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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1371

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1371 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing
5 Section 19A-15 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/19A-15)

7 Sec. 19A-15. Period for early voting; hours.

8 (a) The period for early voting by personal appearance
9 begins the 15th day preceding a general primary, consolidated
10 primary, consolidated, or general election and extends through
11 the 3rd day before election day.

12 (b) A permanent polling place for early voting must remain
13 open during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or 9:00 a.m.
14 to 5:00 p.m., on weekdays and for 3 or more consecutive hours
15 between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. ~~9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.~~ on
16 Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays; except that, in addition to

1 the hours required by this subsection, a permanent early voting
2 polling place designated by an election authority under
3 subsection (c) of Section 19A-10 must remain open for a total
4 of at least 8 hours on any holiday during the early voting
5 period and a total of at least 14 hours on the final weekend
6 during the early voting period. The election authority shall
7 notify the State Board of Elections and shall provide notice to
8 the public of the hours during which the permanent early voting
9 polling place will be open on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

10 (c) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), an election
11 authority may close an early voting polling place if the
12 building in which the polling place is located has been closed
13 by the State or unit of local government in response to a
14 severe weather emergency. In the event of a closure, the
15 election authority shall conduct early voting on the 2nd day
16 before election day from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or 9:00 a.m. to
17 5:00 p.m. The election authority shall notify the State Board
18 of Elections of any closure and shall make reasonable efforts
19 to provide notice to the public of the extended early voting
20 period.

21 (d) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b), in 2013 only,
22 an election authority may close an early voting place on Good
23 Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday, provided that the
24 early voting place remains open 2 hours later on April 3, 4,
25 and 5 of 2013. The election authority shall notify the State
26 Board of Elections of any closure and shall provide notice to

1 the public of the closure and the extended hours during the
2 final week.

3 (Source: P.A. 97-81, eff. 7-5-11; 97-766, eff. 7-6-12; 98-4,
4 eff. 3-12-13.)

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