96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/6/2009, by Sen. Dave Syverson

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/7-43

from Ch. 46, par. 7-43

Amends the Election Code. Provides that nothing in the Code prohibits an otherwise qualified primary elector from becoming the candidate of a different established political party. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning elections.

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

Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing Section
7-43 as follows:

(10 ILCS 5/7-43) (from Ch. 46, par. 7-43) 6 7 Sec. 7-43. Every person having resided in this State 6 months and in the precinct 30 days next preceding any primary 8 9 therein who shall be a citizen of the United States of the age of 18 or more years, shall be entitled to vote at such primary. 10 following regulations shall be 11 The applicable to 12 primaries: No person shall be entitled to vote at a primary: 13 14 (a) Unless he declares his party affiliations as required by this Article. 15 16 (b) (Blank.) 17 (c) (Blank.) (c.5) If that person has participated in the town political 18 19 party caucus, under Section 45-50 of the Township Code, of another political party by signing an affidavit of voters 20 21 attending the caucus within 45 days before the first day of the 22 calendar month in which the primary is held.

23 (d) (Blank.)

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1 (e) In cities, villages and incorporated towns having a 2 board of election commissioners only voters registered as 3 provided by Article 6 of this Act shall be entitled to vote at 4 such primary.

5 (f) No person shall be entitled to vote at a primary unless 6 he is registered under the provisions of Articles 4, 5 or 6 of 7 this Act, when his registration is required by any of said 8 Articles to entitle him to vote at the election with reference 9 to which the primary is held.

Nothing in this Code shall be construed to prohibit an otherwise qualified person who votes in the primary of an established political party from being nominated, either at that primary or subsequently, as the candidate of a different established political party.

15 (Source: P.A. 95-699, eff. 11-9-07.)

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