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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

10 ILCS 5/7-10

from Ch. 46, par. 7-10

10 ILCS 5/8-8

from Ch. 46, par. 8-8

Creates the Local Officer Eligibility Act. Provides that a person seeking a local office or a local officer seeking another office may not qualify as a candidate for more than one office unless the person follows the requirements of this Act. Provides that, if a local officer seeks to become a candidate for any other office and any part of the terms run concurrently with each other, the person must first resign the local office that the officer presently holds. Includes resignation requirements. Provides that a person who is a deputy sheriff, county corrections officer, court security officer, or other person a sheriff otherwise supervises must resign as provided under the provisions if the person is seeking to qualify for the office of the sheriff. Provides that, if an election authority determines that a person failed to resign as required under the Act, an automatic resignation occurs 14 days after the filing of a petition for nomination. Requires the election authority to provide notice of the automatic resignation. Provides that the Act does not apply to a person already appointed to or is seeking appointment to an appointive board, task force, commission, or authority. Defines terms. Limits concurrent exercise of home rule powers. Amends the Election Code making conforming changes.

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1 AN ACT concerning government.

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

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Local
5 Officer Eligibility Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions.

7 "Federal office" means the office of the President or Vice
8 President of the United States or of a member of the United
9 States Congress.

10 "Judicial office" has the meaning ascribed to that term in
11 Section 7-4 of the Election Code.

12 "Law enforcement officer" has the meaning ascribed to that
13 term in Section 5 of the Law Enforcement Officer Bulletproof
14 Vest Act.

15 "Local office" means the office of a board member of a unit
16 of local government or any other elected or appointed office
17 of a unit of local government.

18 "Office" means a State office, local office, federal
19 office, or judicial office.

20 "State office" means the office of the Governor,
21 Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State,
22 State Comptroller, or State Treasurer, the office of a member
23 of the General Assembly, or the office of a State's Attorney.

1 Section 10. Candidacy for office. A person seeking a local
2 office or a local officer seeking another office may not
3 qualify as a candidate for more than one office unless the
4 person follows the requirements of this Act.

5 Section 15. Local officers seeking another office.

6 (a) If a local officer seeks to become a candidate for
7 another office and any part of the terms run concurrently with
8 each other, the person must first resign the local office that
9 the officer presently holds. Resignation shall be under the
10 following conditions:

11 (1) The resignation is irrevocable.

12 (2) The written resignation must be submitted at least
13 10 days prior to the earliest date to file the person's
14 petition for nomination for the other office under the
15 Election Code.

16 (3) The resignation must be effective no later than
17 the date the local officer would take office in the new
18 office, if elected. The office is deemed vacant upon the
19 effective date of the resignation submitted by the local
20 officer in the letter of resignation.

21 (4) An elected or appointed local officer must submit
22 his or her written resignation to the clerk, or individual
23 holding a similar position, of the unit of local
24 government, with a copy provided to the local election

1 authority.

2 (b) This Section does not apply to a local officer if the
3 term of the office that the officer presently holds is
4 scheduled to expire or to be filled by election or appointment
5 on or before the date the local officer's term would begin in
6 the office that the officer is seeking.

7 Section 20. Seeking the office of the sheriff. A person
8 who is a deputy sheriff, county corrections officer, court
9 security officer, or other person a sheriff otherwise
10 supervises must resign as provided under subsection (a) of
11 Section 15 if the person is seeking to qualify for the office
12 of the sheriff, except that the person shall submit the
13 resignation to the sheriff and the local election authority.

14 Section 25. Failure to submit resignation; penalties;
15 notice.

16 (a) The failure of a local officer to submit a resignation
17 under Section 15 or a person in a sheriff's office required to
18 submit a resignation under Section 20 constitutes an
19 automatic, irrevocable resignation by the local officer from
20 the office the officer presently holds or from the position
21 the person holds in the sheriff's office, effective 14 days
22 after the filing of a petition for nomination for the other
23 office or office of the sheriff, as applicable.

24 (b) The local election authority must determine if an

1 automatic resignation has occurred under subsection (a) upon
2 the filing of each petition for nomination. The local election
3 authority shall send a notice of the automatic resignation to
4 the individual and to the office of the unit of local
5 government in which the individual was a officer or was
6 employed. In the case of a deputy sheriff, county corrections
7 officer, court security officer, or other person a sheriff
8 otherwise supervises, the election authority shall also submit
9 a copy of the automatic resignation to the sheriff.

10 Section 30. Federal, judicial, and State officers seeking
11 local office; penalties for failure to resign.

12 (a) A person who holds a federal office, judicial office,
13 or State office may not file a petition for nomination for a
14 local office unless the person first resigns in the same
15 manner as required under Section 15, except that the officer
16 must file the officer's resignation with the appropriate
17 persons or entities to effectuate the resignation. The officer
18 must file a copy of the resignation with the local election
19 authority in which the officer will be filing a petition for
20 nomination for a local office.

21 (b) Failure to submit a resignation and a copy to the local
22 election authority under this Section shall make the person
23 ineligible to hold the local office for which the person filed
24 a petition for nomination. The local election authority shall
25 not place the name of any person on the ballot for a local

1 office who has not complied with this Section.

2 (c) This Section does not apply to a federal, judicial, or
3 State officer if the term of the office that the officer
4 presently holds is scheduled to expire or be filled by
5 election or appointment on or before the date the officer's
6 term would begin in the local office that the officer is
7 seeking.

8 Section 35. Appointive entities. This Act does not apply
9 to a person already appointed to or is seeking appointment to
10 an appointive board, task force, commission, or authority.

11 Section 40. Conflict with other provisions of law.

12 (a) To the extent this Act conflicts with the Officer
13 Prohibited Activities Act, the Officer Prohibited Activities
14 Act controls.

15 (b) Except as provided for in subsection (a), to the
16 extent this Act conflicts with any other provision of law,
17 this Act controls.

18 Section 90. Home rule. A home rule unit that has the
19 authority to set eligibility requirements for local office may
20 not set eligibility requirements for local office in a manner
21 inconsistent with this Act. This Act is a limitation under
22 subsection (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois
23 Constitution on the concurrent exercise by home rule units of

1 powers and functions exercised by the State.

2 Section 900. The Election Code is amended by changing
 3 Sections 7-10 and 8-8 as follows:

4 (10 ILCS 5/7-10) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-10)

5 Sec. 7-10. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no
 6 candidate for nomination, or State central committeeperson, or
 7 township committeeperson, or precinct committeeperson, or ward
 8 committeeperson or candidate for delegate or alternate
 9 delegate to national nominating conventions, shall be printed
 10 upon the primary ballot unless a petition for nomination has
 11 been filed in his behalf as provided in this Article in
 12 substantially the following form:

13 We, the undersigned, members of and affiliated with the
 14 party and qualified primary electors of the party,
 15 in the of, in the county of and State of
 16 Illinois, do hereby petition that the following named person
 17 or persons shall be a candidate or candidates of the party
 18 for the nomination for (or in case of committeepersons for
 19 election to) the office or offices hereinafter specified, to
 20 be voted for at the primary election to be held on (insert
 21 date).

22	Name	Office	Address
23	John Jones	Governor	Belvidere, Ill.
24	Jane James	Lieutenant Governor	Peoria, Ill.

1 Thomas Smith Attorney General Oakland, Ill.

2 Name..... Address.....

3 State of Illinois)

4) ss.

5 County of.....)

6 I,, do hereby certify that I reside at No.
7 street, in the of, county of, and State of
8, that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen
9 of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet
10 were signed in my presence, and are genuine, and that to the
11 best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at
12 the time of signing the petitions qualified voters of the
13 party, and that their respective residences are correctly
14 stated, as above set forth.

15

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

17

18 Each sheet of the petition other than the statement of
19 candidacy and candidate's statement shall be of uniform size
20 and shall contain above the space for signatures an
21 appropriate heading giving the information as to name of
22 candidate or candidates, in whose behalf such petition is
23 signed; the office, the political party represented and place

1 of residence; and the heading of each sheet shall be the same.

2 Such petition shall be signed by qualified primary
3 electors residing in the political division for which the
4 nomination is sought in their own proper persons only and
5 opposite the signature of each signer, his residence address
6 shall be written or printed. The residence address required to
7 be written or printed opposite each qualified primary
8 elector's name shall include the street address or rural route
9 number of the signer, as the case may be, as well as the
10 signer's county, and city, village or town, and state.
11 However, the county or city, village or town, and state of
12 residence of the electors may be printed on the petition forms
13 where all of the electors signing the petition reside in the
14 same county or city, village or town, and state. Standard
15 abbreviations may be used in writing the residence address,
16 including street number, if any. At the bottom of each sheet of
17 such petition shall be added a circulator statement signed by
18 a person 18 years of age or older who is a citizen of the
19 United States, stating the street address or rural route
20 number, as the case may be, as well as the county, city,
21 village or town, and state; and certifying that the signatures
22 on that sheet of the petition were signed in his or her
23 presence and certifying that the signatures are genuine; and
24 either (1) indicating the dates on which that sheet was
25 circulated, or (2) indicating the first and last dates on
26 which the sheet was circulated, or (3) for elections where the

1 petition circulation period is 90 days, certifying that none
2 of the signatures on the sheet were signed more than 90 days
3 preceding the last day for the filing of the petition, or (4)
4 for the 2022 general primary election only, certify that the
5 signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of
6 January 13, 2022 through March 14, 2022 or certify that the
7 signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of
8 January 13, 2022 through the date on which this statement was
9 sworn or affirmed to and certifying that to the best of his or
10 her knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the
11 time of signing the petitions qualified voters of the
12 political party for which a nomination is sought. Such
13 statement shall be sworn to before some officer authorized to
14 administer oaths in this State.

15 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, no petition
16 sheet shall be circulated more than 90 days preceding the last
17 day provided in Section 7-12 for the filing of such petition.

18 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on
19 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
20 signature from the petition, provided that:

21 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial
22 the petition at the place where the signature is struck;
23 and

24 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
25 certification listing the page number and line number of
26 each signature struck from the petition. Such

1 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

2 Such sheets before being filed shall be neatly fastened
3 together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile and
4 fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable
5 manner, and the sheets shall then be numbered consecutively.
6 The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end
7 to end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll. All petition
8 sheets which are filed with the proper local election
9 officials, election authorities or the State Board of
10 Elections shall be the original sheets which have been signed
11 by the voters and by the circulator thereof, and not
12 photocopies or duplicates of such sheets. Each petition must
13 include as a part thereof, a statement of candidacy for each of
14 the candidates filing, or in whose behalf the petition is
15 filed. This statement shall set out the address of such
16 candidate, the office for which he is a candidate, shall state
17 that the candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to
18 which the petition relates and is qualified for the office
19 specified (in the case of a candidate for State's Attorney it
20 shall state that the candidate is at the time of filing such
21 statement a licensed attorney-at-law of this State), shall
22 state that he has filed (or will file before the close of the
23 petition filing period) a statement of economic interests as
24 required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act, shall
25 request that the candidate's name be placed upon the official
26 ballot, and shall be subscribed and sworn to by such candidate

1 before some officer authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds
 2 in the State and shall be in substantially the following form:

3 Statement of Candidacy

4	Name	Address	Office	District	Party
5	John Jones	102 Main St.	Governor	Statewide	Republican
6		Belvidere,			
7		Illinois			

8 State of Illinois)

9) ss.

10 County of)

11 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at
 12 Street in the city (or village) of, in the county of,
 13 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a
 14 qualified primary voter of the party; that I currently
 15 (hold do/do not hold) office other than the office for which
 16 this Statement is being submitted; that I (am/am not) an
 17 employee in the office of the sheriff and that I (am/am not)
 18 seeking the office of the sheriff; that I am a candidate for
 19 nomination (for election in the case of committeeperson and
 20 delegates and alternate delegates) to the office of to be
 21 voted upon at the primary election to be held on (insert date);
 22 that I am legally qualified (including being the holder of any
 23 license that may be an eligibility requirement for the office
 24 I seek the nomination for) to hold such office and that I have
 25 filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing

1 period) a statement of economic interests as required by the
 2 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my
 3 name be printed upon the official primary ballot for
 4 nomination for (or election to in the case of committeepersons
 5 and delegates and alternate delegates) such office.

6 Signed

7 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by,
 8 who is to me personally known, on (insert date).

9 Signed

10 (Official Character)

11 (Seal, if officer has one.)

12 As used in the Statement of Candidacy, "office" has the
 13 meaning ascribed to that term in Section 5 of the Local Officer
 14 Eligibility Act.

15 The petitions, when filed, shall not be withdrawn or added
 16 to, and no signatures shall be revoked except by revocation
 17 filed in writing with the State Board of Elections, election
 18 authority or local election official with whom the petition is
 19 required to be filed, and before the filing of such petition.
 20 Whoever forges the name of a signer upon any petition required
 21 by this Article is deemed guilty of a forgery and on conviction
 22 thereof shall be punished accordingly.

23 A candidate for the offices listed in this Section must
 24 obtain the number of signatures specified in this Section on
 25 his or her petition for nomination.

1 (a) Statewide office or delegate to a national nominating
2 convention. Except as otherwise provided in this Code, if a
3 candidate seeks to run for statewide office or as a delegate or
4 alternate delegate to a national nominating convention elected
5 from the State at-large, then the candidate's petition for
6 nomination must contain at least 5,000 but not more than
7 10,000 signatures.

8 (b) Congressional office or congressional delegate to a
9 national nominating convention. Except as otherwise provided
10 in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run for United States
11 Congress or as a congressional delegate or alternate
12 congressional delegate to a national nominating convention
13 elected from a congressional district, then the candidate's
14 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
15 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
16 his or her party in his or her congressional district. In the
17 first primary election following a redistricting of
18 congressional districts, a candidate's petition for nomination
19 must contain at least 600 signatures of qualified primary
20 electors of the candidate's political party in his or her
21 congressional district.

22 (c) County office. Except as otherwise provided in this
23 Code, if a candidate seeks to run for any countywide office,
24 including, but not limited to, county board chairperson or
25 county board member, elected on an at-large basis, in a county
26 other than Cook County, then the candidate's petition for

1 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
2 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party who
3 cast votes at the last preceding general election in his or her
4 county. If a candidate seeks to run for county board member
5 elected from a county board district, then the candidate's
6 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
7 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
8 his or her party in the county board district. In the first
9 primary election following a redistricting of county board
10 districts or the initial establishment of county board
11 districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must contain
12 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
13 qualified electors of his or her party in the entire county who
14 cast votes at the last preceding general election divided by
15 the total number of county board districts comprising the
16 county board; provided that in no event shall the number of
17 signatures be less than 25.

18 (d) County office; Cook County only.

19 (1) If a candidate seeks to run for countywide office
20 in Cook County, then the candidate's petition for
21 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
22 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
23 who cast votes at the last preceding general election in
24 Cook County.

25 (2) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board
26 Commissioner, then the candidate's petition for nomination

1 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to
2 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of his or her party
3 in his or her county board district. In the first primary
4 election following a redistricting of Cook County Board of
5 Commissioners districts, a candidate's petition for
6 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
7 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
8 in the entire county who cast votes at the last preceding
9 general election divided by the total number of county
10 board districts comprising the county board; provided that
11 in no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

12 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this Code, if a
13 candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board of Review
14 Commissioner, which is elected from a district pursuant to
15 subsection (c) of Section 5-5 of the Property Tax Code,
16 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain
17 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
18 total number of registered voters in his or her board of
19 review district in the last general election at which a
20 commissioner was regularly scheduled to be elected from
21 that board of review district. In no event shall the
22 number of signatures required be greater than the
23 requisite number for a candidate who seeks countywide
24 office in Cook County under subsection (d)(1) of this
25 Section. In the first primary election following a
26 redistricting of Cook County Board of Review districts, a

1 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least
2 4,000 signatures or at least the number of signatures
3 required for a countywide candidate in Cook County,
4 whichever is less, of the qualified electors of his or her
5 party in the district.

6 (e) Municipal or township office. If a candidate seeks to
7 run for municipal or township office, then the candidate's
8 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
9 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
10 his or her party in the municipality or township. If a
11 candidate seeks to run for alderperson of a municipality, then
12 the candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least
13 the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified
14 primary electors of his or her party of the ward. In the first
15 primary election following redistricting of wards or trustee
16 districts of a municipality or the initial establishment of
17 wards or districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must
18 contain the number of signatures equal to at least 0.5% of the
19 total number of votes cast for the candidate of that political
20 party who received the highest number of votes in the entire
21 municipality at the last regular election at which an officer
22 was regularly scheduled to be elected from the entire
23 municipality, divided by the number of wards or districts. In
24 no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

25 (f) State central committeeperson. If a candidate seeks to
26 run for State central committeeperson, then the candidate's

1 petition for nomination must contain at least 100 signatures
2 of the primary electors of his or her party of his or her
3 congressional district.

4 (g) Sanitary district trustee. Except as otherwise
5 provided in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run for trustee
6 of a sanitary district in which trustees are not elected from
7 wards, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
8 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
9 primary electors of his or her party from the sanitary
10 district. If a candidate seeks to run for trustee of a sanitary
11 district in which trustees are elected from wards, then the
12 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the
13 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the primary electors of
14 his or her party in the ward of that sanitary district. In the
15 first primary election following redistricting of sanitary
16 districts elected from wards, a candidate's petition for
17 nomination must contain at least the signatures of 150
18 qualified primary electors of his or her ward of that sanitary
19 district.

20 (h) Judicial office. Except as otherwise provided in this
21 Code, if a candidate seeks to run for judicial office in a
22 district, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
23 contain the number of signatures equal to 0.4% of the number of
24 votes cast in that district for the candidate for his or her
25 political party for the office of Governor at the last general
26 election at which a Governor was elected, but in no event less

1 than 500 signatures. If a candidate seeks to run for judicial
2 office in a circuit or subcircuit, then the candidate's
3 petition for nomination must contain the number of signatures
4 equal to 0.25% of the number of votes cast for the judicial
5 candidate of his or her political party who received the
6 highest number of votes at the last general election at which a
7 judicial officer from the same circuit or subcircuit was
8 regularly scheduled to be elected, but in no event less than
9 1,000 signatures in circuits and subcircuits located in the
10 First Judicial District or 500 signatures in every other
11 Judicial District.

12 (i) Precinct, ward, and township committeeperson. Except
13 as otherwise provided in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run
14 for precinct committeeperson, then the candidate's petition
15 for nomination must contain at least 10 signatures of the
16 primary electors of his or her party for the precinct. If a
17 candidate seeks to run for ward committeeperson, then the
18 candidate's petition for nomination must contain no less than
19 the number of signatures equal to 10% of the primary electors
20 of his or her party of the ward, but no more than 16% of those
21 same electors; provided that the maximum number of signatures
22 may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever is greater.
23 If a candidate seeks to run for township committeeperson, then
24 the candidate's petition for nomination must contain no less
25 than the number of signatures equal to 5% of the primary
26 electors of his or her party of the township, but no more than

1 8% of those same electors; provided that the maximum number of
2 signatures may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever
3 is greater.

4 (j) State's attorney or regional superintendent of schools
5 for multiple counties. If a candidate seeks to run for State's
6 attorney or regional Superintendent of Schools who serves more
7 than one county, then the candidate's petition for nomination
8 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of
9 the primary electors of his or her party in the territory
10 comprising the counties.

11 (k) Any other office. If a candidate seeks any other
12 office, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
13 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
14 registered voters of the political subdivision, district, or
15 division for which the nomination is made or 25 signatures,
16 whichever is greater.

17 For purposes of this Section the number of primary
18 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in
19 the applicable district, for the candidate for that political
20 party who received the highest number of votes, statewide, at
21 the last general election in the State at which electors for
22 President of the United States were elected. For political
23 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be
24 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
25 that political party who received the highest number of votes
26 in the political subdivision at the last regular election at

1 which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from
2 that subdivision. For wards or districts of political
3 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be
4 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
5 that political party who received the highest number of votes
6 in the ward or district at the last regular election at which
7 an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that
8 ward or district.

9 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
10 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one
11 party.

12 The changes made to this Section by Public Act 93-574 are
13 declarative of existing law, except for item (3) of subsection
14 (d).

15 Petitions of candidates for nomination for offices herein
16 specified, to be filed with the same officer, may contain the
17 names of 2 or more candidates of the same political party for
18 the same or different offices. In the case of the offices of
19 Governor and Lieutenant Governor, a joint petition including
20 one candidate for each of those offices must be filed.

21 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-687, eff. 12-17-21;
22 102-692, eff. 1-7-22.)

23 (10 ILCS 5/8-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 8-8)

24 Sec. 8-8. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no
25 candidate for nomination shall be printed upon the primary

1 ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed
 2 in his behalf as provided for in this Section. Each such
 3 petition shall include as a part thereof the oath required by
 4 Section 7-10.1 of this Code Act and a statement of candidacy by
 5 the candidate filing or in whose behalf the petition is filed.
 6 This statement shall set out the address of such candidate
 7 and the office for which he is a candidate; shall state that
 8 the candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to
 9 which the petition relates, is qualified for the office
 10 specified, and has filed a statement of economic interests as
 11 required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act; shall
 12 request that the candidate's name be placed upon the official
 13 ballot; and shall be subscribed and sworn by such candidate
 14 before some officer authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds
 15 in this State and may be in substantially the following form:

16 State of Illinois)

17) ss.

18 County

19 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at
 20 street in the city (or village of) in the county of
 21 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a
 22 qualified primary voter of party; that I currently (hold
 23 do/do not hold) office other than the office for which this
 24 Statement is being submitted; that I (am/am not) an employee
 25 in the office of the sheriff and that I (am/am not) seeking the
 26 office of the sheriff; that I am a candidate for nomination to

1 the office of to be voted upon at the primary election to
 2 be held on (insert date); that I am legally qualified to hold
 3 such office and that I have filed a statement of economic
 4 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act
 5 and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the official
 6 primary ballot for nomination for such office.

7 Signed

8 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by,
 9 who is to me personally known, on (insert date).

10 Signed (Official Character)

11 (Seal if officer has one.)

12 As used in the Statement of Candidacy, "office" has the
 13 meaning ascribed to that term in Section 5 of the Local Officer
 14 Eligibility Act.

15 The receipt issued by the Secretary of State indicating
 16 that the candidate has filed the statement of economic
 17 interests required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act
 18 must be filed with the petitions for nomination as provided in
 19 subsection (8) of Section 7-12 of this Code.

20 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, all petitions
 21 for nomination for the office of State Senator shall be signed
 22 by at least 1,000 but not more than 3,000 of the qualified
 23 primary electors of the candidate's party in his legislative
 24 district.

25 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, all petitions

1 for nomination for the office of Representative in the General
2 Assembly shall be signed by at least 500 but not more than
3 1,500 of the qualified primary electors of the candidate's
4 party in his or her representative district.

5 Opposite the signature of each qualified primary elector
6 who signs a petition for nomination for the office of State
7 Representative or State Senator such elector's residence
8 address shall be written or printed. The residence address
9 required to be written or printed opposite each qualified
10 primary elector's name shall include the street address or
11 rural route number of the signer, as the case may be, as well
12 as the signer's county and city, village, or town.

13 For the purposes of this Section, the number of primary
14 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in
15 the applicable district, for the candidate for such political
16 party who received the highest number of votes, state-wide, at
17 the last general election in the State at which electors for
18 President of the United States were elected.

19 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
20 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one
21 party.

22 In the affidavit at the bottom of each sheet, the petition
23 circulator, who shall be a person 18 years of age or older who
24 is a citizen of the United States, shall state his or her
25 street address or rural route number, as the case may be, as
26 well as his or her county, city, village or town, and state;

1 and shall certify that the signatures on that sheet of the
2 petition were signed in his or her presence; and shall certify
3 that the signatures are genuine; and shall certify that, to
4 the best of his or her knowledge and belief, the persons so
5 signing were at the time of signing the petition qualified
6 primary voters for which the nomination is sought.

7 In the affidavit at the bottom of each petition sheet, the
8 petition circulator shall ~~either~~ (1) indicate the dates on
9 which he or she circulated that sheet, or (2) indicate the
10 first and last dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3)
11 for elections where the petition circulation period is 90
12 days, certify that none of the signatures on the sheet were
13 signed more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing
14 of the petition, or (4) for the 2022 general primary election
15 only, certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed
16 during the period of January 13, 2022 through March 14, 2022 or
17 certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed during
18 the period of January 13, 2022 through the date on which this
19 statement was sworn or affirmed to. No petition sheet shall be
20 circulated more than 90 days preceding the last day provided
21 in Section 8-9 for the filing of such petition.

22 All petition sheets which are filed with the State Board
23 of Elections shall be the original sheets which have been
24 signed by the voters and by the circulator, and not
25 photocopies or duplicates of such sheets.

26 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on

1 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
2 signature from the petition, provided that:

3 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial
4 the petition at the place where the signature is struck;
5 and

6 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
7 certification listing the page number and line number of
8 each signature struck from the petition. Such
9 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

10 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-692, eff. 1-7-22;
11 revised 2-28-22.)