

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act
5 is amended by changing Section 4.7 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 2605/4.7) (from Ch. 42, par. 323.7)

7 Sec. 4.7. All applicants for offices or places in said
8 classified civil service, except for the positions of deputy
9 chief engineer, assistant chief engineers, deputy attorney,
10 head assistant attorneys, assistant director of research and
11 development, assistant director of information technology,
12 assistant director of personnel, comptroller, assistant
13 treasurer, assistant purchasing agent and laborers, shall be
14 subjected to examination, which shall be public and competitive
15 with limitations specified in the rules of the Director as to
16 residence, age, sex, health, habits, moral character and
17 qualifications to perform the duties of the office or place to
18 be filled, which qualifications shall be prescribed in advance
19 of such examination. Such examinations shall be practical in
20 their character, and shall relate to those matters which will
21 fairly test the relative capacity of the persons examined to
22 discharge the duties of the position to which they seek to be
23 appointed, and may include tests of physical qualifications and
24 health and when appropriate, of manual skill. No question in
25 any examination shall relate to political or religious opinions
26 or affiliations. The Director shall control all examinations,
27 and may, whenever an examination is to take place, designate a
28 suitable number of persons to be special examiners and it shall
29 be the duty of such special examiners to conduct such
30 examinations as the Director may direct, and to make return and
31 report thereof to him; and he may at any time substitute any
32 other person in the place of any one so selected; and he may

1 himself, at any time, act as such special examiner, and without
2 appointing other special examiners. The Director shall, by
3 rule, provide for and shall hold sufficient number of
4 examinations to provide a sufficient number of eligibles on the
5 register for each grade of position in the classified civil
6 service, and if any place in the classified civil service shall
7 become vacant, to which there is no person eligible for
8 appointment, he shall hold an examination for such position and
9 repeat the same, if necessary, until a vacancy is filled in
10 accordance with the provisions of this Act.

11 Eligible registers shall remain in force for 3 years,
12 except the eligible register for laborers which shall remain in
13 force for 4 years and except the eligible registers for student
14 programs and entry level engineering positions which, in the
15 Director's discretion, may remain in force for one year.

16 Examinations for an eligible list for each position in the
17 classified service above mentioned shall be held at least once
18 in 3 years and at least annually for student programs and entry
19 level engineering positions if the Director has limited the
20 duration of the registers for those positions to one year,
21 unless the Director determines that such examinations are not
22 necessary because no vacancy exists.

23 To help defray expenses of examinations, the sanitary
24 district may, but need not, charge a fee to each applicant who
25 desires to take a civil service examination provided for by
26 this Act. The amount of such fees shall be set by the corporate
27 authority of the sanitary district. Such fees shall be
28 deposited in the corporate fund of the district.

29 (Source: P.A. 92-726, eff. 7-25-02.)

30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
31 becoming law.