

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 HB6418

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

55 ILCS 5/2-3007

from Ch. 34, par. 2-3007

Amends the Counties Code. Provides that the chairman of the county board of all counties under 3,000,000 population shall be elected as chairman without having been first elected to the county board (rather than counties with a population of 450,000 or less being able to elect a chairman from the members of the board or without having been a member of the board). Further provides that no person shall seek election to both the county board as a member and the county board chairman at the same election. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

Section 5. The Counties Code is amended by changing Section 2-3007 as follows:

6 (55 ILCS 5/2-3007) (from Ch. 34, par. 2-3007)

Sec. 2-3007. Chairman of county board; election and term. Any county board when providing for the reapportionment of its county under this Division may provide that the chairman of the county board shall be elected by the voters of the county rather than by the members of the board. In that event, provision shall be made for the election throughout the county of the chairman of the county board, but in counties over 3,000,000 population no person may be elected to serve as such chairman who has not been elected as a county board member to serve during the same period as the term of office as chairman of the county board to which he seeks election. In counties ever 450,000 population and under 3,000,000 population, the chairman shall be elected as chairman without having been first elected to the county board. Such chairman shall not vote on any question except to break a tie vote. In all other counties the chairman may either be elected as a county board member or elected as the chairman without having been first elected to

- 1 the board. Except in counties where the chairman of the county
- 2 board is elected by the voters of the county and is not
- 3 required to be a county board member, whether the chairman of
- 4 the county board is elected by the voters of the county or by
- 5 the members of the board, he shall be elected to a 2 year term.
- 6 In counties where the chairman of the county board is elected
- 7 by the voters of the county and is not required to be a county
- 8 board member, the chairman shall be elected to a 4 year term.
- 9 In all cases, the term of the chairman of the county board
- shall commence on the first Monday of the month following the
- 11 month in which members of the county board are elected.
- 12 Except as otherwise provided for by this Section, no person
- shall seek election to both the county board as a member and
- 14 the county board chairman at the same election.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 93-847, eff. 7-30-04; 94-273, eff. 1-1-06.)
- 16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 17 becoming law.