97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/6-19.5 new

Amends the Election Code. Permits the dissolution of the board of election commissioners of a municipality with a population of less than 30,000 and the transfer of its authority and duties to the local election authority of the county in which the municipality is located, by referendum initiated by the registered voters of that county. 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 adding Section
6-19.5 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/6-19.5 new)

7 Sec. 6-19.5. Rejection of Article by county referendum. (a) In addition to any other method of rejection provided 8 9 in this Article, if the board of election commissioners of a 10 municipality with a population of less than 30,000 is dissolved in accordance with subsection (b), the application of the 11 12 provisions of this Article to that municipality is rejected. (b) In a county with a population of less than 300,000, the 13 14 board of election commissioners of a municipality with a population of less than 30,000 within that county may be 15 16 dissolved, and the local election authority of that county may 17 assume the authority and duties of the board of election commissioners of that municipality by a vote of the electors of 18 19 the county. Upon the petition of 5,000 voters registered in the 20 county to the circuit court to submit to the electors of the 21 county the proposition to dissolve the board of election 22 commissioners of the municipality and transfer its authority and duties to the local election authority of the county, the 23

1	circuit court shall cause that proposition to be submitted to
2	the electors of the county at the next possible general
3	election. The proposition shall be submitted in the same manner
4	as provided for the adoption of this Article and Articles 14
5	and 18 of this Code, except that the question shall be stated:
6	"Shall the board of election commissioners of
7	be dissolved and the local election
8	authority of County assume the authority
9	and duties of the board of election commissioners of
10	<u>?"</u>
11	(c) Upon the adoption by the electors of the proposition to
12	dissolve the board of election commissioners of the
13	municipality and transfer its authority and duties to the local
14	election authority of the county, or a reasonable period of
15	time thereafter, the board of election commissioners of the
16	municipality shall turn over to the local election authority of
17	the county all registry books, registration record cards, poll
18	books, tally sheets and ballot boxes, and all other books,
19	forms, blanks, and stationery of every description in the
20	board's possession in any way relating to elections or the
21	holding of elections in the municipality. Thereupon, all
22	functions, powers, and duties of the board of election
23	commissioners of the municipality relating to elections in that
24	municipality are transferred to the local election authority of
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25 <u>the county.</u>

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Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

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1 becoming law.