

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB4113

Introduced 2/27/2009, by Rep. Jim Durkin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/25-8

from Ch. 46, par. 25-8

Amends the Election Code. Provides that a gubernatorial appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of U.S. Senator is subject to the approval of a commission consisting of the legislative leaders and their appointees.

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1 AN ACT concerning elections.

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

- 4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing Section
- 5 25-8 as follows:
- 6 (10 ILCS 5/25-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 25-8)
- 7 Sec. 25-8. <u>U.S. Senator.</u>
- 8 (a) When a vacancy shall occur in the office of United
- 9 States Senator from this state, the Governor shall make
- 10 temporary appointment, subject to subsection (b), to fill such
- 11 vacancy until the next election of representatives in Congress,
- 12 at which time such vacancy shall be filled by election, and the
- 13 senator so elected shall take office as soon thereafter as he
- shall receive his certificate of election.
- 15 (b) An appointment under subsection (a) is subject to
- approval by a majority vote of a commission consisting of the
- 17 President and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and
- Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and 16 members
- appointed 4 each by those legislative leaders.
- 20 (Source: Laws 1943, vol. 2, p. 1.)