

# HB6242



## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

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HB6242

by Rep. Jim Sacia

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

50 ILCS 135/12

Amends the Local Government Employees Political Rights Act. Provides that any law enforcement officer who is elected to the Illinois General Assembly shall be granted a leave of absence without compensation during his or her term of office. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

4 Section 5. The Local Governmental Employees Political  
5 Rights Act is amended by changing Section 12 as follows:

6 (50 ILCS 135/12)

7 Sec. 12. Elective and appointed office.

8 (a) A member of any fire department or fire protection  
9 district may:

10 (1) be a candidate for elective public office and serve  
11 in that public office if elected;

12 (2) be appointed to any public office and serve in that  
13 public office if appointed; and

14 (3) as long as the member is not in uniform and not on  
15 duty, solicit votes and campaign funds and challenge voters  
16 for the public office for which the member is a candidate.

17 (b) A firefighter or law enforcement officer who is elected  
18 to the Illinois General Assembly shall, upon written  
19 application to the employer, be granted a leave of absence  
20 without compensation during his or her term of office.

21 (Source: P.A. 94-316, eff. 7-25-05; 95-142, eff. 8-13-07.)

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.