

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

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

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing  
5 Sections 19-3, 20-2, 20-2.1, 20-2.2, 20-2.3, and 20-3 as  
6 follows:

7 (10 ILCS 5/19-3) (from Ch. 46, par. 19-3)

8 Sec. 19-3. Application for such ballot shall be made on  
9 blanks to be furnished by the election authority and  
10 duplication of such application for ballot is prohibited,  
11 except by the election authority. The application for ballot  
12 shall be substantially in the following form:

13 APPLICATION FOR BALLOT  
14 BY ELECTOR WHO EXPECTS TO BE  
15 ABSENT FROM COUNTY

16 To be voted at the .... election in the County of .... and  
17 State of Illinois, in the .... precinct of the (1) \*township of  
18 .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in the City of ....

19 I state that I am a resident of the .... precinct of the  
20 (1) \*township of .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in  
21 the city of .... residing at .... in such city or town in the  
22 county of .... and State of Illinois; that I have lived at such  
23 address for .... month(s) last past; that I am lawfully

1 entitled to vote in such precinct at the .... election to be  
 2 held therein on ....; that I expect to be absent from the  
 3 county of my residence on the date of holding such election,  
 4 and that I will have no opportunity to vote in person on that  
 5 day.

6 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
 7 to be voted by me at such election if I am absent from the  
 8 county of my residence, and I agree that I shall return such  
 9 ballot or ballots to the official issuing the same prior to the  
 10 closing of the polls on the date of the election or, if  
 11 returned by mail, postmarked no later than midnight preceding  
 12 election day, for counting no later than during the period for  
 13 counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th  
 14 day following election day.

15 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
 16 29-10 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
 17 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

18 . . . .

19 \*fill in either (1), (2) or (3).

20 Post office address to which ballot is mailed:  
 21 .....

22 However, if application is made for a primary election  
 23 ballot, such application shall designate the name of the  
 24 political party with which the applicant is affiliated.

25 APPLICATION FOR BALLOT

26 BY ELECTOR WHO IS JUDGE OF ELECTION

1                                   IN A PRECINCT OTHER THAN THE PRECINCT

2   IN WHICH HE RESIDES

3           To be voted at the .... election in the County of .... and  
4   State of Illinois, in the .... precinct of the (1) \*township of  
5   .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in the City of ....

6           I state that I am affiliated with the .... party (to be  
7   used in primary elections) and that I am a resident of the ....  
8   precinct of the (1) \*township of .... (2) \*City of .... or (3)  
9   \*.... ward in the city of .... residing at .... in such city or  
10   town in the county of .... and State of Illinois; that I have  
11   lived at such address for .... month(s) last past; that I am  
12   lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at the .... election  
13   to be held therein on ....; that I am a judge of election in  
14   .... precinct or the (1) \*.... ward in the city of .... or (2)  
15   \*township of .... or (3) \*city, village or incorporated town of  
16   .... in such county and that I will have no opportunity of  
17   voting in person on that day:

18           I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
19   to be voted by me at such election if I serve as a judge of  
20   election in such last named precinct, and I agree that I shall  
21   return such ballot or ballots to the official issuing the same  
22   prior to the closing of the polls on the date of the election  
23   or, if returned by mail, postmarked no later than midnight  
24   preceding election day, for counting no later than during the  
25   period for counting provisional ballots, the last day of which  
26   is the 14th day following election day.

1 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
2 29-10 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
3 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

4 . . . .

5 \*fill in either (1), (2) or (3).

6 Post office address to which ballot is mailed:

7 . . . .

8 APPLICATION FOR BALLOT

9 BY PHYSICALLY INCAPACITATED ELECTOR

10 To be voted at the . . . . election in the County of . . . . and  
11 State of Illinois, in the . . . . precinct of the (1) \*township of  
12 . . . . (2) \*City of . . . . or (3) \* . . . . ward in the City of . . . .

13 I state that I am affiliated with the . . . . party (to be  
14 used in primary elections) and that I am a resident of the . . . .  
15 precinct of the (1) \*township of . . . . (2) \*City of . . . . or (3)  
16 \* . . . . ward in the city of . . . . residing at . . . . in such city or  
17 town in the county of . . . . and State of Illinois; that I have  
18 lived at such address for . . . . month(s) last past; that I am  
19 lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at the . . . . election  
20 to be held therein on . . . .; that I shall be physically  
21 incapable of being present at the polls of such precinct on the  
22 date of holding such election for the following reasons:

23 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
24 to be voted by me at such election if I am so physically  
25 incapacitated, and I agree that I shall return such ballot or  
26 ballots to the official issuing the same prior to the closing

1 of the polls on the date of election or, if returned by mail,  
 2 postmarked no later than midnight preceding election day, for  
 3 counting no later than during the period for counting  
 4 provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th day  
 5 following election day.

6 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
 7 29-10 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
 8 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

9 . . . .

10 \*fill in either (1), (2) or (3).

11 Post office address to which ballot is mailed:

12 .....

13 APPLICATION FOR BALLOT

14 BY CHILD SEX OFFENDER ELECTOR

15 To be voted at the .... election in the County of .... and  
 16 State of Illinois, in the .... precinct of the (1) \*township of  
 17 .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in the City of ....

18 I state that I am affiliated with the .... party (to be  
 19 used in primary elections) and that I am a resident of the ....  
 20 precinct of the (1) \*township of .... (2) \*City of .... or (3)  
 21 \*.... ward in the city of .... residing at .... in such city or  
 22 town in the county of .... and State of Illinois; that I have  
 23 lived at such address for .... month(s) last past; that I am  
 24 lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at the .... election  
 25 to be held therein on ....; that my assigned precinct polling  
 26 place is in a school and I will be unable to enter the polling

1 place without violating Section 11-9.3 of the Criminal Code of  
2 1961.

3 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
4 to be voted by me at such election because my assigned precinct  
5 polling place is in a school and I will be unable to enter the  
6 polling place without violating Section 11-9.3 of the Criminal  
7 Code of 1961, and I agree that I shall return such ballot or  
8 ballots to the official issuing the same prior to the closing  
9 of the polls on the date of election or, if returned by mail,  
10 postmarked no later than midnight preceding election day, for  
11 counting no later than during the period for counting  
12 provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th day  
13 following election day.

14 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
15 29-10 of the Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
16 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

17 . . . .

18 \*fill in either (1), (2), or (3).

19 Post office address to which ballot is mailed:

20 .....

21 APPLICATION FOR BALLOT

22 BY ELECTOR OBSERVING RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY

23 To be voted at the .... election in the county of ....  
24 State of Illinois, in the .... precinct (1) \*township of ....  
25 (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in the City of ....

26 I state that I am affiliated with the .... party (to be

1 used in primary elections) and that I am a resident of the ....  
2 precinct of the (1) \*township of .... (2) \*City of .... or (3)  
3 \*.... ward in the city of .... residing at .... in such city or  
4 town in the county of .... and State of Illinois; that I have  
5 lived at such address for .... month(s) past, that I am  
6 lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at the .... election  
7 to be held therein on ....; that I shall be unable to be  
8 present at the polls of such precinct on the date of holding  
9 such election because of the tenets of my religion in the  
10 observance of a religious holiday.

11 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
12 to be voted by me at such election if I am so unable to be  
13 present at the polls of such precinct on the date of the  
14 election because of the tenets of my religion in the observance  
15 of a religious holiday, and I agree that I shall return the  
16 ballot or ballots to the official issuing the same prior to the  
17 closing of the polls on the date of the election or, if  
18 returned by mail, postmarked no later than midnight preceding  
19 election day, for counting no later than during the period for  
20 counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th  
21 day following election day.

22 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
23 29-10 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
24 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

25 .....

26 \*fill in either (1), (2) or (3).

1 Post office address to which ballot is mailed:  
2 .....

3 APPLICATION FOR BALLOT

4 BY ELECTOR WHO IS AN ELECTION EMPLOYEE

5 OF STATE'S ATTORNEY, COUNTY CLERK OR

6 BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

7 To be voted at the .... election in the County of .... and  
8 State of Illinois, in the .... precinct of the (1) \*township of  
9 .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in the City of ....

10 I state that I am a resident of the .... precinct of the  
11 (1) \*township of .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in  
12 the city of .... residing at .... in such city or town in the  
13 county of .... and State of Illinois; that I have lived at such  
14 address for .... month(s) last past; that I am lawfully  
15 entitled to vote in such precinct at the .... election to be  
16 held therein on ....; that I am employed in the office of the  
17 (State's Attorney of .... County) (County Clerk of .... County)  
18 (Board of Election Commissioners of the (City) (County) of ....  
19 and that because of election duties on the date of holding such  
20 election I will have no opportunity to vote in person on that  
21 day.

22 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
23 to be voted by me at such election, and I agree that I shall  
24 return such ballot or ballots to the official issuing the same  
25 prior to the closing of the polls on the date of the election  
26 or, if returned by mail, postmarked no later than midnight



1 preceding election day, for counting no later than during the  
2 period for counting provisional ballots, the last day of which  
3 is the 14th day following election day.

4 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
5 29-10 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
6 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

7 . . . .

8 \*fill in either (1), (2) or (3).

9 Post office address to which ballot is mailed:

10 .....

11 Provided, that if application be made for a primary  
12 election ballot, such application shall designate the name of  
13 the political party with which the applicant is affiliated.

14 APPLICATION FOR  
15 TEMPORARILY ABSENT STUDENT BALLOT

16 To be voted at the .... election in the County of .... and  
17 State of Illinois, in the .... precinct of the (1) \*township of  
18 .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in the City of ....

19 I state that I am a resident of the .... precinct of the  
20 (1) \*township of .... (2) \*City of .... or (3) \*.... ward in  
21 the city of .... residing at .... in such city or town in the  
22 county of .... and State of Illinois; that I have lived at such  
23 address for .... month(s) last past; that I am lawfully  
24 entitled to vote in such precinct at the .... election to be  
25 held therein on ....; that I am temporarily abiding outside  
26 such precinct in the (1) \*township of .... (2) \*City of .... in

1 the county of .... and State of .... due to the fact I am a  
2 student attending an institution of higher education, and for  
3 that reason do not expect to have an opportunity to vote in  
4 person on that day.

5 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
6 to be voted by me at such election if I am absent from the  
7 precinct of my residence, and I agree that I shall return such  
8 ballot or ballots to the official issuing the same prior to the  
9 closing of the polls on the date of the election or, if  
10 returned by mail, postmarked no later than midnight preceding  
11 election day, for counting no later than during the period for  
12 counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th  
13 day following election day.

14 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
15 29-10 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
16 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

17 .....

18 \*fill in either (1), (2) or (3).

19 Post office address to which ballot is mailed:

20 .....

21 However, if application is made for a primary election  
22 ballot, such application shall designate the name of the  
23 political party with which the applicant is affiliated.

24 In lieu of the separate application blanks heretofore  
25 prescribed, the election authority may adopt a standard  
26 application blank in substantially the following form for all

1 categories of absentee voters:

2 APPLICATION FOR  
3 ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOT

4 To be voted at the ..... election in the County of  
5 ..... and State of Illinois, in the ..... precinct of the  
6 (1) \*township of ..... (2) \*City of ..... or (3) \*..... ward  
7 in the City of .....

8 I state that I am a resident of the ..... precinct of the  
9 (1) \*township of ..... (2) \*City of ..... or (3) \*.....  
10 ward in the City of ..... residing at ..... in such city  
11 or town in the county of ..... and State of Illinois; that I  
12 have lived at such address for ..... months last past; that I  
13 am lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at a .....  
14 election to be held therein on .....; and that I will be  
15 unable to vote in person at the polls of such precinct for the  
16 following reasons:

17 (Check One)

18 I expect to be absent from my county of residence.

19 I expect to be temporarily absent from the country.

20 I shall be serving as a judge of election in the  
21 ..... precinct which is not my precinct of  
22 residence.

23 I shall be observing a religious holiday in  
24 accordance with the tenets of my religion.

25 I shall be performing official election duties  
26 for an Election Authority .....,

1 (election authority)

2 ..... or the State Board of

3 Elections.

4 (location)

5 I shall be performing election law enforcement

6 duties in the employment of .....,

7 (law enforcement agency)

8 .....

9 (location)

10 I am temporarily abiding in the (1) \*township of ....

11 (2) \*city of .... in the county of .... and State of .... due to

12 the fact I am a student attending an institution of higher

13 education.

14 I am physically incapacitated.

15 Reason(s):

16 I have been called for jury duty on said day by

17 .....

18 (court jurisdiction)

19 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots

20 to be voted by me at such election and agree that I shall

21 return the ballot or ballots to the election official issuing

22 the same ~~in sufficient time for such official to deliver the~~

23 ~~ballot or ballots to the proper polling place~~ prior to the

24 closing of the polls on the date of the election or, if

25 returned by mail, postmarked no later than midnight preceding

26 election day, for counting no later than during the period for

1 counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th  
2 day following election day.

3 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Section  
4 29-10 of the Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
5 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

6 .....  
7 \*fill in either (1), (2) or (3). Post office address to which  
8 ballot is mailed:

9 .....

10 Provided, that if application is made for a primary  
11 election, such application shall designate the name of the  
12 political party with which applicant is affiliated.

13 (Source: P.A. 95-440, eff. 8-27-07.)

14 (10 ILCS 5/20-2) (from Ch. 46, par. 20-2)

15 Sec. 20-2. Any member of the United States Service,  
16 otherwise qualified to vote, who expects in the course of his  
17 duties to be absent from the county in which he resides on the  
18 day of holding any election may make application for an  
19 absentee ballot to the election authority having jurisdiction  
20 over his precinct of residence on the official postcard or on a  
21 form furnished by the election authority as prescribed by  
22 Section 20-3 of this Article not less than 10 days before the  
23 election. A request pursuant to this Section shall entitle the  
24 applicant to an absentee ballot for every election in one  
25 calendar year. The original application for ballot shall be

1 kept in the office of the election authority for one year as  
2 authorization to send a ballot to the voter for each election  
3 to be held within that calendar year. A certified copy of such  
4 application for ballot shall be sent each election with the  
5 absentee ballot to the election authority's central ballot  
6 counting location to be used in lieu of the original  
7 application for ballot. No registration shall be required in  
8 order to vote pursuant to this Section.

9 Ballots under this Section shall be mailed by the election  
10 authority in the manner prescribed by Section 20-5 of this  
11 Article and not otherwise. Ballots voted under this Section  
12 must be returned postmarked no later than midnight preceding  
13 election day and received for counting at the central ballot  
14 counting location of the election authority during the period  
15 for counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the  
16 14th day following election day. ~~Ballots voted under this~~  
17 ~~Section must be returned to the election authority in~~  
18 ~~sufficient time for delivery to the election authority's~~  
19 ~~central ballot counting location before the closing of the~~  
20 ~~polls on the day of the election.~~

21 (Source: P.A. 94-1000, eff. 7-3-06.)

22 (10 ILCS 5/20-2.1) (from Ch. 46, par. 20-2.1)

23 Sec. 20-2.1. Citizens of the United States temporarily  
24 residing outside the territorial limits of the United States  
25 who are not registered but otherwise qualified to vote and who

1 expect to be absent from their county of residence during the  
2 periods of voter registration provided for in Articles 4, 5 or  
3 6 of this Code and on the day of holding any election, may make  
4 simultaneous application to the election authority having  
5 jurisdiction over their precinct of residence for an absentee  
6 registration and absentee ballot not less than 30 days before  
7 the election. Such application may be made on the official  
8 postcard or on a form furnished by the election authority as  
9 prescribed by Section 20-3 of this Article. A request pursuant  
10 to this Section shall entitle the applicant to an absentee  
11 ballot for every election in one calendar year. The original  
12 application for ballot shall be kept in the office of the  
13 election authority for one year as authorization to send a  
14 ballot to the voter for each election to be held within that  
15 calendar year. A certified copy of such application for ballot  
16 shall be sent each election with the absentee ballot to the  
17 election authority's central ballot counting location to be  
18 used in lieu of the original application for ballot.

19 Registration shall be required in order to vote pursuant to  
20 this Section. However, if the election authority receives one  
21 of such applications after 30 days but not less than 10 days  
22 before a Federal election, said applicant shall be sent a  
23 ballot containing the Federal offices only and registration for  
24 that election shall be waived.

25 Ballots under this Section shall be mailed by the election  
26 authority in the manner prescribed by Section 20-5 of this

1 Article and not otherwise.

2 Ballots voted under this Section must be returned  
3 postmarked no later than midnight preceding election day and  
4 received for counting at the central ballot counting location  
5 of the election authority during the period for counting  
6 provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th day  
7 following election day.

8 ~~Ballots under this Section must be returned to the election~~  
9 ~~authority in sufficient time for delivery to the election~~  
10 ~~authority's central ballot counting location before the~~  
11 ~~closing of the polls on the day of the election.~~

12 (Source: P.A. 94-1000, eff. 7-3-06.)

13 (10 ILCS 5/20-2.2) (from Ch. 46, par. 20-2.2)

14 Sec. 20-2.2. Any non-resident civilian citizen, otherwise  
15 qualified to vote, may make application to the election  
16 authority having jurisdiction over his precinct of former  
17 residence for an absentee ballot containing the Federal offices  
18 only not less than 10 days before a Federal election. Such  
19 application may be made only on the official postcard. A  
20 request pursuant to this Section shall entitle the applicant to  
21 an absentee ballot for every election in one calendar year at  
22 which Federal offices are filled. The original application for  
23 ballot shall be kept in the office of the election authority  
24 for one year as authorization to send a ballot to the voter for  
25 each election to be held within that calendar year at which



1 Federal offices are filled. A certified copy of such  
2 application for ballot shall be sent each election with the  
3 absentee ballot to the election authority's central ballot  
4 counting location to be used in lieu of the original  
5 application for ballot. No registration shall be required in  
6 order to vote pursuant to this Section. Ballots under this  
7 Section shall be mailed by the election authority in the manner  
8 prescribed by Section 20-5 of this Article and not otherwise.  
9 Ballots voted under this Section must be returned postmarked no  
10 later than midnight preceding election day and received for  
11 counting at the central ballot counting location of the  
12 election authority during the period for counting provisional  
13 ballots, the last day of which is the 14th day following  
14 election day. ~~Ballots under this Section must be returned to~~  
15 ~~the election authority in sufficient time for delivery to the~~  
16 ~~election authority's central ballot counting location before~~  
17 ~~the closing of the polls on the day of the election.~~

18 (Source: P.A. 94-1000, eff. 7-3-06.)

19 (10 ILCS 5/20-2.3) (from Ch. 46, par. 20-2.3)

20 Sec. 20-2.3. Members of the Armed Forces. Any member of the  
21 United States Armed Forces while on active duty, otherwise  
22 qualified to vote, who expects in the course of his or her  
23 duties to be absent from the county in which he or she resides  
24 on the day of holding any election, in addition to any other  
25 method of making application for an absentee ballot under this

1 Article, may make application for an absentee ballot to the  
2 election authority having jurisdiction over his or her precinct  
3 of residence by a facsimile machine or electronic transmission  
4 not less than 10 days before the election.

5 Ballots under this Section shall be mailed by the election  
6 authority in the manner prescribed by Section 20-5 of this  
7 Article and not otherwise. Ballots voted under this Section  
8 must be returned postmarked no later than midnight preceding  
9 election day and received for counting at the central ballot  
10 counting location of the election authority during the period  
11 for counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the  
12 14th day following election day. ~~Ballots voted under this~~  
13 ~~Section must be returned to the election authority before the~~  
14 ~~closing of the polls on the day of election and must be counted~~  
15 ~~at the election authority's central ballot counting location.~~

16 (Source: P.A. 94-1000, eff. 7-3-06.)

17 (10 ILCS 5/20-3) (from Ch. 46, par. 20-3)

18 Sec. 20-3. The election authority shall furnish the  
19 following applications for absentee registration or absentee  
20 ballot which shall be considered a method of application in  
21 lieu of the official postcard.

22 1. Members of the United States Service, citizens of the  
23 United States temporarily residing outside the territorial  
24 limits of the United States, and certified program participants  
25 under the Address Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic

1 Violence Act may make application within the periods prescribed  
2 in Sections 20-2 or 20-2.1, as the case may be. Such  
3 application shall be substantially in the following form:

4 "APPLICATION FOR BALLOT

5 To be voted at the..... election in the precinct in  
6 which is located my residence at....., in the  
7 city/village/township of .....(insert home address)  
8 County of..... and State of Illinois.

9 I state that I am a citizen of the United States; that on  
10 (insert date of election) I shall have resided in the State of  
11 Illinois and in the election precinct for 30 days; that on the  
12 above date I shall be the age of 18 years or above; that I am  
13 lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct at that election;  
14 that I am (check category 1, 2, or 3 below):

- 15 1. ( ) a member of the United States Service,
- 16 2. ( ) a citizen of the United States temporarily residing  
17 outside the territorial limits of the United States and that I  
18 expect to be absent from the said county of my residence on the  
19 date of holding such election, and that I will have no  
20 opportunity to vote in person on that day.

21 3. ( ) a certified program participant under the Address  
22 Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic Violence Act.

23 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
24 to be voted by me at such election if I am absent from the said  
25 county of my residence, and I agree that I shall return said  
26 ballot or ballots to the election authority postmarked no later

1 than midnight preceding election day, for counting no later  
 2 than during the period for counting provisional ballots, the  
 3 last day of which is the 14th day following election day ~~prior~~  
 4 ~~to the closing of the polls on the date of the election~~ or  
 5 shall destroy said ballot or ballots.

6 (Check below only if category 2 or 3 and not previously  
 7 registered)

8 ( ) I hereby make application to become registered as a  
 9 voter and agree to return the forms and affidavits for  
 10 registration to the election authority not later than 30 days  
 11 before the election.

12 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Article 29  
 13 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
 14 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

15 .....

16 Post office address or service address to which  
 17 registration materials or ballot should be mailed

18 .....

19 .....

20 .....

21 ....."

22 If application is made for a primary election ballot, such  
 23 application shall designate the name of the political party  
 24 with which the applicant is affiliated.

25 Such applications may be obtained from the election  
 26 authority having jurisdiction over the person's precinct of

1 residence.

2 2. A spouse or dependent of a member of the United States  
3 Service, said spouse or dependent being a registered voter in  
4 the county, may make application on behalf of said person in  
5 the office of the election authority within the periods  
6 prescribed in Section 20-2 which shall be substantially in the  
7 following form:

8 "APPLICATION FOR BALLOT to be voted at the..... election  
9 in the precinct in which is located the residence of the person  
10 for whom this application is made at.....(insert  
11 residence address) in the city/village/township of.....  
12 County of..... and State of Illinois.

13 I certify that the following named person.....  
14 (insert name of person) is a member of the United States  
15 Service.

16 I state that said person is a citizen of the United States;  
17 that on (insert date of election) said person shall have  
18 resided in the State of Illinois and in the election precinct  
19 for which this application is made for 30 days; that on the  
20 above date said person shall be the age of 18 years or above;  
21 that said person is lawfully entitled to vote in such precinct  
22 at that election; that said person is a member of the United  
23 States Service, and that in the course of his duties said  
24 person expects to be absent from his county of residence on the  
25 date of holding such election, and that said person will have  
26 no opportunity to vote in person on that day.

1 I hereby make application for an official ballot or ballots  
 2 to be voted by said person at such election and said person  
 3 agrees that he shall return said ballot or ballots to the  
 4 election authority postmarked no later than midnight preceding  
 5 election day, for counting no later than during the period for  
 6 counting provisional ballots, the last day of which is the 14th  
 7 day following election day ~~prior to the closing of the polls on~~  
 8 ~~the day of the election,~~ or shall destroy said ballot or  
 9 ballots.

10 I hereby certify that I am the (mother, father, sister,  
 11 brother, husband or wife) of the said elector, and that I am a  
 12 registered voter in the election precinct for which this  
 13 application is made. (Strike all but one that is applicable.)

14 Under penalties as provided by law pursuant to Article 29  
 15 of The Election Code, the undersigned certifies that the  
 16 statements set forth in this application are true and correct.

17 Name of applicant .....

18 Residence address .....

19 City/village/township.....

20 Service address to which ballot should be mailed:

21 .....

22 .....

23 .....

24 ....."

25 If application is made for a primary election ballot, such  
 26 application shall designate the name of the political party

1 with which the person for whom application is made is  
2 affiliated.

3 Such applications may be obtained from the election  
4 authority having jurisdiction over the voting precinct in which  
5 the person for whom application is made is entitled to vote.

6 (Source: P.A. 91-494, eff. 1-1-00.)