

1 AN ACT concerning ethics.

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

4 Section 5. The Attorney General Act is amended by adding
5 Section 4f as follows:

6 (15 ILCS 205/4f new)

7 Sec 4f. Ethics pledge.

8 (a) The Attorney General, as soon as may be practical,
9 must develop and promulgate an ethics pledge setting forth
10 the legal rights, responsibilities, and duties relating to
11 ethical conduct in government applicable to all officers,
12 officials, appointees, and employees of the State in the
13 executive, legislative, and judicial branches. The ethics
14 pledge must contain, without limitation, the duty to report
15 ethics violations. The Attorney General shall revise and
16 re-promulgate the pledge from time to time as necessary.

17 (b) Every officer, official, appointee, and employee of
18 State government of the executive, legislative, and judicial
19 branches must sign the ethics pledge annually, attesting that
20 he or she has read and understands it. Signed ethics pledges
21 must be kept as part of the person's personnel file and are
22 subject to audit by the Auditor General.

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
24 becoming law.