

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB0206

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/29-9

from Ch. 46, par. 29-9

Amends the Election Code. Provides that a person is not prohibited from photographing his or her own ballot at any time during the voting process or from viewing a photograph of a completed or partially completed ballot. Provides that a person who gives, promises to give, or receives any money or other valuable consideration in connection with the dissemination or viewing of such a photograph is guilty of a Class 4 felony.

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CORRECTIONAL
BUDGET AND
IMPACT NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

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

- Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing Section 29-9 as follows:
- 6 (10 ILCS 5/29-9) (from Ch. 46, par. 29-9)
- 7 Sec. 29-9. Unlawful observation of voting. Except as permitted by this Code, any person who knowingly marks his 8 9 ballot or casts his vote on a voting machine or voting device so that it can be observed by another person, and any person 10 who knowingly observes another person lawfully marking a ballot 11 or lawfully casting his vote on a voting machine or voting 12 device, shall be quilty of a Class 4 felony. Nothing in this 13 14 Section shall prohibit a person from photographing his or her own ballot at any time during the voting process or from 15 16 viewing a photograph of a completed or partially completed 17 ballot; however, a person who gives, promises to give, or receives any money or other valuable consideration in 18 19 connection with the dissemination or viewing of such a 20 photograph shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 78-887.)