introduced 2/4/2025, by Sen. Cristina Castro

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/1-9.1  
10 ILCS 5/11-9 new

Amends the Election Code. Provides that each election authority shall maintain a website. Provides that each election authority shall post election results on its website, including district data for every electoral district under the election authority's jurisdiction, even if the election authority only has jurisdiction over part of the electoral district. Provides that the State Board of Elections shall implement a standard naming convention for election districts, precincts, and polling places to streamline the reporting of election results. Provides that, as part of implementing the standard naming convention, the State Board of Elections shall adopt guidelines for election authorities to follow when naming election districts, precincts, and polling places. Sets forth requirements for the implementation of these guidelines for the 2026 General Primary Election and subsequent elections.

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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 1-9.1 and by adding Section 11-9 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/1-9.1)

7 Sec. 1-9.1. Ballot counting information dissemination.

8 (a) Each election authority shall maintain ~~maintaining~~ a  
9 website and shall ~~must~~ provide 24-hour notice on its website  
10 of the date, time, and location of the analysis, processing,  
11 and counting of all ballot forms. Each election authority  
12 shall ~~must~~ notify any political party or pollwatcher of the  
13 same information 24 hours before the count begins if such  
14 political party or pollwatcher has requested to be notified.  
15 Notification may be by electronic mail at the address provided  
16 by the requester.

17 (b) Each election authority shall post election results on  
18 its website, including district data for every electoral  
19 district under the election authority's jurisdiction, even if  
20 the election authority only has jurisdiction over part of the  
21 electoral district. The State Board of Elections shall provide  
22 guidelines to election authorities concerning the online  
23 reporting of election results.

1 (Source: P.A. 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15.)

2 (10 ILCS 5/11-9 new)

3 Sec. 11-9. Name standardization.

4 (a) The State Board of Elections shall implement a  
5 standard naming convention for election districts, precincts,  
6 and polling places to streamline the reporting of election  
7 results. As part of implementing the standard naming  
8 convention, the State Board of Elections shall adopt  
9 guidelines for election authorities to follow when naming  
10 election districts, precincts, and polling places. The  
11 guidelines shall require each election district, precinct, and  
12 polling place to have a standard identification and a  
13 human-readable name.

14 (b) Every election authority shall use the guidelines  
15 adopted under subsection (a) to name election districts,  
16 precincts, and polling places. Every election authority shall  
17 submit the names to the State Board of Elections no less than  
18 120 days before the 2026 General Primary Election.

19 (c) The State Board of Elections shall amend the names of  
20 any election district, precinct, or polling place that does  
21 not conform with the guidelines adopted under subsection (a).  
22 The State Board of Elections shall send those amended names to  
23 the election authority as soon as practicable.

24 (d) No less than 75 days before the 2026 General Primary  
25 Election, all election districts, election precincts, and

1 polling places shall be named in accordance with the  
2 guidelines adopted under subsection (a).

3 (e) For every election subsequent to the 2026 General  
4 Primary Election, every election authority and the State Board  
5 of Elections shall name election districts, precincts, and  
6 polling places in a manner similar to the process described in  
7 subsections (b) and (c). The State Board of Elections may  
8 adopt rules to implement this subsection.

9 (f) If the requirements of this Section conflict with any  
10 specific provision of this Code, the requirements of this  
11 Section prevail.