



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4694

Introduced 2/18/2020, by Rep. Will Guzzardi

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/4-8	from Ch. 46, par. 4-8
10 ILCS 5/5-7	from Ch. 46, par. 5-7
10 ILCS 5/6-35	from Ch. 46, par. 6-35

Amends the Election Code. Makes changes to the information required a voter registration record card. Provides that electronic voter registration records shall be furnished at a reasonable cost to any person who makes a sworn affidavit that the list will solely be used for bona fide election, scholarly, or journalistic purposes, as determined by the State Board of Elections. Provides that voter registration records shall be furnished without charge or at a reduced charge if the person requesting the records states the specific purpose for the request and indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the public interest. Provides that voter registration records or data shall not be placed for unrestricted access on the Internet. Provides that voter registration records or data shall not be furnished to any person residing outside of the United States and any person who knowingly does so shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony. Makes other changes.

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CORRECTIONAL
BUDGET AND
IMPACT NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 4-8, 5-7, and 6-35 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/4-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 4-8)

7 Sec. 4-8. The county clerk shall provide a sufficient
8 number of blank forms for the registration of electors, which
9 shall be known as registration record cards and which shall
10 consist of loose leaf sheets or cards, of suitable size to
11 contain in plain writing and figures the data hereinafter
12 required thereon or shall consist of computer cards of suitable
13 nature to contain the data required thereon. The registration
14 record cards, which shall include an affidavit of registration
15 as hereinafter provided, shall be executed in duplicate.

16 The registration record card shall contain the following
17 and such other information as the county clerk may think it
18 proper to require for the identification of the applicant for
19 registration:

20 Name. The name of the applicant, given ~~giving~~ surname and
21 first ~~or Christian~~ name in full, and the middle name or the
22 initial for such middle name, if any.

23 Sex.

1 Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue, or
2 other location of the dwelling, including the apartment, unit
3 or room number, if any, and in the case of a mobile home the lot
4 number, and such additional clear and definite description as
5 may be necessary to determine the exact location of the
6 dwelling of the applicant. Where the location cannot be
7 determined by street and number, then the section,
8 congressional township and range number may be used, or such
9 other description as may be necessary, including post-office
10 mailing address. In the case of a homeless individual, the
11 individual's voting residence that is his or her mailing
12 address shall be included on his or her registration record
13 card.

14 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and precinct.
15 This information shall be furnished by the applicant stating
16 the place or places where he resided and the dates during which
17 he resided in such place or places during the year next
18 preceding the date of the next ensuing election.

19 ~~Nativity. The state or country in which the applicant was~~
20 ~~born.~~

21 ~~Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or~~
22 ~~naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place, and date of~~
23 ~~naturalization.~~

24 Date of application for registration, i.e., the day, month
25 and year when applicant presented himself for registration.

26 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.

1 ~~Physical disability of the applicant, if any, at the time~~
2 ~~of registration, which would require assistance in voting.~~

3 The county and state in which the applicant was last
4 registered.

5 Electronic mail address, if any.

6 Signature of voter. The applicant, after the registration
7 and in the presence of a deputy registrar or other officer of
8 registration shall be required to sign his or her name in ink
9 or digitized form to the affidavit on both the original and
10 duplicate registration record cards.

11 Signature of deputy registrar or officer of registration.

12 In case applicant is unable to sign his name, he may affix
13 his mark to the affidavit. In such case the officer empowered
14 to give the registration oath shall write a detailed
15 description of the applicant in the space provided on the back
16 or at the bottom of the card or sheet; and shall ask the
17 following questions and record the answers thereto:

18 ~~Father's first name.~~

19 ~~Mother's first name.~~

20 From what address did the applicant last register?

21 Reason for inability to sign name.

22 Each applicant for registration shall make an affidavit in
23 substantially the following form:

24 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION

25 STATE OF ILLINOIS

26 COUNTY OF

1 I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the
 2 United States; that on the date of the next election I shall
 3 have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election
 4 precinct in which I reside 30 days and that I intend that this
 5 location shall be my residence; that I am fully qualified to
 6 vote, and that the above statements are true.

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8 (His or her signature or mark)

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

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11 Signature of registration officer.

12 (To be signed in presence of registrant.)

13 Space shall be provided upon the face of each registration
 14 record card for the notation of the voting record of the person
 15 registered thereon.

16 Each registration record card shall be numbered according
 17 to precincts, and may be serially or otherwise marked for
 18 identification in such manner as the county clerk may
 19 determine.

20 The registration cards shall be deemed public records and
 21 shall be open to inspection during regular business hours,
 22 except during the 27 days immediately preceding any election.
 23 On written request of any candidate or objector or any person
 24 intending to object to a petition, the election authority shall
 25 extend its hours for inspection of registration cards and other

1 records of the election authority during the period beginning
2 with the filing of petitions under Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-6 or
3 28-3 and continuing through the termination of electoral board
4 hearings on any objections to petitions containing signatures
5 of registered voters in the jurisdiction of the election
6 authority. The extension shall be for a period of hours
7 sufficient to allow adequate opportunity for examination of the
8 records but the election authority is not required to extend
9 its hours beyond the period beginning at its normal opening for
10 business and ending at midnight. If the business hours are so
11 extended, the election authority shall post a public notice of
12 such extended hours. Registration record cards may also be
13 inspected, upon approval of the officer in charge of the cards,
14 during the 27 days immediately preceding any election.
15 Registration record cards shall also be open to inspection by
16 certified judges and poll watchers and challengers at the
17 polling place on election day, but only to the extent necessary
18 to determine the question of the right of a person to vote or
19 to serve as a judge of election. At no time shall poll watchers
20 or challengers be allowed to physically handle the registration
21 record cards.

22 Updated copies of computer tapes or computer discs or other
23 electronic data processing information containing voter
24 registration information shall be furnished by the county clerk
25 within 10 days after December 15 and May 15 each year and
26 within 10 days after each registration period is closed to the

1 State Board of Elections in a form prescribed by the Board. For
2 the purposes of this Section, a registration period is closed
3 27 days before the date of any regular or special election.
4 Registration information shall include, but not be limited to,
5 the following information: name, sex, residence, telephone
6 number, if any, age, party affiliation, if applicable,
7 precinct, ward, township, county, and representative,
8 legislative and congressional districts. In the event of
9 noncompliance, the State Board of Elections is directed to
10 obtain compliance forthwith with this nondiscretionary duty of
11 the election authority by instituting legal proceedings in the
12 circuit court of the county in which the election authority
13 maintains the registration information. The costs of
14 furnishing updated copies of tapes or discs shall be paid at a
15 rate of \$.00034 per name of registered voters in the election
16 jurisdiction, but not less than \$50 per tape or disc and shall
17 be paid from appropriations made to the State Board of
18 Elections for reimbursement to the election authority for such
19 purpose. The State Board shall furnish copies of such tapes,
20 discs, other electronic data or compilations thereof to state
21 political committees registered pursuant to the Illinois
22 Campaign Finance Act or the Federal Election Campaign Act and
23 to governmental entities, at their request and at a reasonable
24 cost. To protect the privacy and confidentiality of voter
25 registration information, the disclosure of electronic voter
26 registration records to any person or entity other than to a

1 State or local political committee and other than to a
2 governmental entity for a governmental purpose is specifically
3 prohibited except as follows: subject to security measures
4 adopted by the State Board of Elections which, at a minimum,
5 shall include the keeping of a catalog or database, available
6 for public view, including the name, address, and telephone
7 number of the person viewing or receiving the list as well as
8 the date ~~time~~ of that viewing or transmission, (i) any person
9 may view the centralized statewide voter registration list on a
10 computer screen at the Springfield office of the State Board of
11 Elections, during normal business hours other than during the
12 27 days before an election, and (ii) electronic voter
13 registration records shall be furnished at a reasonable cost to
14 any person who makes a sworn affidavit that the list will
15 solely be used for bona fide election, scholarly, or
16 journalistic purposes, as determined by the State Board of
17 Elections. Electronic voter registration records furnished to
18 members of the public shall not disclose email addresses or
19 birth day or birth month but shall disclose birth year. ~~but the~~
20 ~~person viewing the list under this exception may not print,~~
21 ~~duplicate, transmit, or alter the list.~~ Copies of the tapes,
22 discs, or other electronic data shall be furnished by the
23 county clerk to local political committees and governmental
24 entities at their request and at a reasonable cost. ~~Reasonable~~
25 ~~cost of the tapes, discs, et cetera for this purpose would be~~
26 ~~the cost of duplication plus 15% for administration.~~ The

1 individual representing a political committee requesting
2 copies of such records ~~tapes~~ shall make a sworn affidavit that
3 the information shall be used only for bona fide election
4 ~~political~~ purposes, including by or for candidates for office
5 or incumbent office holders. Reasonable cost of voter
6 registration records or data for these purposes would be the
7 cost of duplication plus 15% for administration.

8 Voter registration records shall be furnished without
9 charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the State Board
10 of Elections or the county clerk, if the person requesting the
11 records states the specific purpose for the request and
12 indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the
13 public interest. Waiver or reduction of the fee is in the
14 public interest if the principal purpose of the request is to
15 access and disseminate information regarding the legal rights
16 of the general public and is not for the principal purpose of
17 personal or commercial benefit. For purposes of this paragraph,
18 "commercial benefit" shall not apply to requests made by news
19 media. In setting the amount of the waiver or reduction, the
20 State Board of Elections or the county clerk may take into
21 consideration the amount of materials requested and the cost of
22 copying them.

23 Voter registration records or ~~Such tapes, discs or other~~
24 ~~electronic~~ data shall not be used under any circumstances for
25 any personal, private, or commercial purpose, including, but
26 not limited to, the intimidation, threat, or deception of any

1 person or the advertising, solicitation, sale, or marketing of
2 products or services by any political committee or individuals
3 for purposes of commercial solicitation or other business
4 purposes. If such tapes contain information on county residents
5 related to the operations of county government in addition to
6 registration information, that information shall not be used
7 under any circumstances for commercial solicitation or other
8 business purposes. Voter registration records or data shall not
9 be placed for unrestricted access on the Internet.
10 Notwithstanding any other law, the Illinois driver's license
11 number, the Illinois identification card number, the social
12 security number, and any other unique identifier used by the
13 State of Illinois for purposes of voter identification or added
14 to voter registration records to comply with the requirements
15 of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. Sec.
16 20901 et seq.), are confidential and shall not be disclosed to
17 any person. Voter registration records or data shall not be
18 furnished to any person residing outside of the United States.
19 ~~The prohibition in this Section against using the computer~~
20 ~~tapes or computer discs or other electronic data processing~~
21 ~~information containing voter registration information for~~
22 ~~purposes of commercial solicitation or other business purposes~~
23 ~~shall be prospective only from the effective date of this~~
24 ~~amended Act of 1979.~~ Any person who knowingly violates this
25 provision shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony. A governmental
26 entity, or officer or employee thereof, shall not be held

1 civilly liable as a result of disclosure of the information
2 referred to in this Section, unless by a showing of gross
3 negligence or willfulness.

4 The State Board of Elections shall promulgate, by October
5 1, 1987, such regulations as may be necessary to ensure
6 uniformity throughout the State in electronic data processing
7 of voter registration information. The regulations shall
8 include, but need not be limited to, specifications for uniform
9 medium, communications protocol and file structure to be
10 employed by the election authorities of this State in the
11 electronic data processing of voter registration information.
12 Each election authority utilizing electronic data processing
13 of voter registration information shall comply with such
14 regulations on and after May 15, 1988.

15 If the applicant for registration was last registered in
16 another county within this State, he shall also sign a
17 certificate authorizing cancellation of the former
18 registration. The certificate shall be in substantially the
19 following form:

20 To the County Clerk of.... County, Illinois. (or)

21 To the Election Commission of the City of, Illinois.

22 This is to certify that I am registered in your (county)
23 (city) and that my residence was,
24 Having moved out of your (county) (city), I hereby authorize
25 you to cancel said registration in your office.

26 Dated at, Illinois, on (insert date).

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(Signature of Voter)

3 Attest:, County Clerk,

4 County, Illinois.

5 The cancellation certificate shall be mailed immediately
6 by the County Clerk to the County Clerk (or election commission
7 as the case may be) where the applicant was formerly
8 registered. Receipt of such certificate shall be full authority
9 for cancellation of any previous registration.

10 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 10-1-13; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)

11 (10 ILCS 5/5-7) (from Ch. 46, par. 5-7)

12 Sec. 5-7. The county clerk shall provide a sufficient
13 number of blank forms for the registration of electors which
14 shall be known as registration record cards and which shall
15 consist of loose leaf sheets or cards, of suitable size to
16 contain in plain writing and figures the data hereinafter
17 required thereon or shall consist of computer cards of suitable
18 nature to contain the data required thereon. The registration
19 record cards, which shall include an affidavit of registration
20 as hereinafter provided, shall be executed in duplicate.

21 The registration record card shall contain the following
22 and such other information as the county clerk may think it
23 proper to require for the identification of the applicant for
24 registration:

25 Name. The name of the applicant, given ~~giving~~ surname and

1 first ~~or Christian~~ name in full, and the middle name or the
2 initial for such middle name, if any.

3 Sex.

4 Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue, or
5 other location of the dwelling, including the apartment, unit
6 or room number, if any, and in the case of a mobile home the lot
7 number, and such additional clear and definite description as
8 may be necessary to determine the exact location of the
9 dwelling of the applicant, including post-office mailing
10 address. In the case of a homeless individual, the individual's
11 voting residence that is his or her mailing address shall be
12 included on his or her registration record card.

13 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
14 precinct. Which questions may be answered by the applicant
15 stating, in excess of 30 days in the State and in excess of 30
16 days in the precinct.

17 ~~Nativity. The State or country in which the applicant was~~
18 ~~born.~~

19 ~~Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or~~
20 ~~naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place and date of~~
21 ~~naturalization.~~

22 Date of application for registration, i.e., the day, month
23 and year when applicant presented himself for registration.

24 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.

25 ~~Physical disability of the applicant, if any, at the time~~
26 ~~of registration, which would require assistance in voting.~~

1 The county and state in which the applicant was last
2 registered.

3 Electronic mail address, if any.

4 Signature of voter. The applicant, after the registration
5 and in the presence of a deputy registrar or other officer of
6 registration shall be required to sign his or her name in ink
7 or digitized form to the affidavit on the original and
8 duplicate registration record card.

9 Signature of Deputy Registrar.

10 In case applicant is unable to sign his name, he may affix
11 his mark to the affidavit. In such case the officer empowered
12 to give the registration oath shall write a detailed
13 description of the applicant in the space provided at the
14 bottom of the card or sheet; and shall ask the following
15 questions and record the answers thereto:

16 ~~Father's first name~~

17 ~~Mother's first name~~

18 From what address did you last register?

19 Reason for inability to sign name.

20 Each applicant for registration shall make an affidavit in
21 substantially the following form:

22 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION

23 State of Illinois)

24) ss

25 County of)

26 I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the

1 United States; that on the date of the next election I shall
 2 have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election
 3 precinct in which I reside 30 days; that I am fully qualified
 4 to vote. That I intend that this location shall be my residence
 5 and that the above statements are true.

6
 7 (His or her signature or mark)

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

9

10 Signature of Registration Officer.

11 (To be signed in presence of Registrant.)

12 Space shall be provided upon the face of each registration
 13 record card for the notation of the voting record of the person
 14 registered thereon.

15 Each registration record card shall be numbered according
 16 to towns and precincts, wards, cities and villages, as the case
 17 may be, and may be serially or otherwise marked for
 18 identification in such manner as the county clerk may
 19 determine.

20 The registration cards shall be deemed public records and
 21 shall be open to inspection during regular business hours,
 22 except during the 27 days immediately preceding any election.
 23 On written request of any candidate or objector or any person
 24 intending to object to a petition, the election authority shall
 25 extend its hours for inspection of registration cards and other

1 records of the election authority during the period beginning
2 with the filing of petitions under Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-6 or
3 28-3 and continuing through the termination of electoral board
4 hearings on any objections to petitions containing signatures
5 of registered voters in the jurisdiction of the election
6 authority. The extension shall be for a period of hours
7 sufficient to allow adequate opportunity for examination of the
8 records but the election authority is not required to extend
9 its hours beyond the period beginning at its normal opening for
10 business and ending at midnight. If the business hours are so
11 extended, the election authority shall post a public notice of
12 such extended hours. Registration record cards may also be
13 inspected, upon approval of the officer in charge of the cards,
14 during the 27 days immediately preceding any election.
15 Registration record cards shall also be open to inspection by
16 certified judges and poll watchers and challengers at the
17 polling place on election day, but only to the extent necessary
18 to determine the question of the right of a person to vote or
19 to serve as a judge of election. At no time shall poll watchers
20 or challengers be allowed to physically handle the registration
21 record cards.

22 Updated copies of computer tapes or computer discs or other
23 electronic data processing information containing voter
24 registration information shall be furnished by the county clerk
25 within 10 days after December 15 and May 15 each year and
26 within 10 days after each registration period is closed to the

1 State Board of Elections in a form prescribed by the Board. For
2 the purposes of this Section, a registration period is closed
3 27 days before the date of any regular or special election.
4 Registration information shall include, but not be limited to,
5 the following information: name, sex, residence, telephone
6 number, if any, age, party affiliation, if applicable,
7 precinct, ward, township, county, and representative,
8 legislative and congressional districts. In the event of
9 noncompliance, the State Board of Elections is directed to
10 obtain compliance forthwith with this nondiscretionary duty of
11 the election authority by instituting legal proceedings in the
12 circuit court of the county in which the election authority
13 maintains the registration information. The costs of
14 furnishing updated copies of tapes or discs shall be paid at a
15 rate of \$.00034 per name of registered voters in the election
16 jurisdiction, but not less than \$50 per tape or disc and shall
17 be paid from appropriations made to the State Board of
18 Elections for reimbursement to the election authority for such
19 purpose. The State Board shall furnish copies of such tapes,
20 discs, other electronic data or compilations thereof to state
21 political committees registered pursuant to the Illinois
22 Campaign Finance Act or the Federal Election Campaign Act and
23 to governmental entities, at their request and at a reasonable
24 cost. To protect the privacy and confidentiality of voter
25 registration information, the disclosure of electronic voter
26 registration records to any person or entity other than to a

1 State or local political committee and other than to a
2 governmental entity for a governmental purpose is specifically
3 prohibited except as follows: subject to security measures
4 adopted by the State Board of Elections which, at a minimum,
5 shall include the keeping of a catalog or database, available
6 for public view, including the name, address, and telephone
7 number of the person viewing the list as well as the date time
8 of that viewing or transmission, (i) any person may view the
9 centralized statewide voter registration list on a computer
10 screen at the Springfield office of the State Board of
11 Elections, during normal business hours other than during the
12 27 days before an election, and (ii) electronic voter
13 registration records shall be furnished at a reasonable cost to
14 any person who makes a sworn affidavit that the list will
15 solely be used for bona fide election, scholarly, or
16 journalistic purposes, as determined by the State Board of
17 Elections. Electronic voter registration records furnished to
18 members of the public shall not disclose email addresses or
19 birth day or birth month but shall disclose birth year. but the
20 person viewing the list under this exception may not print,
21 duplicate, transmit, or alter the list. Copies of the tapes,
22 discs or other electronic data shall be furnished by the county
23 clerk to local political committees and governmental entities
24 at their request and at a reasonable cost. ~~Reasonable cost of~~
25 ~~the tapes, discs, et cetera for this purpose would be the cost~~
26 ~~of duplication plus 15% for administration.~~ The individual

1 representing a political committee requesting copies of such
2 records ~~tapes~~ shall make a sworn affidavit that the information
3 shall be used only for bona fide election ~~political~~ purposes,
4 including by or for candidates for office or incumbent office
5 holders. Reasonable cost of voter registration records or data
6 for these purposes would be the cost of duplication plus 15%
7 for administration.

8 Voter registration records shall be furnished without
9 charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the State Board
10 of Elections or the county clerk, if the person requesting the
11 records states the specific purpose for the request and
12 indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the
13 public interest. Waiver or reduction of the fee is in the
14 public interest if the principal purpose of the request is to
15 access and disseminate information regarding the legal rights
16 of the general public and is not for the principal purpose of
17 personal or commercial benefit. For purposes of this paragraph,
18 "commercial benefit" shall not apply to requests made by news
19 media. In setting the amount of the waiver or reduction, the
20 State Board of Elections or the county clerk may take into
21 consideration the amount of materials requested and the cost of
22 copying them.

23 Voter registration records or ~~Such tapes, discs or other~~
24 ~~electronic~~ data shall not be used under any circumstances for
25 any personal, private, or commercial purpose, including, but
26 not limited to, the intimidation, threat, or deception of any

1 person or the advertising, solicitation, sale, or marketing of
2 products or services by any political committee or individuals
3 for purposes of commercial solicitation or other business
4 purposes. If such records ~~tapes~~ contain information on county
5 residents related to the operations of county government in
6 addition to registration information, that information shall
7 not be used under any circumstances for commercial solicitation
8 or other business purposes. Voter registration records or data
9 shall not be placed for unrestricted access on the Internet.
10 Notwithstanding any other law, the Illinois driver's license
11 number, the Illinois identification card number, the social
12 security number, and any other unique identifier used by the
13 State of Illinois for purposes of voter identification or added
14 to voter registration records to comply with the requirements
15 of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. Sec.
16 20901 et seq.), are confidential and shall not be disclosed to
17 any person. Voter registration records or data shall not be
18 furnished to any person residing outside of the United States.
19 Any person who knowingly violates this provision shall be
20 guilty of a Class 4 felony. A governmental entity, or officer
21 or employee thereof, shall not be held civilly liable as a
22 result of disclosure of the information referred to in this
23 Section, unless by a showing of gross negligence or
24 willfulness. ~~The prohibition in this Section against using the~~
25 ~~computer tapes or computer discs or other electronic data~~
26 ~~processing information containing voter registration~~

1 ~~information for purposes of commercial solicitation or other~~
2 ~~business purposes shall be prospective only from the effective~~
3 ~~date of this amended Act of 1979. Any person who violates this~~
4 ~~provision shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.~~

5 The State Board of Elections shall promulgate, by October
6 1, 1987, such regulations as may be necessary to ensure
7 uniformity throughout the State in electronic data processing
8 of voter registration information. The regulations shall
9 include, but need not be limited to, specifications for uniform
10 medium, communications protocol and file structure to be
11 employed by the election authorities of this State in the
12 electronic data processing of voter registration information.
13 Each election authority utilizing electronic data processing
14 of voter registration information shall comply with such
15 regulations on and after May 15, 1988.

16 If the applicant for registration was last registered in
17 another county within this State, he shall also sign a
18 certificate authorizing cancellation of the former
19 registration. The certificate shall be in substantially the
20 following form:

21 To the County Clerk of County, Illinois. To the Election
22 Commission of the City of, Illinois.

23 This is to certify that I am registered in your (county)
24 (city) and that my residence was

25 Having moved out of your (county) (city), I hereby
26 authorize you to cancel said registration in your office.

1 Dated at Illinois, on (insert date).

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3 (Signature of Voter)

4 Attest, County Clerk, County, Illinois.

5 The cancellation certificate shall be mailed immediately
6 by the county clerk to the county clerk (or election commission
7 as the case may be) where the applicant was formerly
8 registered. Receipt of such certificate shall be full authority
9 for cancellation of any previous registration.

10 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 10-1-13; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)

11 (10 ILCS 5/6-35) (from Ch. 46, par. 6-35)

12 Sec. 6-35. The Boards of Election Commissioners shall
13 provide a sufficient number of blank forms for the registration
14 of electors which shall be known as registration record cards
15 and which shall consist of loose leaf sheets or cards, of
16 suitable size to contain in plain writing and figures the data
17 hereinafter required thereon or shall consist of computer cards
18 of suitable nature to contain the data required thereon. The
19 registration record cards, which shall include an affidavit of
20 registration as hereinafter provided, shall be executed in
21 duplicate. The duplicate of which may be a carbon copy of the
22 original or a copy of the original made by the use of other
23 method or material used for making simultaneous true copies or
24 duplications.

25 The registration record card shall contain the following

1 and such other information as the Board of Election
2 Commissioners may think it proper to require for the
3 identification of the applicant for registration:

4 Name. The name of the applicant, given ~~giving~~ surname and
5 first ~~or Christian~~ name in full, and the middle name or the
6 initial for such middle name, if any.

7 Sex.

8 Residence. The name and number of the street, avenue, or
9 other location of the dwelling, including the apartment, unit
10 or room number, if any, and in the case of a mobile home the lot
11 number, and such additional clear and definite description as
12 may be necessary to determine the exact location of the
13 dwelling of the applicant, including post-office mailing
14 address. In the case of a homeless individual, the individual's
15 voting residence that is his or her mailing address shall be
16 included on his or her registration record card.

17 Term of residence in the State of Illinois and the
18 precinct.

19 ~~Nativity. The state or country in which the applicant was~~
20 ~~born.~~

21 ~~Citizenship. Whether the applicant is native born or~~
22 ~~naturalized. If naturalized, the court, place, and date of~~
23 ~~naturalization.~~

24 Date of application for registration, i.e., the day, month
25 and year when the applicant presented himself for registration.

26 Age. Date of birth, by month, day and year.

1 ~~Physical disability of the applicant, if any, at the time~~
2 ~~of registration, which would require assistance in voting.~~

3 The county and state in which the applicant was last
4 registered.

5 Electronic mail address, if any.

6 Signature of voter. The applicant, after registration and
7 in the presence of a deputy registrar or other officer of
8 registration shall be required to sign his or her name in ink
9 or digitized form to the affidavit on both the original and the
10 duplicate registration record card.

11 Signature of deputy registrar.

12 In case applicant is unable to sign his name, he may affix
13 his mark to the affidavit. In such case the registration
14 officer shall write a detailed description of the applicant in
15 the space provided at the bottom of the card or sheet; and
16 shall ask the following questions and record the answers
17 thereto:

18 ~~Father's first name~~

19 ~~Mother's first name~~

20 From what address did you last register?

21 Reason for inability to sign name

22 Each applicant for registration shall make an affidavit in
23 substantially the following form:

24 AFFIDAVIT OF REGISTRATION

25 State of Illinois)

26)ss

1 County of)

2 I hereby swear (or affirm) that I am a citizen of the
3 United States, that on the day of the next election I shall
4 have resided in the State of Illinois and in the election
5 precinct 30 days and that I intend that this location is my
6 residence; that I am fully qualified to vote, and that the
7 above statements are true.

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9 (His or her signature or mark)

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

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12 Signature of registration officer
13 (to be signed in presence of registrant).

14 Space shall be provided upon the face of each registration
15 record card for the notation of the voting record of the person
16 registered thereon.

17 Each registration record card shall be numbered according
18 to wards or precincts, as the case may be, and may be serially
19 or otherwise marked for identification in such manner as the
20 Board of Election Commissioners may determine.

21 The registration cards shall be deemed public records and
22 shall be open to inspection during regular business hours,
23 except during the 27 days immediately preceding any election.
24 On written request of any candidate or objector or any person
25 intending to object to a petition, the election authority shall
26 extend its hours for inspection of registration cards and other

1 records of the election authority during the period beginning
2 with the filing of petitions under Sections 7-10, 8-8, 10-6 or
3 28-3 and continuing through the termination of electoral board
4 hearings on any objections to petitions containing signatures
5 of registered voters in the jurisdiction of the election
6 authority. The extension shall be for a period of hours
7 sufficient to allow adequate opportunity for examination of the
8 records but the election authority is not required to extend
9 its hours beyond the period beginning at its normal opening for
10 business and ending at midnight. If the business hours are so
11 extended, the election authority shall post a public notice of
12 such extended hours. Registration record cards may also be
13 inspected, upon approval of the officer in charge of the cards,
14 during the 27 days immediately preceding any election.
15 Registration record cards shall also be open to inspection by
16 certified judges and poll watchers and challengers at the
17 polling place on election day, but only to the extent necessary
18 to determine the question of the right of a person to vote or
19 to serve as a judge of election. At no time shall poll watchers
20 or challengers be allowed to physically handle the registration
21 record cards.

22 Updated copies of computer tapes or computer discs or other
23 electronic data processing information containing voter
24 registration information shall be furnished by the Board of
25 Election Commissioners within 10 days after December 15 and May
26 15 each year and within 10 days after each registration period

1 is closed to the State Board of Elections in a form prescribed
2 by the State Board. For the purposes of this Section, a
3 registration period is closed 27 days before the date of any
4 regular or special election. Registration information shall
5 include, but not be limited to, the following information:
6 name, sex, residence, telephone number, if any, age, party
7 affiliation, if applicable, precinct, ward, township, county,
8 and representative, legislative and congressional districts.
9 In the event of noncompliance, the State Board of Elections is
10 directed to obtain compliance forthwith with this
11 nondiscretionary duty of the election authority by instituting
12 legal proceedings in the circuit court of the county in which
13 the election authority maintains the registration information.
14 The costs of furnishing updated copies of tapes or discs shall
15 be paid at a rate of \$.00034 per name of registered voters in
16 the election jurisdiction, but not less than \$50 per tape or
17 disc and shall be paid from appropriations made to the State
18 Board of Elections for reimbursement to the election authority
19 for such purpose. The State Board shall furnish copies of such
20 tapes, discs, other electronic data or compilations thereof to
21 state political committees registered pursuant to the Illinois
22 Campaign Finance Act or the Federal Election Campaign Act and
23 to governmental entities, at their request and at a reasonable
24 cost. To protect the privacy and confidentiality of voter
25 registration information, the disclosure of electronic voter
26 registration records to any person or entity other than to a

1 State or local political committee and other than to a
2 governmental entity for a governmental purpose is specifically
3 prohibited except as follows: subject to security measures
4 adopted by the State Board of Elections which, at a minimum,
5 shall include the keeping of a catalog or database, available
6 for public view, including the name, address, and telephone
7 number of the person viewing or receiving the list as well as
8 the date ~~time~~ of that viewing or transmission, (i) any person
9 may view the centralized statewide voter registration list on a
10 computer screen at the Springfield office of the State Board of
11 Elections, during normal business hours other than during the
12 27 days before an election, and (ii) electronic voter
13 registration records shall be furnished at a reasonable cost to
14 any person who makes a sworn affidavit that the list will
15 solely be used for bona fide election, scholarly, or
16 journalistic purposes, as determined by the State Board of
17 Elections. Electronic voter registration records furnished to
18 members of the public shall not disclose email addresses or
19 birth day or birth month but shall disclose birth year. ~~but the~~
20 ~~person viewing the list under this exception may not print,~~
21 ~~duplicate, transmit, or alter the list.~~ Copies of the tapes,
22 discs or other electronic data shall be furnished by the Board
23 of Election Commissioners to local political committees and
24 governmental entities at their request and at a reasonable
25 cost. ~~Reasonable cost of the tapes, discs, et cetera for this~~
26 ~~purpose would be the cost of duplication plus 15% for~~

1 ~~administration.~~ The individual representing a political
2 committee requesting copies of such tapes shall make a sworn
3 affidavit that the information shall be used only for bona fide
4 political purposes, including by or for candidates for office
5 or incumbent office holders. Reasonable cost of voter
6 registration records or data for these purposes would be the
7 cost of duplication plus 15% for administration.

8 Voter registration records shall be furnished without
9 charge or at a reduced charge, as determined by the State Board
10 of Elections or the county clerk, if the person requesting the
11 records states the specific purpose for the request and
12 indicates that a waiver or reduction of the fee is in the
13 public interest. Waiver or reduction of the fee is in the
14 public interest if the principal purpose of the request is to
15 access and disseminate information regarding the legal rights
16 of the general public and is not for the principal purpose of
17 personal or commercial benefit. For purposes of this paragraph,
18 "commercial benefit" shall not apply to requests made by news
19 media. In setting the amount of the waiver or reduction, the
20 State Board of Elections or the county clerk may take into
21 consideration the amount of materials requested and the cost of
22 copying them.

23 Voter registration records or ~~Such tapes, discs or other~~
24 ~~electronic~~ data shall not be used under any circumstances for
25 any personal, private, or commercial purpose, including, but
26 not limited to, the intimidation, threat, or deception of any

1 person or the advertising, solicitation, sale, or marketing of
2 products or services by any political committee or individuals
3 for purposes of commercial solicitation or other business
4 purposes. If such records ~~tapes~~ contain information on county
5 residents related to the operations of county government in
6 addition to registration information, that information shall
7 not be used under any circumstances for commercial solicitation
8 or other business purposes. Voter registration records or data
9 shall not be placed for unrestricted access on the Internet.
10 Notwithstanding any other law, the Illinois driver's license
11 number, the Illinois identification card number, the social
12 security number, and any other unique identifier used by the
13 State of Illinois for purposes of voter identification or added
14 to voter registration records to comply with the requirements
15 of the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. Sec.
16 20901 et seq.), are confidential and shall not be disclosed to
17 any person. Voter registration records or data shall not be
18 furnished to any person residing outside of the United States.
19 ~~The prohibition in this Section against using the computer~~
20 ~~tapes or computer discs or other electronic data processing~~
21 ~~information containing voter registration information for~~
22 ~~purposes of commercial solicitation or other business purposes~~
23 ~~shall be prospective only from the effective date of this~~
24 ~~amended Act of 1979.~~ Any person who knowingly violates this
25 provision shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony. A governmental
26 entity, or officer or employee thereof, shall not be held

1 civilly liable as a result of disclosure of the information
2 referred to in this Section, unless by a showing of gross
3 negligence or willfulness.

4 The State Board of Elections shall promulgate, by October
5 1, 1987, such regulations as may be necessary to ensure
6 uniformity throughout the State in electronic data processing
7 of voter registration information. The regulations shall
8 include, but need not be limited to, specifications for uniform
9 medium, communications protocol and file structure to be
10 employed by the election authorities of this State in the
11 electronic data processing of voter registration information.
12 Each election authority utilizing electronic data processing
13 of voter registration information shall comply with such
14 regulations on and after May 15, 1988.

15 If the applicant for registration was last registered in
16 another county within this State, he shall also sign a
17 certificate authorizing cancellation of the former
18 registration. The certificate shall be in substantially the
19 following form:

20 To the County Clerk of County, Illinois.

21 To the Election Commission of the City of, Illinois.

22 This is to certify that I am registered in your (county)
23 (city) and that my residence was, Having moved out of your
24 (county), (city), I hereby authorize you to cancel that
25 registration in your office.

26 Dated at, Illinois, on (insert date).

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(Signature of Voter)

3 Attest, Clerk, Election Commission of the City of.....,
4 Illinois.

5 The cancellation certificate shall be mailed immediately
6 by the clerk of the Election Commission to the county clerk,
7 (or Election Commission as the case may be) where the applicant
8 was formerly registered. Receipt of such certificate shall be
9 full authority for cancellation of any previous registration.
10 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 10-1-13; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)