

# HB3831



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/4-50

Amends the Election Code. Requires a grace period registrant to also present identification upon which his or her date of birth appears.

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A BILL FOR

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 4-50 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/4-50)

7 Sec. 4-50. Grace period. Notwithstanding any other  
8 provision of this Code to the contrary, each election  
9 authority shall establish procedures for the registration of  
10 voters and for change of address during the period from the  
11 close of registration for an election until and including the  
12 day of the election. During this grace period, an unregistered  
13 qualified elector may register to vote, and a registered voter  
14 may submit a change of address form, in person in the office of  
15 the election authority, at a permanent polling place  
16 established under Section 19A-10, at any other early voting  
17 site beginning 15 days prior to the election, at a polling  
18 place on election day, or at a voter registration location  
19 specifically designated for this purpose by the election  
20 authority. In addition to the registration requirements in  
21 Section 4-10, a grace period registrant must present  
22 identification upon which the registrant's date of birth  
23 appears. Grace period registration and changes of address

1 shall also be conducted for eligible residents in connection  
2 with voting at facilities under Section 19-12.2 of this Code.  
3 The election authority shall register that individual, or  
4 change a registered voter's address, in the same manner as  
5 otherwise provided by this Article for registration and change  
6 of address.

7 If a voter who registers or changes address during this  
8 grace period wishes to vote at the election or primary  
9 occurring during the grace period, he or she must do so by  
10 grace period voting. The election authority shall offer  
11 in-person grace period voting at the authority's office, any  
12 permanent polling place established under Section 19A-10, and  
13 at any other early voting site beginning 15 days prior to the  
14 election, at a polling place on election day, where grace  
15 period registration is required by this Section; and may offer  
16 in-person grace period voting at additional hours and  
17 locations specifically designated for the purpose of grace  
18 period voting by the election authority. The election  
19 authority may allow grace period voting by mail only if the  
20 election authority has no ballots prepared at the authority's  
21 office. Grace period voting shall be in a manner substantially  
22 similar to voting under Article 19A.

23 Within one day after a voter casts a grace period ballot,  
24 or within one day after the ballot is received by the election  
25 authority if the election authority allows grace period voting  
26 by mail, the election authority shall transmit by electronic

1 means pursuant to a process established by the State Board of  
2 Elections the voter's name, street address, e-mail address,  
3 and precinct, ward, township, and district numbers, as the  
4 case may be, to the State Board of Elections, which shall  
5 maintain those names and that information in an electronic  
6 format on its website, arranged by county and accessible to  
7 State and local political committees. The name of each person  
8 issued a grace period ballot shall also be placed on the  
9 appropriate precinct list of persons to whom vote by mail and  
10 early ballots have been issued, for use as provided in  
11 Sections 17-9 and 18-5.

12 A person who casts a grace period ballot shall not be  
13 permitted to revoke that ballot and vote another ballot with  
14 respect to that primary or election. Ballots cast by persons  
15 who register or change address during the grace period at a  
16 location other than their designated polling place on election  
17 day must be transmitted to and counted at the election  
18 authority's central ballot counting location and shall not be  
19 transmitted to and counted at precinct polling places. The  
20 grace period ballots determined to be valid shall be added to  
21 the vote totals for the precincts for which they were cast in  
22 the order in which the ballots were opened.

23 In counties with a population of less than 100,000 that do  
24 not have electronic poll books, the election authority may opt  
25 out of registration in the polling place if the election  
26 authority establishes grace period registration and voting at

1 other sites on election day at the following sites: (i) the  
2 election authority's main office and (ii) a polling place in  
3 each municipality where 20% or more of the county's residents  
4 reside if the election authority's main office is not located  
5 in that municipality. The election authority may establish  
6 other grace period registration and voting sites on election  
7 day provided that the election authority has met the notice  
8 requirements of Section 19A-25 for permanent and temporary  
9 early voting sites.

10 (Source: P.A. 100-442, eff. 8-25-17.)