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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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

Amends the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act. Requires each officer or member who, on or after the effective date of the amendatory Act, is elected or appointed to office to complete, within 2 years after the date that he or she is first elected or appointed and every 2 years thereafter for as long as he or she remains an officer or member, an 8-hour continuing education program that has been developed by the Illinois Council on Economic Education and has been approved by the Illinois Community College Board. Provides that an officer or member who is currently licensed by the State in a financial field and is already required to take continuing education classes concerning accounting, economics, or finance shall be exempt from this continuing education requirement. Authorizes an administrative fine to be levied against an officer or employee who fails to timely complete the amendatory Act's continuing education requirement. Prohibits an officer or employee from being elected or appointed to public office if he or she fails to timely pay the fine and complete the required continuing education. Amends the Election Code. Requires candidates to state in their petitions for nomination that they are not barred from being elected or appointed by a violation of the continuing education requirement established by the amendatory Act.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

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

6 (5 ILCS 430/Art. 7 heading new)

7 ARTICLE 7. CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

8 (5 ILCS 430/7-5 new)

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

10 (a) Each officer or member who, on or after the effective
11 date of this amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly, is
12 elected or appointed to office must complete, at his or her own
13 expense, the 8-hour continuing education program approved by
14 the Illinois Community College Board under subsection (b) of
15 this Section within 2 years after the date the officer or
16 member is first elected or appointed. After the initial
17 training, each officer or member must complete a 4-hour
18 training every 2 years thereafter for as long as he or she
19 remains an officer or member. However, an officer or member
20 who is elected or appointed to more than one public office must
21 complete the 4-hour continuing education program only once
22 every 2 years.

1 (b) The Illinois Council on Economic Education, located at
2 Northern Illinois University, shall develop, and the Illinois
3 Community College Board shall review for approval, an 8-hour
4 and 4-hour continuing education program for officers and
5 members. The continuing education program curriculum shall
6 consist of courses focusing on macroeconomic and microeconomic
7 theories and the interaction between economic theory and
8 governmental policy, including, but not limited to, the impact
9 of government financial decisions and policy decisions on
10 individuals and businesses.

11 (c) An officer or member who fails to timely complete the
12 continuing education program required under this Section is
13 subject to the penalties specified in subsection (e) of
14 Section 50-5 of this Act, and if that officer or member does
15 not timely pay an administrative fine levied under that
16 Section and complete the continuing education program, then he
17 or she may not subsequently be elected or appointed as an
18 officer or member.

19 (d) An officer or member who is currently licensed by the
20 Sate in a financial field and is already required to take
21 continuing education classes concerning accounting, economics,
22 or finance shall be exempt from the requirements of this
23 Section.

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

1 (10 ILCS 5/7-10) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-10)

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

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

19	Name	Office	Address
20	John Jones	Governor	Belvidere, Ill.
21	Jane James	Lieutenant Governor	Peoria, Ill.
22	Thomas Smith	Attorney General	Oakland, Ill.

23 Name..... Address.....

1 State of Illinois)

2) ss.

3 County of.....)

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

13

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

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16 Each sheet of the petition other than the statement of
17 candidacy and candidate's statement shall be of uniform size
18 and shall contain above the space for signatures an
19 appropriate heading giving the information as to name of
20 candidate or candidates, in whose behalf such petition is
21 signed; the office, the political party represented and place
22 of residence; and the heading of each sheet shall be the same.

23 Such petition shall be signed by qualified primary
24 electors residing in the political division for which the
25 nomination is sought in their own proper persons only and

1 opposite the signature of each signer, his residence address
2 shall be written or printed. The residence address required to
3 be written or printed opposite each qualified primary
4 elector's name shall include the street address or rural route
5 number of the signer, as the case may be, as well as the
6 signer's county, and city, village or town, and state.
7 However, the county or city, village or town, and state of
8 residence of the electors may be printed on the petition forms
9 where all of the electors signing the petition reside in the
10 same county or city, village or town, and state. Standard
11 abbreviations may be used in writing the residence address,
12 including street number, if any. At the bottom of each sheet of
13 such petition shall be added a circulator statement signed by
14 a person 18 years of age or older who is a citizen of the
15 United States, stating the street address or rural route
16 number, as the case may be, as well as the county, city,
17 village or town, and state; and certifying that the signatures
18 on that sheet of the petition were signed in his or her
19 presence and certifying that the signatures are genuine; and
20 either (1) indicating the dates on which that sheet was
21 circulated, or (2) indicating the first and last dates on
22 which the sheet was circulated, or (3) for elections where the
23 petition circulation period is 90 days, certifying that none
24 of the signatures on the sheet were signed more than 90 days
25 preceding the last day for the filing of the petition, or (4)
26 for the 2022 general primary election only, certify that the

1 signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of
2 January 13, 2022 through March 14, 2022 or certify that the
3 signatures on the sheet were signed during the period of
4 January 13, 2022 through the date on which this statement was
5 sworn or affirmed to and certifying that to the best of his or
6 her knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at the
7 time of signing the petitions qualified voters of the
8 political party for which a nomination is sought. Such
9 statement shall be sworn to before some officer authorized to
10 administer oaths in this State.

11 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, no petition
12 sheet shall be circulated more than 90 days preceding the last
13 day provided in Section 7-12 for the filing of such petition.

14 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on
15 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
16 signature from the petition, provided that:

17 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial
18 the petition at the place where the signature is struck;
19 and

20 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
21 certification listing the page number and line number of
22 each signature struck from the petition. Such
23 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

24 Such sheets before being filed shall be neatly fastened
25 together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile and
26 fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable

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

1 State and shall be in substantially the following form:

2 Statement of Candidacy

3 Name	Address	Office	District	Party
4 John Jones	102 Main St. 5 Belvidere, 6 Illinois	Governor	Statewide	Republican

7 State of Illinois)

8) ss.

9 County of

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

1 name be printed upon the official primary ballot for
2 nomination for (or election to in the case of committeepersons
3 and delegates and alternate delegates) such office.

4 Signed

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

7 Signed

8 (Official Character)

9 (Seal, if officer has one.)

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

18 A candidate for the offices listed in this Section must
19 obtain the number of signatures specified in this Section on
20 his or her petition for nomination.

21 (a) Statewide office or delegate to a national nominating
22 convention. Except as otherwise provided in this Code, if a
23 candidate seeks to run for statewide office or as a delegate or
24 alternate delegate to a national nominating convention elected
25 from the State at-large, then the candidate's petition for

1 nomination must contain at least 5,000 but not more than
2 10,000 signatures.

3 (b) Congressional office or congressional delegate to a
4 national nominating convention. Except as otherwise provided
5 in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run for United States
6 Congress or as a congressional delegate or alternate
7 congressional delegate to a national nominating convention
8 elected from a congressional district, then the candidate's
9 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
10 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
11 his or her party in his or her congressional district. In the
12 first primary election following a redistricting of
13 congressional districts, a candidate's petition for nomination
14 must contain at least 600 signatures of qualified primary
15 electors of the candidate's political party in his or her
16 congressional district.

17 (c) County office. Except as otherwise provided in this
18 Code, if a candidate seeks to run for any countywide office,
19 including, but not limited to, county board chairperson or
20 county board member, elected on an at-large basis, in a county
21 other than Cook County, then the candidate's petition for
22 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
23 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party who
24 cast votes at the last preceding general election in his or her
25 county. If a candidate seeks to run for county board member
26 elected from a county board district, then the candidate's

1 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
2 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
3 his or her party in the county board district. In the first
4 primary election following a redistricting of county board
5 districts or the initial establishment of county board
6 districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must contain
7 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
8 qualified electors of his or her party in the entire county who
9 cast votes at the last preceding general election divided by
10 the total number of county board districts comprising the
11 county board; provided that in no event shall the number of
12 signatures be less than 25.

13 (d) County office; Cook County only.

14 (1) If a candidate seeks to run for countywide office
15 in Cook County, then the candidate's petition for
16 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
17 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
18 who cast votes at the last preceding general election in
19 Cook County.

20 (2) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board
21 Commissioner, then the candidate's petition for nomination
22 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to
23 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of his or her party
24 in his or her county board district. In the first primary
25 election following a redistricting of Cook County Board of
26 Commissioners districts, a candidate's petition for

1 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures
2 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party
3 in the entire county who cast votes at the last preceding
4 general election divided by the total number of county
5 board districts comprising the county board; provided that
6 in no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

7 (3) Except as otherwise provided in this Code, if a
8 candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board of Review
9 Commissioner, which is elected from a district pursuant to
10 subsection (c) of Section 5-5 of the Property Tax Code,
11 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain
12 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
13 total number of registered voters in his or her board of
14 review district in the last general election at which a
15 commissioner was regularly scheduled to be elected from
16 that board of review district. In no event shall the
17 number of signatures required be greater than the
18 requisite number for a candidate who seeks countywide
19 office in Cook County under subsection (d)(1) of this
20 Section. In the first primary election following a
21 redistricting of Cook County Board of Review districts, a
22 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least
23 4,000 signatures or at least the number of signatures
24 required for a countywide candidate in Cook County,
25 whichever is less, of the qualified electors of his or her
26 party in the district.

1 (e) Municipal or township office. If a candidate seeks to
2 run for municipal or township office, then the candidate's
3 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of
4 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of
5 his or her party in the municipality or township. If a
6 candidate seeks to run for alderperson of a municipality, then
7 the candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least
8 the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified
9 primary electors of his or her party of the ward. In the first
10 primary election following redistricting of wards or trustee
11 districts of a municipality or the initial establishment of
12 wards or districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must
13 contain the number of signatures equal to at least 0.5% of the
14 total number of votes cast for the candidate of that political
15 party who received the highest number of votes in the entire
16 municipality at the last regular election at which an officer
17 was regularly scheduled to be elected from the entire
18 municipality, divided by the number of wards or districts. In
19 no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

20 (f) State central committeeperson. If a candidate seeks to
21 run for State central committeeperson, then the candidate's
22 petition for nomination must contain at least 100 signatures
23 of the primary electors of his or her party of his or her
24 congressional district.

25 (g) Sanitary district trustee. Except as otherwise
26 provided in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run for trustee

1 of a sanitary district in which trustees are not elected from
2 wards, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
3 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the
4 primary electors of his or her party from the sanitary
5 district. If a candidate seeks to run for trustee of a sanitary
6 district in which trustees are elected from wards, then the
7 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the
8 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the primary electors of
9 his or her party in the ward of that sanitary district. In the
10 first primary election following redistricting of sanitary
11 districts elected from wards, a candidate's petition for
12 nomination must contain at least the signatures of 150
13 qualified primary electors of his or her ward of that sanitary
14 district.

15 (h) Judicial office. Except as otherwise provided in this
16 Code, if a candidate seeks to run for judicial office in a
17 district, then the candidate's petition for nomination must
18 contain the number of signatures equal to 0.4% of the number of
19 votes cast in that district for the candidate for his or her
20 political party for the office of Governor at the last general
21 election at which a Governor was elected, but in no event less
22 than 500 signatures. If a candidate seeks to run for judicial
23 office in a circuit or subcircuit, then the candidate's
24 petition for nomination must contain the number of signatures
25 equal to 0.25% of the number of votes cast for the judicial
26 candidate of his or her political party who received the

1 highest number of votes at the last general election at which a
2 judicial officer from the same circuit or subcircuit was
3 regularly scheduled to be elected, but in no event less than
4 1,000 signatures in circuits and subcircuits located in the
5 First Judicial District or 500 signatures in every other
6 Judicial District.

7 (i) Precinct, ward, and township committeeperson. Except
8 as otherwise provided in this Code, if a candidate seeks to run
9 for precinct committeeperson, then the candidate's petition
10 for nomination must contain at least 10 signatures of the
11 primary electors of his or her party for the precinct. If a
12 candidate seeks to run for ward committeeperson, then the
13 candidate's petition for nomination must contain no less than
14 the number of signatures equal to 10% of the primary electors
15 of his or her party of the ward, but no more than 16% of those
16 same electors; provided that the maximum number of signatures
17 may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever is greater.
18 If a candidate seeks to run for township committeeperson, then
19 the candidate's petition for nomination must contain no less
20 than the number of signatures equal to 5% of the primary
21 electors of his or her party of the township, but no more than
22 8% of those same electors; provided that the maximum number of
23 signatures may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever
24 is greater.

25 (j) State's attorney or regional superintendent of schools
26 for multiple counties. If a candidate seeks to run for State's

1 attorney or regional Superintendent of Schools who serves more
2 than one county, then the candidate's petition for nomination
3 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of
4 the primary electors of his or her party in the territory
5 comprising the counties.

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

12 For purposes of this Section the number of primary
13 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in
14 the applicable district, for the candidate for that political
15 party who received the highest number of votes, statewide, at
16 the last general election in the State at which electors for
17 President of the United States were elected. For political
18 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be
19 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
20 that political party who received the highest number of votes
21 in the political subdivision at the last regular election at
22 which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from
23 that subdivision. For wards or districts of political
24 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be
25 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for
26 that political party who received the highest number of votes

1 in the ward or district at the last regular election at which
2 an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that
3 ward or district.

4 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
5 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one
6 party.

7 The changes made to this Section by Public Act 93-574 are
8 declarative of existing law, except for item (3) of subsection
9 (d).

10 Petitions of candidates for nomination for offices herein
11 specified, to be filed with the same officer, may contain the
12 names of 2 or more candidates of the same political party for
13 the same or different offices. In the case of the offices of
14 Governor and Lieutenant Governor, a joint petition including
15 one candidate for each of those offices must be filed.

16 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-687, eff. 12-17-21;
17 102-692, eff. 1-7-22.)

18 (10 ILCS 5/8-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 8-8)

19 Sec. 8-8. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no
20 candidate for nomination shall be printed upon the primary
21 ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed
22 in his behalf as provided for in this Section. Each such
23 petition shall include as a part thereof the oath required by
24 Section 7-10.1 of this Code and a statement of candidacy by the
25 candidate filing or in whose behalf the petition is filed.

1 This statement shall set out the address of such candidate and
 2 the office for which he is a candidate; shall state that the
 3 candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to which
 4 the petition relates, is qualified for the office specified,
 5 is not barred from being elected or appointed to public office
 6 by subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of the State Officials and
 7 Employees Ethics Act, and has filed a statement of economic
 8 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act;
 9 shall request that the candidate's name be placed upon the
 10 official ballot; and shall be subscribed and sworn by such
 11 candidate before some officer authorized to take
 12 acknowledgment of deeds in this State and may be in
 13 substantially the following form:

14 State of Illinois)

15) ss.

16 County)

17 I,, being first duly sworn, say that I reside at
 18 street in the city (or village of) in the county of
 19 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a
 20 qualified primary voter of party; that I am a candidate
 21 for nomination to the office of to be voted upon at the
 22 primary election to be held on (insert date); that I am legally
 23 qualified to hold such office; that I am not barred from being
 24 elected or appointed to public office by subsection (c) of
 25 Section 7-5 of the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act;
 26 and that I have filed a statement of economic interests as

1 required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and I hereby
2 request that my name be printed upon the official primary
3 ballot for nomination for such office.

4 Signed

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

7 Signed (Official Character)

8 (Seal if officer has one.)

9 The receipt issued by the Secretary of State indicating
10 that the candidate has filed the statement of economic
11 interests required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act
12 must be filed with the petitions for nomination as provided in
13 subsection (8) of Section 7-12 of this Code.

14 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, all petitions
15 for nomination for the office of State Senator shall be signed
16 by at least 1,000 but not more than 3,000 of the qualified
17 primary electors of the candidate's party in his legislative
18 district.

19 Except as otherwise provided in this Code, all petitions
20 for nomination for the office of Representative in the General
21 Assembly shall be signed by at least 500 but not more than
22 1,500 of the qualified primary electors of the candidate's
23 party in his or her representative district.

24 Opposite the signature of each qualified primary elector
25 who signs a petition for nomination for the office of State
26 Representative or State Senator such elector's residence

1 address shall be written or printed. The residence address
2 required to be written or printed opposite each qualified
3 primary elector's name shall include the street address or
4 rural route number of the signer, as the case may be, as well
5 as the signer's county and city, village, or town.

6 For the purposes of this Section, the number of primary
7 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in
8 the applicable district, for the candidate for such political
9 party who received the highest number of votes, state-wide, at
10 the last general election in the State at which electors for
11 President of the United States were elected.

12 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign
13 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one
14 party.

15 In the affidavit at the bottom of each sheet, the petition
16 circulator, who shall be a person 18 years of age or older who
17 is a citizen of the United States, shall state his or her
18 street address or rural route number, as the case may be, as
19 well as his or her county, city, village or town, and state;
20 and shall certify that the signatures on that sheet of the
21 petition were signed in his or her presence; and shall certify
22 that the signatures are genuine; and shall certify that, to
23 the best of his or her knowledge and belief, the persons so
24 signing were at the time of signing the petition qualified
25 primary voters for which the nomination is sought.

26 In the affidavit at the bottom of each petition sheet, the

1 petition circulator shall (1) indicate the dates on which he
2 or she circulated that sheet, or (2) indicate the first and
3 last dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3) for
4 elections where the petition circulation period is 90 days,
5 certify that none of the signatures on the sheet were signed
6 more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the
7 petition, or (4) for the 2022 general primary election only,
8 certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed during
9 the period of January 13, 2022 through March 14, 2022 or
10 certify that the signatures on the sheet were signed during
11 the period of January 13, 2022 through the date on which this
12 statement was sworn or affirmed to. No petition sheet shall be
13 circulated more than 90 days preceding the last day provided
14 in Section 8-9 for the filing of such petition.

15 All petition sheets which are filed with the State Board
16 of Elections shall be the original sheets which have been
17 signed by the voters and by the circulator, and not
18 photocopies or duplicates of such sheets.

19 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on
20 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any
21 signature from the petition, provided that:

22 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial
23 the petition at the place where the signature is struck;
24 and

25 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a
26 certification listing the page number and line number of

1 each signature struck from the petition. Such
2 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

3 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21; 102-692, eff. 1-7-22;
4 103-154, eff. 6-30-23.)

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

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

8 1. The office or offices to which such candidate or
9 candidates shall be nominated.

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

16 3. The place of residence of any such candidate or
17 candidates with the street and number thereof, if any. In the
18 case of electors for President and Vice-President of the
19 United States, the names of candidates for President and
20 Vice-President may be added to the party name or appellation.

21 Such certificate of nomination or nomination papers in
22 addition shall include as a part thereof, the oath required by
23 Section 7-10.1 of this Act and must include a statement of
24 candidacy for each of the candidates named therein, except
25 candidates for electors for President and Vice-President of

1 the United States. Each such statement shall set out the
2 address of such candidate, the office for which he is a
3 candidate, shall state that the candidate is qualified for the
4 office specified, is not barred from being elected or
5 appointed to public office by subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of
6 the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act, and has filed
7 (or will file before the close of the petition filing period) a
8 statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois
9 Governmental Ethics Act, shall request that the candidate's
10 name be placed upon the official ballot and shall be
11 subscribed and sworn to by such candidate before some officer
12 authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds in this State, and
13 may be in substantially the following form:

14 State of Illinois)

15) SS.

16 County of.....)

17 I,....., being first duly sworn, say that I reside at....
18 street, in the city (or village) of.... in the county of....
19 State of Illinois; and that I am a qualified voter therein;
20 that I am a candidate for election to the office of.... to be
21 voted upon at the election to be held on the.... day
22 of.....,.....; ~~and~~ that I am legally qualified to hold such
23 office; that I am not barred from being elected or appointed to
24 public office by subsection (c) of Section 7-5 of the State
25 Officials and Employees Ethics Act; and that I have filed (or
26 will file before the close of the petition filing period) a

1 statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois
2 Governmental Ethics Act, and I hereby request that my name be
3 printed upon the official ballot for election to such office.

4 Signed.....

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

7 Signed.....

8 (Official Character)

9 (Seal, if officer has one.)

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

14 Nomination papers filed under this Section are not valid
15 if the candidate named therein fails to file a statement of
16 economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental
17 Ethics Act in relation to his candidacy with the appropriate
18 officer by the end of the period for the filing of nomination
19 papers unless he has filed a statement of economic interests
20 in relation to the same governmental unit with that officer
21 during the same calendar year as the year in which such
22 nomination papers were filed. If the nomination papers of any
23 candidate and the statement of economic interest of that
24 candidate are not required to be filed with the same officer,
25 the candidate must file with the officer with whom the
26 nomination papers are filed a receipt from the officer with

1 whom the statement of economic interests is filed showing the
2 date on which such statement was filed. Such receipt shall be
3 so filed not later than the last day on which nomination papers
4 may be filed.

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

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

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

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

20 B. In the case of petitions for advisory questions of
21 public policy to be submitted to the voters of the entire
22 State, there shall be a period of 35 business days after
23 the last day for the filing of such petitions in which
24 objections can be filed.

25 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the

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

13 Any legal voter of the political subdivision or district
14 in which the candidate or public question is to be voted on, or
15 any legal voter in the State in the case of a proposed
16 amendment to Article IV of the Constitution or an advisory
17 public question to be submitted to the voters of the entire
18 State, having objections to any certificate of nomination or
19 nomination papers or petitions filed, shall file an objector's
20 petition together with 2 copies thereof in the principal
21 office or the permanent branch office of the State Board of
22 Elections, or in the office of the election authority or local
23 election official with whom the certificate of nomination,
24 nomination papers or petitions are on file. Objection
25 petitions that do not include 2 copies thereof, shall not be
26 accepted. In the case of nomination papers or certificates of

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

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

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

20 The provisions of this Section and of Sections 10-9, 10-10
21 and 10-10.1 shall also apply to and govern objections to
22 petitions for nomination filed under Article 7 or Article 8,
23 except as otherwise provided in Section 7-13 for cases to
24 which it is applicable, and also apply to and govern petitions
25 for the submission of public questions under Article 28.

26 (Source: P.A. 102-15, eff. 6-17-21.)