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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/1A-16.1	
10 ILCS 5/1A-16.2	
10 ILCS 5/1A-16.6	
15 ILCS 335/4	from Ch. 124, par. 24
730 ILCS 5/3-14-1	from Ch. 38, par. 1003-14-1

Amends the Election Code. Allows for the automatic voter registration of persons released from the Department of Corrections and issued standard Illinois Identification Cards by the Secretary of State. Includes the Department of Corrections as a "designated automatic voter registration agency" and a "designated government agency" for the purposes of registering voters under the Act. Provides that the Department of Corrections shall be considered a designated government agency until the designated automatic voter registration agency provisions of the Code are fully implemented, at which point, the Department of Corrections shall be considered a designated automatic voter registration agency, and cease to be a designated government agency. Amends the Unified Code of Corrections. Provides that upon the release of a committed person on parole, mandatory supervised release, final discharge, pardon, or release for wrongful imprisonment, the Department of Corrections shall provide such person with information concerning voter registration. Makes a conforming change in the Code. Amends the Illinois Identification Card Act to make a conforming change.

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1 AN ACT concerning elections.

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

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 1A-16.1, 1A-16.2, and 1A-16.6 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/1A-16.1)

7 Sec. 1A-16.1. Automatic voter registration; Secretary of  
8 State.

9 (a) The Office of the Secretary of State and the State  
10 Board of Elections, pursuant to an interagency contract and  
11 jointly-adopted rules, shall establish an automatic voter  
12 registration program that satisfies the requirements of this  
13 Section and other applicable law.

14 (b) If an application, an application for renewal, a change  
15 of address form, or a recertification form for a driver's  
16 license, other than a temporary visitor's driver's license, or  
17 a State identification card issued by the Office of the  
18 Secretary of State, including a standard Illinois  
19 Identification Card issued to a person under subsection (a-20)  
20 of the Illinois Identification Card Act, meets the requirements  
21 of the federal REAL ID Act of 2005, then that application shall  
22 serve as a dual-purpose application. The dual-purpose  
23 application shall:

1           (1) also serve as an application to register to vote in  
2 Illinois;

3           (2) allow an applicant to change his or her registered  
4 residence address or name as it appears on the voter  
5 registration rolls;

6           (3) provide the applicant with an opportunity to  
7 affirmatively decline to register to vote or to change his  
8 or her registered residence address or name by providing a  
9 check box on the application form without requiring the  
10 applicant to state the reason; and

11           (4) unless the applicant declines to register to vote  
12 or change his or her registered residence address or name,  
13 require the applicant to attest, by signature under penalty  
14 of perjury as described in subsection (e) of this Section,  
15 to meeting the qualifications to register to vote in  
16 Illinois at his or her residence address as indicated on  
17 his or her driver's license or identification card  
18 dual-purpose application.

19           (b-5) If an application, an application for renewal, a  
20 change of address form, or a recertification form for a  
21 driver's license, other than a temporary visitor's driver's  
22 license, or a State identification card issued by the Office of  
23 the Secretary of State, including a standard Illinois  
24 Identification Card issued to a person under subsection (a-20)  
25 of the Illinois Identification Card Act, does not meet the  
26 requirements of the federal REAL ID Act of 2005, then that

1 application shall serve as a dual-purpose application. The  
2 dual-purpose application shall:

3 (1) also serve as an application to register to vote in  
4 Illinois;

5 (2) allow an applicant to change his or her registered  
6 residence address or name as it appears on the voter  
7 registration rolls; and

8 (3) if the applicant chooses to register to vote or to  
9 change his or her registered residence address or name,  
10 then require the applicant to attest, by a separate  
11 signature under penalty of perjury, to meeting the  
12 qualifications to register to vote in Illinois at his or  
13 her residence address as indicated on his or her  
14 dual-purpose application.

15 (b-10) The Office of the Secretary of State shall clearly  
16 and conspicuously inform each applicant in writing: (i) of the  
17 qualifications to register to vote in Illinois, (ii) of the  
18 penalties provided by law for submission of a false voter  
19 registration application, (iii) that, unless the applicant  
20 declines to register to vote or update his or her voter  
21 registration, his or her dual-purpose application shall also  
22 serve as both an application to register to vote and his or her  
23 attestation that he or she meets the eligibility requirements  
24 for voter registration, and that his or her application to  
25 register to vote or update his or her registration will be  
26 transmitted to the State Board of Elections for the purpose of

1 registering the person to vote at the residence address to be  
2 indicated on his or her driver's license or identification  
3 card, and (iv) that declining to register to vote is  
4 confidential and will not affect any services the person may be  
5 seeking from the Office of the Secretary of State.

6 (c) The Office of the Secretary of State shall review  
7 information provided to the Office of the Secretary of State by  
8 the State Board of Elections to inform each applicant for a  
9 driver's license or permit, other than a temporary visitor's  
10 driver's license, or a State identification card issued by the  
11 Office of the Secretary of State whether the applicant is  
12 currently registered to vote in Illinois and, if registered, at  
13 what address.

14 (d) The Office of the Secretary of State shall not require  
15 an applicant for a driver's license or State identification  
16 card to provide duplicate identification or information in  
17 order to complete an application to register to vote or change  
18 his or her registered residence address or name. Before  
19 transmitting any personal information about an applicant to the  
20 State Board of Elections, the Office of the Secretary of State  
21 shall review its records of the identification documents the  
22 applicant provided in order to complete the application for a  
23 driver's license or State identification card, to confirm that  
24 nothing in those documents indicates that the applicant does  
25 not satisfy the qualifications to register to vote in Illinois  
26 at his or her residence address.

1 (e) A completed, signed application for (i) a driver's  
2 license or permit, other than a temporary visitor's driver's  
3 license, or a State identification card issued by the Office of  
4 the Secretary of State, that meets the requirements of the  
5 federal REAL ID Act of 2005; or (ii) a completed application  
6 under subsection (b-5) of this Section with a separate  
7 signature attesting the applicant meets the qualifications to  
8 register to vote in Illinois at his or her residence address as  
9 indicated on his or her application shall constitute a signed  
10 application to register to vote in Illinois at the residence  
11 address indicated in the application unless the person  
12 affirmatively declined in the application to register to vote  
13 or to change his or her registered residence address or name.  
14 If the identification documents provided to complete the  
15 dual-purpose application indicate that he or she does not  
16 satisfy the qualifications to register to vote in Illinois at  
17 his or her residence address, the application shall be marked  
18 as incomplete.

19 (f) For each completed and signed application that  
20 constitutes an application to register to vote in Illinois or  
21 provides for a change in the applicant's registered residence  
22 address or name, the Office of the Secretary of State shall  
23 electronically transmit to the State Board of Elections  
24 personal information needed to complete the person's  
25 registration to vote in Illinois at his or her residence  
26 address. The application to register to vote shall be processed

1 in accordance with Section 1A-16.7.

2 (g) If the federal REAL ID Act of 2005 is repealed,  
3 abrogated, superseded, or otherwise no longer in effect, then  
4 the State Board of Elections shall establish criteria for  
5 determining reliable personal information indicating  
6 citizenship status and shall adopt rules as necessary for the  
7 Secretary of State to continue processing dual-purpose  
8 applications under this Section.

9 (h) As used in this Section, "dual-purpose application"  
10 means an application, an application for renewal, a change of  
11 address form, or a recertification form for driver's license or  
12 permit, other than a temporary visitor's driver's license, or a  
13 State identification card offered by the Secretary of State  
14 that also serves as an application to register to vote in  
15 Illinois. "Dual-purpose application" does not mean an  
16 application under subsection (c) of Section 6-109 of the  
17 Illinois Vehicle Code.

18 (Source: P.A. 100-464, eff. 8-28-17.)

19 (10 ILCS 5/1A-16.2)

20 Sec. 1A-16.2. Automatic voter registration; designated  
21 automatic voter registration agencies.

22 (a) Each designated automatic voter registration agency  
23 shall, pursuant to an interagency contract and jointly-adopted  
24 rules with the State Board of Elections, agree to participate  
25 in an automatic voter registration program established by the

1 State Board of Elections that satisfies the requirements of  
2 this Section and other applicable law. If the designated  
3 automatic voter registration agency provides applications,  
4 applications for renewal, change of address forms, or  
5 recertification forms to individuals for services offered by  
6 another agency, then the State Board of Elections and the  
7 designated automatic voter agency shall consult with the other  
8 agency. The State Board of Elections shall consider the current  
9 technological capabilities of the designated voter  
10 registration agency when drafting interagency contracts and  
11 jointly-adopted rules. The State Board of Elections and the  
12 designated automatic voter registration agency shall amend  
13 these contracts and rules as the technological capabilities of  
14 the designated voter registration agencies improve.

15 (b) As provided in subsection (a) of this Section, each  
16 designated automatic voter registration agency that collects  
17 or cross-references reliable personal information indicating  
18 citizenship status may provide that an application for a  
19 license, permit, program, or service shall serve as a  
20 dual-purpose application. The dual-purpose application shall:

21 (1) also serve as an application to register to vote in  
22 Illinois;

23 (2) allow an applicant to change his or her registered  
24 residence address or name as it appears on the voter  
25 registration rolls;

26 (3) provide the applicant with an opportunity to



1           affirmatively decline to register to vote or change his or  
2           her registered residence address or name by providing a  
3           check box on the application form without requiring the  
4           applicant to state the reason; and

5           (4) unless the applicant declines to register to vote  
6           or to change his or her registered residence address or  
7           name, require the applicant to attest, by signature under  
8           penalty of perjury, to meeting the qualifications to  
9           register to vote in Illinois at his or her residence  
10          address as indicated on his or her dual-purpose  
11          application.

12          (c) As provided in subsection (a) of this Section, each  
13          designated automatic voter registration agency that does not  
14          collect or cross-reference records containing reliable  
15          personal information indicating citizenship status may provide  
16          that an application, an application for renewal, a change of  
17          address form, or a recertification form for a license, permit,  
18          program, or service shall serve as a dual-purpose application.  
19          The dual-purpose application shall:

20                 (1) also serve as an application to register to vote in  
21                 Illinois;

22                 (2) allow an applicant to change his or her registered  
23                 residence address or name as it appears on the voter  
24                 registration rolls; and

25                 (3) if the applicant chooses to register to vote or to  
26                 change his or her registered residence address or name,

1           then require the applicant to attest, by a separate  
2           signature under penalty of perjury, to meeting the  
3           qualifications to register to vote in Illinois at his or  
4           her residence address as indicated on his or her  
5           dual-purpose application.

6           (c-5) The designated automatic voter registration agency  
7           shall clearly and conspicuously inform each applicant in  
8           writing: (i) of the qualifications to register to vote in  
9           Illinois, (ii) of the penalties provided by law for submission  
10          of a false voter registration application, (iii) that, unless  
11          the applicant declines to register to vote or update his or her  
12          voter registration, his or her application shall also serve as  
13          both an application to register to vote and his or her  
14          attestation that he or she meets the eligibility requirements  
15          for voter registration, and that his or her application to  
16          register to vote or update his or her registration will be  
17          transmitted to the State Board of Elections for the purpose of  
18          registering the person to vote at the residence address to be  
19          indicated on the dual-purpose application, (iv) that  
20          information identifying the agency at which he or she applied  
21          to register to vote is confidential, (v) that declining to  
22          register to vote is confidential and will not affect any  
23          services the person may be seeking from the agency, and (vi)  
24          any additional information needed in order to comply with  
25          Section 7 of the federal National Voter Registration Act of  
26          1993.

1           (d) The designated automatic voter registration agency  
2 shall review information provided to the agency by the State  
3 Board of Elections to inform each applicant whether the  
4 applicant is currently registered to vote in Illinois and, if  
5 registered, at what address.

6           (e) The designated automatic voter registration agency  
7 shall not require an applicant for a dual-purpose application  
8 to provide duplicate identification or information in order to  
9 complete an application to register to vote or change his or  
10 her registered residence address or name. Before transmitting  
11 any personal information about an applicant to the State Board  
12 of Elections, the agency shall review its records of the  
13 identification documents the applicant provided or that the  
14 agency cross-references in order to complete the dual-purpose  
15 application, to confirm that nothing in those documents  
16 indicates that the applicant does not satisfy the  
17 qualifications to register to vote in Illinois at his or her  
18 residence address. A completed and signed dual-purpose  
19 application, including a completed application under  
20 subsection (c) of this Section with a separate signature  
21 attesting that the applicant meets the qualifications to  
22 register to vote in Illinois at his or her residence address as  
23 indicated on his or her application, shall constitute an  
24 application to register to vote in Illinois at the residence  
25 address indicated in the application unless the person  
26 affirmatively declined in the application to register to vote

1 or to change his or her registered residence address or name.  
2 If the identification documents provided to complete the  
3 dual-purpose application, or that the agency cross-references,  
4 indicate that he or she does not satisfy the qualifications to  
5 register to vote in Illinois at his or her residence address,  
6 the application shall be marked as incomplete.

7 (f) For each completed and signed dual-purpose application  
8 that constitutes an application to register to vote in Illinois  
9 or provides for a change in the applicant's registered  
10 residence address or name, the designated automatic voter  
11 registration agency shall electronically transmit to the State  
12 Board of Elections personal information needed to complete the  
13 person's registration to vote in Illinois at his or her  
14 residence address. The application to register to vote shall be  
15 processed in accordance with Section 1A-16.7.

16 (g) As used in this Section:

17 "Designated automatic voter registration agency" or  
18 "agency" means the divisions of Family and Community  
19 Services and Rehabilitation Services of the Department of  
20 Human Services, the Department of Employment Security, the  
21 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, the  
22 Department of Natural Resources, the Department of  
23 Corrections, or an agency of the State or federal  
24 government that has been determined by the State Board of  
25 Elections to have access to reliable personal information  
26 and has entered into an interagency contract with the State

1 Board of Elections to participate in the automatic voter  
2 registration program under this Section.

3 "Dual-purpose application" means an application, an  
4 application for renewal, a change of address form, or a  
5 recertification form for a license, permit, program, or  
6 service offered by a designated automatic voter  
7 registration agency that also serves as an application to  
8 register to vote in Illinois.

9 "Reliable personal information" means information  
10 about individuals obtained from government sources that  
11 may be used to verify whether an individual is eligible to  
12 register to vote.

13 (h) This Section shall be implemented no later than July 1,  
14 2019.

15 (Source: P.A. 100-464, eff. 8-28-17.)

16 (10 ILCS 5/1A-16.6)

17 Sec. 1A-16.6. Government agency voter registration.

18 (a) By April 1, 2016, the State Board of Elections shall  
19 establish and maintain a portal for government agency  
20 registration that permits an eligible person to electronically  
21 apply to register to vote or to update his or her existing  
22 voter registration whenever he or she conducts business, either  
23 online or in person, with a designated government agency. The  
24 portal shall interface with the online voter registration  
25 system established in Section 1A-16.5 of this Code and shall be

1 capable of receiving and processing voter registration  
2 application information, including electronic signatures, from  
3 a designated government agency. The State Board of Elections  
4 shall modify the online voter registration system as necessary  
5 to implement this Section.

6 Voter registration data received from a designated  
7 government agency through the online registration system shall  
8 be processed as provided for in Section 1A-16.5 of this Code.

9 Whenever the registration interface is accessible to the  
10 general public, including, but not limited to, online  
11 transactions, the interface shall allow the applicant to  
12 complete the process as provided for in Section 1A-16.5 of this  
13 Code. The online interface shall be capable of providing the  
14 applicant with the applicant's voter registration status with  
15 the State Board of Elections and, if registered, the  
16 applicant's current registration address. The applicant shall  
17 not be required to re-enter any registration data, such as  
18 name, address, and birth date, if the designated government  
19 agency already has that information on file. The applicant  
20 shall be informed that by choosing to register to vote or to  
21 update his or her existing voter registration, the applicant  
22 consents to the transfer of the applicant's personal  
23 information to the State Board of Elections.

24 Whenever a government employee is accessing the  
25 registration system while servicing the applicant, the  
26 government employee shall notify the applicant of the

1 applicant's registration status with the State Board of  
2 Elections and, if registered, the applicant's current  
3 registration address. If the applicant elects to register to  
4 vote or to update his or her existing voter registration, the  
5 government employee shall collect the needed information and  
6 assist the applicant with his or her registration. The  
7 applicant shall be informed that by choosing to register to  
8 vote or to update his or her existing voter registration, the  
9 applicant consents to the transfer of the applicant's personal  
10 information to the State Board of Elections.

11 In accordance with technical specifications provided by  
12 the State Board of Elections, each designated government agency  
13 shall maintain a data transfer mechanism capable of  
14 transmitting voter registration application information,  
15 including electronic signatures where available, to the online  
16 voter registration system established in Section 1A-16.5 of  
17 this Code. Each designated government agency shall establish  
18 and operate a voter registration system capable of transmitting  
19 voter registration application information to the portal as  
20 described in this Section by July 1, 2016.

21 (b) Whenever an applicant's data is transferred from a  
22 designated government agency, the agency must transmit a  
23 signature image if available. If no signature image was  
24 provided by the agency or if no signature image is available in  
25 the Secretary of State's database or the statewide voter  
26 registration database, the applicant must be notified that

1 their registration will remain in a pending status and the  
2 applicant will be required to provide identification and a  
3 signature to the election authority on Election Day in the  
4 polling place or during early voting.

5 (c) The State Board of Elections shall track registration  
6 data received through the online registration system that  
7 originated from a designated government agency for the purposes  
8 of maintaining statistics required by the federal National  
9 Voter Registration Act of 1993, as amended.

10 (d) The State Board of Elections shall submit a report to  
11 the General Assembly and the Governor by December 1, 2015  
12 detailing the progress made to implement the government agency  
13 voter registration portal described in this Section.

14 (e) The Board shall adopt rules, in consultation with the  
15 impacted agencies.

16 (f) As used in this Section, a "designated government  
17 agency" means the Secretary of State's Driver Services and  
18 Vehicle Services Departments, the Department of Human  
19 Services, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, the  
20 Department of Employment Security, and the Department on Aging;  
21 however, if the designated government agency becomes a  
22 designated automatic voter registration agency under Section  
23 1A-16.1 or Section 1A-16.2 of this Code, that agency shall  
24 cease to be a designated government agency under this Section.  
25 For the purposes of this subsection (f), the Department of  
26 Corrections shall be considered a designated government agency



1 until Section 1A-16.2 of this Code is fully implemented as  
2 determined by the State Board of Elections, at which point, the  
3 Department of Corrections shall be considered a designated  
4 automatic voter registration agency, and cease to be a  
5 designated government agency under this Section.

6 (Source: P.A. 100-464, eff. 8-28-17.)

7 Section 10. The Illinois Identification Card Act is amended  
8 by changing Section 4 as follows:

9 (15 ILCS 335/4) (from Ch. 124, par. 24)

10 Sec. 4. Identification card.

11 (a) The Secretary of State shall issue a standard Illinois  
12 Identification Card to any natural person who is a resident of  
13 the State of Illinois who applies for such card, or renewal  
14 thereof. No identification card shall be issued to any person  
15 who holds a valid foreign state identification card, license,  
16 or permit unless the person first surrenders to the Secretary  
17 of State the valid foreign state identification card, license,  
18 or permit. The card shall be prepared and supplied by the  
19 Secretary of State and shall include a photograph and signature  
20 or mark of the applicant. However, the Secretary of State may  
21 provide by rule for the issuance of Illinois Identification  
22 Cards without photographs if the applicant has a bona fide  
23 religious objection to being photographed or to the display of  
24 his or her photograph. The Illinois Identification Card may be

1 used for identification purposes in any lawful situation only  
2 by the person to whom it was issued. As used in this Act,  
3 "photograph" means any color photograph or digitally produced  
4 and captured image of an applicant for an identification card.  
5 As used in this Act, "signature" means the name of a person as  
6 written by that person and captured in a manner acceptable to  
7 the Secretary of State.

8 (a-5) If an applicant for an identification card has a  
9 current driver's license or instruction permit issued by the  
10 Secretary of State, the Secretary may require the applicant to  
11 utilize the same residence address and name on the  
12 identification card, driver's license, and instruction permit  
13 records maintained by the Secretary. The Secretary may  
14 promulgate rules to implement this provision.

15 (a-10) If the applicant is a judicial officer as defined in  
16 Section 1-10 of the Judicial Privacy Act or a peace officer,  
17 the applicant may elect to have his or her office or work  
18 address listed on the card instead of the applicant's residence  
19 or mailing address. The Secretary may promulgate rules to  
20 implement this provision. For the purposes of this subsection  
21 (a-10), "peace officer" means any person who by virtue of his  
22 or her office or public employment is vested by law with a duty  
23 to maintain public order or to make arrests for a violation of  
24 any penal statute of this State, whether that duty extends to  
25 all violations or is limited to specific violations.

26 (a-15) The Secretary of State may provide for an expedited

1 process for the issuance of an Illinois Identification Card.  
2 The Secretary shall charge an additional fee for the expedited  
3 issuance of an Illinois Identification Card, to be set by rule,  
4 not to exceed \$75. All fees collected by the Secretary for  
5 expedited Illinois Identification Card service shall be  
6 deposited into the Secretary of State Special Services Fund.  
7 The Secretary may adopt rules regarding the eligibility,  
8 process, and fee for an expedited Illinois Identification Card.  
9 If the Secretary of State determines that the volume of  
10 expedited identification card requests received on a given day  
11 exceeds the ability of the Secretary to process those requests  
12 in an expedited manner, the Secretary may decline to provide  
13 expedited services, and the additional fee for the expedited  
14 service shall be refunded to the applicant.

15 (a-20) The Secretary of State shall issue a standard  
16 Illinois Identification Card to a committed person upon release  
17 on parole, mandatory supervised release, aftercare release,  
18 final discharge, or pardon from the Department of Corrections  
19 or Department of Juvenile Justice, if the released person  
20 presents a certified copy of his or her birth certificate,  
21 social security card or other documents authorized by the  
22 Secretary, and 2 documents proving his or her Illinois  
23 residence address. Documents proving residence address may  
24 include any official document of the Department of Corrections  
25 or the Department of Juvenile Justice showing the released  
26 person's address after release and a Secretary of State

1 prescribed certificate of residency form, which may be executed  
2 by Department of Corrections or Department of Juvenile Justice  
3 personnel. Beginning on July 1, 2018, or the effective date of  
4 this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, whichever is  
5 later, any person issued a standard Illinois Identification  
6 Card upon his or her release from the Department of Corrections  
7 under this Section shall be eligible for automatic voter  
8 registration as provided under Section 1A-16.1 of the Election  
9 Code.

10 (a-25) The Secretary of State shall issue a limited-term  
11 Illinois Identification Card valid for 90 days to a committed  
12 person upon release on parole, mandatory supervised release,  
13 aftercare release, final discharge, or pardon from the  
14 Department of Corrections or Department of Juvenile Justice, if  
15 the released person is unable to present a certified copy of  
16 his or her birth certificate and social security card or other  
17 documents authorized by the Secretary, but does present a  
18 Secretary of State prescribed verification form completed by  
19 the Department of Corrections or Department of Juvenile  
20 Justice, verifying the released person's date of birth and  
21 social security number and 2 documents proving his or her  
22 Illinois residence address. The verification form must have  
23 been completed no more than 30 days prior to the date of  
24 application for the Illinois Identification Card. Documents  
25 proving residence address shall include any official document  
26 of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile

1 Justice showing the person's address after release and a  
2 Secretary of State prescribed certificate of residency, which  
3 may be executed by Department of Corrections or Department of  
4 Juvenile Justice personnel.

5 Prior to the expiration of the 90-day period of the  
6 limited-term Illinois Identification Card, if the released  
7 person submits to the Secretary of State a certified copy of  
8 his or her birth certificate and his or her social security  
9 card or other documents authorized by the Secretary, a standard  
10 Illinois Identification Card shall be issued. A limited-term  
11 Illinois Identification Card may not be renewed.

12 (b) The Secretary of State shall issue a special Illinois  
13 Identification Card, which shall be known as an Illinois Person  
14 with a Disability Identification Card, to any natural person  
15 who is a resident of the State of Illinois, who is a person  
16 with a disability as defined in Section 4A of this Act, who  
17 applies for such card, or renewal thereof. No Illinois Person  
18 with a Disability Identification Card shall be issued to any  
19 person who holds a valid foreign state identification card,  
20 license, or permit unless the person first surrenders to the  
21 Secretary of State the valid foreign state identification card,  
22 license, or permit. The Secretary of State shall charge no fee  
23 to issue such card. The card shall be prepared and supplied by  
24 the Secretary of State, and shall include a photograph and  
25 signature or mark of the applicant, a designation indicating  
26 that the card is an Illinois Person with a Disability

1 Identification Card, and shall include a comprehensible  
2 designation of the type and classification of the applicant's  
3 disability as set out in Section 4A of this Act. However, the  
4 Secretary of State may provide by rule for the issuance of  
5 Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Cards without  
6 photographs if the applicant has a bona fide religious  
7 objection to being photographed or to the display of his or her  
8 photograph. If the applicant so requests, the card shall  
9 include a description of the applicant's disability and any  
10 information about the applicant's disability or medical  
11 history which the Secretary determines would be helpful to the  
12 applicant in securing emergency medical care. If a mark is used  
13 in lieu of a signature, such mark shall be affixed to the card  
14 in the presence of two witnesses who attest to the authenticity  
15 of the mark. The Illinois Person with a Disability  
16 Identification Card may be used for identification purposes in  
17 any lawful situation by the person to whom it was issued.

18 The Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card  
19 may be used as adequate documentation of disability in lieu of  
20 a physician's determination of disability, a determination of  
21 disability from a physician assistant, a determination of  
22 disability from an advanced practice registered nurse, or any  
23 other documentation of disability whenever any State law  
24 requires that a person with a disability provide such  
25 documentation of disability, however an Illinois Person with a  
26 Disability Identification Card shall not qualify the

1 cardholder to participate in any program or to receive any  
2 benefit which is not available to all persons with like  
3 disabilities. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, an  
4 Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card, or  
5 evidence that the Secretary of State has issued an Illinois  
6 Person with a Disability Identification Card, shall not be used  
7 by any person other than the person named on such card to prove  
8 that the person named on such card is a person with a  
9 disability or for any other purpose unless the card is used for  
10 the benefit of the person named on such card, and the person  
11 named on such card consents to such use at the time the card is  
12 so used.

13 An optometrist's determination of a visual disability  
14 under Section 4A of this Act is acceptable as documentation for  
15 the purpose of issuing an Illinois Person with a Disability  
16 Identification Card.

17 When medical information is contained on an Illinois Person  
18 with a Disability Identification Card, the Office of the  
19 Secretary of State shall not be liable for any actions taken  
20 based upon that medical information.

21 (c) The Secretary of State shall provide that each original  
22 or renewal Illinois Identification Card or Illinois Person with  
23 a Disability Identification Card issued to a person under the  
24 age of 21 shall be of a distinct nature from those Illinois  
25 Identification Cards or Illinois Person with a Disability  
26 Identification Cards issued to individuals 21 years of age or

1 older. The color designated for Illinois Identification Cards  
2 or Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Cards for  
3 persons under the age of 21 shall be at the discretion of the  
4 Secretary of State.

5 (c-1) Each original or renewal Illinois Identification  
6 Card or Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card  
7 issued to a person under the age of 21 shall display the date  
8 upon which the person becomes 18 years of age and the date upon  
9 which the person becomes 21 years of age.

10 (c-3) The General Assembly recognizes the need to identify  
11 military veterans living in this State for the purpose of  
12 ensuring that they receive all of the services and benefits to  
13 which they are legally entitled, including healthcare,  
14 education assistance, and job placement. To assist the State in  
15 identifying these veterans and delivering these vital services  
16 and benefits, the Secretary of State is authorized to issue  
17 Illinois Identification Cards and Illinois Person with a  
18 Disability Identification Cards with the word "veteran"  
19 appearing on the face of the cards. This authorization is  
20 predicated on the unique status of veterans. The Secretary may  
21 not issue any other identification card which identifies an  
22 occupation, status, affiliation, hobby, or other unique  
23 characteristics of the identification card holder which is  
24 unrelated to the purpose of the identification card.

25 (c-5) Beginning on or before July 1, 2015, the Secretary of  
26 State shall designate a space on each original or renewal



1 identification card where, at the request of the applicant, the  
2 word "veteran" shall be placed. The veteran designation shall  
3 be available to a person identified as a veteran under  
4 subsection (b) of Section 5 of this Act who was discharged or  
5 separated under honorable conditions.

6 (d) The Secretary of State may issue a Senior Citizen  
7 discount card, to any natural person who is a resident of the  
8 State of Illinois who is 60 years of age or older and who  
9 applies for such a card or renewal thereof. The Secretary of  
10 State shall charge no fee to issue such card. The card shall be  
11 issued in every county and applications shall be made available  
12 at, but not limited to, nutrition sites, senior citizen centers  
13 and Area Agencies on Aging. The applicant, upon receipt of such  
14 card and prior to its use for any purpose, shall have affixed  
15 thereon in the space provided therefor his signature or mark.

16 (e) The Secretary of State, in his or her discretion, may  
17 designate on each Illinois Identification Card or Illinois  
18 Person with a Disability Identification Card a space where the  
19 card holder may place a sticker or decal, issued by the  
20 Secretary of State, of uniform size as the Secretary may  
21 specify, that shall indicate in appropriate language that the  
22 card holder has renewed his or her Illinois Identification Card  
23 or Illinois Person with a Disability Identification Card.

24 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15; 99-173, eff. 7-29-15;  
25 99-305, eff. 1-1-16; 99-642, eff. 7-28-16; 99-907, eff. 7-1-17;  
26 100-513, eff. 1-1-18.)

1           Section 15. The Unified Code of Corrections is amended by  
2 changing Section 3-14-1 as follows:

3           (730 ILCS 5/3-14-1) (from Ch. 38, par. 1003-14-1)

4           Sec. 3-14-1. Release from the institution.

5           (a) Upon release of a person on parole, mandatory release,  
6 final discharge or pardon the Department shall return all  
7 property held for him, provide him with suitable clothing and  
8 procure necessary transportation for him to his designated  
9 place of residence and employment. It may provide such person  
10 with a grant of money for travel and expenses which may be paid  
11 in installments. The amount of the money grant shall be  
12 determined by the Department.

13           (a-1) The Department shall, before a wrongfully imprisoned  
14 person, as defined in Section 3-1-2 of this Code, is discharged  
15 from the Department, provide him or her with any documents  
16 necessary after discharge.

17           (a-2) The Department of Corrections may establish and  
18 maintain, in any institution it administers, revolving funds to  
19 be known as "Travel and Allowances Revolving Funds". These  
20 revolving funds shall be used for advancing travel and expense  
21 allowances to committed, paroled, and discharged prisoners.  
22 The moneys paid into such revolving funds shall be from  
23 appropriations to the Department for Committed, Paroled, and  
24 Discharged Prisoners.

1 (b) (Blank).

2 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this Code, the  
3 Department shall establish procedures to provide written  
4 notification of any release of any person who has been  
5 convicted of a felony to the State's Attorney and sheriff of  
6 the county from which the offender was committed, and the  
7 State's Attorney and sheriff of the county into which the  
8 offender is to be paroled or released. Except as otherwise  
9 provided in this Code, the Department shall establish  
10 procedures to provide written notification to the proper law  
11 enforcement agency for any municipality of any release of any  
12 person who has been convicted of a felony if the arrest of the  
13 offender or the commission of the offense took place in the  
14 municipality, if the offender is to be paroled or released into  
15 the municipality, or if the offender resided in the  
16 municipality at the time of the commission of the offense. If a  
17 person convicted of a felony who is in the custody of the  
18 Department of Corrections or on parole or mandatory supervised  
19 release informs the Department that he or she has resided,  
20 resides, or will reside at an address that is a housing  
21 facility owned, managed, operated, or leased by a public  
22 housing agency, the Department must send written notification  
23 of that information to the public housing agency that owns,  
24 manages, operates, or leases the housing facility. The written  
25 notification shall, when possible, be given at least 14 days  
26 before release of the person from custody, or as soon

1 thereafter as possible. The written notification shall be  
2 provided electronically if the State's Attorney, sheriff,  
3 proper law enforcement agency, or public housing agency has  
4 provided the Department with an accurate and up to date email  
5 address.

6 (c-1) (Blank).

7 (c-2) The Department shall establish procedures to provide  
8 notice to the Department of State Police of the release or  
9 discharge of persons convicted of violations of the  
10 Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act or a  
11 violation of the Methamphetamine Precursor Control Act. The  
12 Department of State Police shall make this information  
13 available to local, State, or federal law enforcement agencies  
14 upon request.

15 (c-5) If a person on parole or mandatory supervised release  
16 becomes a resident of a facility licensed or regulated by the  
17 Department of Public Health, the Illinois Department of Public  
18 Aid, or the Illinois Department of Human Services, the  
19 Department of Corrections shall provide copies of the following  
20 information to the appropriate licensing or regulating  
21 Department and the licensed or regulated facility where the  
22 person becomes a resident:

23 (1) The mittimus and any pre-sentence investigation  
24 reports.

25 (2) The social evaluation prepared pursuant to Section  
26 3-8-2.

1 (3) Any pre-release evaluation conducted pursuant to  
2 subsection (j) of Section 3-6-2.

3 (4) Reports of disciplinary infractions and  
4 dispositions.

5 (5) Any parole plan, including orders issued by the  
6 Prisoner Review Board, and any violation reports and  
7 dispositions.

8 (6) The name and contact information for the assigned  
9 parole agent and parole supervisor.

10 This information shall be provided within 3 days of the  
11 person becoming a resident of the facility.

12 (c-10) If a person on parole or mandatory supervised  
13 release becomes a resident of a facility licensed or regulated  
14 by the Department of Public Health, the Illinois Department of  
15 Public Aid, or the Illinois Department of Human Services, the  
16 Department of Corrections shall provide written notification  
17 of such residence to the following:

18 (1) The Prisoner Review Board.

19 (2) The chief of police and sheriff in the municipality  
20 and county in which the licensed facility is located.

21 The notification shall be provided within 3 days of the  
22 person becoming a resident of the facility.

23 (d) Upon the release of a committed person on parole,  
24 mandatory supervised release, final discharge or pardon, the  
25 Department shall provide such person with information  
26 concerning programs and services of the Illinois Department of

1 Public Health to ascertain whether such person has been exposed  
2 to the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or any identified  
3 causative agent of Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

4 (e) Upon the release of a committed person on parole,  
5 mandatory supervised release, final discharge, pardon, or who  
6 has been wrongfully imprisoned, the Department shall verify the  
7 released person's full name, date of birth, and social security  
8 number. If verification is made by the Department by obtaining  
9 a certified copy of the released person's birth certificate and  
10 the released person's social security card or other documents  
11 authorized by the Secretary, the Department shall provide the  
12 birth certificate and social security card or other documents  
13 authorized by the Secretary to the released person. If  
14 verification by the Department is done by means other than  
15 obtaining a certified copy of the released person's birth  
16 certificate and the released person's social security card or  
17 other documents authorized by the Secretary, the Department  
18 shall complete a verification form, prescribed by the Secretary  
19 of State, and shall provide that verification form to the  
20 released person.

21 (e-5) Upon the release of a committed person on parole,  
22 mandatory supervised release, final discharge, pardon, or  
23 wrongful imprisonment, the Department shall provide such  
24 person with information concerning voter registration,  
25 including, but not limited to, eligibility of such person for  
26 automatic voter registration under the provisions of Sections

1 1A-16.1 and 1A-16.2 of the Election Code.

2 Additionally, upon release of a committed person under this  
3 Section, the Department shall be considered a "designated  
4 government agency" and a "designated automatic voter  
5 registration agency", as those terms are used under Sections  
6 1A-16.2 and 1A-16.6, for the purpose of registering released  
7 persons to vote under the provisions of those Sections.

8 (f) Forty-five days prior to the scheduled discharge of a  
9 person committed to the custody of the Department of  
10 Corrections, the Department shall give the person who is  
11 otherwise uninsured an opportunity to apply for health care  
12 coverage including medical assistance under Article V of the  
13 Illinois Public Aid Code in accordance with subsection (b) of  
14 Section 1-8.5 of the Illinois Public Aid Code, and the  
15 Department of Corrections shall provide assistance with  
16 completion of the application for health care coverage  
17 including medical assistance. The Department may adopt rules to  
18 implement this Section.

19 (Source: P.A. 98-267, eff. 1-1-14; 99-415, eff. 8-20-15;  
20 99-907, eff. 7-1-17.)