

## Election Code Change Regarding “Simultaneous Filings” on Last Day Not Applicable to this Election Cycle

Public Act 97-1044 amends the Election Code to provide that two or more petitions filed within the last hour of the filing deadline period are to be deemed “filed simultaneously.” The provision relates only to filings covered by Article 7 of the Election Code for established political parties. The Act does not become effective until January 1, 2013, so that neither of the nominating petition filing periods for the upcoming February Consolidated Primary Election (petition filing period November 19-26), or the Consolidated Election in April (petition filing period December 17 - 24), are affected by this Act.

The Act becomes effective January 1, 2013.

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