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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4173

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 4173, AS AMENDED, in  
3 Section 5, by replacing the introductory paragraph with the  
4 following:

5 "Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing  
6 Sections 4-50, 5-50, 6-100, 7-10, 7-10.2, 7-17, 8-8, 8-8.1,  
7 10-5, 10-5.1, and 16-3 and by adding Section 19A-80 as  
8 follows:"; and

9 in Section 5, by replacing everything after the last line of  
10 Sec. 6-100 and before the first line of Sec. 19A-80 with the  
11 following:

12 "(10 ILCS 5/7-10) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-10)  
13 Sec. 7-10. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no  
14 candidate for nomination, or State central committeeman, or  
15 township committeeman, or precinct committeeman, or ward  
16 committeeman or candidate for delegate or alternate delegate to  
17 national nominating conventions, shall be printed upon the  
18 primary ballot unless a petition for nomination has been filed  
19 in his behalf as provided in this Article in substantially the  
20 following form:

21 We, the undersigned, members of and affiliated with the  
22 .... party and qualified primary electors of the .... party, in  
23 the .... of ....., in the county of .... and State of Illinois,

1 do hereby petition that the following named person or persons  
2 shall be a candidate or candidates of the .... party for the  
3 nomination for (or in case of committeemen for election to) the  
4 office or offices hereinafter specified, to be voted for at the  
5 primary election to be held on (insert date).

6	Name	Office	Address
7	John Jones	Governor	Belvidere, Ill.
8	Thomas Smith	Attorney General	Oakland, Ill.

9 Name..... Address.....

10 State of Illinois)

11 ) ss.

12 County of.....)

13 I, ....., do hereby certify that I reside at No. ....  
14 street, in the .... of ....., county of ....., and State of  
15 ....., that I am 18 years of age or older, that I am a citizen  
16 of the United States, and that the signatures on this sheet  
17 were signed in my presence, and are genuine, and that to the  
18 best of my knowledge and belief the persons so signing were at  
19 the time of signing the petitions qualified voters of the ....  
20 party, and that their respective residences are correctly  
21 stated, as above set forth.

22 .....

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

24 .....

25

26 Each sheet of the petition other than the statement of  
27 candidacy and candidate's statement shall be of uniform size  
28 and shall contain above the space for signatures an appropriate  
29 heading giving the information as to name of candidate or  
30 candidates, in whose behalf such petition is signed; the  
31 office, the political party represented and place of residence;

1 and the heading of each sheet shall be the same.

2 Such petition shall be signed by qualified primary electors  
3 residing in the political division for which the nomination is  
4 sought in their own proper persons only and opposite the  
5 signature of each signer, his residence address shall be  
6 written or printed. The residence address required to be  
7 written or printed opposite each qualified primary elector's  
8 name shall include the street address or rural route number of  
9 the signer, as the case may be, as well as the signer's county,  
10 and city, village or town, and state. However the county or  
11 city, village or town, and state of residence of the electors  
12 may be printed on the petition forms where all of the electors  
13 signing the petition reside in the same county or city, village  
14 or town, and state. Standard abbreviations may be used in  
15 writing the residence address, including street number, if any.  
16 At the bottom of each sheet of such petition shall be added a  
17 circulator statement signed by a person 18 years of age or  
18 older who is a citizen of the United States, stating the street  
19 address or rural route number, as the case may be, as well as  
20 the county, city, village or town, and state; and certifying  
21 that the signatures on that sheet of the petition were signed  
22 in his or her presence and certifying that the signatures are  
23 genuine; and either (1) indicating the dates on which that  
24 sheet was circulated, or (2) indicating the first and last  
25 dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3) certifying that  
26 none of the signatures on the sheet were signed more than 90  
27 days preceding the last day for the filing of the petition and  
28 certifying that to the best of his or her knowledge and belief  
29 the persons so signing were at the time of signing the  
30 petitions qualified voters of the political party for which a  
31 nomination is sought. Such statement shall be sworn to before  
32 some officer authorized to administer oaths in this State.

33 No petition sheet shall be circulated more than 90 days  
34 preceding the last day provided in Section 7-12 for the filing

1 of such petition.

2 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on  
3 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any  
4 signature from the petition, provided that:

5 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial the  
6 petition at the place where the signature is struck; and

7 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a  
8 certification listing the page number and line number of  
9 each signature struck from the petition. Such  
10 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

11 Such sheets before being filed shall be neatly fastened  
12 together in book form, by placing the sheets in a pile and  
13 fastening them together at one edge in a secure and suitable  
14 manner, and the sheets shall then be numbered consecutively.  
15 The sheets shall not be fastened by pasting them together end  
16 to end, so as to form a continuous strip or roll. All petition  
17 sheets which are filed with the proper local election  
18 officials, election authorities or the State Board of Elections  
19 shall be the original sheets which have been signed by the  
20 voters and by the circulator thereof, and not photocopies or  
21 duplicates of such sheets. Each petition must include as a part  
22 thereof, a statement of candidacy for each of the candidates  
23 filing, or in whose behalf the petition is filed. This  
24 statement shall set out the address of such candidate, the  
25 office for which he is a candidate, shall state that the  
26 candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to which  
27 the petition relates and is qualified for the office specified  
28 (in the case of a candidate for State's Attorney it shall state  
29 that the candidate is at the time of filing such statement a  
30 licensed attorney-at-law of this State), shall state that he  
31 has filed (or will file before the close of the petition filing  
32 period) a statement of economic interests as required by the  
33 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act, shall state that the  
34 candidate has not changed his or her name (except name changes

1 resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or  
 2 parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or  
 3 dissolution of marriage or declaration of invalidity of  
 4 marriage to assume a former surname) within the 3 years before  
 5 the last day for filing nomination petitions for the office  
 6 sought by the candidate or if the candidate has so changed his  
 7 or her name during that period shall state the name changes and  
 8 dates of name changes, shall request that the candidate's name  
 9 be placed upon the official ballot, and shall be subscribed and  
 10 sworn to by such candidate before some officer authorized to  
 11 take acknowledgment of deeds in the State and shall be in  
 12 substantially the following form:

13 Statement of Candidacy

14	Name	Address	Office	District	Party
15	John Jones	102 Main St.	Governor	Statewide	Republican
16		Belvidere,			
17		Illinois			

18 State of Illinois)

19 ) ss.

20 County of .....)

21 I, ....., being first duly sworn, say that I reside at ....  
 22 Street in the city (or village) of ....., in the county of .....,  
 23 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a  
 24 qualified primary voter of the .... party; that I am a  
 25 candidate for nomination (for election in the case of  
 26 committeeman and delegates and alternate delegates) to the  
 27 office of .... to be voted upon at the primary election to be  
 28 held on (insert date); that I am legally qualified (including  
 29 being the holder of any license that may be an eligibility  
 30 requirement for the office I seek the nomination for) to hold  
 31 such office; ~~and~~ that I have filed (or I will file before the  
 32 close of the petition filing period) a statement of economic  
 33 interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act;

1 and that I have not changed my name (except name changes  
 2 resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or  
 3 parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or  
 4 dissolution of marriage or declaration of invalidity of  
 5 marriage to assume a former surname) within the 3 years before  
 6 the last day for filing nomination petitions for this office or  
 7 that I have so changed my name during that period from (insert  
 8 each former name) to (insert each subsequent legal name)  
 9 effective (insert each date of each name change); and I hereby  
 10 request that my name be printed upon the official primary  
 11 ballot for nomination for (or election to in the case of  
 12 committeemen and delegates and alternate delegates) such  
 13 office.

14 Signed .....

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

17 Signed .....

18 (Official Character)

19 (Seal, if officer has one.)

20 The petitions, when filed, shall not be withdrawn or added  
 21 to, and no signatures shall be revoked except by revocation  
 22 filed in writing with the State Board of Elections, election  
 23 authority or local election official with whom the petition is  
 24 required to be filed, and before the filing of such petition.  
 25 Whoever forges the name of a signer upon any petition required  
 26 by this Article is deemed guilty of a forgery and on conviction  
 27 thereof shall be punished accordingly.

28 A candidate for the offices listed in this Section must  
 29 obtain the number of signatures specified in this Section on  
 30 his or her petition for nomination.

31 (a) Statewide office or delegate to a national nominating  
 32 convention. If a candidate seeks to run for statewide office or  
 33 as a delegate or alternate delegate to a national nominating

1 convention elected from the State at-large, then the  
2 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least 5,000  
3 but not more than 10,000 signatures.

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

17 (c) County office. If a candidate seeks to run for any  
18 countywide office, including but not limited to county board  
19 chairperson or county board member, elected on an at-large  
20 basis, in a county other than Cook County, then the candidate's  
21 petition for nomination must contain at least the number of  
22 signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or  
23 her party who cast votes at the last preceding general election  
24 in his or her county. If a candidate seeks to run for county  
25 board member elected from a county board district, then the  
26 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the  
27 number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the qualified primary  
28 electors of his or her party in the county board district. In  
29 the first primary election following a redistricting of county  
30 board districts or the initial establishment of county board  
31 districts, a candidate's petition for nomination must contain  
32 at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the  
33 qualified electors of his or her party in the entire county who  
34 cast votes at the last preceding general election divided by

1 the total number of county board districts comprising the  
2 county board; provided that in no event shall the number of  
3 signatures be less than 25.

4 (d) County office; Cook County only.

5 (1) If a candidate seeks to run for countywide office  
6 in Cook County, then the candidate's petition for  
7 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures  
8 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party  
9 who cast votes at the last preceding general election in  
10 Cook County.

11 (2) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board  
12 Commissioner, then the candidate's petition for nomination  
13 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to  
14 0.5% of the qualified primary electors of his or her party  
15 in his or her county board district. In the first primary  
16 election following a redistricting of Cook County Board of  
17 Commissioners districts, a candidate's petition for  
18 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures  
19 equal to 0.5% of the qualified electors of his or her party  
20 in the entire county who cast votes at the last preceding  
21 general election divided by the total number of county  
22 board districts comprising the county board; provided that  
23 in no event shall the number of signatures be less than 25.

24 (3) If a candidate seeks to run for Cook County Board  
25 of Review Commissioner, which is elected from a district  
26 pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 5-5 of the Property  
27 Tax Code, then the candidate's petition for nomination must  
28 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of  
29 the total number of registered voters in his or her board  
30 of review district in the last general election at which a  
31 commissioner was regularly scheduled to be elected from  
32 that board of review district. In no event shall the number  
33 of signatures required be greater than the requisite number  
34 for a candidate who seeks countywide office in Cook County



1 under subsection (d)(1) of this Section. In the first  
2 primary election following a redistricting of Cook County  
3 Board of Review districts, a candidate's petition for  
4 nomination must contain at least 4,000 signatures or at  
5 least the number of signatures required for a countywide  
6 candidate in Cook County, whichever is less, of the  
7 qualified electors of his or her party in the district.

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

28 (f) State central committeeperson. If a candidate seeks to  
29 run for State central committeeperson, then the candidate's  
30 petition for nomination must contain at least 100 signatures of  
31 the primary electors of his or her party of his or her  
32 congressional district.

33 (g) Sanitary district trustee. If a candidate seeks to run  
34 for trustee of a sanitary district in which trustees are not

1 elected from wards, then the candidate's petition for  
2 nomination must contain at least the number of signatures equal  
3 to 0.5% of the primary electors of his or her party from the  
4 sanitary district. If a candidate seeks to run for trustee of a  
5 sanitary district in which trustees are elected from wards,  
6 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain at  
7 least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the primary  
8 electors of his or her party in the ward of that sanitary  
9 district. In the first primary election following  
10 redistricting of sanitary districts elected from wards, a  
11 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least the  
12 signatures of 150 qualified primary electors of his or her ward  
13 of that sanitary district.

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

29 (i) Precinct, ward, and township committeeperson. If a  
30 candidate seeks to run for precinct committeeperson, then the  
31 candidate's petition for nomination must contain at least 10  
32 signatures of the primary electors of his or her party for the  
33 precinct. If a candidate seeks to run for ward committeeperson,  
34 then the candidate's petition for nomination must contain no

1 less than the number of signatures equal to 10% of the primary  
2 electors of his or her party of the ward, but no more than 16%  
3 of those same electors; provided that the maximum number of  
4 signatures may be 50 more than the minimum number, whichever is  
5 greater. If a candidate seeks to run for township  
6 committeeperson, then the candidate's petition for nomination  
7 must contain no less than the number of signatures equal to 5%  
8 of the primary electors of his or her party of the township,  
9 but no more than 8% of those same electors; provided that the  
10 maximum number of signatures may be 50 more than the minimum  
11 number, whichever is greater.

12 (j) State's attorney or regional superintendent of schools  
13 for multiple counties. If a candidate seeks to run for State's  
14 attorney or regional Superintendent of Schools who serves more  
15 than one county, then the candidate's petition for nomination  
16 must contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of  
17 the primary electors of his or her party in the territory  
18 comprising the counties.

19 (k) Any other office. If a candidate seeks any other  
20 office, then the candidate's petition for nomination must  
21 contain at least the number of signatures equal to 0.5% of the  
22 registered voters of the political subdivision, district, or  
23 division for which the nomination is made or 25 signatures,  
24 whichever is greater.

25 For purposes of this Section the number of primary electors  
26 shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in the  
27 applicable district, for the candidate for that political party  
28 who received the highest number of votes, statewide, at the  
29 last general election in the State at which electors for  
30 President of the United States were elected. For political  
31 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be  
32 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for  
33 that political party who received the highest number of votes  
34 in the political subdivision at the last regular election at

1 which an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from  
2 that subdivision. For wards or districts of political  
3 subdivisions, the number of primary electors shall be  
4 determined by taking the total vote cast for the candidate for  
5 that political party who received the highest number of votes  
6 in the ward or district at the last regular election at which  
7 an officer was regularly scheduled to be elected from that ward  
8 or district.

9 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign  
10 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one  
11 party.

12 The changes made to this Section of this amendatory Act of  
13 the 93rd General Assembly are declarative of existing law,  
14 except for item (3) of subsection (d).

15 Petitions of candidates for nomination for offices herein  
16 specified, to be filed with the same officer, may contain the  
17 names of 2 or more candidates of the same political party for  
18 the same or different offices.

19 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03; 94-645, eff. 8-22-05.)

20 (10 ILCS 5/7-10.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-10.2)

21 Sec. 7-10.2. In the designation of the name of a candidate  
22 on a petition for nomination or certificate of nomination the  
23 candidate's given name or names, initial or initials, a  
24 nickname by which the candidate is commonly known, or a  
25 combination thereof, may be used in addition to the candidate's  
26 surname. If a candidate has changed his or her name, whether by  
27 a statutory or common law procedure in Illinois or any other  
28 jurisdiction, within 3 years before the last day for filing the  
29 petition or certificate for that office, whichever is  
30 applicable, then the candidate's name on the petition or  
31 certificate must be followed by "formerly known as (list all  
32 prior names during the 3-year period) until name changed on  
33 (list date of each such name change)", as declared on the

1 candidate's statement of candidacy; failure to meet this  
2 requirement shall be grounds for denying certification of the  
3 candidate's name for the ballot or removing the candidate's  
4 name from the ballot, as appropriate, but this requirement does  
5 not apply to name changes resulting from adoption to assume an  
6 adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a  
7 spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of  
8 invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname. No other  
9 designation such as a political slogan, as defined by Section  
10 7-17, title or degree, or nickname suggesting or implying  
11 possession of a title, degree or professional status, or  
12 similar information may be used in connection with the  
13 candidate's surname, ~~except that the title "Mrs." may be used~~  
14 ~~in the case of a married woman.~~

15 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03.)

16 (10 ILCS 5/7-17) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-17)

17 Sec. 7-17. Candidate ballot name procedures.

18 (a) Each election authority in each county shall cause to  
19 be printed upon the general primary ballot of each party for  
20 each precinct in his jurisdiction the name of each candidate  
21 whose petition for nomination or for committeeman has been  
22 filed in the office of the county clerk, as herein provided;  
23 and also the name of each candidate whose name has been  
24 certified to his office by the State Board of Elections, and in  
25 the order so certified, except as hereinafter provided.

26 It shall be the duty of the election authority to cause to  
27 be printed upon the consolidated primary ballot of each  
28 political party for each precinct in his jurisdiction the name  
29 of each candidate whose name has been certified to him, as  
30 herein provided and which is to be voted for in such precinct.

31 (b) In the designation of the name of a candidate on the  
32 primary ballot the candidate's given name or names, initial or  
33 initials, a nickname by which the candidate is commonly known,

1 or a combination thereof, may be used in addition to the  
2 candidate's surname. If a candidate has changed his or her  
3 name, whether by a statutory or common law procedure in  
4 Illinois or any other jurisdiction, within 3 years before the  
5 last day for filing the petition for nomination, nomination  
6 papers, or certificate of nomination for that office, whichever  
7 is applicable, then the candidate's name on the primary ballot  
8 must be followed by "formerly known as (list all prior names  
9 during the 3-year period) until name changed on (list date of  
10 each such name change)", as declared on the candidate's  
11 statement of candidacy; failure to meet this requirement shall  
12 be grounds for denying certification of the candidate's name  
13 for the ballot or removing the candidate's name from the  
14 ballot, as appropriate, but this requirement does not apply to  
15 name changes resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive  
16 parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's  
17 surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of  
18 invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname. No other  
19 designation such as a political slogan, title, or degree, or  
20 nickname suggesting or implying possession of a title, degree  
21 or professional status, or similar information may be used in  
22 connection with the candidate's surname, ~~except that the title~~  
23 ~~"Mrs." may be used in the case of a married woman.~~ For purposes  
24 of this Section, a "political slogan" is defined as any word or  
25 words expressing or connoting a position, opinion, or belief  
26 that the candidate may espouse, including but not limited to,  
27 any word or words conveying any meaning other than that of the  
28 personal identity of the candidate. A candidate may not use a  
29 political slogan as part of his or her name on the ballot,  
30 notwithstanding that the political slogan may be part of the  
31 candidate's name.

32 (c) The State Board of Elections, a local election  
33 official, or an election authority shall remove any candidate's  
34 name designation from a ballot that is inconsistent with

1 subsection (b) of this Section. In addition, the State Board of  
2 Elections, a local election official, or an election authority  
3 shall not certify to any election authority any candidate name  
4 designation that is inconsistent with subsection (b) of this  
5 Section.

6 (d) If the State Board of Elections, a local election  
7 official, or an election authority removes a candidate's name  
8 designation from a ballot under subsection (c) of this Section,  
9 then the aggrieved candidate may seek appropriate relief in  
10 circuit court.

11 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03.)

12 (10 ILCS 5/8-8) (from Ch. 46, par. 8-8)

13 Sec. 8-8. Form of petition for nomination. The name of no  
14 candidate for nomination shall be printed upon the primary  
15 ballot unless a petition for nomination shall have been filed  
16 in his behalf as provided for in this Section. Each such  
17 petition shall include as a part thereof the oath required by  
18 Section 7-10.1 of this Act and a statement of candidacy by the  
19 candidate filing or in whose behalf the petition is filed. This  
20 statement shall set out the address of such candidate, the  
21 office for which he is a candidate, shall state that the  
22 candidate is a qualified primary voter of the party to which  
23 the petition relates, is qualified for the office specified and  
24 has filed a statement of economic interests as required by the  
25 Illinois Governmental Ethics Act, shall state that the  
26 candidate has not changed his or her name (except name changes  
27 resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or  
28 parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or  
29 dissolution of marriage or declaration of invalidity of  
30 marriage to assume a former surname) within the 3 years before  
31 the last day for filing nomination petitions for the office  
32 sought by the candidate or if the candidate has so changed his  
33 or her name during that period shall state the name changes and

1 dates of name changes, shall request that the candidate's name  
2 be placed upon the official ballot and shall be subscribed and  
3 sworn by such candidate before some officer authorized to take  
4 acknowledgment of deeds in this State and may be in  
5 substantially the following form:

6 State of Illinois)

7 ) ss.

8 County .....

9 I, ....., being first duly sworn, say that I reside at ....  
10 street in the city (or village of) .... in the county of ....  
11 State of Illinois; that I am a qualified voter therein and am a  
12 qualified primary voter of .... party; that I am a candidate  
13 for nomination to the office of .... to be voted upon at the  
14 primary election to be held on (insert date); that I am legally  
15 qualified to hold such office; ~~and~~ that I have filed a  
16 statement of economic interests as required by the Illinois  
17 Governmental Ethics Act; and that I have not changed my name  
18 (except name changes resulting from adoption to assume an  
19 adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a  
20 spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of  
21 invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname) within the 3  
22 years before the last day for filing nomination petitions for  
23 this office or that I have so changed my name during that  
24 period from (insert each former name) to (insert each  
25 subsequent legal name) effective (insert each date of each name  
26 change); and I hereby request that my name be printed upon the  
27 official primary ballot for nomination for such office.

28 Signed .....

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

31 Signed .... (Official Character)

32 (Seal if officer has one.)

33 The receipt issued by the Secretary of State indicating  
34 that the candidate has filed the statement of economic



1 interests required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act must  
2 be filed with the petitions for nomination as provided in  
3 subsection (8) of Section 7-12 of this Code.

4 All petitions for nomination for the office of State  
5 Senator shall be signed by 1% or 1,000 , whichever is greater,  
6 of the qualified primary electors of the candidate's party in  
7 his legislative district, except that for the first primary  
8 following a redistricting of legislative districts, such  
9 petitions shall be signed by at least 1,000 qualified primary  
10 electors of the candidate's party in his legislative district.

11 All petitions for nomination for the office of  
12 Representative in the General Assembly shall be signed by at  
13 least 1% or 500 , whichever is greater, of the qualified  
14 primary electors of the candidate's party in his or her  
15 representative district, except that for the first primary  
16 following a redistricting of representative districts such  
17 petitions shall be signed by at least 500 qualified primary  
18 electors of the candidate's party in his or her representative  
19 district.

20 Opposite the signature of each qualified primary elector  
21 who signs a petition for nomination for the office of State  
22 Representative or State Senator such elector's residence  
23 address shall be written or printed. The residence address  
24 required to be written or printed opposite each qualified  
25 primary elector's name shall include the street address or  
26 rural route number of the signer, as the case may be, as well  
27 as the signer's county and city, village or town.

28 For the purposes of this Section, the number of primary  
29 electors shall be determined by taking the total vote cast, in  
30 the applicable district, for the candidate for such political  
31 party who received the highest number of votes, state-wide, at  
32 the last general election in the State at which electors for  
33 President of the United States were elected.

34 A "qualified primary elector" of a party may not sign

1 petitions for or be a candidate in the primary of more than one  
2 party.

3 In the affidavit at the bottom of each sheet, the petition  
4 circulator, who shall be a person 18 years of age or older who  
5 is a citizen of the United States, shall state his or her  
6 street address or rural route number, as the case may be, as  
7 well as his or her county, city, village or town, and state;  
8 and shall certify that the signatures on that sheet of the  
9 petition were signed in his or her presence; and shall certify  
10 that the signatures are genuine; and shall certify that to the  
11 best of his or her knowledge and belief the persons so signing  
12 were at the time of signing the petition qualified primary  
13 voters for which the nomination is sought.

14 In the affidavit at the bottom of each petition sheet, the  
15 petition circulator shall either (1) indicate the dates on  
16 which he or she circulated that sheet, or (2) indicate the  
17 first and last dates on which the sheet was circulated, or (3)  
18 certify that none of the signatures on the sheet were signed  
19 more than 90 days preceding the last day for the filing of the  
20 petition. No petition sheet shall be circulated more than 90  
21 days preceding the last day provided in Section 8-9 for the  
22 filing of such petition.

23 All petition sheets which are filed with the State Board of  
24 Elections shall be the original sheets which have been signed  
25 by the voters and by the circulator, and not photocopies or  
26 duplicates of such sheets.

27 The person circulating the petition, or the candidate on  
28 whose behalf the petition is circulated, may strike any  
29 signature from the petition, provided that:

30 (1) the person striking the signature shall initial the  
31 petition at the place where the signature is struck; and

32 (2) the person striking the signature shall sign a  
33 certification listing the page number and line number of  
34 each signature struck from the petition. Such

1 certification shall be filed as a part of the petition.

2 (Source: P.A. 94-645, eff. 8-22-05.)

3 (10 ILCS 5/8-8.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 8-8.1)

4 Sec. 8-8.1. In the designation of the name of a candidate  
5 on a petition for nomination, the candidate's given name or  
6 names, initial or initials, a nickname by which the candidate  
7 is commonly known, or a combination thereof, may be used in  
8 addition to the candidate's surname. If a candidate has changed  
9 his or her name, whether by a statutory or common law procedure  
10 in Illinois or any other jurisdiction, within 3 years before  
11 the last day for filing the petition or certificate for that  
12 office, whichever is applicable, then the candidate's name on  
13 the petition or certificate must be followed by "formerly known  
14 as (list all prior names during the 3-year period) until name  
15 changed on (list date of each such name change)", as declared  
16 on the candidate's statement of candidacy; failure to meet this  
17 requirement shall be grounds for denying certification of the  
18 candidate's name for the ballot or removing the candidate's  
19 name from the ballot, as appropriate, but this requirement does  
20 not apply to name changes resulting from adoption to assume an  
21 adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a  
22 spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of  
23 invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname. No other  
24 designation such as a political slogan, title, or degree, or  
25 nickname suggesting or implying possession of a title, degree  
26 or professional status, or similar information may be used in  
27 connection with the candidate's surname, ~~except that the title~~  
28 ~~"Mrs." may be used in the case of a married woman.~~

29 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03.)

30 (10 ILCS 5/10-5) (from Ch. 46, par. 10-5)

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

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

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

9           3. The place of residence of any such candidate or  
10 candidates with the street and number thereof, if any. In the  
11 case of electors for President and Vice-President of the United  
12 States, the names of candidates for President and  
13 Vice-President may be added to the party name or appellation.

14           Such certificate of nomination or nomination papers in  
15 addition shall include as a part thereof, the oath required by  
16 Section 7-10.1 of this Act and must include a statement of  
17 candidacy for each of the candidates named therein, except  
18 candidates for electors for President and Vice-President of the  
19 United States. Each such statement shall set out the address of  
20 such candidate, the office for which he is a candidate, shall  
21 state that the candidate is qualified for the office specified  
22 and has filed (or will file before the close of the petition  
23 filing period) a statement of economic interests as required by  
24 the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act, shall state that the  
25 candidate has not changed his or her name (except name changes  
26 resulting from adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or  
27 parents' surname, marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or  
28 dissolution of marriage or declaration of invalidity of  
29 marriage to assume a former surname) within the 3 years before  
30 the last day for filing nomination papers or certificates for  
31 the office sought by the candidate or if the candidate has so  
32 changed his or her name during that period shall state the name  
33 changes and dates of name changes, shall request that the  
34 candidate's name be placed upon the official ballot and shall

1 be subscribed and sworn to by such candidate before some  
2 officer authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds in this  
3 State, and may be in substantially the following form:

4 State of Illinois)

5 ) SS.

6 County of.....)

7 I,....., being first duly sworn, say that I reside at....  
8 street, in the city (or village) of.... in the county of....  
9 State of Illinois; and that I am a qualified voter therein;  
10 that I am a candidate for election to the office of.... to be  
11 voted upon at the election to be held on the.... day  
12 of.....,.....; ~~and~~ that I am legally qualified to hold such  
13 office; ~~and~~ that I have filed (or will file before the close of  
14 the petition filing period) a statement of economic interests  
15 as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act; and that I  
16 have not changed my name (except name changes resulting from  
17 adoption to assume an adoptive parent's or parents' surname,  
18 marriage to assume a spouse's surname, or dissolution of  
19 marriage or declaration of invalidity of marriage to assume a  
20 former surname) within the 3 years before the last day for  
21 filing nomination papers or certificates for this office or  
22 that I have so changed my name during that period from (insert  
23 each former name) to (insert each subsequent legal name)  
24 effective (insert each date of each name change); and I hereby  
25 request that my name be printed upon the official ballot for  
26 election to such office.

27 Signed.....

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

30 Signed.....

31 (Official Character)

32 (Seal, if officer has one.)

33 In addition, a new political party petition shall have  
34 attached thereto a certificate stating the names and addresses

1 of the party officers authorized to fill vacancies in  
2 nomination pursuant to Section 10-11.

3 Nomination papers filed under this Section are not valid if  
4 the candidate named therein fails to file a statement of  
5 economic interests as required by the Illinois Governmental  
6 Ethics Act in relation to his candidacy with the appropriate  
7 officer by the end of the period for the filing of nomination  
8 papers unless he has filed a statement of economic interests in  
9 relation to the same governmental unit with that officer during  
10 the same calendar year as the year in which such nomination  
11 papers were filed. If the nomination papers of any candidate  
12 and the statement of economic interest of that candidate are  
13 not required to be filed with the same officer, the candidate  
14 must file with the officer with whom the nomination papers are  
15 filed a receipt from the officer with whom the statement of  
16 economic interests is filed showing the date on which such  
17 statement was filed. Such receipt shall be so filed not later  
18 than the last day on which nomination papers may be filed.

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

20 (10 ILCS 5/10-5.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 10-5.1)

21 Sec. 10-5.1. In the designation of the name of a candidate  
22 on a certificate of nomination or nomination papers the  
23 candidate's given name or names, initial or initials, a  
24 nickname by which the candidate is commonly known, or a  
25 combination thereof, may be used in addition to the candidate's  
26 surname. If a candidate has changed his or her name, whether by  
27 a statutory or common law procedure in Illinois or any other  
28 jurisdiction, within 3 years before the last day for filing the  
29 petition or certificate for that office, whichever is  
30 applicable, then the candidate's name on the petition or  
31 certificate must be followed by "formerly known as (list all  
32 prior names during the 3-year period) until name changed on  
33 (list date of each such name change)", as declared on the

1 candidate's statement of candidacy; failure to meet this  
2 requirement shall be grounds for denying certification of the  
3 candidate's name for the ballot or removing the candidate's  
4 name from the ballot, as appropriate, but this requirement does  
5 not apply to name changes resulting from adoption to assume an  
6 adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a  
7 spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of  
8 invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname. No other  
9 designation such as a political slogan, title, or degree, or  
10 nickname suggesting or implying possession of a title, degree  
11 or professional status, or similar information may be used in  
12 connection with the candidate's surname, ~~except that the title~~  
13 ~~"Mrs." may be used in the case of a married woman.~~

14 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03.)

15 (10 ILCS 5/16-3) (from Ch. 46, par. 16-3)

16 Sec. 16-3. (a) The names of all candidates to be voted for  
17 in each election district or precinct shall be printed on one  
18 ballot, except as is provided in Sections 16-6.1 and 21-1.01 of  
19 this Act and except as otherwise provided in this Act with  
20 respect to the odd year regular elections and the emergency  
21 referenda; all nominations of any political party being placed  
22 under the party appellation or title of such party as  
23 designated in the certificates of nomination or petitions. The  
24 names of all independent candidates shall be printed upon the  
25 ballot in a column or columns under the heading "independent"  
26 arranged under the names or titles of the respective offices  
27 for which such independent candidates shall have been nominated  
28 and so far as practicable, the name or names of any independent  
29 candidate or candidates for any office shall be printed upon  
30 the ballot opposite the name or names of any candidate or  
31 candidates for the same office contained in any party column or  
32 columns upon said ballot. The ballot shall contain no other  
33 names, except that in cases of electors for President and

1 Vice-President of the United States, the names of the  
2 candidates for President and Vice-President may be added to the  
3 party designation and words calculated to aid the voter in his  
4 choice of candidates may be added, such as "Vote for one,"  
5 "Vote for three." When an electronic voting system is used  
6 which utilizes a ballot label booklet, the candidates and  
7 questions shall appear on the pages of such booklet in the  
8 order provided by this Code; and, in any case where candidates  
9 for an office appear on a page which does not contain the name  
10 of any candidate for another office, and where less than 50% of  
11 the page is utilized, the name of no candidate shall be printed  
12 on the lowest 25% of such page. On the back or outside of the  
13 ballot, so as to appear when folded, shall be printed the words  
14 "Official Ballot", followed by the designation of the polling  
15 place for which the ballot is prepared, the date of the  
16 election and a facsimile of the signature of the election  
17 authority who has caused the ballots to be printed. The ballots  
18 shall be of plain white paper, through which the printing or  
19 writing cannot be read. However, ballots for use at the  
20 nonpartisan and consolidated elections may be printed on  
21 different color paper, except blue paper, whenever necessary or  
22 desirable to facilitate distinguishing between ballots for  
23 different political subdivisions. In the case of nonpartisan  
24 elections for officers of a political subdivision, unless the  
25 statute or an ordinance adopted pursuant to Article VII of the  
26 Constitution providing the form of government therefor  
27 requires otherwise, the column listing such nonpartisan  
28 candidates shall be printed with no appellation or circle at  
29 its head. The party appellation or title, or the word  
30 "independent" at the head of any column provided for  
31 independent candidates, shall be printed in letters not less  
32 than one-fourth of an inch in height and a circle one-half inch  
33 in diameter shall be printed at the beginning of the line in  
34 which such appellation or title is printed, provided, however,



1 that no such circle shall be printed at the head of any column  
2 or columns provided for such independent candidates. The names  
3 of candidates shall be printed in letters not less than  
4 one-eighth nor more than one-fourth of an inch in height, and  
5 at the beginning of each line in which a name of a candidate is  
6 printed a square shall be printed, the sides of which shall be  
7 not less than one-fourth of an inch in length. However, the  
8 names of the candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor on  
9 the same ticket shall be printed within a bracket and a single  
10 square shall be printed in front of the bracket. The list of  
11 candidates of the several parties and any such list of  
12 independent candidates shall be placed in separate columns on  
13 the ballot in such order as the election authorities charged  
14 with the printing of the ballots shall decide; provided, that  
15 the names of the candidates of the several political parties,  
16 certified by the State Board of Elections to the several county  
17 clerks shall be printed by the county clerk of the proper  
18 county on the official ballot in the order certified by the  
19 State Board of Elections. Any county clerk refusing, neglecting  
20 or failing to print on the official ballot the names of  
21 candidates of the several political parties in the order  
22 certified by the State Board of Elections, and any county clerk  
23 who prints or causes to be printed upon the official ballot the  
24 name of a candidate, for an office to be filled by the Electors  
25 of the entire State, whose name has not been duly certified to  
26 him upon a certificate signed by the State Board of Elections  
27 shall be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor.

28 (b) When an electronic voting system is used which utilizes  
29 a ballot card, on the inside flap of each ballot card envelope  
30 there shall be printed a form for write-in voting which shall  
31 be substantially as follows:

32 WRITE-IN VOTES

33 (See card of instructions for specific information.  
34 Duplicate form below by hand for additional write-in votes.)

1 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Title of Office

3 ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

4 Name of Candidate

5 (c) When an electronic voting system is used which uses a  
6 ballot sheet, the instructions to voters on the ballot sheet  
7 shall refer the voter to the card of instructions for specific  
8 information on write-in voting. Below each office appearing on  
9 such ballot sheet there shall be a provision for the casting of  
10 a write-in vote.

11 (d) When such electronic system is used, there shall be  
12 printed on the back of each ballot card, each ballot card  
13 envelope, and the first page of the ballot label when a ballot  
14 label is used, the words "Official Ballot," followed by the  
15 number of the precinct or other precinct identification, which  
16 may be stamped, in lieu thereof and, as applicable, the number  
17 and name of the township, ward or other election district for  
18 which the ballot card, ballot card envelope, and ballot label  
19 are prepared, the date of the election and a facsimile of the  
20 signature of the election authority who has caused the ballots  
21 to be printed. The back of the ballot card shall also include a  
22 method of identifying the ballot configuration such as a  
23 listing of the political subdivisions and districts for which  
24 votes may be cast on that ballot, or a number code identifying  
25 the ballot configuration or color coded ballots, except that  
26 where there is only one ballot configuration in a precinct, the  
27 precinct identification, and any applicable ward  
28 identification, shall be sufficient. Ballot card envelopes  
29 used in punch card systems shall be of paper through which no  
30 writing or punches may be discerned and shall be of sufficient  
31 length to enclose all voting positions. However, the election  
32 authority may provide ballot card envelopes on which no  
33 precinct number or township, ward or other election district  
34 designation, or election date are preprinted, if space and a

1 preprinted form are provided below the space provided for the  
2 names of write-in candidates where such information may be  
3 entered by the judges of election. Whenever an election  
4 authority utilizes ballot card envelopes on which the election  
5 date and precinct is not preprinted, a judge of election shall  
6 mark such information for the particular precinct and election  
7 on the envelope in ink before tallying and counting any  
8 write-in vote written thereon. If some method of insuring  
9 ballot secrecy other than an envelope is used, such information  
10 must be provided on the ballot itself.

11 (e) In the designation of the name of a candidate on the  
12 ballot, the candidate's given name or names, initial or  
13 initials, a nickname by which the candidate is commonly known,  
14 or a combination thereof, may be used in addition to the  
15 candidate's surname. If a candidate has changed his or her  
16 name, whether by a statutory or common law procedure in  
17 Illinois or any other jurisdiction, within 3 years before the  
18 last day for filing the petition or certificate for that  
19 office, whichever is applicable, then the candidate's name on  
20 the petition or certificate must be followed by "formerly known  
21 as (list all prior names during the 3-year period) until name  
22 changed on (list date of each such name change)", as declared  
23 on the candidate's statement of candidacy; failure to meet this  
24 requirement shall be grounds for denying certification of the  
25 candidate's name for the ballot or removing the candidate's  
26 name from the ballot, as appropriate, but this requirement does  
27 not apply to name changes resulting from adoption to assume an  
28 adoptive parent's or parents' surname, marriage to assume a  
29 spouse's surname, or dissolution of marriage or declaration of  
30 invalidity of marriage to assume a former surname. No other  
31 designation such as a political slogan, title, or degree or  
32 nickname suggesting or implying possession of a title, degree  
33 or professional status, or similar information may be used in  
34 connection with the candidate's surname, ~~except that the title~~

1 ~~"Mrs." may be used in the case of a married woman.~~ For purposes  
2 of this Section, a "political slogan" is defined as any word or  
3 words expressing or connoting a position, opinion, or belief  
4 that the candidate may espouse, including but not limited to,  
5 any word or words conveying any meaning other than that of the  
6 personal identity of the candidate. A candidate may not use a  
7 political slogan as part of his or her name on the ballot,  
8 notwithstanding that the political slogan may be part of the  
9 candidate's name.

10 (f) The State Board of Elections, a local election  
11 official, or an election authority shall remove any candidate's  
12 name designation from a ballot that is inconsistent with  
13 subsection (e) of this Section. In addition, the State Board of  
14 Elections, a local election official, or an election authority  
15 shall not certify to any election authority any candidate name  
16 designation that is inconsistent with subsection (e) of this  
17 Section.

18 (g) If the State Board of Elections, a local election  
19 official, or an election authority removes a candidate's name  
20 designation from a ballot under subsection (f) of this Section,  
21 then the aggrieved candidate may seek appropriate relief in  
22 circuit court.

23 Where voting machines or electronic voting systems are  
24 used, the provisions of this Section may be modified as  
25 required or authorized by Article 24 or Article 24A, whichever  
26 is applicable.

27 Nothing in this Section shall prohibit election  
28 authorities from using or reusing ballot card envelopes which  
29 were printed before the effective date of this amendatory Act  
30 of 1985.

31 (Source: P.A. 92-178, eff. 1-1-02; 93-574, eff. 8-21-03.)".