

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 Flag Display Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 10 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 465/10)

7 Sec. 10. Death of resident military member, law enforcement  
8 officer, firefighter, or members of EMS crews.

9 (a) The Governor shall issue an official notice to fly the  
10 following flags at half-staff upon the death of a resident of  
11 this State killed (i) by hostile fire as a member of the United  
12 States armed forces, (ii) in the line of duty as a law  
13 enforcement officer, (iii) in the line of duty as a  
14 firefighter, or (iv) in the line of duty as a member of an  
15 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) crew~~+~~ or (v) during on duty  
16 training for active military duty: the United States national  
17 flag, the State flag of Illinois, and, in the case of the death  
18 of the member of the United States armed forces, the  
19 appropriate military flag as defined in subsection (b) of  
20 Section 18.6 of the Condominium Property Act. Upon the  
21 Governor's notice, each person or entity required by this Act  
22 to ensure the display of the United States national flag on a  
23 flagstaff shall ensure that the flags described in the notice

1 are displayed at half-staff on the day designated for the  
2 resident's funeral and the 2 days preceding that day.

3 (b) The Department of Veterans' Affairs shall notify the  
4 Governor of the death by hostile fire of an Illinois resident  
5 member of the United States armed forces. In lieu of notice  
6 being provided by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, any  
7 other State or federal entity, agency, or person holding such  
8 information may notify the Governor of the death by hostile  
9 fire of an Illinois resident member of the United States armed  
10 forces. If such notice is provided to the Governor by an  
11 entity, agency, or person other than the Department of  
12 Veterans' Affairs, then the obligation to notify the Governor  
13 of an Illinois resident soldier's death under this subsection  
14 (b) shall be considered fulfilled. The Department of State  
15 Police shall notify the Governor of the death in the line of  
16 duty of an Illinois resident law enforcement officer. The  
17 Office of the State Fire Marshal shall notify the Governor of  
18 the death in the line of duty of an Illinois resident  
19 firefighter. The Department of Public Health shall notify the  
20 Governor of the death in the line of duty of an Illinois  
21 resident member of an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) crew.  
22 Notice to the Governor shall include at least the resident's  
23 name and Illinois address, the date designated for the funeral,  
24 and the circumstances of the death.

25 (c) For the purpose of this Section, the United States  
26 armed forces includes: (i) the United States Army, Navy, Marine

1 Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard; (ii) any reserve component  
2 of each of the forces listed in item (i); and (iii) the  
3 National Guard.

4 (d) Nothing in this Section requires the removal or  
5 relocation of any existing flags currently displayed in the  
6 State. This Section does not apply to a State facility if the  
7 requirements of this Section cannot be satisfied without a  
8 physical modification to that facility.

9 (Source: P.A. 98-234, eff. 1-1-14; 99-372, eff. 1-1-16; revised  
10 9-19-16.)