



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB1445

Introduced 1/28/2025, by Rep. Nabeela Syed

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

10 ILCS 5/1-12

Amends the Election Code. In provisions concerning public university voting, provides that each appropriate election authority must conduct voting, grace period registration, and grace period voting from the 6th day before a general primary or general election through the day before (currently the 4th day before) a general primary or general election from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Provides that the voting required by the provision must be conducted on the day of a general primary or general election from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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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 1-12 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/1-12)

7 Sec. 1-12. Public university voting.

8 (a) Each appropriate election authority shall, in addition
9 to the early voting conducted at locations otherwise required
10 by law, conduct early voting, grace period registration, and
11 grace period voting at the student union on the campus of a
12 public university within the election authority's
13 jurisdiction. The voting required by this subsection (a) to be
14 conducted on campus must be conducted from the 6th day before a
15 general primary or general election through until and
16 ~~including~~ the ~~4th~~ day before a general primary or general
17 election from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 5 p.m., must be conducted on
18 the day of a general primary or general election from 6:00 a.m.
19 to 7:00 p.m., and must be conducted as otherwise required by
20 Article 19A of this Code. The ~~, except that the~~ voting required
21 by this subsection (a) need not be conducted during a
22 consolidated primary or consolidated election. If an election
23 authority has voting equipment that can accommodate a ballot

1 in every form required in the election authority's
2 jurisdiction, then the election authority shall extend early
3 voting and grace period registration and voting under this
4 Section to any registered voter in the election authority's
5 jurisdiction. However, if the election authority does not have
6 voting equipment that can accommodate a ballot in every form
7 required in the election authority's jurisdiction, then the
8 election authority may limit early voting and grace period
9 registration and voting under this Section to voters in
10 precincts where the public university is located and precincts
11 bordering the university. Each public university shall make
12 the space available at the student union for, and cooperate
13 and coordinate with the appropriate election authority in, the
14 implementation of this subsection (a).

15 (b) (Blank).

16 (c) For the purposes of this Section, "public university"
17 means the University of Illinois, Illinois State University,
18 Chicago State University, Governors State University, Southern
19 Illinois University, Northern Illinois University, Eastern
20 Illinois University, Western Illinois University, and
21 Northeastern Illinois University.

22 (d) For the purposes of this Section, "student union"
23 means the Student Center at 750 S. Halsted on the University of
24 Illinois-Chicago campus; the Public Affairs Center at the
25 University of Illinois at Springfield or a new building
26 completed after the effective date of this Act housing student

1 government at the University of Illinois at Springfield; the
2 Illini Union at the University of Illinois at
3 Urbana-Champaign; the SIUC Student Center at the Southern
4 Illinois University at Carbondale campus; the Morris
5 University Center at the Southern Illinois University at
6 Edwardsville campus; the University Union at the Western
7 Illinois University at the Macomb campus; the Holmes Student
8 Center at the Northern Illinois University campus; the
9 University Union at the Eastern Illinois University campus;
10 NEIU Student Union at the Northeastern Illinois University
11 campus; the Bone Student Center at the Illinois State
12 University campus; the Cordell Reed Student Union at the
13 Chicago State University campus; and the Hall of Governors in
14 Building D at the Governors State University campus.

15 (Source: P.A. 98-115, eff. 7-29-13; 98-691, eff. 7-1-14;
16 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15; 99-522, eff. 6-30-16.)