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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/6A-1	from Ch. 46, par. 6A-1
10 ILCS 5/6A-2	from Ch. 46, par. 6A-2
10 ILCS 5/6A-6	from Ch. 46, par. 6A-6
10 ILCS 5/6A-7	from Ch. 46, par. 6A-7

Amends the Election Code. Authorizes establishment of a county board of election commissioners for the portion of a county with 3,000,000 or more population outside the corporate limits of a city, village, or incorporated town with a board of election commissioners. Authorizes establishment by county board ordinance or vote of the electors of the affected portion of the county.

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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 Sections 6A-1, 6A-2, 6A-6, and 6A-7 as follows:

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

7 Sec. 6A-1. County boards of election commissioners.

8 (a) Any county in which there is no city, village or
9 incorporated town with a board of election commissioners may
10 establish a county board of election commissioners either (1)
11 by ordinance of the county board or (2) by vote of the electors
12 of the county in accordance with Section 6A-2.

13 (b) The portion of a county of 3,000,000 or more population
14 outside the corporate limits of a city, village, or
15 incorporated town with a municipal board of election
16 commissioners may establish a county board of election
17 commissioners either (1) by ordinance of the county board or
18 (2) by vote of the electors of the portion of the county
19 outside the corporate limits of the city, village, or
20 incorporated town with a municipal board of election
21 commissioners in accordance with Section 6A-2.

22 (c) This subsection applies to counties with less than
23 3,000,000 population. The fact that some territory in a county

1 is within the corporate limits of a city, village or
2 incorporated town with a board of election commissioners does
3 not prevent that county from establishing a county board of
4 election commissioners in accordance with this Article if no
5 portion of such city, village or incorporated town was within
6 the county at the time of the establishment of the board of
7 election commissioners for such city, village or incorporated
8 town. If such a county establishes a county board of election
9 commissioners pursuant to this Article, the county board of
10 election commissioners shall, with respect to the territory in
11 the county within the corporate limits of the city, village or
12 incorporated town, supersede the board of election
13 commissioners of that city, village or incorporated town.

14 (Source: P.A. 81-1433.)

15 (10 ILCS 5/6A-2) (from Ch. 46, par. 6A-2)

16 Sec. 6A-2. Whenever registered voters in the county, or in
17 the portion of a county authorized under subsection (b) of
18 Section 6A-1 to establish a county board of election
19 commissioners, numbering at least 1,000 or 1/8 of the number
20 voting at the last preceding general election in the county,
21 whichever is less, petition the circuit court to submit to the
22 electors of the county or portion of the county, as the case
23 may be, a proposition to establish a county board of election
24 commissioners, the circuit court shall cause such proposition
25 to be submitted to the electors of the county or portion of the

1 county, as the case may be, at the next succeeding general
2 election. The proposition shall be submitted in the same manner
3 as provided in Article 6 for the adoption of Articles 6, 14 and
4 18 by cities, villages and incorporated towns, except that the
5 question shall be stated: "Shall a board of election
6 commissioners be established for (insert "all" or "part of", as
7 appropriate) County?"

8 (Source: P.A. 78-465.)

9 (10 ILCS 5/6A-6) (from Ch. 46, par. 6A-6)

10 Sec. 6A-6. Any references in this Act to the county clerk
11 or the county board with respect to the registration of voters,
12 filing of petitions, certification of candidates, preparation
13 of ballots, establishment of election precincts, designation
14 of polling places, or any other matter pertaining to the
15 conduct of elections, shall, as applied to any county, or
16 portion of a county, having a county board of election
17 commissioners, be construed as referring to the county board of
18 election commissioners. Any reference in this Code or any other
19 law to a county board of election commissioners shall be
20 construed to include the board of election commissioners of a
21 portion of a county authorized under subsection (b) of Section
22 6A-1 to establish a county board of election commissioners.

23 (Source: P.A. 78-465.)

24 (10 ILCS 5/6A-7) (from Ch. 46, par. 6A-7)

1 Sec. 6A-7. Any county or portion of a county which has
2 established a board of election commissioners may subsequently
3 vote to abandon such board in the same manner as provided in
4 Article 6 for cities, villages and incorporated towns, except
5 that the petition to the circuit court to submit to the vote of
6 the electors of the county or portion of the county, as the
7 case may be, the proposition to abandon the board of election
8 commissioners shall be signed by at least 10% of the registered
9 voters of the county or of the portion of the county subject to
10 the board of election commissioners.

11 (Source: P.A. 87-1247.)