



## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2007 and 2008

SB1229

Introduced 2/9/2007, by Sen. Bill Brady

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

430 ILCS 65/16  
430 ILCS 65/16.1

from Ch. 38, par. 83-16  
from Ch. 38, par. 83-16.1

Amends the Firearm Owners Identification Card Act. Changes the number of petition signatures necessary to place on the ballot the question as to whether the State of Illinois should repeal the Act from 2% to 8%. Changes the ballot proposition from should the General Assembly repeal the Act to should the State of Illinois repeal the Act. Deletes a provision that the petition shall be composed of county petitions from each of the counties throughout the State and each county petition shall contain the signatures of at least 2% of the number of registered voters in the county.

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1 AN ACT concerning firearms.

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

4 Section 5. The Firearm Owners Identification Card Act is  
5 amended by changing Sections 16 and 16.1 as follows:

6 (430 ILCS 65/16) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-16)

7 Sec. 16. When 8% ~~2%~~ of the number of registered voters in  
8 the State desire to pass upon the question of whether the State  
9 of Illinois ~~General Assembly~~ should repeal this Act regulating  
10 the acquisition, possession and transfer of firearms and  
11 firearm ammunition, they shall, at least 78 days before a  
12 regular election to be held throughout the State, file in the  
13 office of the State Board of Elections, a petition directed to  
14 the Board in accordance with the general election law. ~~The~~  
15 ~~petition shall be composed of county petitions from each of the~~  
16 ~~counties throughout the State and each county petition shall~~  
17 ~~contain the signatures of at least 2% of the number of~~  
18 ~~registered voters in the county.~~ The petition shall request  
19 that the question "Should the State of Illinois ~~General~~  
20 ~~Assembly~~ repeal the Act entitled 'An Act relating to the  
21 acquisition, possession and transfer of firearms and firearm  
22 ammunition, to provide a penalty for the violation thereof and  
23 to make an appropriation in connection therewith,' approved

1 August 3, 1967, as amended?" be submitted to the voters of the  
2 State at the next ensuing State-wide election at which such  
3 question may be acted upon.

4 (Source: P.A. 81-1489.)

5 (430 ILCS 65/16.1) (from Ch. 38, par. 83-16.1)

6 Sec. 16.1. A petition for the submission of the proposition  
7 shall be in substantially the following form:

8 To the State Board of Elections

9 The undersigned, residents and registered voters of the  
10 State of Illinois, respectfully petition that you cause to be  
11 submitted, in the manner provided by the general election law  
12 to the voters of the State of Illinois, at the next State-wide  
13 election, the proposition "Should the State of Illinois ~~General~~  
14 ~~Assembly~~ repeal an Act entitled 'An Act relating to the  
15 acquisition, possession and transfer of firearms and firearm  
16 ammunition, to provide a penalty for the violation thereof and  
17 to make an appropriation in connection therewith', approved  
18 August 3, 1967, as amended? "

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21 Such petition shall conform to the requirements of the  
22 general election law. The Board shall certify the question to  
23 the proper election officials who shall submit the question at  
24 an election in accordance with the general election law. Upon  
25 request of any citizen for a reproduced copy of the petition

1 and paying or tendering to the State Board of Elections the  
2 costs of making the copy, the Board shall immediately make, or  
3 cause to be made a reproduced copy of such petition. The Board  
4 shall also deliver to such person his official certification  
5 that such copy is a true copy of the original, stating the day  
6 when such original was filed in its office.

7 (Source: P.A. 81-1489.)