

104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2025 and 2026 SB2240

Introduced 2/7/2025, by Sen. Sally J. Turner

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10	ILCS	5/4-8	from	Ch.	46,	par.	4-8
10	ILCS	5/4-10	from	Ch.	46,	par.	4-10
10	ILCS	5/5-7	from	Ch.	46,	par.	5-7
10	ILCS	5/5-9	from	Ch.	46,	par.	5-9
10	ILCS	5/6-29	from	Ch.	46,	par.	6-29
10	ILCS	5/6-35	from	Ch.	46,	par.	6-35
10	ILCS	5/6-37	from	Ch.	46,	par.	6-37

Amends the Election Code. Provides that an applicant for voter registration shall provide a valid and unexpired driver's license; social security card; public aid identification card; utility bill; lease or contract for a residence; civic, union, or professional association membership card; United States passport; or any other form of identification or documentation issued by the federal, State, or unit of local government that contains the applicant's residential address. Provides that the affidavits required for voter registration include additional affirmations concerning the residency of the applicant.

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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 changing Sections 4-8, 4-10, 5-7, 5-9, 6-29, 6-35, and 6-37 as follows:
- 6 (10 ILCS 5/4-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-8)
- 7 Sec. 4-8. The county clerk shall provide a sufficient 8 number of blank forms for the registration of electors, which 9 shall be known as registration record cards and which shall consist of loose leaf sheets or cards, of suitable size to 10 contain in plain writing and figures the data hereinafter 11 required thereon or shall consist of computer cards of 12 13 suitable nature to contain the data required thereon. The 14 registration record cards, which shall include an affidavit of registration as hereinafter provided, shall be executed in 15 16 duplicate.
- The registration record card shall contain the following and such other information as the county clerk may think it proper to require for the identification of the applicant for registration:
- Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and first or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the initial for such middle name, if any.

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Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue, or other location of the dwelling, including the apartment, unit or room number, if any, and in the case of a mobile home the lot number, and such additional clear and definite description as may be necessary to determine the exact location of the dwelling of the applicant. Where the location cannot be then determined by street and number, the section, congressional township and range number may be used, or such other description as may be necessary, including post-office mailing address. In the case of a homeless individual, the individual's voting residence that is his or her mailing address shall be included on his or her registration record card.

Term of residence in the State of Illinois and precinct. This information shall be furnished by the applicant stating the place or places where he resided and the dates during which he resided in such place or places during the year next preceding the date of the next ensuing election.

Nativity. The state or country in which the applicant was born.

Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place, and date of naturalization.

Date of application for registration, i.e., the day, month and year when applicant presented himself for registration.

- 1 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.
- 2 Physical disability of the applicant, if any, at the time
- 3 of registration, which would require assistance in voting.
- 4 The county and state in which the applicant was last
- 5 registered.
- 6 Electronic mail address, if any.
- 7 Signature of voter. The applicant, after the registration
- 8 and in the presence of a deputy registrar or other officer of
- 9 registration shall be required to sign his or her name in ink
- or digitized form to the affidavit on both the original and
- 11 duplicate registration record cards.
- 12 Signature of deputy registrar or officer of registration.
- In case applicant is unable to sign his name, he may affix
- 14 his mark to the affidavit. In such case the officer empowered
- 15 to give the registration oath shall write a detailed
- description of the applicant in the space provided on the back
- or at the bottom of the card or sheet; and shall ask the
- 18 following questions and record the answers thereto:
- 19 Father's first name.
- 20 Mother's first name.
- 21 From what address did the applicant last register?
- Reason for inability to sign name.
- Each applicant for registration shall make an affidavit in
- 24 substantially the following form:
- 25 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION
- 26 STATE OF ILLINOIS

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> I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States; that on the date of the next election I shall have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election precinct in which I reside 30 days and that I intend that this location shall be my residence; that I regard this location as my home; that I have no intention of returning to a former residence following the next election; that I have no other home to return to in case of sickness or other affliction; that I am fully qualified to vote, and that the above statements are true. (His or her signature or mark)

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14 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

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16 Signature of registration officer.

17 (To be signed in presence of registrant.)

Space shall be provided upon the face of each registration record card for the notation of the voting record of the person registered thereon.

Each registration record card shall be numbered according to precincts, and may be serially or otherwise marked for identification in such manner as the county clerk may determine.

The registration cards shall be deemed public records and

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shall be open to inspection during regular business hours, except during the 27 days immediately preceding any election. On written request of any candidate or objector or any person intending to object to a petition, the election authority shall extend its hours for inspection of registration cards and other records of the election authority during the period beginning with the filing of petitions under Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-6 or 28-3 and continuing through the termination of electoral board hearings on any objections to petitions containing signatures of registered voters in the jurisdiction of the election authority. The extension shall be for a period hours sufficient to allow adequate opportunity for of examination of the records but the election authority is not required to extend its hours beyond the period beginning at its normal opening for business and ending at midnight. If the business hours are so extended, the election authority shall post a public notice of such extended hours. Registration record cards may also be inspected, upon approval of the officer in charge of the cards, during the 27 days immediately preceding any election. Registration record cards shall also be open to inspection by certified judges and poll watchers and challengers at the polling place on election day, but only to the extent necessary to determine the question of the right of a person to vote or to serve as a judge of election. At no shall poll watchers or challengers be allowed to physically handle the registration record cards.

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Updated copies of computer tapes or computer discs or other electronic data processing information containing voter registration information shall be furnished by the county clerk within 10 days after December 15 and May 15 each year and within 10 days after each registration period is closed to the State Board of Elections in a form prescribed by the Board. For the purposes of this Section, a registration period is closed 27 days before the date of any regular or special election. Registration information shall include, but not be limited to, the following information: name, sex, residence, telephone number, if any, age, party affiliation, if applicable, ward, township, county, and precinct, representative, legislative and congressional districts. In the event of noncompliance, the State Board of Elections is directed to obtain compliance forthwith with this nondiscretionary duty of the election authority by instituting legal proceedings in the circuit court of the county in which the election authority the registration information. maintains The costs furnishing updated copies of tapes or discs shall be paid at a rate of \$.00034 per name of registered voters in the election jurisdiction, but not less than \$50 per tape or disc and shall be paid from appropriations made to the State Board of Elections for reimbursement to the election authority for such purpose. The State Board shall furnish copies of such tapes, discs, other electronic data or compilations thereof to state political committees registered pursuant to the Illinois

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Campaign Finance Act or the Federal Election Campaign Act and to governmental entities, at their request and at a reasonable cost. To protect the privacy and confidentiality of voter registration information, the disclosure of electronic voter registration records to any person or entity other than to a State or local political committee and other than to a governmental entity for a governmental purpose is specifically prohibited except as follows: subject to security measures adopted by the State Board of Elections which, at a minimum, shall include the keeping of a catalog or database, available for public view, including the name, address, and telephone number of the person viewing the list as well as the time of that viewing, any person may view the centralized statewide voter registration list on a computer screen at Springfield office of the State Board of Elections, during normal business hours other than during the 27 days before an election, but the person viewing the list under this exception may not print, duplicate, transmit, or alter the list. Copies of the tapes, discs, or other electronic data shall be furnished by the county clerk to local political committees and governmental entities at their request and at a reasonable cost. Reasonable cost of the tapes, discs, et cetera for this purpose would be the cost of duplication plus 15% for administration. The individual representing a political committee requesting copies of such tapes shall make a sworn affidavit that the information shall be used only for bona

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fide political purposes, including by or for candidates for office or incumbent office holders. Such tapes, discs or other electronic data shall not be used under any circumstances by any political committee or individuals for purposes of commercial solicitation or other business purposes. If such tapes contain information on county residents related to the operations of county government in addition to registration information, that information shall not be used under any circumstances for commercial solicitation or other business purposes. The prohibition in this Section against using the computer tapes or computer discs or other electronic data information containing processing voter registration information for purposes of commercial solicitation or other business purposes shall be prospective only from the effective date of this amended Act of 1979. Any person who violates this provision shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.

The State Board of Elections shall promulgate, by October 1, 1987, such regulations as may be necessary to ensure uniformity throughout the State in electronic data processing of voter registration information. The regulations shall include, but need not be limited to, specifications for uniform medium, communications protocol and file structure to be employed by the election authorities of this State in the electronic data processing of voter registration information. Each election authority utilizing electronic data processing of voter registration information shall comply with such

- 1 regulations on and after May 15, 1988.
- 2 If the applicant for registration was last registered in
- 3 another county within this State, he shall also sign a
- 4 certificate authorizing cancellation of the former
- 5 registration. The certificate shall be in substantially the
- 6 following form:
- 7 To the County Clerk of.... County, Illinois. (or)
- 8 To the Election Commission of the City of, Illinois.
- 9 This is to certify that I am registered in your (county)
- 10 (city) and that my residence was
- 11 Having moved out of your (county) (city), I hereby authorize
- 12 you to cancel said registration in your office.
- Dated at, Illinois, on (insert date).
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- 15 (Signature of Voter)
- 16 Attest: County Clerk,
- 17 County, Illinois.
- The cancellation certificate shall be mailed immediately
- 19 by the County Clerk to the County Clerk (or election
- 20 commission as the case may be) where the applicant was
- 21 formerly registered. Receipt of such certificate shall be full
- 22 authority for cancellation of any previous registration.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 10-1-13; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)
- 24 (10 ILCS 5/4-10) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-10)
- 25 Sec. 4-10. Except as herein provided, no person shall be

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registered, unless he applies in person to a registration officer, answers such relevant questions as may be asked of him by the registration officer, and executes the affidavit of registration. The registration officer shall require the applicant to furnish two forms of identification, and except in the case of a homeless individual, one of which must include his or her residence address. These forms of identification shall include, but not be limited to, any of the following if <u>valid and unexpired</u>: driver's license; 7 social security card; 7 public aid identification card; 7 utility bill; 7 employee or student identification card, lease or contract for a residence; association membership card; United States passport; or any other form of identification or documentation issued by the federal, State, or unit of local government that contains the applicant's residential address. The registration officer shall require a homeless individual to furnish evidence of his or her use of the mailing address stated. This use may be demonstrated by a piece of mail addressed to that individual and received at that address or by a statement from a person authorizing use of the mailing address. The registration officer shall require each applicant for registration to read or have read to him the affidavit of registration before permitting him to execute the affidavit.

One of the registration officers or a deputy registration officer, county clerk, or clerk in the office of the county

clerk, shall administer to all persons who shall personally apply to register the following oath or affirmation:

"You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will fully and truly answer all such questions as shall be put to you touching your name, place of residence, place of birth, your qualifications as an elector and your right as such to register and vote under the laws of the State of Illinois."

The registration officer shall satisfy himself that each applicant for registration is qualified to register before registering him. If the registration officer has reason to believe that the applicant is a resident of a Soldiers' and Sailors' Home or any facility which is licensed or certified pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act, the following question shall be put, "When you entered the home which is your present address, was it your bona fide intention to become a resident thereof?" Any voter of a township, city, village or incorporated town in which such applicant resides, shall be permitted to be present at the place of any precinct registration and shall have the right to challenge any applicant who applies to be registered.

In case the officer is not satisfied that the applicant is qualified he shall forthwith notify such applicant in writing to appear before the county clerk to complete his registration. Upon the card of such applicant shall be written the word "incomplete" and no such applicant shall be permitted

- 1 to vote unless such registration is satisfactorily completed
- 2 as hereinafter provided. No registration shall be taken and
- 3 marked as incomplete if information to complete it can be
- 4 furnished on the date of the original application.
- 5 Any person claiming to be an elector in any election
- 6 precinct and whose registration card is marked "Incomplete"
- 7 may make and sign an application in writing, under oath, to the
- 8 county clerk in substance in the following form:
- 9 "I do solemnly swear that I,, did on (insert date)
- 10 make application to the board of registry of the precinct
- of the township of (or to the county clerk of county)
- 12 and that said board or clerk refused to complete my
- 13 registration as a qualified voter in said precinct. That I
- 14 reside in said precinct, that I intend to reside in said
- precinct, and am a duly qualified voter of said precinct and am
- 16 entitled to be registered to vote in said precinct at the next
- 17 election.
- 18 (Signature of applicant)"
- 19 All such applications shall be presented to the county
- 20 clerk or to his duly authorized representative by the
- 21 applicant, in person between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00
- p.m. on any day after the days on which the 1969 and 1970
- 23 precinct re-registrations are held but not on any day within
- 24 27 days preceding the ensuing general election and thereafter
- 25 for the registration provided in Section 4-7 all such

applications shall be presented to the county clerk or his duly authorized representative by the applicant in person between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on any day prior to 27 days preceding the ensuing general election. Such application shall be heard by the county clerk or his duly authorized representative at the time the application is presented. If the applicant for registration has registered with the county clerk, such application may be presented to and heard by the county clerk or by his duly authorized representative upon the dates specified above or at any time prior thereto designated by the county clerk.

Any otherwise qualified person who is absent from his county of residence either due to business of the United States or because he is temporarily outside the territorial limits of the United States may become registered by mailing an application to the county clerk within the periods of registration provided for in this Article, or by simultaneous application for registration by mail and vote by mail ballot as provided in Article 20 of this Code.

Upon receipt of such application the county clerk shall immediately mail an affidavit of registration in duplicate, which affidavit shall contain the following and such other information as the State Board of Elections may think it proper to require for the identification of the applicant:

Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and first or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the initial

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- 2 Sex.
- 3 Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue or
- 4 other location of the dwelling, and such additional clear and
- 5 definite description as may be necessary to determine the
- 6 exact location of the dwelling of the applicant. Where the
- 7 location cannot be determined by street and number, then the
- 8 Section, congressional township and range number may be used,
- 9 or such other information as may be necessary, including post
- 10 office mailing address.
- 11 Electronic mail address, if the registrant has provided
- 12 this information.
- 13 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
- 14 precinct.
- 15 Nativity. The State or country in which the applicant was
- 16 born.
- 17 Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or
- 18 naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place and date of
- 19 naturalization.
- 20 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.
- Out of State address of
- 22 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION
- 23 State of
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- 25 County of)
- I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the

United States; that on the day of the next election I shall have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election precinct 30 days; that I am fully qualified to vote, that I am not registered to vote anywhere else in the United States, that I intend to remain a resident of the State of Illinois and of the election precinct, that I regard this location as my home, that I have no intention of returning to a former residence following the next election, that I have no other home to return to in case of sickness or other affliction, that I intend to return to the State of Illinois, and that the above statements are true.

13 (His or her signature or mark)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, an officer qualified to administer oaths, on (insert date).

17 Signature of officer administering oath.

Upon receipt of the executed duplicate affidavit of Registration, the county clerk shall transfer the information contained thereon to duplicate Registration Cards provided for in Section 4-8 of this Article and shall attach thereto a copy of each of the duplicate affidavit of registration and thereafter such registration card and affidavit shall constitute the registration of such person the same as if he had applied for registration in person.

26 (Source: P.A. 98-104, eff. 7-22-13; 98-115, eff. 10-1-13;

- 1 98-756, eff. 7-16-14; 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15; 99-180, eff.
- 2 7-29-15.)
- 3 (10 ILCS 5/5-7) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-7)
- 4 Sec. 5-7. The county clerk shall provide a sufficient
- 5 number of blank forms for the registration of electors which
- 6 shall be known as registration record cards and which shall
- 7 consist of loose leaf sheets or cards, of suitable size to
- 8 contain in plain writing and figures the data hereinafter
- 9 required thereon or shall consist of computer cards of
- 10 suitable nature to contain the data required thereon. The
- 11 registration record cards, which shall include an affidavit of
- 12 registration as hereinafter provided, shall be executed in
- 13 duplicate.
- 14 The registration record card shall contain the following
- and such other information as the county clerk may think it
- 16 proper to require for the identification of the applicant for
- 17 registration:
- 18 Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and first
- 19 or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the initial
- for such middle name, if any.
- 21 Sex.
- Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue, or
- other location of the dwelling, including the apartment, unit
- or room number, if any, and in the case of a mobile home the
- 25 lot number, and such additional clear and definite description

- 1 as may be necessary to determine the exact location of the
- 2 dwelling of the applicant, including post-office mailing
- 3 address. In the case of a homeless individual, the
- 4 individual's voting residence that is his or her mailing
- 5 address shall be included on his or her registration record
- 6 card.
- 7 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
- 8 precinct. Which questions may be answered by the applicant
- 9 stating, in excess of 30 days in the State and in excess of 30
- 10 days in the precinct.
- 11 Nativity. The State or country in which the applicant was
- 12 born.
- 13 Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or
- 14 naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place and date of
- 15 naturalization.
- Date of application for registration, i.e., the day, month
- and year when applicant presented himself for registration.
- 18 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.
- 19 Physical disability of the applicant, if any, at the time
- of registration, which would require assistance in voting.
- 21 The county and state in which the applicant was last
- 22 registered.
- 23 Electronic mail address, if any.
- 24 Signature of voter. The applicant, after the registration
- and in the presence of a deputy registrar or other officer of
- 26 registration shall be required to sign his or her name in ink

- 1 or digitized form to the affidavit on the original and
- 2 duplicate registration record card.
- 3 Signature of Deputy Registrar.
- In case applicant is unable to sign his name, he may affix
- 5 his mark to the affidavit. In such case the officer empowered
- 6 to give the registration oath shall write a detailed
- 7 description of the applicant in the space provided at the
- 8 bottom of the card or sheet; and shall ask the following
- 9 questions and record the answers thereto:
- Father's first name
- 11 Mother's first name
- 12 From what address did you last register?
- 13 Reason for inability to sign name.
- 14 Each applicant for registration shall make an affidavit in
- 15 substantially the following form:
- 16 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION
- 17 State of Illinois)
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- 19 County of)
- I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the
- 21 United States; that on the date of the next election I shall
- 22 have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election
- 23 precinct in which I reside 30 days; that I regard this location
- as my home; that I have no intention of returning to a former
- 25 residence following the next election; that I have no other
- 26 home to return to in case of sickness or other affliction; that

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- I am fully qualified to vote. That I intend that this location shall be my residence and that the above statements are true.

 (His or her signature or mark)

 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).
- 7 Signature of Registration Officer.
- 8 (To be signed in presence of Registrant.)
 - Space shall be provided upon the face of each registration record card for the notation of the voting record of the person registered thereon.
 - Each registration record card shall be numbered according to towns and precincts, wards, cities and villages, as the case may be, and may be serially or otherwise marked for identification in such manner as the county clerk may determine.

The registration cards shall be deemed public records and shall be open to inspection during regular business hours, except during the 27 days immediately preceding any election. On written request of any candidate or objector or any person intending to object to a petition, the election authority shall extend its hours for inspection of registration cards and other records of the election authority during the period beginning with the filing of petitions under Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-6 or 28-3 and continuing through the termination of

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Updated copies of computer tapes or computer discs or other electronic data processing information containing voter registration information shall be furnished by the county clerk within 10 days after December 15 and May 15 each year and within 10 days after each registration period is closed to the State Board of Elections in a form prescribed by the Board. For the purposes of this Section, a registration period is closed 27 days before the date of any regular or special election.

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If the applicant for registration was last registered in another county within this State, he shall also sign a certificate authorizing cancellation of the former registration. The certificate shall be in substantially the following form:

25 To the County Clerk of County, Illinois. To the Election 26 Commission of the City of, Illinois.

- 1 This is to certify that I am registered in your (county)
- 2 (city) and that my residence was
- 3 Having moved out of your (county) (city), I hereby
- 4 authorize you to cancel said registration in your office.
- 5 Dated at Illinois, on (insert date).
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- 7 (Signature of Voter)
- 8 Attest, County Clerk, County, Illinois.
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- 10 by the county clerk to the county clerk (or election
- 11 commission as the case may be) where the applicant was
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- 14 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 10-1-13; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)
- 15 (10 ILCS 5/5-9) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-9)
- 16 Sec. 5-9. Except as herein provided, no person shall be
- 17 registered unless he applies in person to registration
- 18 officer, answers such relevant questions as may be asked of
- 19 him by the registration officer, and executes the affidavit of
- 20 registration. The registration officer shall require the
- 21 applicant to furnish two forms of identification, and except
- in the case of a homeless individual, one of which must include
- 23 his or her residence address. These forms of identification
- shall include, but not be limited to, any of the following if
- 25 valid and unexpired: driver's license; 7 social security card;

γ public aid identification card; γ utility bill; γ employee or student identification card, lease or contract for a residence; γ eredit card, or a civic, union, or professional association membership card; United States passport; or any other form of identification or documentation issued by the federal, State, or unit of local government that contains the applicant's residential address. The registration officer shall require a homeless individual to furnish evidence of his or her use of the mailing address stated. This use may be demonstrated by a piece of mail addressed to that individual and received at that address or by a statement from a person authorizing use of the mailing address. The registration officer shall require each applicant for registration to read or have read to him the affidavit of registration before permitting him to execute the affidavit.

One of the Deputy Registrars, the Judge of Registration, or an Officer of Registration, County Clerk, or clerk in the office of the County Clerk, shall administer to all persons who shall personally apply to register the following oath or affirmation:

"You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will fully and truly answer all such questions as shall be put to you touching your place of residence, name, place of birth, your qualifications as an elector and your right as such to register and vote under the laws of the State of Illinois."

The Registration Officer shall satisfy himself that each

applicant for registration is qualified to register before registering him. If the registration officer has reason to believe that the applicant is a resident of a Soldiers' and Sailors' Home or any facility which is licensed or certified pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act, the Specialized Mental Health Rehabilitation Act of 2013, the ID/DD Community Care Act, or the MC/DD Act, the following question shall be put, "When you entered the home which is your present address, was it your bona fide intention to become a resident thereof?" Any voter of a township, city, village or incorporated town in which such applicant resides, shall be permitted to be present at the place of precinct registration, and shall have the right to challenge any applicant who applies to be registered.

In case the officer is not satisfied that the applicant is qualified, he shall forthwith in writing notify such applicant to appear before the County Clerk to furnish further proof of his qualifications. Upon the card of such applicant shall be written the word "Incomplete" and no such applicant shall be permitted to vote unless such registration is satisfactorily completed as hereinafter provided. No registration shall be taken and marked as "incomplete" if information to complete it can be furnished on the date of the original application.

Any person claiming to be an elector in any election precinct in such township, city, village or incorporated town and whose registration is marked "Incomplete" may make and sign an application in writing, under oath, to the County

1 Clerk in substance in the following form:

"I do solemnly swear that I,, did on (insert date) make application to the Board of Registry of the precinct of ward of the City of or of the District Town of (or to the County Clerk of) and County; that said Board or Clerk refused to complete my registration as a qualified voter in said precinct, that I reside in said precinct (or that I intend to reside in said precinct), am a duly qualified voter and entitled to vote in said precinct at the next election.

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13 (Signature of Applicant)"

All such applications shall be presented to the County Clerk by the applicant, in person between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and five o'clock p.m., on Monday and Tuesday of the third week subsequent to the weeks in which the 1961 and 1962 precinct re-registrations are to be held, and thereafter for the registration provided in Section 5-17 of this Article, all such applications shall be presented to the County Clerk by the applicant in person between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and nine o'clock p.m. on Monday and Tuesday of the third week prior to the date on which such election is to be held.

Any otherwise qualified person who is absent from his county of residence either due to business of the United States or because he is temporarily outside the territorial

- 1 limits of the United States may become registered by mailing
- 2 an application to the county clerk within the periods of
- 3 registration provided for in this Article or by simultaneous
- 4 application for registration by mail and vote by mail ballot
- 5 as provided in Article 20 of this Code.
- 6 Upon receipt of such application the county clerk shall
- 7 immediately mail an affidavit of registration in duplicate,
- 8 which affidavit shall contain the following and such other
- 9 information as the State Board of Elections may think it
- 10 proper to require for the identification of the applicant:
- Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and first
- or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the initial
- 13 for such middle name, if any.
- 14 Sex.
- Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue or
- other location of the dwelling, and such additional clear and
- 17 definite description as may be necessary to determine the
- 18 exact location of the dwelling of the applicant. Where the
- 19 location cannot be determined by street and number, then the
- 20 Section, congressional township and range number may be used,
- or such other information as may be necessary, including post
- 22 office mailing address.
- 23 Electronic mail address, if the registrant has provided
- 24 this information.
- 25 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
- 26 precinct.

1 Nativity. The State or country in which the applicant was 2 born. 3 Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place and date of 5 naturalization. Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year. 6 7 Out of State address of AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION 8 9 State of) 10)ss 11 County of) I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the 12 United States; that on the day of the next election I shall 13 have resided in the State of Illinois for 6 months and in the 14 15 election precinct 30 days; that I am fully qualified to vote, 16 that I am not registered to vote anywhere else in the United 17 States, that I intend to remain a resident of the State of Illinois and of the election precinct, that I regard this 18 19 location as my home, that I have no intention of returning to a 20 former residence following the next election, that I have no 21 other home to return to in case of sickness or other 22 affliction, that I intend to return to the State of Illinois, 23 and that the above statements are true. 24 25 (His or her signature or mark) 26 Subscribed and sworn to before me, an officer qualified to

- 1 administer oaths, on (insert date).
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- 3 Signature of officer administering oath.
- 4 Upon receipt of the executed duplicate affidavit of
- 5 Registration, the county clerk shall transfer the information
- 6 contained thereon to duplicate Registration Cards provided for
- 7 in Section 5-7 of this Article and shall attach thereto a copy
- 8 of each of the duplicate affidavit of registration and
- 9 thereafter such registration card and affidavit shall
- 10 constitute the registration of such person the same as if he
- 11 had applied for registration in person.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 98-104, eff. 7-22-13; 98-115, eff. 10-1-13;
- 13 98-756, eff. 7-16-14; 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15; 99-180, eff.
- 14 7-29-15.)
- 15 (10 ILCS 5/6-29) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-29)
- Sec. 6-29. For the purpose of registering voters under
- 17 this Article, the office of the Board of Election
- 18 Commissioners shall be open during ordinary business hours of
- 19 each week day, from 9 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon on the last four
- 20 Saturdays immediately preceding the end of the period of
- 21 registration preceding each election, and such other days and
- 22 such other times as the board may direct. During the 27 days
- 23 immediately preceding any election there shall be no
- 24 registration of voters at the office of the Board of Election

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Commissioners in cities, villages and incorporated towns of fewer than 200,000 inhabitants. In cities, villages and incorporated towns of 200,000 or more inhabitants, there shall be no registration of voters at the office of the Board of Commissioners during the 35 davs immediately preceding any election; provided, however, where no precinct registration is being conducted prior to any election then registration may be taken in the office of the Board up to and including the 28th day prior to such election. The Board of Election Commissioners may set up and establish as many branch offices for the purpose of taking registrations as it may deem necessary, and the branch offices may be open on any or all dates and hours during which registrations may be taken in the main office. All officers and employees of the Board of Election Commissioners who are authorized by such board to take registrations under this Article shall be considered officers of the circuit court, and shall be subject to the same control as is provided by Section 14-5 of this Act with respect to judges of election.

In any election called for the submission of the revision or alteration of, or the amendments to the Constitution, submitted by a Constitutional Convention, the final day for registration at the office of the election authority charged with the printing of the ballot of this election shall be the 15th day prior to the date of election.

The Board of Election Commissioners shall appoint one or

more registration teams, consisting of 2 of its employees for each team, for the purpose of accepting the registration of any voter who files an affidavit, within the period for taking registrations provided for in this Article, that he is physically unable to appear at the office of the Board or at any appointed place of registration. On the day or days when a precinct registration is being conducted such teams shall consist of one member from each of the 2 leading political parties who are serving on the Precinct Registration Board. Each team so designated shall visit each person with a disability and shall accept the registration of such person the same as if he had applied for registration in person.

Any otherwise qualified person who is absent from his county of residence due to business of the United States, or who is temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States, may make application to become registered by mail to the Board of Election Commissioners within the periods for registration provided for in this Article or by simultaneous application for registration by mail and vote by mail ballot as provided in Article 20 of this Code.

Upon receipt of such application the Board of Election Commissioners shall immediately mail an affidavit of registration in duplicate, which affidavit shall contain the following and such other information as the State Board of Elections may think it proper to require for the identification of the applicant:

- 1 Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and first
- or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the initial
- 3 for such middle name, if any.
- 4 Sex.
- 5 Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue or
- 6 other location of the dwelling, and such additional clear and
- 7 definite description as may be necessary to determine the
- 8 exact location of the dwelling of the applicant. Where the
- 9 location cannot be determined by street and number, then the
- section, congressional township and range number may be used,
- or such other information as may be necessary, including post
- 12 office mailing address.
- 13 Electronic mail address, if the registrant has provided
- 14 this information.
- 15 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
- 16 precinct.
- Nativity. The state or country in which the applicant was
- 18 born.
- 19 Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or
- 20 naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place and date of
- 21 naturalization.
- 22 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.
- Out of State address of
- 24 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION
- 25 State of)
- 26) ss.

1 County of)

I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States; that on the day of the next election I shall have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election precinct 30 days; that I am fully qualified to vote, that I am not registered to vote anywhere else in the United States, that I intend to remain a resident of the State of Illinois, and of the election precinct, that I intend to return to the State of Illinois, and that the above statements are true.

11 (His or her signature or mark)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, an officer qualified to administer oaths, on (insert date).

15 Signature of officer administering oath.

Upon receipt of the executed duplicate affidavit of Registration, the Board of Election Commissioners shall transfer the information contained thereon to duplicate Registration Cards provided for in Section 6-35 of this Article and shall attach thereto a copy of each of the duplicate affidavit of registration and thereafter such registration card and affidavit shall constitute the registration of such person the same as if he had applied for registration in person.

25 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 10-1-13; 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15;

26 99-143, eff. 7-27-15.)

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1 (10 ILCS 5/6-35) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-35)

Sec. 6-35. The Boards of Election Commissioners shall sufficient number of blank forms а registration of electors which shall be known as registration record cards and which shall consist of loose leaf sheets or cards, of suitable size to contain in plain writing and figures the data hereinafter required thereon or shall consist of computer cards of suitable nature to contain the data required thereon. The registration record cards, which shall include an affidavit of registration as hereinafter provided, shall be executed in duplicate. The duplicate of which may be a carbon copy of the original or a copy of the original made by the use of other method or material used for simultaneous true copies or duplications.

The registration record card shall contain the following and such other information as the Board of Election Commissioners may think it proper to require for the identification of the applicant for registration:

Name. The name of the applicant, giving surname and first or Christian name in full, and the middle name or the initial for such middle name, if any.

22 Sex.

Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue, or other location of the dwelling, including the apartment, unit or room number, if any, and in the case of a mobile home the

- 1 lot number, and such additional clear and definite description
- 2 as may be necessary to determine the exact location of the
- 3 dwelling of the applicant, including post-office mailing
- 4 address. In the case of a homeless individual, the
- 5 individual's voting residence that is his or her mailing
- 6 address shall be included on his or her registration record
- 7 card.
- 8 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
- 9 precinct.
- Nativity. The state or country in which the applicant was
- 11 born.
- 12 Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or
- 13 naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place, and date of
- 14 naturalization.
- Date of application for registration, i.e., the day, month
- 16 and year when the applicant presented himself for
- 17 registration.
- 18 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.
- 19 Physical disability of the applicant, if any, at the time
- of registration, which would require assistance in voting.
- 21 The county and state in which the applicant was last
- 22 registered.
- 23 Electronic mail address, if any.
- 24 Signature of voter. The applicant, after registration and
- in the presence of a deputy registrar or other officer of
- 26 registration shall be required to sign his or her name in ink

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or digitized form to the affidavit on both the original and the duplicate registration record card.

3 Signature of deputy registrar.

In case applicant is unable to sign his name, he may affix his mark to the affidavit. In such case the registration officer shall write a detailed description of the applicant in the space provided at the bottom of the card or sheet; and shall ask the following questions and record the answers thereto:

10 Father's first name

11 Mother's first name

12 From what address did you last register?

Reason for inability to sign name

14 Each applicant for registration shall make an affidavit in

substantially the following form:

16 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION

17 State of Illinois)

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19 County of)

I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the United States, that on the day of the next election I shall have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election precinct 30 days and that I intend that this location is my residence; that I regard this location as my home; that I have no intention of returning to a former residence following the next election; that I have no other home to return to in case

of sickness or other affliction; that I am fully qualified to vote, and that the above statements are true.

4 (His or her signature or mark)

5 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

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7 Signature of registration officer

(to be signed in presence of registrant).

Space shall be provided upon the face of each registration record card for the notation of the voting record of the person registered thereon.

Each registration record card shall be numbered according to wards or precincts, as the case may be, and may be serially or otherwise marked for identification in such manner as the Board of Election Commissioners may determine.

The registration cards shall be deemed public records and shall be open to inspection during regular business hours, except during the 27 days immediately preceding any election. On written request of any candidate or objector or any person intending to object to a petition, the election authority shall extend its hours for inspection of registration cards and other records of the election authority during the period beginning with the filing of petitions under Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-6 or 28-3 and continuing through the termination of electoral board hearings on any objections to petitions containing signatures of registered voters in the jurisdiction

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of the election authority. The extension shall be for a period sufficient to allow adequate opportunity for of hours examination of the records but the election authority is not required to extend its hours beyond the period beginning at its normal opening for business and ending at midnight. If the business hours are so extended, the election authority shall post a public notice of such extended hours. Registration record cards may also be inspected, upon approval of the officer in charge of the cards, during the 27 days immediately preceding any election. Registration record cards shall also be open to inspection by certified judges and poll watchers and challengers at the polling place on election day, but only to the extent necessary to determine the question of the right of a person to vote or to serve as a judge of election. At no shall poll watchers or challengers be allowed to physically handle the registration record cards.

Updated copies of computer tapes or computer discs or other electronic data processing information containing voter registration information shall be furnished by the Board of Election Commissioners within 10 days after December 15 and May 15 each year and within 10 days after each registration period is closed to the State Board of Elections in a form prescribed by the State Board. For the purposes of this Section, a registration period is closed 27 days before the date of any regular or special election. Registration information shall include, but not be limited to, the

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following information: name, sex, residence, telephone number, if any, age, party affiliation, if applicable, precinct, ward, township, county, and representative, legislative congressional districts. In the event of noncompliance, the State Board of Elections is directed to obtain compliance forthwith with this nondiscretionary duty of the election authority by instituting legal proceedings in the circuit court of the county in which the election authority maintains the registration information. The costs of furnishing updated copies of tapes or discs shall be paid at a rate of \$.00034 per name of registered voters in the election jurisdiction, but not less than \$50 per tape or disc and shall be paid from appropriations made to the State Board of Elections for reimbursement to the election authority for such purpose. The State Board shall furnish copies of such tapes, discs, other electronic data or compilations thereof to state political committees registered pursuant to the Illinois Campaign Finance Act or the Federal Election Campaign Act and to governmental entities, at their request and at a reasonable cost. To protect the privacy and confidentiality of voter registration information, the disclosure of electronic voter registration records to any person or entity other than to a State or local political committee and other than to a governmental entity for a governmental purpose is specifically prohibited except as follows: subject to security measures adopted by the State Board of Elections which, at a minimum,

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shall include the keeping of a catalog or database, available for public view, including the name, address, and telephone number of the person viewing the list as well as the time of that viewing, any person may view the centralized statewide voter registration list on a computer screen Springfield office of the State Board of Elections, during normal business hours other than during the 27 days before an election, but the person viewing the list under this exception may not print, duplicate, transmit, or alter the list. Copies of the tapes, discs or other electronic data shall be furnished by the Board of Election Commissioners to local political committees and governmental entities at their request and at a reasonable cost. Reasonable cost of the tapes, discs, et cetera for this purpose would be the cost of duplication plus 15% for administration. The individual representing a political committee requesting copies of such tapes shall make a sworn affidavit that the information shall be used only for bona fide political purposes, including by or for candidates for office or incumbent office holders. Such tapes, discs or other electronic data shall not be used under any circumstances by any political committee or individuals for purposes of commercial solicitation or other business such tapes contain information purposes. Ιf on residents related to the operations of county government in addition to registration information, that information shall not be used under any circumstances for commercial

- solicitation or other business purposes. The prohibition in this Section against using the computer tapes or computer discs or other electronic data processing information containing voter registration information for purposes of commercial solicitation or other business purposes shall be prospective only from the effective date of this amended Act of 1979. Any person who violates this provision shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.
- 9 The State Board of Elections shall promulgate, by October 10 1, 1987, such regulations as may be necessary to ensure 11 uniformity throughout the State in electronic data processing 12 of voter registration information. The regulations shall include, but need not be limited to, specifications for 13 14 uniform medium, communications protocol and file structure to 15 be employed by the election authorities of this State in the 16 electronic data processing of voter registration information. 17 Each election authority utilizing electronic data processing of voter registration information shall comply with such 18 19 regulations on and after May 15, 1988.
- If the applicant for registration was last registered in another county within this State, he shall also sign a certificate authorizing cancellation of the former registration. The certificate shall be in substantially the following form:
- To the County Clerk of County, Illinois.
- To the Election Commission of the City of, Illinois.

- 1 This is to certify that I am registered in your (county)
- 2 (city) and that my residence was Having moved out of your
- 3 (county), (city), I hereby authorize you to cancel that
- 4 registration in your office.
- 5 Dated at, Illinois, on (insert date).
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- 7 (Signature of Voter)
- 8 Attest, Clerk, Election Commission of the City
- 9 of..., Illinois.
- The cancellation certificate shall be mailed immediately
- 11 by the clerk of the Election Commission to the county clerk,
- 12 (or Election Commission as the case may be) where the
- 13 applicant was formerly registered. Receipt of such certificate
- 14 shall be full authority for cancellation of any previous
- 15 registration.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 10-1-13; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)
- 17 (10 ILCS 5/6-37) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-37)
- 18 Sec. 6-37. Except as otherwise provided for in Section
- 19 6-29 of this Article, no person shall be registered unless he
- 20 applies in person to a registration officer, answers such
- 21 relevant questions as may be asked of him by the registration
- 22 officer, and executes the affidavit of registration. The
- 23 registration officer shall require the applicant to furnish
- 24 two forms of identification, and except in the case of a
- 25 homeless individual, one of which must include his or her

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These forms of identification residence address. shall include, but not be limited to, any of the following if valid and unexpired: driver's license; τ social security card; τ public aid identification card; 7 utility bill; 7 employee or student identification card, lease or contract for a residence; , credit card, or a civic, union, or professional association membership card; United States passport; or any other form of identification or documentation issued by the federal, State, or unit of local government that contains the applicant's residential address. The registration officer shall require a homeless individual to furnish evidence of his or her use of the mailing address stated. This use may be demonstrated by a piece of mail addressed to that individual and received at that address or by a statement from a person authorizing use of the mailing address. The registration officer shall require each applicant for registration to read or have read to him the affidavit of registration before permitting him to execute the affidavit.

The registration officer shall satisfy himself that each applicant for registration is qualified to register before registering him. Any voter of the ward, village or incorporated town in which such applicant resides, shall be permitted to be present at the place of registration, and shall have the right to challenge any applicant who applies to be registered.

In case the officer is not satisfied that the applicant is

qualified he shall forthwith in writing notify such applicant to appear before the board of election commissioners to furnish further proof of his qualification. Upon the card of such applicant shall be written the word "incomplete" and no such applicant shall be permitted to vote unless such registration is satisfactorily completed as hereinafter provided.

Any person claiming to be an elector in any election precinct in such city, village or incorporated town and whose registration is marked "incomplete" may make and sign an application in writing, under oath, to the board of election commissioners in substance in the following form:

"I do solemnly swear that I,... did on ... make application to the board of registry of the ... precinct of ... ward of the city of ... (or to the board of election commissioners of ...) and that said board refused to complete my registration as a qualified voter in said precinct, that I reside in said precinct, that I regard this location as my home, that I have no intention of returning to a former residence following the next election, that I have no other home to return to in case of sickness or other affliction, and I am a duly qualified voter and entitled to vote in said precinct at the next election.

24 (Signature of Applicant)"

In all cities, villages or incorporated towns having a population of less than 200,000 all such applications shall be

presented to the board of election commissioners by the applicant, in person, between the hours of nine o'clock a.m., and five o'clock p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday of the second week prior to the week in which such election is to be held, and in all municipalities having a population of more than 200,000 and having a board of election commissioners and in all cities, villages and incorporated towns within the jurisdiction of such board, all such applications shall be presented to the board of election commissioners by the applicant, in person between the hours of nine o'clock a.m. and five o'clock p.m., on Monday and Tuesday of the third week prior to the week in which such election is to be held.

(Source: P.A. 96-317, eff. 1-1-10.)