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This letter will serve as a report to the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, required to be submitted by State agencies pursuant to the Task Force on Inventorying Employment Restrictions Act.


Currently, the only restriction the State Board of Elections places on its employees, is a prohibition on such employees participating or engaging in any kind of partisan political activity. This is a statutory restriction contained in Section 1A-13 of the Illinois Election Code [10 ILCS 5/1-1 et seq.] which provides as follows:

"No employee of the State Board of Elections including the executive director and assistant executive director shall engage in any partisan political activity whatsoever, except to vote at elections, nor shall such person contribute, either financially or in services or goods or any other way, to any political party, candidate or organization engaged in political activity. No employee of the Board shall become a candidate for nomination for, or election to, or accept appointment to any public office. Whoever violates any provision of this Section shall be deemed to have vacated his position and shall be discharged. No such person shall be thereafter rehired unless the State Civil Service Commission, upon appeal, finds that this Section has not been violated by such person."

Employees are required to sign a declaration, prior to employment, certifying that they have read carefully, understand and shall adhere to all of the provisions of the above Section.

The State Board of Elections does not license, regulate, supervise or fund any facilities or license or provide certifications for any occupations.

Sincerely,
State Board of Elections


Rupert Borgsmiller
Executive Director