

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB1481

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 145/5.09

Amends the Legislative Information System Act. Requires the Legislative Information System to make available to the public an Internet website link to each General Assembly member's voting record, to the extent that record exists, which shall be placed alongside each member's biographical information on the website maintained by the System.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

- Section 5. The Legislative Information System Act is amended by changing Section 5.09 as follows:
- 6 (25 ILCS 145/5.09)

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- Sec. 5.09. Public computer access; legislative information. To make available to the public all of the following information in electronic form:
 - (1) On or before July 1, 1999, the weekly schedule of legislative floor sessions for each of the 2 houses of the General Assembly together with a list of matters pending before them and the weekly schedule of legislative committee hearings together with matters scheduled for their consideration.
 - (2) On or before July 1, 1999, a list of the committees of the General Assembly and their members.
 - (3) On or before July 1, 1999, the text of each bill and resolution introduced and of each engrossed, enrolled, and re-enrolled bill and resolution and the text of each adopted amendment and conference committee report.
 - (4) On or before July 1, 1999, a synopsis of items specified in paragraph (3) of this Section, together with a

- summary of legislative and gubernatorial actions regarding each bill and resolution introduced.
 - (5) On or before July 1, 1999, the Rules of the House and the Senate of the General Assembly.
 - (6) Before the conclusion of the Ninety-second General Assembly, the text of Public Acts.
 - (7) Before the conclusion of the Ninety-second General Assembly, the Illinois Compiled Statutes.
 - (8) Before the conclusion of the Ninety-second General Assembly, the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois.
 - (9) Before the conclusion of the Ninety-second General Assembly, the text of the Illinois Administrative Code.
 - (10) Before the conclusion of the Ninety-second General Assembly, the most current issue of the Illinois Register published on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1998.
 - (11) Any other information that the Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services elects to make available.

The information shall be made available to the public through a website maintained by the System. The information may also be made available by any other means of access that would facilitate public access to the information.

Any documentation that describes the electronic digital formats of the information shall be made available through a website maintained by the System.

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Personal information concerning a person who accesses this public information may be maintained only for the purpose of providing service to the person.

No fee or other charge may be imposed by the Legislative Information System as a condition of accessing the information, except that a reasonable fee may be charged for any customized services and shall be deposited into the General Assembly Computer Equipment Revolving Fund.

The electronic public access provided through the System's website shall be in addition to any other electronic or print distribution of the information.

Within one-year after August 24, 2017 (the effective date of Public Act 100-320) this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, to the extent practicable, the System shall use a free translation tool to enable translation into multiple languages of the information made available to the public through the website maintained by the System. The translation tool shall, at a minimum, translate the following content on website maintained by the System: the home page; information regarding the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate, including, but not limited to, each member's biography, committee assignments, and sponsored bills; information regarding the membership of, bills assigned to, and meeting schedules of each standing and special committee of the House of Representatives and the Senate; information on the procedural status of each bill

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resolution, together with any amendments thereto, appointment message filed in the House of Representatives or the Senate, including both general information user-selected information (through the "Mv Legislation" function or otherwise), but not including the synopsis or text of any bill or resolution, or any amendment thereto, or any message, Public Act, or Executive Order; appointment information regarding previous General Assemblies, including the synopsis or text of any bill or resolution, or any amendment thereto, or any appointment message, Public Act, or Executive Order; contact information for the General Assembly, legislative support service agencies, and other related offices in the Capitol Complex; and information regarding access for persons with disabilities. The System may, in its discretion, provide for additional content to be translated. The languages available for translation shall be those provided by the translation tool. Before a user accesses translated information, the System shall ensure that disclaimer is first displayed, stating that: the translated information is offered as a convenience and should not be considered accurate as to the translation of the text in question; and the English language version is the official and authoritative version of the text in question.

As soon as practicable after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly, the System shall make available to the public an Internet website link to each

- 1 General Assembly member's voting record, to the extent that
- 2 record exists, which shall be placed alongside each member's
- 3 biographical information on the website maintained by the
- 4 System.
- 5 No action taken under this Section shall be deemed to alter
- 6 or relinquish any copyright or other proprietary interest or
- 7 entitlement of the State of Illinois relating to any of the
- 8 information made available under this Section.
- 9 The information shall be made available as provided in this
- 10 Section in the shortest practicable time after it is publicly
- 11 available in any other form; provided that the System may make
- 12 information available under this Section only if the
- availability in no way reduces the quality and timeliness of
- 14 service available to and required under this Act for
- 15 legislative users and does not unduly burden the General
- 16 Assembly or its support services agencies. Failure to provide
- information under this Section does not affect the validity of
- 18 any action of the General Assembly. The General Assembly and
- 19 the State of Illinois are not liable for the accuracy,
- 20 availability, or use of the information provided under this
- 21 Section.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 100-320, eff. 8-24-17.)