



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB5403

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/7-14

from Ch. 46, par. 7-14

Amends the Election Code. Provides that, not less than 68 days before the first date of early voting for the general primary (rather than 68 days before the date of the general primary), the State Board of Elections shall meet and shall examine all petitions filed with the State Board of Elections. Provides that, not less than 62 days before the first date of early voting for the general primary (rather than 62 days before the date of the general primary), each county clerk shall certify the names of all candidates whose nomination papers have been filed with such clerk and declare that the names of such candidates for the respective offices shall be placed upon the official ballot for the general primary.

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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 7-14 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/7-14) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-14)

7 Sec. 7-14. Except as otherwise provided in this Code, not
8 less than 68 days before the first date of early voting for the
9 general primary, the State Board of Elections shall meet and
10 shall examine all petitions filed under this Article 7, in the
11 office of the State Board of Elections. The State Board of
12 Elections shall then certify to the county clerk of each
13 county, the names of all candidates whose nomination papers or
14 certificates of nomination have been filed with the Board and
15 direct the county clerk to place upon the official ballot for
16 the general primary election the names of such candidates in
17 the same manner and in the same order as shown upon the
18 certification.

19 The State Board of Elections shall, in its certificate to
20 the county clerk, certify the names of the offices, and the
21 names of the candidates in the order in which the offices and
22 names shall appear upon the primary ballot; such names to
23 appear in the order in which petitions have been filed in the

1 office of the State Board of Elections except as otherwise
2 provided in this Article.

3 Not less than 62 days before the first date of early voting
4 for the general primary, each county clerk shall certify the
5 names of all candidates whose nomination papers have been
6 filed with such clerk and declare that the names of such
7 candidates for the respective offices shall be placed upon the
8 official ballot for the general primary in the order in which
9 such nomination papers were filed with the clerk, or as
10 determined by lot, or as otherwise specified by statute. Each
11 county clerk shall place a copy of the certification on file in
12 his or her office and at the same time issue to the board of
13 election commissioners a copy of the certification that has
14 been filed in the county clerk's office, together with a copy
15 of the certification that has been issued to the clerk by the
16 State Board of Elections, with directions to the board of
17 election commissioners to place upon the official ballot for
18 the general primary in that election jurisdiction the names of
19 all candidates that are listed on such certification in the
20 same manner and in the same order as shown upon such
21 certifications.

22 The certification shall indicate, where applicable, the
23 following:

24 (1) The political party affiliation of the candidates
25 for the respective offices;

26 (2) If there is to be more than one candidate elected

1 or nominated to an office from the State, political
2 subdivision or district;

3 (3) If the voter has the right to vote for more than
4 one candidate for an office;

5 (4) The term of office, if a vacancy is to be filled
6 for less than a full term or if the offices to be filled in
7 a political subdivision or district are for different
8 terms.

9 The State Board of Elections or the county clerk, as the
10 case may be, shall issue an amended certification whenever it
11 is discovered that the original certification is in error.

12 Subject to appeal, the names of candidates whose
13 nomination papers have been held invalid by the appropriate
14 electoral board provided in Section 10-9 of this Code shall
15 not be certified.

16 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21.)