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SCHOOL ELECTION INSPECTORS

House Bill 6000

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Committee: Constitutional Law and Ethics

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 6000 AS INTRODUCED 9-27-00

The bill would amend the Revised School Code to allow any qualified registered county elector to serve as an inspector in school elections.

Currently, the school code requires that the board of each school district appoint the necessary school electors to the board of election inspectors for school elections, appointing three or more school electors for each voting precinct to serve as the board of election inspectors in that precinct. However, if a school district within a city or township (either wholly or partly) holds an election at the same time that the city or township holds an election, the election commissioners, inspectors, and other election officials conducting the city or township election can act in their respective capacities for the school election if the school board and the city or township governing body so agree.

The bill would amend the code to require that a member of the board of election inspectors for a school election be a qualified and registered elector in the county in which the school district were located, instead of a school elector. (If the school district were located in more than one county, the school election inspector could be a qualified and registered elector of any county in which the school district were located.) The board of each school district ("operating 12 grades") would continue to appoint the necessary members to the board of election inspectors, and, if agreed upon by the board of the school district and the governing body of a city or township holding an election at the same time as a school election in a school district within the city or township, an election inspector conducting the city or township election could serve as an election inspector for the school election.

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