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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5	ILCS	420/4A-100 new					
5	ILCS	420/4A-102	from	Ch.	127,	par.	604A-102
5	ILCS	420/4A-102.5 new					
5	ILCS	420/4A-103	from	Ch.	127,	par.	604A-103
5	ILCS	420/4A-104	from	Ch.	127,	par.	604A-104
5	ILCS	420/4A-105	from	Ch.	127,	par.	604A-105
5	ILCS	420/4A-106	from	Ch.	127,	par.	604A-106

Amends the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. With respect to statements of economic interests, makes changes concerning: interests of spouses and immediate family members living with the person required to file; development of forms by the Secretary of State that replicate federal forms; supplemental filings by board and commission appointees; electronic filing; posting of statements by the Secretary of State in a searchable database on the Internet; and training by the Secretary of State for ethics officers and persons required to file statements. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning ethics.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Governmental Ethics Act is amended
by changing Sections 4A-102, 4A-103, 4A-104, 4A-105, and 4A-106
and by adding Sections 4A-100 and 4A-102.5 as follows:

7 (5 ILCS 420/4A-100 new) Sec. 4A-100. Definitions. As used in this Article: 8 9 (a) "Immediate family member" means a spouse, parent, brother, sister, or child of the reporting individual sharing 10 11 the same household. 12 "Income" means income derived from any source, (b) including but not limited to the following: (i) compensation 13 14 for services, including fees, commissions, and similar items; (ii) gross income derived from business (and net income if the 15 person elects to include it); (iii) gains received from 16 17 dealings in property; (iv) interest; (v) rents; (vi) royalties; (vii) dividends; (viii) annuities; (ix) income from life 18 19 insurance and endowment contracts; (x) pensions; (xi) income from discharge of indebtedness; (xii) distributive share of 20 21 partnership income; and (xiii) income from an interest in an 22 estate or trust. "Income" does not include campaign receipts reported on financial disclosure reports filed with the State 23

Board of Elections, unless such receipts are claimed for personal use.

(c) "Category of value" means the following classification 3 4 system: (i) not more than \$1,000, (ii) greater than \$1,000 but 5 not more than \$2,500, (iii) greater than \$2,500 but not more 6 than \$5,000, (iv) greater than \$5,000 but not more than \$15,000, (v) greater than \$15,000 but not more than \$50,000, 7 (vi) greater than \$50,000 but not more than \$100,000, (vii) 8 9 greater than \$100,000 but not more than \$1,000,000, (viii) greater than \$1,000,000 but not more than \$5,000,000, or (ix) 10 11 greater than \$5,000,000.

12 <u>(d) "Constructive control." An interest may be said to be</u> 13 <u>constructively controlled by the person filing the report if</u> 14 <u>the person filing the report is a trustee, proxy, guardian, or</u> 15 <u>advisor with regard to decisions to acquire, retain, or divest</u> 16 all or any portion of an interest.

17 (5 ILCS 420/4A-102) (from Ch. 127, par. 604A-102)

Sec. 4A-102. The statement of economic interests required 18 by this Article shall include the economic interests of the 19 20 person making the statement as provided in this Section. The 21 interest (if constructively controlled by the person making the 22 statement) of a spouse, or any other party if constructively controlled by the person making the statement, shall be 23 24 considered to be the same as the interest of the person making 25 the statement. Campaign receipts shall not be included in this

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statement.

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2 (a) The following interests shall be listed by all persons 3 required to file: 4 (1) The source, type, and amount or value of income 5 (other than income referred in subsection (a) (2)) from any source other than from current employment by the State of 6 7 Illinois. (2) The source and type of income which consists of 8 9 income from dividends, rents, interest, trusts, and capital gains, received during the preceding calendar year 10 11 which exceeds \$200 in amount or value, and an indication of 12 the appropriate category of value such item of income is 13 within. 14 (3) The source, date, and amount of payments made to charitable organizations in lieu of honoraria with a 15 16 corresponding list of recipients of all such payments, together with the dates and amounts of such payments. 17 (4) The identity and category of value of any interest 18 19 in property held during the preceding calendar year in a 20 trade or business or for investment or production of income, if the property has a fair market value in excess 21 22 of \$1,000 at the close of the preceding calendar year. This 23 item does not include any personal liability owed (i) to 24 the person filing the statement by his or her immediate 25 family members or (ii) to the spouse of the person filing the statement. This item also does not include deposits 26

1	aggregating \$5,000 or less in a personal savings account,
2	including certificates of deposit and any other form of
3	deposit in a bank, savings and loan association, credit
4	union, or similar financial institution.

5 <u>(5) The identity and category of value of the total</u> 6 <u>liabilities in excess of \$5,000 owed at any time during the</u> 7 <u>preceding calendar year to any creditor other than (i) an</u> 8 <u>immediate family member of the person filing the statement</u> 9 <u>or (ii) an immediate family member of the spouse of the</u> 10 <u>person filing the statement. This item does not include:</u>

11(A) Any mortgage secured by real property that is12the primary personal residence of the person filing the13statement.

14(B) Any loan secured by a personal motor vehicle,15household furniture, appliances, or other similar16effect if the loan does not exceed the purchase price17of the item or items that secure it.

18 <u>(C) Any debt owed by a political committee</u> 19 <u>associated with the person filing the statement,</u> 20 <u>provided that such debt is reported as required by</u> 21 <u>Article 9 of the Election Code.</u>

22 With regard to revolving charge accounts, the person filing 23 the statement need report only his or her outstanding aggregate 24 liability across all accounts, and only if in excess of \$10,000 25 at the close of the preceding calendar year.

26 (6) A brief description, the date, and the category of

1	value of any purchase, sale, or exchange in excess of
2	\$1,000 during the preceding calendar year of (i) real
3	property other than real property used solely for the
4	primary personal residence of the person filing the
5	statement or his or her spouse or (ii) stocks, bonds,
6	commodity futures, and other forms of securities. This item
7	does not apply to transactions solely by and between the
8	person filing the statement and his or her immediate family
9	members.
10	(7) The identity of all positions held during the

10 (7) The identity of all positions held during the 11 preceding calendar year as an officer, director, trustee, 12 partner, proprietor, representative, employee, or consultant of any corporation, company, firm, partnership, 13 14 other business enterprise, non-profit organization, labor organization, or educational or other institution of the 15 16 State, a unit of government, a school district, or the United States. This item does not apply to positions in 17 religious, social, fraternal, or political organizations 18 19 or positions of a solely honorary nature.

20 <u>(8) The date of, the parties to, and a description of</u> 21 <u>the terms of any agreement or arrangement with respect to</u> 22 <u>(i) future employment; (ii) a leave of absence from the</u> 23 <u>unit of government in relation to which the person is</u> 24 <u>required to file the statement; (iii) contributions or</u> 25 <u>payments by a former employer other than the unit of</u> 26 <u>government in relation to which the person is required to</u>

1	file the statement; and (iv) continuing participation in an
2	employee welfare or benefit plan with a former employer.
3	(9) The source, date, and amount of honoraria
4	aggregating \$200 or more during the preceding calendar
5	year.
6	(10) The source, date, and amount or value of any gift
7	or gifts (i) valued singularly or in the aggregate in
8	excess of \$500 during the preceding calendar year to the
9	person filing the statement or an immediate family member
10	of the person filing the statement, from any person other
11	than an immediate family member or (ii) from a prohibited
12	source as defined by the State Officials and Employees
13	Ethics Act, even if that source is also an immediate family
14	member, and within any of the following captioned items
15	listed in Section 10-15 of that Act, regardless of whether
16	the person filing the statement is otherwise subject to
17	that Act: educational materials and missions; and travel
18	expenses for a meeting to discuss State government.
19	(1) The name, address and type of practice of any
20	professional organization or individual professional
21	<del>practice in which the person making the statement was an</del>
22	officer, director, associate, partner or proprietor, or
23	served in any advisory capacity, from which income in
24	excess of \$1200 was derived during the preceding calendar
25	<del>year;</del>
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1 (2) The nature of professional services (other than 2 services rendered to the unit or units of government in 3 relation to which the person is required to file) and the 4 nature of the entity to which they were rendered if fees 5 exceeding \$5,000 were received during the preceding 6 calendar year from the entity for professional services 7 rendered by the person making the statement.

8 (3) The identity (including the address or legal 9 description of real estate) of any capital asset from 10 which a capital gain of \$5,000 or more was realized in 11 the preceding calendar year.

12 <u>(11)</u> (4) The name of any unit of government which has 13 employed the person making the statement during the 14 preceding calendar year other than the unit or units of 15 government in relation to which the person is required to 16 file.

17 (5) The name of any entity from which a gift or gifts, 18 or honorarium or honoraria, valued singly or in the 19 aggregate in excess of \$500, was received during the 20 preceding calendar year.

(b) The following interests shall also be listed by persons
listed in items (a) through (f) and item (l) of Section 4A-101:

(1) (Blank.) The name and instrument of ownership in
any entity doing business in the State of Illinois, in
which an ownership interest held by the person at the date
of filing is in excess of \$5,000 fair market value or from

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which dividends of in excess of \$1,200 were derived during the preceding calendar year. (In the case of real estate, location thereof shall be listed by street address, or if none, then by legal description). No time or demand deposit in a financial institution, nor any debt instrument need be listed;

(2) (Blank.) Except for professional service entities,
the name of any entity and any position held therein from
which income of in excess of \$1,200 was derived during the
preceding calendar year, if the entity does business in the
State of Illinois. No time or demand deposit in a financial
institution, nor any debt instrument need be listed.

13 (3) The identity of any compensated lobbyist with whom 14 the person making the statement maintains a close economic 15 or personal relationship association, including the name 16 of the lobbyist and specifying the legislative matter or 17 matters which are the object of the lobbying activity, and describing the general type of economic activity of the 18 19 client or principal on whose behalf that person is 20 lobbying.

(c) The following interests shall also be listed by persons
listed in items (g), (h), and (i) of Section 4A-101:

(1) The name and instrument of ownership in any entity
doing business with a unit of local government in relation
to which the person is required to file if the ownership
interest of the person filing is greater than \$5,000 fair

1 market value as of the date of filing or if dividends in 2 excess of \$1,200 were received from the entity during the 3 preceding calendar year. (In the case of real estate, 4 location thereof shall be listed by street address, or if 5 none, then by legal description). No time or demand deposit 6 in a financial institution, nor any debt instrument need be 7 listed.

8 (2) <u>(Blank.)</u> Except for professional service entities, 9 the name of any entity and any position held therein from 10 which income in excess of \$1,200 was derived during the 11 preceding calendar year if the entity does business with a 12 unit of local government in relation to which the person is 13 required to file. No time or demand deposit in a financial 14 institution, nor any debt instrument need be listed.

15 (3) The name of any entity and the nature of the 16 governmental action requested by any entity which has applied to a unit of local government in relation to which 17 the person must file for any license, franchise or permit 18 19 for annexation, zoning or rezoning of real estate during 20 the preceding calendar year if the ownership interest of 21 the person filing is in excess of \$5,000 fair market value 22 at the time of filing or if income or dividends in excess 23 of \$1,200 were received by the person filing from the 24 entity during the preceding calendar year.

25 (Source: P.A. 92-101, eff. 1-1-02; 93-617, eff. 12-9-03.)

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1	(5 ILCS 420/4A-102.5 new)
2	Sec. 4A-102.5. Appointee supplemental statement. Persons
3	filing statements of economic interests as a result of their
4	nomination to a board or commission shall also, at the same
5	time and in the same manner, file a supplement to the statement
6	containing the following information:
7	(1) Any contributions, in excess of \$150 in the
8	aggregate, to any political committee organized under the
9	Election Code made since the end of the last preceding
10	semi-annual disclosure period and the date the person files
11	the statement of economic interests, including the amount
12	of the contribution, the date, and the recipient.
13	(2) Any contribution made to a legal defense fund since
14	the filing of the last previous statement of economic
15	interests or, if the person is filing his or her first
16	statement of economic interests, in the 12 months preceding
17	the filing date.
18	(3) The name of any immediate family member who is
19	registered as a lobbyist with any State or federal agency
20	or office.
21	(5 ILCS 420/4A-103) (from Ch. 127, par. 604A-103)
22	Sec. 4A-103. The statement of economic interests required

by this Article to be filed with the Secretary of State shall be filled in by typewriting or hand printing, shall be verified, dated, and signed by manual or electronic means as

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1	appropriate by the person making the statement, and made in a
2	form prescribed by the Secretary of State that shall, in paper
3	and electronic formats, substantially replicate the design of
4	the 2002 Public Financial Disclosure Report forms employed by
5	the United States Congress for purposes of complying with the
6	Ethics in Government Act of 1978. and shall contain
7	substantially the following:
8	STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST
9	(TYPE OR HAND PRINT)
10	<del></del>
11	<del>(name)</del>
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13	(each office or position of employment for which this statement
14	<del>is filed)</del>
15	·····
16	(full mailing address)
17	GENERAL DIRECTIONS:
18	The interest (if constructively controlled by the person
19	making the statement) of a spouse or any other party, shall be
20	considered to be the same as the interest of the person making
21	the statement.
22	Campaign receipts shall not be included in this statement.
23	If additional space is needed, please attach supplemental
24	<del>listing.</del>
25	1. List the name and instrument of ownership in any entity
26	doing business in the State of Illinois, in which the ownership

interest held by the person at the date of filing is in excess 1 of \$5,000 fair market value or from which dividends in excess 2 of \$1,200 were derived during the preceding calendar year. (In 3 the case of real estate, location thereof shall be listed by 4 street address, or if none, then by legal description.) No time 5 or demand deposit in a financial institution, nor any debt 6 instrument need be listed. 7 Business Entity 8 Instrument of Ownership 9 ····· 10 -----11 ····· 12 ····· 2. List the name, address and type of practice of any 13 professional organization in which the person making the 14 statement was an officer, director, associate, partner or 15 proprietor or served in any advisory capacity, from which 16 income in excess of \$1,200 was derived during the preceding 17 calendar year. 18 Name Address Type of Practice 19 20 21 <del>......</del> 22 

23 3. List the nature of professional services rendered (other
24 than to the State of Illinois) to each entity from which income
25 exceeding \$5,000 was received for professional services
26 rendered during the preceding calendar year by the person

1 making the statement.

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4	4. List the identity (including the address or legal
5	description of real estate) of any capital asset from which a
6	capital gain of \$5,000 or more was realized during the
7	preceding calendar year.
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10	5. List the identity of any compensated lobbyist with whom
11	the person making the statement maintains a close economic
12	association, including the name of the lobbyist and specifying
13	the legislative matter or matters which are the object of the
14	lobbying activity, and describing the general type of economic
15	activity of the client or principal on whose behalf that person
16	<del>is lobbying.</del>
17	Lobbyist Legislative Matter Client or Principal
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20	6. List the name of any entity doing business in the State
21	of Illinois from which income in excess of \$1,200 was derived
22	during the preceding calendar year other than for professional
23	services and the title or description of any position held in
24	that entity. (In the case of real estate, location thereof
25	shall be listed by street address, or if none, then by legal
26	description). No time or demand deposit in a financial

1 institution nor any debt instrument need be listed.

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6	7. List the name of any u	nit of government which employed
7	the person making the statemer	nt during the preceding calendar
8	year other than the unit or un	its of government in relation to
9	which the person is required to	file.
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12	8. List the name of any en	tity from which a gift or gifts,
13	<del>or honorarium or honoraria, va</del>	alued singly or in the aggregate
14	in excess of \$500, was receive	ed during the preceding calendar
15	<del>year.</del>	
16	·····	
17	VERIFICATION:	
18	"I declare that this st	tatement of economic interests
19	(including any accompanying se	hedules and statements) has been
20	examined by me and to the best	of my knowledge and belief is a
21	true, correct and complete sta	atement of my economic interests
22	<del>as required by the Illinoi</del>	s Governmental Ethics Act. I
23	understand that the penalty f	for willfully filing a false or
24	incomplete statement shall be	a fine not to exceed \$1,000 or
25	imprisonment in a penal institu	ation other than the penitentiary
26	not to exceed one year, or both	fine and imprisonment."

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2	(date of filing) (signature of person making the statement)
3	(Source: P.A. 95-173, eff. 1-1-08.)
4	(5 ILCS 420/4A-104) (from Ch. 127, par. 604A-104)
5	Sec. 4A-104. The statement of economic interests required
6	by this Article to be filed with the county clerk shall be
7	filled in by typewriting or hand printing, shall be verified,
8	dated, <del>and</del> signed <u>by manual or electronic means as appropriate</u>
9	by the person making the statement, and made on a form
10	prescribed by the Secretary of State that shall substantially
11	replicate the design of the 2002 Public Financial Disclosure
12	Report forms employed by the United States Congress for
13	purposes of complying with the Ethics in Government Act of
14	1978. shall contain substantially the following:
15	STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS
16	(TYPE OR HAND PRINT)
17	·····
18	<del>(Name)</del>
19	······································
20	(cach office or position of employment for which this statement
21	is filed)
22	(full mailing address)
23	GENERAL DIRECTIONS:
24	The interest (if constructively controlled by the person
25	making the statement) of a spouse or any other party, shall be

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# considered to be the same as the interest of the person making the statement.

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Campaign receipts shall not be included in this statement. If additional space is needed, please attach supplemental listing.

6 1. List the name and instrument of ownership in any entity doing business with a unit of local government in relation to 7 which the person is required to file, in which the ownership 8 interest held by the person at the date of filing is in excess 9 of \$5,000 fair market value or from which dividends in excess 10 of \$1,200 were received during the preceding calendar year. (In 11 12 the case of real estate, location thereof shall be listed by street address, or if none, then by legal description.) No time 13 or demand deposit in a financial institution, nor any debt 14 instrument shall be listed. 15

16 Business <del>Instrument of</del> Position of 17 <del>Entity</del> <del>Ownership</del> Management 18 ····· 19 ····· 20 <del>....</del> <del>....</del> 21 2. List the name, address and type of practice of any 22 professional organization in which the person making the statement was an officer, director, associate, partner 23 proprietor, or served in any advisory capacity, from which 24 25 income in excess of \$1,200 was derived during the preceding 26 calendar year.

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5	3. List the natu	are of professional se	ervices rendered (other
6	than to the unit of	- units of local gov	ernment in relation to
7	which the person is	required to file) to	each entity from which
8	income exceeding \$5	,000 was received for	<del>professional services</del>
9	<del>rendered during th</del>	<del>e preceding calenda</del>	<del>r year by the person</del>
10	making the statement	<del></del>	
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13	<del>4. List the i</del>	dentity (including	the address or legal
14	description of real	estate) of any capi	tal asset from which a
15	<del>capital gain of </del> \$	5,000 or more was	
16	preceding calendar y	<del>/ear.</del>	
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20	5. List the na	ame of any entity a	and the nature of the
21	governmental action	requested by any en	tity which has applied
22	to a unit of local	government in relati	on to which the person
23	must file for any l	icense, franchise or	permit for annexation,
24	zoning or rezoning of	of real estate during	the preceding calendar
25	year if the owners	whip interest of the	<del>e person filing is in</del>
26	excess of \$5,000 fa	ir market value at th	he time of filing or if

income or dividends in excess of \$1200 were received by the 1 2 person filing from the entity during the preceding calendar 3 <del>year.</del> 4 5 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 -----7 6. List the name of any entity doing business with a unit of local government in relation to which the person is required 8 to file from which income in excess of \$1,200 was derived 9 10 during the preceding calendar year other than for professional 11 services and the title or description of any position held in 12 that entity. No time or demand deposit in a financial institution nor any debt instrument need be listed. 13 14 ..... 15 ..... 16 7. List the name of any unit of government which employed 17 the person making the statement during the preceding calendar year other than the unit or units of government in relation to 18 which the person is required to file. 19 20 . . . . . . . . . . . 21 ..... 22 8. List the name of any entity from which a gift or gifts, 23 or honorarium or honoraria, valued singly or in the aggregate in excess of \$500, was received during the preceding calendar 24 25 <del>year.</del> 26

1 **VERIFICATION:** 

2 "I declare that this statement of economic interests (including any accompanying schedules and statements) has been 3 examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief 4 5 true, correct and complete statement of my economic interests -required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act. I 6 7 understand that the penalty for willfully filing a false or incomplete statement shall be a fine not to exceed \$1,000 8 9 imprisonment in a penal institution other than the penitentiary 10 not to exceed one year, or both fine and imprisonment." 11 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

12 (date of filing) (signature of person making the statement)
13 (Source: P.A. 95-173, eff. 1-1-08.)

14 (5 ILCS 420/4A-105) (from Ch. 127, par. 604A-105)

Sec. 4A-105. Time for filing. Except as provided in Section 4A-106.1, by May 1 of each year a statement must be filed by each person whose position at that time subjects him to the filing requirements of Section 4A-101 unless he has already filed a statement in relation to the same unit of government in that calendar year.

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Statements must also be filed as follows:

(a) A candidate for elective office shall file his
statement not later than the end of the period during which
he can take the action necessary under the laws of this
State to attempt to qualify for nomination, election, or

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retention to such office if he has not <u>already</u> filed a statement in relation to the same unit of government <u>during</u> <u>that same calendar year</u> within a year preceding such <u>action</u>.

(b) A person whose appointment to office is subject to confirmation by the Senate shall file his statement at the time his name is submitted to the Senate for confirmation.

8 (b-5) A special government agent, as defined in item 9 (1) of Section 4A-101 of this Act, shall file a statement 10 within 30 davs after making the first ex parte 11 communication and each May 1 thereafter if he or she has 12 made an ex parte communication within the previous 12 13 months.

14 (c) Any other person required by this Article to file 15 the statement shall file a statement at the time of his or 16 her initial appointment or employment in relation to that 17 unit of government if appointed or employed by May 1.

If any person who is required to file a statement of 18 19 economic interests fails to file such statement by May 1 of any 20 year, the officer with whom such statement is to be filed under Section 4A-106 of this Act shall, within 7 days after May 1, 21 22 notify such person by certified mail of his or her failure to 23 file by the specified date. Except as may be prescribed by rule of the Secretary of State, such person shall file his or her 24 25 statement of economic interests on or before May 15 with the 26 appropriate officer, together with a \$15 late filing fee. Any such person who fails to file by May 15 shall be subject to a penalty of \$100 for each day from May 16 to the date of filing, which shall be in addition to the \$15 late filing fee specified above. Failure to file by May 31 shall result in a forfeiture in accordance with Section 4A-107 of this Act.

Any person who takes office or otherwise becomes required 6 7 to file a statement of economic interests within 30 days prior 8 to May 1 of any year may file his or her statement at any time 9 on or before May 31 without penalty. If such person fails to 10 file such statement by May 31, the officer with whom such 11 statement is to be filed under Section 4A-106 of this Act 12 shall, within 7 days after May 31, notify such person by certified mail of his or her failure to file by the specified 13 14 date. Such person shall file his or her statement of economic 15 interests on or before June 15 with the appropriate officer, 16 together with a \$15 late filing fee. Any such person who fails 17 to file by June 15 shall be subject to a penalty of \$100 per day for each day from June 16 to the date of filing, which shall be 18 19 in addition to the \$15 late filing fee specified above. Failure 20 to file by June 30 shall result in a forfeiture in accordance with Section 4A-107 of this Act. 21

All late filing fees and penalties collected pursuant to this Section shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund in the State treasury, if the Secretary of State receives such statement for filing, or into the general fund in the county treasury, if the county clerk receives such statement for

filing. The Attorney General, with respect to the State, and
 the several State's Attorneys, with respect to counties, shall
 take appropriate action to collect the prescribed penalties.

4 Failure to file a statement of economic interests within 5 the time prescribed shall not result in a fine or ineligibility for, or forfeiture of, office or position of employment, as the 6 7 case may be; provided that the failure to file results from not 8 being included for notification by the appropriate agency, 9 clerk, secretary, officer or unit of government, as the case 10 may be, and that a statement is filed within 30 days of actual notice of the failure to file. 11

12 (Source: P.A. 93-617, eff. 12-9-03.)

13 (5 ILCS 420/4A-106) (from Ch. 127, par. 604A-106)

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Sec. 4A-106. Notification; electronic filing.

15 <u>(a)</u> The statements of economic interests required of 16 persons listed in items (a) through (f), item (j), and item (l) 17 of Section 4A-101 shall be filed with the Secretary of State. 18 <u>The Secretary of State shall by rule provide for the electronic</u> 19 filing of statements as follows:

Beginning January 1, 2010, or as soon thereafter as the Secretary of State has provided adequate software to persons required to file under this Article, all Statements filed under this Article shall be filed in electronic format. The Secretary shall promptly upon verification make all statements filed under this Article publicly available by means of a searchable

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1 database that is accessible through the World Wide Web.
2 "Searchable" means, for the purpose of this Section, that any
3 person may query each question for any proper names and
4 addresses. The Secretary of State shall provide all software
5 necessary to comply with this Section and shall implement a
6 plan to provide computer access and assistance to persons
7 required to file by this Article.

8 (b) The statements of economic interests required of 9 persons listed in items (q), (h), (i), and (k) of Section 10 4A-101 shall be filed with the county clerk of the county in 11 which the principal office of the unit of local government with 12 which the person is associated is located. If it is not 13 apparent which county the principal office of a unit of local 14 government is located, the chief administrative officer, or his or her designee, has the authority, for purposes of this Act, 15 16 to determine the county in which the principal office is 17 located.

(c) On or before February 1 annually, (1) the chief 18 administrative officer of any State agency in the executive, 19 20 legislative, or judicial branch employing persons required to file under item (f) or item (l) of Section 4A-101 shall certify 21 22 to the Secretary of State the names and mailing addresses of 23 those persons. The State Board of Elections shall, within 14 24 days after the proclamation of the results of a general primary 25 pursuant to Section 7-58 of the Election Code, provide the Secretary of State with a true alphabetical listing of the 26

## 1 <u>names and related information, including their addresses and</u> 2 <u>the office they are seeking, of candidates who were nominated</u> 3 in a general primary election., and (2).

4 On or before February 1 annually, the chief (d) 5 administrative officer, or his or her designee, of each unit of 6 local government with persons described in items (h), (i) and 7 (k) of Section 4A-101 shall certify to the appropriate county 8 clerk a list of names and addresses of persons described in 9 items (h), (i) and (k) of Section 4A-101 that are required to file. In preparing the lists, each chief administrative 10 11 officer, or his or her designee, shall set out the names in 12 alphabetical order. Any local election authority shall within 14 days after proclamation of the results of a primary 13 14 election, provide the county clerk with a true alphabetical 15 listing of the names and related information, including their 16 addresses and the office they are seeking, of candidates who 17 nominated in a general primary election. Any county clerk who makes available in his or her principal offices terminals by 18 19 means of which the general public may access statements of 20 economic interest filed with the Secretary of State's office and posted to the Secretary of State's website may waive the 21 22 requirement that a person file a paper form with that county 23 clerk with respect to persons whose forms have been 24 electronically filed with the Secretary of State's office.

25 <u>(e)</u> On or before April 1 annually, the Secretary of State 26 shall notify (1) all persons whose names have been certified to

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him under items (f) and (l) of Section 4A-101, and (2) all 1 2 persons described in items (a) through (e) and item (j) of Section 4A-101, together, in even-numbered years, with the 3 names of candidates nominated at the most recent general 4 5 primary , other than candidates for office who have filed their 6 statements with their nominating petitions, of the 7 requirements for filing statements of economic interests. A 8 person required to file with the Secretary of State by virtue 9 of more than one item among items (a) through (f) and items (j) 10 and (1) shall be notified of and is required to file only one 11 statement of economic interests relating to all items under 12 which the person is required to file with the Secretary of 13 State.

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(f) On or before April 1 annually, the county clerk of each 14 15 county shall notify all persons whose names have been certified 16 to him under items (g), (h), (i), and (k) of Section  $4A-101_{-7}$ 17 other than candidates for office who have filed their 18 statements with their nominating petitions, of the 19 requirements for filing statements of economic interests. A person required to file with a county clerk by virtue of more 20 than one item among items (g), (h), (i), and (k) shall be 21 22 notified of and is required to file only one statement of 23 economic interests relating to all items under which the person 24 is required to file with that county clerk.

25 <u>(g)</u> Except as provided in Section 4A-106.1, the notices 26 provided for in this Section shall be in writing and deposited in the U.S. Mail, properly addressed, first class postage prepaid, on or before the day required by this Section for the sending of the notice. A certificate executed by the Secretary of State or county clerk attesting that he has mailed the notice constitutes prima facie evidence thereof.

(h) From the lists certified to him under this Section of 6 persons described in items (g), (h), (i), and (k) of Section 7 8 4A-101, the clerk of each county shall compile an alphabetical 9 listing of persons required to file statements of economic 10 interests in his office under any of those items. As the statements are filed in his office, the county clerk shall 11 12 cause the fact of that filing to be indicated on the 13 alphabetical listing of persons who are required to file 14 statements. Within 30 days after the due dates, the county 15 clerk shall mail to the State Board of Elections a true copy of 16 that listing showing those who have filed statements.

17 <u>(i)</u> The county clerk of each county shall note upon the 18 alphabetical listing the names of all persons required to file 19 a statement of economic interests who failed to file a 20 statement on or before May 1. It shall be the duty of the 21 several county clerks to give notice as provided in Section 22 4A-105 to any person who has failed to file his or her 23 statement with the clerk on or before May 1.

24 <u>(j)</u> Any person who files or has filed a statement of 25 economic interest under this Act is entitled to receive from 26 the Secretary of State or county clerk, as the case may be, a

receipt indicating that the person has filed such a statement, the date of such filing, and the identity of the governmental unit or units in relation to which the filing is required. <u>A</u> <u>county clerk shall issue such receipt either on proof that the</u> <u>person has filed with the Secretary of State in electronic</u> format or upon receipt of a paper form.

7 <u>(k)</u> The Secretary of State may employ such employees and 8 consultants as he considers necessary to carry out his duties 9 hereunder, and may prescribe their duties, fix their 10 compensation, and provide for reimbursement of their expenses.

11 (1) The Secretary of State shall provide training, through 12 the Secretary of State's website, for ethics officers appointed 13 under the State Officers and Employees Ethics Act and through 14 the Secretary of State's website, for persons required to file 15 statements of economic interests.

16 (m) All statements of economic interests filed under this 17 Section shall be available for examination and copying by the public at all reasonable times. Not later than 12 months after 18 19 the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General 20 Assembly, beginning with statements filed in calendar year 2004, the Secretary of State shall make statements of economic 21 22 interests filed with the Secretary available for inspection and 23 copying via the Secretary's website.

24 (Source: P.A. 93-617, eff. 12-9-03; 94-603, eff. 8-16-05.)

25 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 26 becoming law.