

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Commission to End Hunger Act is amended by
5 changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 5015/15)

7 Sec. 15. Members. The Commission to End Hunger shall be
8 composed of no more than 21 voting members including 2 members
9 of the Illinois House of Representatives, one appointed by the
10 Speaker of the House and one appointed by the House Minority
11 Leader; 2 members of the Illinois Senate, one appointed by the
12 Senate President and one appointed by the Senate Minority
13 Leader; one representative of the Office of the Governor
14 appointed by the Governor; one representative of the Office of
15 the Lieutenant Governor appointed by the Lieutenant Governor;
16 and 15 public members, who shall be appointed by the Governor.

17 The public members shall include 2 representatives of food
18 banks; 2 representatives from other community food assistance
19 programs; a representative of a statewide organization focused
20 on responding to hunger; a representative from an anti-poverty
21 organization; a representative of an organization that serves
22 or advocates for children and youth; a representative of an
23 organization that serves or advocates for older adults; a

1 representative of an organization that advocates for people who
2 are homeless; a representative of an organization that serves
3 or advocates for persons with disabilities; a representative of
4 an organization that advocates for immigrants; a
5 representative of a municipal or county government; ~~a~~
6 ~~representative of a township government;~~ and 3 ~~2~~ at-large
7 members. The appointed members shall reflect the racial,
8 gender, and geographic diversity of the State and shall include
9 representation from regions of the State.

10 The following officials shall serve as ex-officio members:
11 the Secretary of Human Services or his or her designee; the
12 State Superintendent of Education or his or her designee; the
13 Director of Healthcare and Family Services or his or her
14 designee; the Director of Children and Family Services or his
15 or her designee; the Director of Aging or his or her designee;
16 the Director of Natural Resources or his or her designee; and
17 the Director of Agriculture or his or her designee. The
18 African-American Family Commission, ~~and~~ the Latino Family
19 Commission, and the Local Food, Farms, and Jobs Council shall
20 each designate a liaison to serve ex-officio on the Commission.

21 Members shall serve without compensation and are
22 responsible for the cost of all reasonable and necessary travel
23 expenses connected to Commission business, as the State of
24 Illinois will not reimburse Commission members for these costs.

25 Commission members shall be appointed within 60 days after
26 the effective date of this Act. The Commission shall hold their

1 initial meetings within 60 days after at least 50% of the
2 members have been appointed.

3 The representative of the Office of the Governor and a
4 representative of a food bank shall serve as co-chairs of the
5 Commission.

6 At the first meeting of the Commission, the members shall
7 select a 5-person Steering Committee that includes the
8 co-chairs.

9 The Commission may establish committees that address
10 specific issues or populations and may appoint individuals with
11 relevant expertise who are not appointed members of the
12 Commission to serve on committees as needed.

13 The Office of the Governor, or a designee of the Governor's
14 choosing, shall provide guidance to the Commission. Under the
15 leadership of the Office of the Governor, subject to
16 appropriation, the Department of Human Services shall also
17 provide leadership to support the Commission. The Department of
18 Human Services and the State of Illinois shall not incur any
19 costs as a result of the creation of the Commission to End
20 Hunger as the coordination of meetings, report preparation, and
21 other related duties will be completed by a representative of a
22 food bank that is serving as a co-chair of the Commission.

23 (Source: P.A. 96-1119, eff. 7-20-10.)

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
25 becoming law.