

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

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

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing
5 Section 25-11 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/25-11) (from Ch. 46, par. 25-11)

7 Sec. 25-11. When a vacancy occurs in any elective county
8 office, or in a county of less than 3,000,000 population in
9 the office of clerk of the circuit court, in a county which
10 is not a home rule unit, the county board shall declare that
11 such vacancy exists and notification thereof shall be given
12 to the county central committee or the appropriate county
13 board district committee of each established political party
14 within 3 days of the occurrence of the vacancy. The vacancy
15 shall be filled within 60 days by appointment of the chairman
16 of the county board with the advice and consent of the county
17 board. However, in counties in which forest preserve
18 district commissioners are elected by districts and are not
19 also members of the county board, vacancies shall be filled
20 within 60 days by appointment of the president of the forest
21 preserve board of commissioners with the advice and consent
22 of the other forest preserve commissioners. The appointee
23 shall be a member of the same political party as the person
24 he succeeds was at the time of his election and shall be
25 otherwise eligible to serve. The appointee shall serve the
26 remainder of the unexpired term. However, if more than 28
27 months remain in the term, the appointment shall be until the
28 next general election at which time the vacated office shall
29 be filled by election for the remainder of the term. In the
30 case of a vacancy in a seat on a county board which has been
31 divided into districts under "An Act relating to the

1 composition of an election of county boards in certain
2 counties", approved October 2, 1969, as amended, the
3 appointee must also be a resident of the county board
4 district.

5 Except as otherwise provided by county ordinance or by
6 law, in any county which is a home rule unit, vacancies in
7 elective county offices, other than the office of chief
8 executive officer, and vacancies in the office of clerk of
9 the circuit court in a county of less than 3,000,000
10 population, shall be filled by the county board.

11 (Source: P.A. 90-672, eff. 7-31-98.)