



98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 430/Art. 7 heading new	
5 ILCS 430/7-5 new	
5 ILCS 430/50-5	
10 ILCS 5/7-10	from Ch. 46, par. 7-10
10 ILCS 5/8-8	from Ch. 46, par. 8-8
10 ILCS 5/10-5	from Ch. 46, par. 10-5
10 ILCS 5/10-8	from Ch. 46, par. 10-8

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Requires each public official who, on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, is elected or appointed to office to complete an 8-hour continuing education program established by Econ Illinois-Illinois Council on Economic Education and approved by the Illinois Community College Board within 2 years after the date he or she is first elected or appointed and every 2 years thereafter for as long as he or she remains a public official. Authorizes a fine to be levied against a public official who fails to timely complete the continuing education requirement. Prohibits a public official from being elected or appointed to public office if he or she fails to timely pay the fine and complete the required continuing education.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning government.

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

4 Section 5. The State Officials and Employees Ethics Act is
5 amended by adding Article 7 and Section 7-5 and changing
6 Section 50-5 as follows:

7 (5 ILCS 430/Art. 7 heading new)

8 ARTICLE 7. CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS

9 (5 ILCS 430/7-5 new)

10 Sec. 7-5. Continuing education for public officials.

11 (a) Each public official who, on or after the effective
12 date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, is
13 elected or appointed to office must complete at his or her own
14 expense the 8-hour continuing education program established
15 under subsection (b) of this Section within 2 years after the
16 date he or she is first elected or appointed and every 2 years
17 thereafter for as long as he or she remains a public official.
18 However, a public official who is elected or appointed to more
19 than one public office must complete the 8-hour continuing
20 education program established under subsection (b) of this
21 Section only once every 2 years.

22 (b) Econ Illinois-Illinois Council on Economic Education,

1 located at Northern Illinois University, shall establish, and
2 the Illinois Community College Board shall approve, an 8-hour
3 continuing education program for public officials. The
4 continuing education program curriculum shall consist of
5 courses focusing on economic theories and the interaction
6 between economic theory and governmental policy, including,
7 but not limited to, the impact of government policy on
8 individuals and businesses.

9 (c) A public official who fails to timely complete the
10 continuing education program required under this Section is
11 subject to the penalties specified in subsection (e) of Section
12 50-5 of this Act, and if that official does not timely pay the
13 fine levied under that Section and complete the continuing
14 education program, then he or she may not subsequently be
15 elected or appointed to public office.

16 (d) For the purposes of this subsection (d), "public
17 official" means the Governor, a member of the General Assembly,
18 and any of the corporate authorities of a county or
19 municipality.

20 (5 ILCS 430/50-5)

21 Sec. 50-5. Penalties.

22 (a) A person is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor if that
23 person intentionally violates any provision of Section 5-15,
24 5-30, 5-40, or 5-45 or Article 15.

25 (a-1) An ethics commission may levy an administrative fine

1 for a violation of Section 5-45 of this Act of up to 3 times the
2 total annual compensation that would have been obtained in
3 violation of Section 5-45.

4 (b) A person who intentionally violates any provision of
5 Section 5-20, 5-35, 5-50, or 5-55 is guilty of a business
6 offense subject to a fine of at least \$1,001 and up to \$5,000.

7 (c) A person who intentionally violates any provision of
8 Article 10 is guilty of a business offense and subject to a
9 fine of at least \$1,001 and up to \$5,000.

10 (d) Any person who intentionally makes a false report
11 alleging a violation of any provision of this Act to an ethics
12 commission, an inspector general, the State Police, a State's
13 Attorney, the Attorney General, or any other law enforcement
14 official is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

15 (e) An ethics commission may levy an administrative fine of
16 up to \$5,000 against any person who violates this Act, who
17 intentionally obstructs or interferes with an investigation
18 conducted under this Act by an inspector general, or who
19 intentionally makes a false, frivolous, or bad faith
20 allegation. A person who violates Section 7-5 and is not
21 subject to the jurisdiction of an ethics commission is guilty
22 of a business offense and is subject to a fine of up to \$5,000.

23 (f) In addition to any other penalty that may apply,
24 whether criminal or civil, a State employee who intentionally
25 violates any provision of Section 5-5, 5-15, 5-20, 5-30, 5-35,
26 5-45, or 5-50, Article 10, Article 15, or Section 20-90 or

1 25-90 is subject to discipline or discharge by the appropriate
2 ultimate jurisdictional authority.

3 (Source: P.A. 96-555, eff. 8-18-09.)

4 Section 10. The Election Code is amended by changing
5 Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-5, and 10-8 as follows:

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

7 Sec. 7-10. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no
8 candidate for nomination, or State central committeeman, or
9 township committeeman, or precinct committeeman, or ward
10 committeeman or candidate for delegate or alternate delegate to
11 national nominating conventions, shall be printed upon the
12 primary ballot unless a petition for nomination has been filed
13 in his behalf as provided in this Article in substantially the
14 following form:

15 We, the undersigned, members of and affiliated with the
16 party and qualified primary electors of the party, in
17 the of, in the county of and State of Illinois,
18 do hereby petition that the following named person or persons
19 shall be a candidate or candidates of the party for the
20 nomination for (or in case of committeemen for election to) the
21 office or offices hereinafter specified, to be voted for at the
22 primary election to be held on (insert date).

23	Name	Office	Address
24	John Jones	Governor	Belvidere, Ill.

1 Jane James Lieutenant Governor Peoria, Ill.

2 Thomas Smith Attorney General Oakland, Ill.

3 Name..... Address.....

4 State of Illinois)

5) ss.

6 County of.....)

7 I,, do hereby certify that I reside at No.
8 street, in the of, county of, and State of
9, that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen
10 of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet
11 were signed in my presence, and are genuine, and that to the
12 best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at
13 the time of signing the petitions qualified voters of the
14 party, and that their respective residences are correctly
15 stated, as above set forth.

16

17 Subscribed and sworn to before me on (insert date).

18

19 Each sheet of the petition other than the statement of
20 candidacy and candidate's statement shall be of uniform size
21 and shall contain above the space for signatures an appropriate
22 heading giving the information as to name of candidate or
23 candidates, in whose behalf such petition is signed; the

1 office, the political party represented and place of residence;
2 and the heading of each sheet shall be the same.

3 Such petition shall be signed by qualified primary electors
4 residing in the political division for which the nomination is
5 sought in their own proper persons only and opposite the
6 signature of each signer, his residence address shall be
7 written or printed. The residence address required to be
8 written or printed opposite each qualified primary elector's
9 name shall include the street address or rural route number of
10 the signer, as the case may be, as well as the signer's county,
11 and city, village or town, and state. However the county or
12 city, village or town, and state of residence of the electors
13 may be printed on the petition forms where all of the electors
14 signing the petition reside in the same county or city, village
15 or town, and state. Standard abbreviations may be used in
16 writing the residence address, including street number, if any.
17 At the bottom of each sheet of such petition shall be added a
18 circulator statement signed by a person 18 years of age or
19 older who is a citizen of the United States, stating the street
20 address or rural route number, as the case may be, as well as
21 the county, city, village or town, and state; and certifying
22 that the signatures on that sheet of the petition were signed
23 in his or her presence and certifying that the signatures are
24 genuine; and either (1) indicating the dates on which that
25 sheet was circulated, or (2) indicating the first and last
26 dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3) certifying that

1 none of the signatures on the sheet were signed more than 90
2 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petition and
3 certifying that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief
4 the persons so signing were at the time of signing the
5 petitions qualified voters of the political party for which a
6 nomination is sought. Such statement shall be sworn to before
7 some officer authorized to administer oaths in this State.

8 No petition sheet shall be circulated more than 90 days
9 preceding the last day provided in Section 7-12 for the filing
10 of such petition.

11 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on
12 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
13 signature from the petition, provided that:

14 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial the
15 petition at the place where the signature is struck; and

16 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
17 certification listing the page number and line number of
18 each signature struck from the petition. Such
19 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

20 Such sheets before being filed shall be neatly fastened
21 together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile and
22 fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable
23 manner, and the sheets shall then be numbered consecutively.
24 The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end
25 to end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll. All petition
26 sheets which are filed with the proper local election

1 officials, election authorities or the State Board of Elections
 2 shall be the original sheets which have been signed by the
 3 voters and by the circulator thereof, and not photocopies or
 4 duplicates of such sheets. Each petition must include as a part
 5 thereof, a statement of candidacy for each of the candidates
 6 filing, or in whose behalf the petition is filed. This
 7 statement shall set out the address of such candidate and the
 8 office for which he is a candidate; he shall state that the
 9 candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to which
 10 the petition relates and is qualified for the office specified
 11 (in the case of a candidate for State's Attorney it shall state
 12 that the candidate is at the time of filing such statement a
 13 licensed attorney-at-law of this State); he shall state that he
 14 has filed (or will file before the close of the petition filing
 15 period) a statement of economic interests as required by the
 16 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act; he or she is
 17 not barred from being elected or appointed to public office by
 18 subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of the State Officials and
 19 Employees Ethics Act; he shall request that the candidate's name
 20 be placed upon the official ballot; he and shall be subscribed
 21 and sworn to by such candidate before some officer authorized
 22 to take acknowledgment of deeds in the State and shall be in
 23 substantially the following form:

24 Statement of Candidacy

25	Name	Address	Office	District	Party
26	John Jones	102 Main St.	Governor	Statewide	Republican

1 Belvidere,
2 Illinois

3 State of Illinois)
4) ss.
5 County of

6 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at
7 Street in the city (or village) of, in the county of,
8 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a
9 qualified primary voter of the party; that I am a
10 candidate for nomination (for election in the case of
11 committeeman and delegates and alternate delegates) to the
12 office of to be voted upon at the primary election to be
13 held on (insert date); that I am legally qualified (including
14 being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility
15 requirement for the office I seek the nomination for) to hold
16 such office; that I am not barred from being elected or
17 appointed to public office by subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of
18 the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act; and that I have
19 filed (or I will file before the close of the petition filing
20 period) a statement of economic interests as required by the
21 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby request that my
22 name be printed upon the official primary ballot for nomination
23 for (or election to in the case of committeemen and delegates
24 and alternate delegates) such office.

25 Signed

1 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by ,
2 who is to me personally known, on (insert date).

3 Signed
4 (Official Character)
5 (Seal, if officer has one.)

6 The petitions, when filed, shall not be withdrawn or added
7 to, and no signatures shall be revoked except by revocation
8 filed in writing with the State Board of Elections, election
9 authority or local election official with whom the petition is
10 required to be filed, and before the filing of such petition.
11 Whoever forges the name of a signer upon any petition required
12 by this Article is deemed guilty of a forgery and on conviction
13 thereof shall be punished accordingly.

14 A candidate for the offices listed in this Section must
15 obtain the number of signatures specified in this Section on
16 his or her petition for nomination.

17 (a) Statewide office or delegate to a national nominating
18 convention. If a candidate seeks to run for statewide office or
19 as a delegate or alternate delegate to a national nominating
20 convention elected from the State at-large, then the
21 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least 5,000
22 but not more than 10,000 signatures.

23 (b) Congressional office or congressional delegate to a
24 national nominating convention. If a candidate seeks to run for
25 United States Congress or as a congressional delegate or

1 alternate congressional delegate to a national nominating
2 convention elected from a congressional district, then the
3 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the
4 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary
5 electors of his or her party in his or her congressional
6 district. In the first primary election following a
7 redistricting of congressional districts, a candidate's
8 petition for nomination must contain at least 600 signatures of
9 qualified primary electors of the candidate's political party
10 in his or her congressional district.

11 (c) County office. If a candidate seeks to run for any
12 countywide office, including but not limited to county board
13 chairperson or county board member, elected on an at-large
14 basis, in a county other than Cook County, then the candidate's
15 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
16 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or
17 her party who cast votes at the last preceding general election
18 in his or her county. If a candidate seeks to run for county
19 board member elected from a county board district, then the
20 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the
21 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary
22 electors of his or her party in the county board district. In
23 the first primary election following a redistricting of county
24 board districts or the initial establishment of county board
25 districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must contain
26 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the

1 qualified electors of his or her party in the entire county who
2 cast votes at the last preceding general election divided by
3 the total number of county board districts comprising the
4 county board; provided that in no event shall the number of
5 signatures be less than 25.

6 (d) County office; Cook County only.

7 (1) If a candidate seeks to run for countywide office
8 in Cook County, then the candidate's petition for
9 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
10 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
11 who cast votes at the last preceding general election in
12 Cook County.

13 (2) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board
14 Commissioner, then the candidate's petition for nomination
15 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to
16 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of his or her party
17 in his or her county board district. In the first primary
18 election following a redistricting of Cook County Board of
19 Commissioners districts, a candidate's petition for
20 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
21 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
22 in the entire county who cast votes at the last preceding
23 general election divided by the total number of county
24 board districts comprising the county board; provided that
25 in no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

26 (3) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board

1 of Review Commissioner, which is elected from a district
2 pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 5-5 of the Property
3 Tax Code, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
4 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of
5 the total number of registered voters in his or her board
6 of review district in the last general election at which a
7 commissioner was regularly scheduled to be elected from
8 that board of review district. In no event shall the number
9 of signatures required be greater than the requisite number
10 for a candidate who seeks countywide office in Cook County
11 under subsection (d)(1) of this Section. In the first
12 primary election following a redistricting of Cook County
13 Board of Review districts, a candidate's petition for
14 nomination must contain at least 4,000 signatures or at
15 least the number of signatures required for a countywide
16 candidate in Cook County, whichever is less, of the
17 qualified electors of his or her party in the district.

18 (e) Municipal or township office. If a candidate seeks to
19 run for municipal or township office, then the candidate's
20 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
21 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
22 his or her party in the municipality or township. If a
23 candidate seeks to run for alderman of a municipality, then the
24 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the
25 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary
26 electors of his or her party of the ward. In the first primary

1 election following redistricting of aldermanic wards or
2 trustee districts of a municipality or the initial
3 establishment of wards or districts, a candidate's petition for
4 nomination must contain the number of signatures equal to at
5 least 0.5% of the total number of votes cast for the candidate
6 of that political party who received the highest number of
7 votes in the entire municipality at the last regular election
8 at which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from
9 the entire municipality, divided by the number of wards or
10 districts. In no event shall the number of signatures be less
11 than 25.

12 (f) State central committeeperson. If a candidate seeks to
13 run for State central committeeperson, then the candidate's
14 petition for nomination must contain at least 100 signatures of
15 the primary electors of his or her party of his or her
16 congressional district.

17 (g) Sanitary district trustee. If a candidate seeks to run
18 for trustee of a sanitary district in which trustees are not
19 elected from wards, then the candidate's petition for
20 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures equal
21 to 0.5% of the primary electors of his or her party from the
22 sanitary district. If a candidate seeks to run for trustee of a
23 sanitary district in which trustees are elected from wards,
24 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain at
25 least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the primary
26 electors of his or her party in the ward of that sanitary

1 district. In the first primary election following
2 redistricting of sanitary districts elected from wards, a
3 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the
4 signatures of 150 qualified primary electors of his or her ward
5 of that sanitary district.

6 (h) Judicial office. If a candidate seeks to run for
7 judicial office in a district, then the candidate's petition
8 for nomination must contain the number of signatures equal to
9 0.4% of the number of votes cast in that district for the
10 candidate for his or her political party for the office of
11 Governor at the last general election at which a Governor was
12 elected, but in no event less than 500 signatures. If a
13 candidate seeks to run for judicial office in a circuit or
14 subcircuit, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
15 contain the number of signatures equal to 0.25% of the number
16 of votes cast for the judicial candidate of his or her
17 political party who received the highest number of votes at the
18 last general election at which a judicial officer from the same
19 circuit or subcircuit was regularly scheduled to be elected,
20 but in no event less than 1,000 signatures in circuits and
21 subcircuits located in the First Judicial District or 500
22 signatures in every other Judicial District.

23 (i) Precinct, ward, and township committeeperson. If a
24 candidate seeks to run for precinct committeeperson, then the
25 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least 10
26 signatures of the primary electors of his or her party for the

1 precinct. If a candidate seeks to run for ward committeeperson,
2 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain no
3 less than the number of signatures equal to 10% of the primary
4 electors of his or her party of the ward, but no more than 16%
5 of those same electors; provided that the maximum number of
6 signatures may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever is
7 greater. If a candidate seeks to run for township
8 committeeperson, then the candidate's petition for nomination
9 must contain no less than the number of signatures equal to 5%
10 of the primary electors of his or her party of the township,
11 but no more than 8% of those same electors; provided that the
12 maximum number of signatures may be 50 more than the minimum
13 number, whichever is greater.

14 (j) State's attorney or regional superintendent of schools
15 for multiple counties. If a candidate seeks to run for State's
16 attorney or regional Superintendent of Schools who serves more
17 than one county, then the candidate's petition for nomination
18 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of
19 the primary electors of his or her party in the territory
20 comprising the counties.

21 (k) Any other office. If a candidate seeks any other
22 office, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
23 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
24 registered voters of the political subdivision, district, or
25 division for which the nomination is made or 25 signatures,
26 whichever is greater.

1 For purposes of this Section the number of primary electors
2 shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in the
3 applicable district, for the candidate for that political party
4 who received the highest number of votes, statewide, at the
5 last general election in the State at which electors for
6 President of the United States were elected. For political
7 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be
8 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
9 that political party who received the highest number of votes
10 in the political subdivision at the last regular election at
11 which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from
12 that subdivision. For wards or districts of political
13 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be
14 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
15 that political party who received the highest number of votes
16 in the ward or district at the last regular election at which
17 an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that ward
18 or district.

19 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
20 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one
21 party.

22 The changes made to this Section of this amendatory Act of
23 the 93rd General Assembly are declarative of existing law,
24 except for item (3) of subsection (d).

25 Petitions of candidates for nomination for offices herein
26 specified, to be filed with the same officer, may contain the

1 names of 2 or more candidates of the same political party for
2 the same or different offices. In the case of the offices of
3 Governor and Lieutenant Governor, a joint petition including
4 one candidate for each of those offices must be filed.

5 (Source: P.A. 96-1018, eff. 1-1-11; 97-81, eff. 7-5-11.)

6 (10 ILCS 5/8-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 8-8)

7 Sec. 8-8. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no
8 candidate for nomination shall be printed upon the primary
9 ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed
10 in his behalf as provided for in this Section. Each such
11 petition shall include as a part thereof the oath required by
12 Section 7-10.1 of this Act and a statement of candidacy by the
13 candidate filing or in whose behalf the petition is filed. This
14 statement shall set out the address of such candidate, the
15 office for which he is a candidate, shall state that the
16 candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to which
17 the petition relates, is qualified for the office specified, is
18 not barred from being elected or appointed to public office by
19 subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of the State Officials and
20 Employees Ethics Act, and has filed a statement of economic
21 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act,
22 shall request that the candidate's name be placed upon the
23 official ballot and shall be subscribed and sworn by such
24 candidate before some officer authorized to take
25 acknowledgment of deeds in this State and may be in

1 substantially the following form:

2 State of Illinois)

3) ss.

4 County

5 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at
6 street in the city (or village of) in the county of
7 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a
8 qualified primary voter of party; that I am a candidate
9 for nomination to the office of to be voted upon at the
10 primary election to be held on (insert date); that I am legally
11 qualified to hold such office; that I am not barred from being
12 elected or appointed to public office by subsection (c) of
13 Section 7-5 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act;
14 and that I have filed a statement of economic interests as
15 required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby
16 request that my name be printed upon the official primary
17 ballot for nomination for such office.

18 Signed

19 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by,
20 who is to me personally known, on (insert date).

21 Signed (Official Character)

22 (Seal if officer has one.)

23 The receipt issued by the Secretary of State indicating
24 that the candidate has filed the statement of economic
25 interests required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act must
26 be filed with the petitions for nomination as provided in

1 subsection (8) of Section 7-12 of this Code.

2 All petitions for nomination for the office of State
3 Senator shall be signed by at least 1,000 but not more than
4 3,000 of the qualified primary electors of the candidate's
5 party in his legislative district.

6 All petitions for nomination for the office of
7 Representative in the General Assembly shall be signed by at
8 least 500 but not more than 1,500 of the qualified primary
9 electors of the candidate's party in his or her representative
10 district.

11 Opposite the signature of each qualified primary elector
12 who signs a petition for nomination for the office of State
13 Representative or State Senator such elector's residence
14 address shall be written or printed. The residence address
15 required to be written or printed opposite each qualified
16 primary elector's name shall include the street address or
17 rural route number of the signer, as the case may be, as well
18 as the signer's county and city, village or town.

19 For the purposes of this Section, the number of primary
20 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in
21 the applicable district, for the candidate for such political
22 party who received the highest number of votes, state-wide, at
23 the last general election in the State at which electors for
24 President of the United States were elected.

25 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
26 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one

1 party.

2 In the affidavit at the bottom of each sheet, the petition
3 circulator, who shall be a person 18 years of age or older who
4 is a citizen of the United States, shall state his or her
5 street address or rural route number, as the case may be, as
6 well as his or her county, city, village or town, and state;
7 and shall certify that the signatures on that sheet of the
8 petition were signed in his or her presence; and shall certify
9 that the signatures are genuine; and shall certify that to the
10 best of his or her knowledge and belief the persons so signing
11 were at the time of signing the petition qualified primary
12 voters for which the nomination is sought.

13 In the affidavit at the bottom of each petition sheet, the
14 petition circulator shall either (1) indicate the dates on
15 which he or she circulated that sheet, or (2) indicate the
16 first and last dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3)
17 certify that none of the signatures on the sheet were signed
18 more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the
19 petition. No petition sheet shall be circulated more than 90
20 days preceding the last day provided in Section 8-9 for the
21 filing of such petition.

22 All petition sheets which are filed with the State Board of
23 Elections shall be the original sheets which have been signed
24 by the voters and by the circulator, and not photocopies or
25 duplicates of such sheets.

26 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on

1 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
2 signature from the petition, provided that:

3 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial the
4 petition at the place where the signature is struck; and

5 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
6 certification listing the page number and line number of
7 each signature struck from the petition. Such
8 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

9 (Source: P.A. 97-81, eff. 7-5-11.)

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

11 Sec. 10-5. All petitions for nomination shall, besides
12 containing the names of candidates, specify as to each:

13 1. The office or offices to which such candidate or
14 candidates shall be nominated.

15 2. The new political party, if any, represented, expressed
16 in not more than 5 words. However, such party shall not bear
17 the same name as, nor include the name of any established
18 political party as defined in this Article. This prohibition
19 does not preclude any established political party from making
20 nominations in those cases in which it is authorized to do so.

21 3. The place of residence of any such candidate or
22 candidates with the street and number thereof, if any. In the
23 case of electors for President and Vice-President of the United
24 States, the names of candidates for President and
25 Vice-President may be added to the party name or appellation.

1 Such certificate of nomination or nomination papers in
 2 addition shall include as a part thereof, the oath required by
 3 Section 7-10.1 of this Act and must include a statement of
 4 candidacy for each of the candidates named therein, except
 5 candidates for electors for President and Vice-President of the
 6 United States. Each such statement shall set out the address of
 7 such candidate, the office for which he is a candidate, shall
 8 state that the candidate is qualified for the office specified, and
 9 is not barred from being elected or appointed to public office
 10 by subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of the State Officials and
 11 Employees Ethics Act, and has filed (or will file before the
 12 close of the petition filing period) a statement of economic
 13 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act,
 14 shall request that the candidate's name be placed upon the
 15 official ballot and shall be subscribed and sworn to by such
 16 candidate before some officer authorized to take
 17 acknowledgments of deeds in this State, and may be in
 18 substantially the following form:

19 State of Illinois)
 20) SS.
 21 County of.....)

22 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at....
 23 street, in the city (or village) of.... in the county of....
 24 State of Illinois; and that I am a qualified voter therein;
 25 that I am a candidate for election to the office of.... to be
 26 voted upon at the election to be held on the.... day

1 of.....,.....; ~~and~~ that I am legally qualified to hold such
 2 office; that I am not barred from being elected or appointed to
 3 public office by subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of the State
 4 Officials and Employees Ethics Act; and that I have filed (or
 5 will file before the close of the petition filing period) a
 6 statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois
 7 Governmental Ethics Act, and I hereby request that my name be
 8 printed upon the official ballot for election to such office.

9 Signed.....

10 Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me by.... who
 11 is to me personally known, this.... day of.....,.....

12 Signed.....

13 (Official Character)

14 (Seal, if officer has one.)

15 In addition, a new political party petition shall have
 16 attached thereto a certificate stating the names and addresses
 17 of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in
 18 nomination pursuant to Section 10-11.

19 Nomination papers filed under this Section are not valid if
 20 the candidate named therein fails to file a statement of
 21 economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental
 22 Ethics Act in relation to his candidacy with the appropriate
 23 officer by the end of the period for the filing of nomination
 24 papers unless he has filed a statement of economic interests in
 25 relation to the same governmental unit with that officer during
 26 the same calendar year as the year in which such nomination

1 papers were filed. If the nomination papers of any candidate
2 and the statement of economic interest of that candidate are
3 not required to be filed with the same officer, the candidate
4 must file with the officer with whom the nomination papers are
5 filed a receipt from the officer with whom the statement of
6 economic interests is filed showing the date on which such
7 statement was filed. Such receipt shall be so filed not later
8 than the last day on which nomination papers may be filed.

9 (Source: P.A. 84-551.)

10 (10 ILCS 5/10-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 10-8)

11 Sec. 10-8. Certificates of nomination and nomination
12 papers, and petitions to submit public questions to a
13 referendum, being filed as required by this Code, and being in
14 apparent conformity with the provisions of this Act, shall be
15 deemed to be valid unless objection thereto is duly made in
16 writing within 5 business days after the last day for filing
17 the certificate of nomination or nomination papers or petition
18 for a public question, with the following exceptions:

19 A. In the case of petitions to amend Article IV of the
20 Constitution of the State of Illinois, there shall be a
21 period of 35 business days after the last day for the
22 filing of such petitions in which objections can be filed.

23 B. In the case of petitions for advisory questions of
24 public policy to be submitted to the voters of the entire
25 State, there shall be a period of 35 business days after

1 the last day for the filing of such petitions in which
2 objections can be filed.

3 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,
4 the electoral board designated in Section 10-9 for the purpose
5 of hearing and passing upon objector's petitions shall
6 independently verify that no candidate under its jurisdiction
7 is barred from being elected or appointed under subsection (c)
8 of Section 7-5 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act.
9 If the electoral board finds that a candidate is barred from
10 being elected or appointed under subsection (c) of Section 7-5
11 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, then that
12 candidate shall be removed from the ballot regardless of
13 whether or not an objection has been filed. Such a finding by
14 the electoral board is subject to judicial review as provided
15 in Section 10-10.1.

16 Any legal voter of the political subdivision or district in
17 which the candidate or public question is to be voted on, or
18 any legal voter in the State in the case of a proposed
19 amendment to Article IV of the Constitution or an advisory
20 public question to be submitted to the voters of the entire
21 State, having objections to any certificate of nomination or
22 nomination papers or petitions filed, shall file an objector's
23 petition together with a copy thereof in the principal office
24 or the permanent branch office of the State Board of Elections,
25 or in the office of the election authority or local election
26 official with whom the certificate of nomination, nomination

1 papers or petitions are on file. In the case of nomination
2 papers or certificates of nomination, the State Board of
3 Elections, election authority or local election official shall
4 note the day and hour upon which such objector's petition is
5 filed, and shall, not later than 12:00 noon on the second
6 business day after receipt of the petition, transmit by
7 registered mail or receipted personal delivery the certificate
8 of nomination or nomination papers and the original objector's
9 petition to the chairman of the proper electoral board
10 designated in Section 10-9 hereof, or his authorized agent, and
11 shall transmit a copy by registered mail or receipted personal
12 delivery of the objector's petition, to the candidate whose
13 certificate of nomination or nomination papers are objected to,
14 addressed to the place of residence designated in said
15 certificate of nomination or nomination papers. In the case of
16 objections to a petition for a proposed amendment to Article IV
17 of the Constitution or for an advisory public question to be
18 submitted to the voters of the entire State, the State Board of
19 Elections shall note the day and hour upon which such
20 objector's petition is filed and shall transmit a copy of the
21 objector's petition by registered mail or receipted personal
22 delivery to the person designated on a certificate attached to
23 the petition as the principal proponent of such proposed
24 amendment or public question, or as the proponents' attorney,
25 for the purpose of receiving notice of objections. In the case
26 of objections to a petition for a public question, to be

1 submitted to the voters of a political subdivision, or district
2 thereof, the election authority or local election official with
3 whom such petition is filed shall note the day and hour upon
4 which such objector's petition was filed, and shall, not later
5 than 12:00 noon on the second business day after receipt of the
6 petition, transmit by registered mail or receipted personal
7 delivery the petition for the public question and the original
8 objector's petition to the chairman of the proper electoral
9 board designated in Section 10-9 hereof, or his authorized
10 agent, and shall transmit a copy by registered mail or
11 receipted personal delivery, of the objector's petition to the
12 person designated on a certificate attached to the petition as
13 the principal proponent of the public question, or as the
14 proponent's attorney, for the purposes of receiving notice of
15 objections.

16 The objector's petition shall give the objector's name and
17 residence address, and shall state fully the nature of the
18 objections to the certificate of nomination or nomination
19 papers or petitions in question, and shall state the interest
20 of the objector and shall state what relief is requested of the
21 electoral board.

22 The provisions of this Section and of Sections 10-9, 10-10
23 and 10-10.1 shall also apply to and govern objections to
24 petitions for nomination filed under Article 7 or Article 8,
25 except as otherwise provided in Section 7-13 for cases to which
26 it is applicable, and also apply to and govern petitions for

1 the submission of public questions under Article 28.

2 (Source: P.A. 86-1348.)