

SB1239



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Introduced 2/18/2005, by Sen. Ira I. Silverstein - Emil Jones, Jr.

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

775 ILCS 5/8-101

from Ch. 68, par. 8-101

Amends the Illinois Human Rights Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the Human Rights Commission.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning human rights.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Human Rights Act is amended by
5 changing Section 8-101 as follows:

6 (775 ILCS 5/8-101) (from Ch. 68, par. 8-101)

7 Sec. 8-101. Illinois Human Rights Commission)

8 (A) Creation; Appointments. The ~~The~~ Human Rights
9 Commission is created to consist of 13 members appointed by the
10 Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. No more
11 than 7 members shall be of the same political party. The
12 Governor shall designate one member as chairperson. All
13 appointments shall be in writing and filed with the Secretary
14 of State as a public record.

15 (B) Terms. Of the members first appointed, 4 shall be
16 appointed for a term to expire on the third Monday of January,
17 1981, and 5 (including the Chairperson) shall be appointed for
18 a term to expire on the third Monday of January, 1983.

19 Notwithstanding any provision of this Section to the
20 contrary, the term of office of each member of the Illinois
21 Human Rights Commission is abolished on July 29, 1985, but the
22 incumbent members shall continue to exercise all of the powers
23 and be subject to all of the duties of members of the
24 Commission until their respective successors are appointed and
25 qualified. Subject to the provisions of subsection (A), of the
26 9 members appointed under Public Act 84-115, effective July 29,
27 1985, 5 members shall be appointed for terms to expire on the
28 third Monday of January, 1987, and 4 members shall be appointed
29 for terms to expire on the third Monday of January, 1989; and
30 of the 4 additional members appointed under Public Act 84-1084,
31 effective December 2, 1985, two shall be appointed for a term
32 to expire on the third Monday of January, 1987, and two members

1 shall be appointed for a term to expire on the third Monday of
2 January, 1989.

3 Thereafter, each member shall serve for a term of 4 years
4 and until his or her successor is appointed and qualified;
5 except that any member chosen to fill a vacancy occurring
6 otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be appointed only
7 for the unexpired term of the member whom he or she shall
8 succeed and until his or her successor is appointed and
9 qualified.

10 (C) Vacancies. (1) In the case of vacancies on the
11 Commission during a recess of the Senate, the Governor shall
12 make a temporary appointment until the next meeting of the
13 Senate when he or she shall appoint a person to fill the
14 vacancy. Any person so nominated and confirmed by the Senate
15 shall hold office for the remainder of the term and until his
16 or her successor is appointed and qualified.

17 (2) If the Senate is not in session at the time this Act
18 takes effect, the Governor shall make temporary appointments to
19 the Commission as in the case of vacancies.

20 (3) Vacancies in the Commission shall not impair the right
21 of the remaining members to exercise all the powers of the
22 Commission. Except when authorized by this Act to proceed
23 through a 3 member panel, a majority of the members of the
24 Commission then in office shall constitute a quorum.

25 (D) Compensation. The Chairperson of the Commission shall
26 be compensated at the rate of \$22,500 per year, or as set by
27 the Compensation Review Board, whichever is greater, during his
28 or her service as Chairperson, and each other member shall be
29 compensated at the rate of \$20,000 per year, or as set by the
30 Compensation Review Board, whichever is greater. In addition,
31 all members of the Commission shall be reimbursed for expenses
32 actually and necessarily incurred by them in the performance of
33 their duties.

34 (Source: P.A. 84-1308.)