



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

HB2066

Introduced 2/7/2023, by Rep. Daniel Didech

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/25-8

from Ch. 46, par. 25-8

Amends the Election Code. Provides that any person appointed to fill a vacancy in the United States Senate shall be affiliated with the same political party as the person vacating the office if the person vacating the office was elected as a member of an established political party that is still in existence at the time of appointment. Provides that the appointee shall establish his or her political party affiliation by his or her record of voting in party primary elections or by holding or having held an office in a political party organization before appointment. Effective immediately.

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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 25-8 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/25-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 25-8)

7 Sec. 25-8. (a) When a vacancy shall occur in the office of
8 United States Senator from this state, the Governor shall make
9 temporary appointment to fill such vacancy until the next
10 election of representatives in Congress, at which time such
11 vacancy shall be filled by election, and the senator so
12 elected shall take office as soon thereafter as he shall
13 receive his certificate of election.

14 (b) Any person appointed to fill a vacancy under this
15 Section shall be affiliated with the same political party as
16 the person vacating the office if the person vacating the
17 office was elected as a member of an established political
18 party, as defined by Section 10-2, that is still in existence
19 at the time of appointment. The appointee shall establish his
20 or her political party affiliation by his or her record of
21 voting in party primary elections or by holding or having held
22 an office in a political party organization before
23 appointment.

1 (Source: Laws 1943, vol. 2, p. 1.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
3 becoming law.