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Amends the Business Corporation Act of 1983, the General Not For Profit Corporation Act of 1986, and the Limited Liability Company Act. Provides that the registered agent of a business or not-for-profit corporation may be a limited liability company, limited partnership, or limited liability partnership. Provides that the notice of a business or not-for-profit corporation's registered agent must be executed in the manner authorized by the governing statute if the registered agent is a business entity (instead of must be executed by a principal officer if the registered agent is a corporation). Provides that a limited liability company's registered agent may be a person authorized to transact business in this State (instead of a domestic or foreign corporation). Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning business.

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

Section 5. The Business Corporation Act of 1983 is amended
by changing Sections 5.05 and 5.15 as follows:

6 (805 ILCS 5/5.05) (from Ch. 32, par. 5.05)

7 Sec. 5.05. Registered office and registered agent. Each 8 domestic corporation and each foreign corporation having 9 authority to transact business in this State shall have and 10 continuously maintain in this State:

(a) A registered office which may be, but need not be, thesame as its place of business in this State.

(b) A registered agent, which agent may be either an 13 14 individual, resident in this State, whose business office is identical with such registered office, or a 15 domestic 16 corporation or a foreign corporation, limited liability 17 company, limited partnership, or limited liability partnership authorized to transact business in this State that 18 is 19 authorized by its statement of purpose articles of 20 incorporation to act as such agent, having a business office 21 identical with such registered office.

(c) The address, including street and number, or ruralroute number, of the initial registered office, and the name of

the initial registered agent of each corporation organized 1 2 in its under this Act shall be stated articles of incorporation; and of each foreign corporation shall be stated 3 in its application for authority to transact business in this 4 5 State.

6 (d) In the event of dissolution of a corporation, either 7 voluntary, administrative, or judicial, the registered agent and the registered office of the corporation on record with the 8 9 Secretary of State on the date of the issuance of the 10 certificate or judgment of dissolution shall be an agent of the 11 corporation upon whom claims can be served or service of 12 process can be had during the five year post-dissolution period 13 provided in Section 12.80 of this Act, unless such agent 14 resigns or the corporation properly reports a change of 15 registered office or registered agent.

(e) In the event of revocation of the authority of a foreign corporation to transact business in this State, the registered agent and the registered office of the corporation on record with the Secretary of State on the date of the issuance of the certificate of revocation shall be an agent of the corporation upon whom claims can be served or service of process can be had, unless such agent resigns.

23 (Source: P.A. 92-33, eff. 7-1-01.)

24 (805 ILCS 5/5.15) (from Ch. 32, par. 5.15)

25 Sec. 5.15. Resignation of registered agent. (a) A

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registered agent may at any time resign by filing in the office of the Secretary of State written notice thereof, and by mailing a copy thereof to the corporation at its principal office as such is known to said resigning agent, such notice to be mailed at least 10 days prior to the date of filing thereof with the Secretary of State.

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(b) The notice shall set forth:

8 (1) The name of the corporation for which the registered 9 agent is acting.

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(2) The name of the registered agent.

11 (3) The address, including street and number, or rural 12 route number, of the corporation's then registered office in 13 this State.

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(4) That the registered agent resigns.

15 (5) The effective date thereof which shall not be less than30 days after the date of filing.

17 (6) The address of the principal office of the corporation18 as such is known to the registered agent.

19 (7) A statement that a copy of this notice has been sent to 20 the principal office within the time and in the manner 21 prescribed by this Section.

(c) Such notice shall be executed by the registered agent,
if an individual, or, if a <u>business entity</u>, in the manner
<u>authorized by the governing statute</u> corporation, by a principal
officer.

26 (Source: P.A. 85-1269.)

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Section 10. The General Not For Profit Corporation Act of
 1986 is amended by changing Sections 105.05 and 105.15 as
 follows:

4 (805 ILCS 105/105.05) (from Ch. 32, par. 105.05)

Sec. 105.05. Registered office and registered agent.

(a) Each domestic corporation and each foreign corporation
having authority to conduct affairs in this State shall have
and continuously maintain in this State:

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(1) A registered office which may be, but need not be, the same as its place of business in this State.

11 (2) A registered agent, which agent may be either an 12 individual, resident in this State, whose business office 13 is identical with such registered office, or a domestic or 14 foreign corporation, limited liability company, limited 15 partnership, or limited liability partnership for profit or a foreign corporation for profit authorized to conduct 16 17 business affairs in this State that is authorized by its articles of incorporation to act as such agent, having a 18 19 business office identical with such registered office.

20 (b) The address, including street and number, if any, of 21 the initial registered office, and the name of the initial 22 registered agent of each corporation organized under this Act 23 shall be stated in its articles of incorporation; and of each 24 foreign corporation shall be stated in its application for SB2807 - 5 - LRB096 17670 DRJ 33032 b

1 authority to conduct affairs in this State.

2 (c) In the event of dissolution of a corporation, either voluntary, administrative, or judicial, the registered agent 3 and the registered office of the corporation on record with the 4 5 Secretary of State on the date of the issuance of the 6 certificate or judgment of dissolution shall be an agent of the 7 corporation upon whom claims can be served or service of 8 process can be had during the two year post-dissolution period 9 provided in Section 112.80 of this Act, unless such agent 10 resigns or the corporation properly reports a change of 11 registered office or registered agent.

12 (d) In the event of revocation of a certificate of 13 authority of a foreign corporation, the registered agent and 14 the registered office of the corporation on record with the 15 Secretary of State on the date of the issuance of the 16 certificate of revocation shall be an agent of the corporation 17 upon whom claims can be served or service of process can be 18 had, unless such agent resigns.

19 (Source: P.A. 92-33, eff. 7-1-01.)

20 (805 ILCS 105/105.15) (from Ch. 32, par. 105.15)

Sec. 105.15. Resignation of registered agent. (a) A registered agent may at any time resign by filing in the office of the Secretary of State written notice thereof, and by mailing a copy thereof to the corporation at its principal office as such is known to said resigning agent, such notice to

be mailed at least 10 days prior to the date of filing thereof 1 2 with the Secretary of State. (b) The notice shall set forth: 3 (1) The name of the corporation for which the registered 4 5 agent is acting; (2) The name of the registered agent; 6 (3) The address, including street and number, or rural 7 8 route number, of the corporation's then registered office in 9 this State: 10 (4) That the registered agent resigns; 11 (5) The effective date thereof which shall not be less than

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12 30 days after the date of filing;

13 (6) The address of the principal office of the corporation14 as such is known to the registered agent;

15 (7) A statement that a copy of this notice has been sent to 16 the principal office within the time and in the manner 17 prescribed by this Section.

18 (c) Such notice shall be executed by the registered agent, 19 if an individual, or, if a <u>business entity</u>, in the manner 20 <u>authorized by the governing statute</u> corporation, by a principal 21 officer.

22 (Source: P.A. 85-1269.)

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Section 15. The Limited Liability Company Act is amended by
 changing Sections 1-35, 1-36, and 45-30 as follows:

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1 2 (805 ILCS 180/1-35)

Sec. 1-35. Registered office and registered agent.

(a) Each limited liability company and foreign limited 3 4 liability company shall continuously maintain in this State a 5 registered agent and registered office, which agent must be an 6 individual resident of this State or other person authorized to transact business in this State, a domestic corporation, or a 7 8 foreign corporation having a place of business in, and 9 authorized to do business in, this State. If the agent is a 10 corporation, the corporation must be authorized by its articles 11 of incorporation to act as an agent.

12 (b) A limited liability company or foreign limited 13 liability company may change its registered agent or the 14 address of its registered office pursuant to Section 1-36 and 15 the registered agent of a limited liability company or a 16 foreign limited liability company may change the address of its 17 registered office pursuant to Section 1-37.

(c) The registered agent may at any time resign by filing 18 in the Office of the Secretary of State written notice thereof 19 and by mailing a copy thereof to the limited liability company 20 or foreign limited liability company at its principal office as 21 22 it is known to the resigning registered agent. The notice must 23 be mailed at least 10 days before the date of filing thereof with the Secretary of State. The notice shall be executed by 24 25 the registered agent, if an individual, or by a principal 26 officer, if the registered agent is a corporation. The notice - 8 - LRB096 17670 DRJ 33032 b

1 shall set forth all of the following:

- 2 (1) The name of the limited liability company for which3 the registered agent is acting.
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(2) The name of the registered agent.

5 (3) The address, including street, number, <u>and city and</u>
6 county of the limited liability company's then registered
7 office in this State.

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(4) That the registered agent resigns.

9 (5) The effective date of the resignation, which shall 10 not be sooner than 30 days after the date of filing.

11 (6) The address of the principal office of the limited
12 liability company as it is known to the registered agent.

13 (7) A statement that a copy of the notice has been sent 14 by registered or certified mail to the principal office of 15 the limited liability company within the time and in the 16 manner prescribed by this Section.

17 (d) A new registered agent must be placed on record within 18 60 days after a registered agent's notice of resignation under 19 this Section.

20 (Source: P.A. 94-605, eff. 1-1-06.)

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(805 ILCS 180/1-36)

22 Sec. 1-36. Change of registered office or registered agent. 23 (a) A domestic limited liability company or a foreign 24 limited liability company may from time to time change the 25 address of its registered office. A domestic limited liability company or a foreign limited liability company shall change its registered agent if the office of registered agent shall become vacant for any reason, or if its registered agent becomes disqualified or incapacitated to act.

5 (b) A domestic limited liability company or a foreign 6 limited liability company may change the address of its 7 registered office or change its registered agent, or both, by 8 executing and filing, in duplicate, in accordance with Section 9 5-45 of this Act a statement setting forth:

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(1) The name of the limited liability company.

(2) The address, including street and number, or rural
 route number, of its then registered office.

(3) If the address of its registered office be changed,
the address, including street and number, or rural route
number, to which the registered office is to be changed.

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(4) The name of its then registered agent.

17 (5) If its registered agent be changed, the name of its18 successor registered agent.

19 (6) That the address of its registered office and the
20 address of the business office of its registered agent, as
21 changed, will be identical.

(7) That such change was authorized by resolution duly
 adopted by the members or managers.

(c) The change of address of the registered office, or the
change of registered agent, or both, as the case may be, shall
become effective upon the filing of such statement by the

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1 Secretary of State.

2 (Source: P.A. 94-605, eff. 1-1-06.)

3 (805 ILCS 180/45-30)
4 Sec. 45-30. Requirement for registered agent and certain
5 reports. A foreign limited liability company admitted to
6 transact business in this State shall:

7 (1) appoint and continuously maintain a registered agent
8 and registered office in the manner provided in Section 1-35;

9 (2) file a report upon any change in the name or business 10 address of its registered agent or address of the registered 11 office in the manner provided in Section <u>1-36</u> 5-10; and

(3) file an annual report as required by Section 50-1.(Source: P.A. 87-1062.)

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