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09500SB1276sam001 LRB095 10703 JAM 33081 a 1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1276 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1276 by replacing 2 everything after the enacting clause with the following: 3 "Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing 4 Sections 7-41, 10-3, 10-6, 17-29, and 19-2.2 as follows: 5 6 (10 ILCS 5/7-41) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-41) 7 Sec. 7-41. (a) All officers upon whom is imposed by law the duty of designating and providing polling places for general 8 elections, shall provide in each such polling place so 9 designated and provided, a sufficient number of booths for such 10 primary election, which booths shall be provided with shelves, 11 12 such supplies and pencils as will enable the voter to prepare 13 his ballot for voting and in which voters may prepare their ballots screened from all observation as to the manner in which 14 15 they do so. Such booths shall be within plain view of the election officers and both they and the ballot boxes shall be 16

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within plain view of those within the proximity of the voting booths. No person other than election officers and the challengers allowed by law and those admitted for the purpose of voting, as hereinafter provided, shall be permitted within the proximity of the voting booths, except by authority of the primary officers to keep order and enforce the law.

7 (b) The number of such voting booths shall not be less than 8 one to every seventy-five voters or fraction thereof, who voted 9 at the last preceding election in the precinct or election 10 district.

11 (c) No person shall do any electioneering or soliciting of votes on primary day within any polling place or within one 12 13 hundred feet of any polling place, or, at the option of a church or private school, on any of the property of that church 14 15 or private school that is a polling place. Election officers 16 shall place 2 or more cones, small United States national flags, or some other marker a distance of 100 horizontal feet 17 from each entrance to the room used by voters to engage in 18 voting, which shall be known as the polling room. If the 19 20 polling room is located within a building that is a private business, a public or private school, or a church or other 21 organization founded for the purpose of religious worship and 22 23 the distance of 100 horizontal feet ends within the interior of 24 the building, then the markers shall be placed outside of the 25 building at each entrance used by voters to enter that building 26 on the grounds adjacent to the thoroughfare or walkway. If the 09500SB1276sam001 -3- LRB095 10703 JAM 33081 a

polling room is located within a public or private building 1 2 with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on the 3 ground floor, then the markers shall be placed 100 horizontal feet from each entrance to the polling room used by voters to 4 5 engage in voting. If the polling room is located in a public or 6 private building with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on a floor above or below the ground floor, then the 7 markers shall be placed a distance of 100 feet from the nearest 8 9 elevator or staircase used by voters on the ground floor to 10 access the floor where the polling room is located. The area 11 within where the markers are placed shall be known as a campaign free zone, and electioneering is prohibited pursuant 12 13 to this subsection. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a church or private school may choose to apply 14 the 15 campaign free zone to its entire property, and, the 16 markers shall be placed near the boundaries grounds on the 17 adjacentto the thoroughfares or walkways leading the 18 entrances used by the voters.

The area on polling place property beyond the campaign free 19 20 zone, whether publicly or privately owned, is a public forum for the time that the polls are open on an election day. At the 21 request of election officers any publicly owned building must 22 23 be made available for use as a polling place. A person shall 24 have the right to congregate and engage in electioneering on 25 any polling place property while the polls are open beyond the 26 campaign free zone, including but not limited to, the placement 09500SB1276sam001 -4- LRB095 10703 JAM 33081 a

of temporary signs. This subsection shall be construed liberally in favor of persons engaging in electioneering on all polling place property beyond the campaign free zone for the time that the polls are open on an election day.

5 (d) The regulation of electioneering on polling place property on an election day, including but not limited to the 6 placement of temporary signs, is an exclusive power and 7 function of the State. A home rule unit may not regulate 8 9 electioneering and any ordinance or local law contrary to 10 subsection (c) is declared void. This is a denial and 11 limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution. 12 13 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03; 93-847, eff. 7-30-04.)

14 (10 ILCS 5/10-3) (from Ch. 46, par. 10-3)

15 Sec. 10-3. Nomination of independent candidates (not candidates of any political party), for any office to be filled 16 17 by the voters of the State at large may also be made by nomination papers signed in the aggregate for each candidate by 18 19 1% of the number of voters who voted in the next preceding Statewide general election or 25,000 gualified voters of the 20 21 State, whichever is less. Nominations of independent 22 candidates for public office within any district or political 23 subdivision less than the State, may be made by nomination 24 papers signed in the aggregate for each candidate by qualified 25 voters of such district, or political subdivision, equaling not -5- LRB095 10703 JAM 33081 a

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less than 5%, nor more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, 1 whichever is greater) of the number of persons, who voted at 2 3 the next preceding regular election in such district or 4 political subdivision in which such district or political 5 subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to 6 serve its respective territorial area, except that independent 7 candidates for the General Assembly shall require not less than 10%, nor more than 16% of the number of persons who voted at 8 9 the next preceding general election in such district or 10 political subdivision in which such district or political subdivision voted as a unit for the election of officers to 11 12 serve its respective territorial area. However, whenever the minimum signature requirement for an independent candidate 13 petition for a district or political subdivision office shall 14 15 exceed the minimum number of signatures for an independent 16 candidate petition for an office to be filled by the voters of the State at large at the next preceding State-wide general 17 election, such State-wide petition signature requirement shall 18 be the minimum for an independent candidate petition for such 19 20 district or political subdivision office. For the first 21 election following a redistricting of congressional districts, 22 nomination papers for an independent candidate for congressman 23 shall be signed by at least 5,000 qualified voters of the 24 congressional district. For the first election following a 25 redistricting of legislative districts, nomination papers for an independent candidate for State Senator in the General 26

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1 Assembly shall be signed by at least 3,000 qualified voters of 2 the legislative district. For the first election following a redistricting of representative districts, nomination papers 3 4 for an independent candidate for State Representative in the 5 General Assembly shall be signed by at least 1,500 qualified 6 voters of the representative district. For the first election following redistricting of county board districts, or of 7 municipal wards or districts, or for the first election 8 9 following the initial establishment of such districts or wards 10 in a county or municipality, nomination papers for an 11 independent candidate for county board member, or for alderman or trustee of such municipality, shall be signed by qualified 12 13 voters of the district or ward equal to not less than 5% nor 14 more than 8% (or 50 more than the minimum, whichever is 15 greater) of the total number of votes cast at the preceding 16 general or general municipal election, as the case may be, for the county or municipal office voted on throughout such county 17 or municipality for which the greatest total number of votes 18 were cast for all candidates, divided by the number of 19 20 districts or wards, but in any event not less than 25 qualified voters of the district or ward. Each voter signing a nomination 21 22 paper shall add to his signature his place of residence, and 23 each voter may subscribe to one nomination for such office to 24 be filled, and no more: Provided that the name of any candidate 25 whose name may appear in any other place upon the ballot shall 26 not be so added by petition for the same office.

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

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

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

10 (3) the persons striking signatures from the petition shall each sign an additional certificate specifying the 11 number of certification pages listing stricken signatures 12 13 which are attached to the petition and the page numbers 14 indicated on such certifications. The certificate shall be 15 filed as a part of the petition, shall be numbered, and 16 shall be attached immediately following the last page of signatures and before the certifications of 17 voters' 18 stricken signatures.

all of the foregoing requirements shall 19 (4) be 20 necessary to effect a valid striking of any signature. The provisions of this Section authorizing the striking of 21 22 signatures shall not impose any criminal liability on any 23 authorized for signatures which may person so be 24 fraudulent.

In the case of the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor a joint petition including one candidate for each of 1

those offices must be filed.

Every petition for nomination of an independent candidate for any office for which candidates of established political parties are nominated at the general primary shall be filed within the time designated in Section 7 12 of this Act in regard to nomination at the general primary of any other candidate for such office.

A candidate for whom a nomination paper has been filed as a partisan candidate at a primary election, and who is defeated for his or her nomination at the primary election, is ineligible to be placed on the ballot as an independent candidate for election in that general or consolidated election.

A candidate seeking election to an office for which candidates of political parties are nominated by caucus who is a participant in the caucus and who is defeated for his or her nomination at such caucus, is ineligible to be listed on the ballot at that general or consolidated election as an independent candidate.

20 (Source: P.A. 86-867; 86-875; 86-1028; 86-1348.)

21 (10 ILCS 5/10-6) (from Ch. 46, par. 10-6)

Sec. 10-6. Time and manner of filing. <u>Certificates</u> Except as provided in Section 10-3, certificates of nomination and nomination papers for the nomination of candidates for offices to be filled by electors of the entire State, or any district 09500SB1276sam001 -9- LRB095 10703 JAM 33081 a

not entirely within a county, or for congressional, state 1 legislative or judicial offices, shall be presented to the 2 3 principal office of the State Board of Elections not more than 4 141 nor less than 134 days previous to the day of election for 5 which the candidates are nominated. The State Board of Elections shall endorse the certificates of nomination or 6 nomination papers, as the case may be, and the date and hour of 7 8 presentment to it. Except as otherwise provided in this 9 section, all other certificates for the nomination of 10 candidates shall be filed with the county clerk of the 11 respective counties not more than 141 but at least 134 days previous to the day of such election. Certificates of 12 13 nomination and nomination papers for the nomination of candidates for the offices of political subdivisions to be 14 15 filled at regular elections other than the general election 16 shall be filed with the local election official of such subdivision: 17

18 (1) (Blank);

19 (2) not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the20 consolidated election; or

(3) not more than 78 nor less than 71 days prior to the general primary in the case of municipal offices to be filled at the general primary election; or

(4) not more than 78 nor less than 71 days before the
 consolidated primary in the case of municipal offices to be
 elected on a nonpartisan basis pursuant to law (including

without limitation, those municipal offices subject to
 Articles 4 and 5 of the Municipal Code); or

3 (5) not more than 78 nor less than 71 days before the 4 municipal primary in even numbered years for such 5 nonpartisan municipal offices where annual elections are 6 provided; or

7 (6) in the case of petitions for the office of
8 multi-township assessor, such petitions shall be filed
9 with the election authority not more than 78 nor less than
10 71 days before the consolidated election.

However, where a political subdivision's boundaries are co-extensive with or are entirely within the jurisdiction of a municipal board of election commissioners, the certificates of nomination and nomination papers for candidates for such political subdivision offices shall be filed in the office of such Board.

17 (Source: P.A. 90-358, eff. 1-1-98; 91-317, eff. 7-29-99.)

18 (10 ILCS 5/17-29) (from Ch. 46, par. 17-29)

Sec. 17-29. (a) No judge of election, pollwatcher, or other person shall, at any primary or election, do any electioneering or soliciting of votes or engage in any political discussion within any polling place, within 100 feet of any polling place, or, at the option of a church or private school, on any of the property of that church or private school that is a polling place; no person shall interrupt, hinder or oppose any voter while approaching within those areas for the purpose of voting.
 Judges of election shall enforce the provisions of this
 Section.

(b) Election officers shall place 2 or more cones, small 4 5 United States national flags, or some other marker a distance of 100 horizontal feet from each entrance to the room used by 6 voters to engage in voting, which shall be known as the polling 7 8 room. If the polling room is located within a building that is 9 a private business, a public or private school, or a church or 10 other organization founded for the purpose of religious worship and the distance of 100 horizontal feet ends within the 11 interior of the building, then the markers shall be placed 12 outside of the building at each entrance used by voters to 13 14 enter that building on the grounds adjacent to the thoroughfare 15 or walkway. If the polling room is located within a public or 16 private building with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on the ground floor, then the markers shall be placed 17 100 horizontal feet from each entrance to the polling room used 18 by voters to engage in voting. If the polling room is located 19 20 in a public or private building with 2 or more floors and the polling room is located on a floor above or below the ground 21 22 floor, then the markers shall be placed a distance of 100 feet 23 from the nearest elevator or staircase used by voters on the 24 ground floor to access the floor where the polling room is 25 located. The area within where the markers are placed shall be 26 known as a campaign free zone, and electioneering is prohibited pursuant to this subsection. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, a church or private school may choose to apply the campaign free zone to its entire property, and, if so, the markers shall be placed near the boundaries on the grounds adjacent to the thoroughfares or walkways leading to the entrances used by the voters.

The area on polling place property beyond the campaign free 7 zone, whether publicly or privately owned, is a public forum 8 for the time that the polls are open on an election day. At the 9 10 request of election officers any publicly owned building must 11 be made available for use as a polling place. A person shall have the right to congregate and engage in electioneering on 12 13 any polling place property while the polls are open beyond the campaign free zone, including but not limited to, the placement 14 15 of temporary signs. This subsection shall be construed 16 liberally in favor of persons engaging in electioneering on all polling place property beyond the campaign free zone for the 17 time that the polls are open on an election day. 18

19 (c) The regulation of electioneering on polling place 20 property on an election day, including but not limited to the placement of temporary signs, is an exclusive power and 21 function of the State. A home rule unit may not regulate 22 electioneering and any ordinance or local law contrary to 23 24 subsection (c) is declared void. This is a denial and 25 limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution. 26

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1 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03; 93-847, eff. 7-30-04.)

2 (10 ILCS 5/19-2.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 19-2.2)

3 Sec. 19-2.2. (a) During the period beginning on the 40th 4 day preceding an election and continuing through the day 5 preceding such election, no advertising pertaining to any candidate or proposition to be voted upon shall be displayed in 6 or within 100 feet of any room used by voters pursuant to this 7 8 Article, or, at the option of a church or private school, on 9 any of the property of that church or private school that is a 10 polling place; nor shall any person engage in electioneering in or within 100 feet of any such room, or, at the option of a 11 12 church or private school, on any of the property of that church or private school that is a polling place. Any person who 13 14 violates this Section may be punished as for contempt of court.

15 (b) Election officers shall place 2 or more cones, small United States national flags, or some other marker a distance 16 of 100 horizontal feet from each entrance to the room used by 17 18 voters to engage in voting, or, at the option of a church or private school, on any of the property of that church or 19 20 private school that is a polling place, which shall be known as 21 the polling room. If the polling room is located within a building that is a private business, a public or private 22 23 school, or a church or other organization founded for the 24 purpose of religious worship and the distance of 100 horizontal 25 feet ends within the interior of the building, then the markers 09500SB1276sam001 -14- LRB095 10703 JAM 33081 a

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have the right to congregate and engage in electioneering on any polling place property while the polls are open beyond the campaign free zone, including but not limited to, the placement of temporary signs. This subsection shall be construed liberally in favor of persons engaging in electioneering on all polling place property beyond the campaign free zone for the time that the polls are open on an election day.

(c) The regulation of electioneering on polling place 8 9 property on an election day, including but not limited to the 10 placement of temporary signs, is an exclusive power and 11 function of the State. A home rule unit may not regulate electioneering and any ordinance or local law contrary to 12 13 subsection (b) is declared void. This is a denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions under subsection 14 15 (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution. 16 (Source: P.A. 93-574, eff. 8-21-03; 93-847, eff. 7-30-04.)".