97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB6199

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/1-6

Amends the Election Code. In a Section concerning the computing of dates of various acts allowed or required by the Election Code, provides that the definition of "State holiday" includes Christmas Eve.

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AN ACT concerning elections.

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

Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing Section
1-6 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/1-6)

Sec. 1-6. Computing dates of various acts; Saturday,
Sunday, and holidays.

9 (a) If the first or last day fixed by law to do any act 10 required or allowed by this Code falls on a State holiday or a 11 Saturday or a Sunday, the period shall extend through the first 12 business day next following the day otherwise fixed as the 13 first or last day, irrespective of whether any election 14 authority or local election official conducts business on the 15 State holiday, Saturday, or Sunday.

16 (b) For the purposes of this Section, "State holiday" means 17 New Year's Day, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday, Birthday, President's Day, Casimir Pulaski's 18 Lincoln's 19 Birthday, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas 20 21 Eve, Christmas Day, and any other day from time to time 22 declared by the President of the United States or the Governor of Illinois to be a day during which the agencies of the State 23

of Illinois that are ordinarily open to do business with the public shall be closed for business.

3 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, 4 nominating papers, petitions of objection to nominating 5 papers, certificates of withdrawal of candidacy, and reports of 6 political committees actually received by election authorities 7 and local election officials on a State holiday, a Saturday, or 8 a Sunday shall not be deemed invalid or defective for that 9 reason alone.

10 (Source: P.A. 89-653, eff. 8-14-96; 90-672, eff. 7-31-98.)