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Clerk Hollman: "House Perfunctory Session will come to order. Committee Reports. Representative Gabel, Chairperson from the Committee on Rules reports the following committee action taken on February 11, 2026: recommends be adopted, referred to the floor is Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 1596, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 1772, Floor Amendment(s) 1 to House Bill 2378; approved for consideration, referred to Second Reading are House Bills 67, 1175, 1596, 1772, 1819, 1885, 2378, 2332, 2428, 2484, 2531, 2854, 3053, 3454, 3595 and Senate Bills 248, 1531, and 1773; approved for consideration, referred to Third Reading is House Bills 1391, 1619, 1810, 2786, and 3769. Introduction and First Reading of House Bills. House Bill 5401, offered by Representative Didech, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5402, offered by Representative Didech, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5403, offered by Representative Didech, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5404, offered by... offered by Representative Didech, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 4505 (sic-5405), offered by Representative Didech, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 4506 (sic-5406), offered by Representative Didech, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5407, offered by Representative Ann Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5408, offered by Representative Moeller, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5409, offered by Representative Will Davis, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5410, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill

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5411, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning animals. House Bill 5412, offered by Representative Ann Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5413, offered by Representative Kelly, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. House Bill 5414, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. House Bill 5415, offered by Representative Delgado, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5416, offered by Representative Ann Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5417, offered by Representative Mussman, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5418, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5419, offered by Representative Ann Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5420, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5421, offered by Representative Morgan, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5422, offered by Representative du Buclet, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5423, offered by Representative Will Davis, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5424, offered by Representative Tarver, a Bill for an Act concerning housing. House Bill 5425, offered by Representative Canty, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5426, offered by Representative Mussman, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5427, offered by Representative Mah, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5428, offered by Representative Evans, a Bill for an Act concerning

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regulation. House Bill 5429, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5430, offered by Representative Evans, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5431, offered by Representative Evans, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5432, offered by Representative Evans, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5433, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5434, offered by Representative Lisa Davis, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5435, offered by Representative Mah, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5436, offered by Representative Katz Muhl, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5437, offered by Representative Tarver, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5438, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5439, offered by... by Leader McCombie, a Bill for an Act concerning wildlife. House Bill 5440, offered by Representative Spain, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5441, offered by Representative Haas, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5442, offered by Representative Hammond, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 5443, offered by Representative Tarver, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. House Bill 5444, offered by Representative Deering, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5445, offered by Representative Deering, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5446, offered by Representative Davidsmeyer, a

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Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5447, offered by Representative Davidsmeyer, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5448, offered by Representative Weaver, a Bill for an Act concerning local government."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5449, offered by Representative Mayfield, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5450, offered by Representative West, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5451, offered by Representative Canty, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 5452, offered by Representative Mah, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5453, offered by Representative Ammons, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5454, offered by Representative Avelar, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5455, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5456, offered by Representative... offered by Representative Haas, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5457, offered by Representative Jed Davis, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5458, offered by Representative Meier, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5459, offered by Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5460, offered by Representative Lilly, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5461, offered by Representative Gong-Gershowitz, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. House Bill 5462, offered by Representative Lilly, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5463, offered by Representative Lilly, a Bill for an Act concerning

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education. House Bill 5464, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5465, offered by Representative Buckner, a Bill for an Act concerning health. House Bill 5466, offered by Representative Lilly, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5467, offered by Representative West, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5468, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5469, offered by Representative Rita, a Bill for an Act concerning gaming. House Bill 5470, offered by Representative Morris, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5471, offered by Representative Morris, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5472, offered by Representative Johnson, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5473, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5474, offered by Representative Faver Dias, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5475, offered by Representative Faver Dias, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5476, offered by Representative Grasse, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5477, offered by Representative Ness, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5478, offered by Representative Canty, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5479, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5480, offered by Representative Kelly, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5481, offered by Representative Barbara Hernandez, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House

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Bill 5482, offered by Representative Barbara Hernandez, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5483, offered by Representative Morgan, a Bill for an Act concerning procurement. House Bill 5484, offered by Representative Canty, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5485, offered by Representative Cochran, a Bill for an Act concerning property. House Bill 5486, offered by Representative Ammons, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5487, offered by Representative Gong-Gershowitz, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5488, offered by Representative Faver Dias, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5489, offered by Representative Hanson, a Bill for an Act concerning domestic violence. House Bill 5490, offered by Representative Johnson, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5491, offered by Representative Stuart, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5492... House Bill 5492, offered by Representative Stuart, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5493, offered by Representative Yang Rohr, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5494, offered by Representative Barbara Hernandez, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5495, offered by Representative DeLaRosa, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5496, offered by Representative DeLaRosa, a Bill for an Act concerning local government."

Clerk Hollman: "House Bill 5497, offered by Representative Faver Dias, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5498, offered by Representative Manley, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5499, offered by

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Representative Lisa Hernandez, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5500, offered by... offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5501, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning procurement. House Bill 5502, offered by Representative Briel, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5503, offered by Representative González, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5504, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5505, offered by Representative González, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5506, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5507, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning food. House Bill 5508, offered by Representative Ann Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. House Bill 5509, offered by Representative Huynh, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 5510, offered by Representative Syed, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5511, offered by Representative Gong-Gershowitz, a Bill for an Act concerning business. House Bill 5512, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5513, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5514, offered by Representative Syed, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 5515, offered by Representative Morris, a Bill for an Act concerning conservation. House Bill 5516, offered by Representative González, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill

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5517, offered by Representative Slaughter, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5518, offered by Representative Mason, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 5519, offered by Representative Mason, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5520, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5521, offered by Representative Cassidy, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5522, offered by Representative Delgado, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5523, offered by Representative Tipsword, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5524, offered by Representative Severin, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5525, offered by Representative Severin, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5526, offered by Representative Schweizer, a Bill for an Act concerning business. House Bill 5527, offered by Representative Schweizer, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5528, offered by Representative Andrade, a Bill for... for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5529, offered by Representative Jones, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5530, offered by Representative Delgado, a Bill for an Act concerning business. House Bill 5531, offered by Representative Weaver, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5532, offered by Representative Miller, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5533, offered by Representative Keicher, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5534, offered by Representative Sosnowski, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5535, offered by

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Representative Elik, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5536, offered by Representative Spain, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5537, offered by Representative Spain, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5538, offered by Representative Spain, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5539, offered by Representative Spain, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5540, offered by Representative Weber, a Bill for an Act concerning public employee benefits. House Bill 5541, offered by Representative Moeller, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5542, offered by Representative Stephens, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5543, offered by Representative Stephens, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5544, offered by Representative Stephens, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5545, offered by Representative Stephens, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5546, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning State government."

Clerk Bolin: "House Bill 5547, offered by Representative DeLuca, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5548, offered by Representative Mussman, a Bill for an Act concerning health. House Bill 5549, offered by Representative Fritts, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5550, offered by Representative Fritts, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5551, offered by Representative Mussman, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5552, offered by Representative Faver Dias, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5553, offered by

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Representative González, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5554, offered by Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5555, offered by Representative Walsh, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5556, offered by Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5557, offered by Representative Hirschauer, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5558, offered by Representative du Buclet, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5559, offered by Representative Jed Davis, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5560, offered by Representative Meyers-Martin, a Bill for an Act concerning violence prevention. House Bill 5561, offered by Representative Jones, a Bill for an Act concerning business. House Bill 5562, offered by Representative Mussman, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5563, offered by Representative La Ha, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5564, offered by Representative Moore, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5565, offered by Representative Deering, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5566, offered by Representative Spain, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5567, offered by Representative Olickal, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5568, offered by Representative Olickal, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5569, offered by Representative Olickal, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5570, offered by Representative Ford, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5571, offered

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by Representative Kelly, a Bill for an Act concerning transportation. House Bill 5572, offered by Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. House Bill 5573, offered by Representative Ford, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5574, offered by Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, a Bill for an Act concerning aging. House Bill 5575, offered by Representative Olickal, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5576, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5577, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5578, offered by Representative Swanson, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5579, offered by Representative Sanalidro, a Bill for an Act concerning elections. House Bill 5580, offered by Representative La Ha, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5581, offered by Representative Davidsmeyer, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5582, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning health. House Bill 5583, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning criminal law. House Bill 5584, offered by Representative West, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5585, offered by Representative Harper, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5586, offered by Representative Barbara Hernandez, a Bill for an Act concerning government employees. House Bill 5587, offered by Representative Haas, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5588, offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. House Bill 5589,

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offered by Representative Gabel, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5590, offered by Representative Stuart, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5591, offered by Representative Guerrero-Cuellar, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5592, offered by Representative Jiménez, a Bill for an Act concerning courts. House Bill 5593, offered by Representative Chung, a Bill for an Act concerning agriculture. House Bill 5594, offered by Representative Ness, a Bill for an Act concerning mental health. House Bill 5595, offered by Representative Kelly, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5596, offered by Representative Rosenthal, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5597, offered by Representative Rosenthal, a Bill for an Act concerning fees. House Bill 5598, offered by Representative Rosenthal, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. House Bill 5599, offered by Representative Rosenthal, a Bill for an Act concerning employment. House Bill 5600, offered by Representative Ortiz, a Bill for an Act concerning safety. House Bill 5601, offered by Representative Jiménez, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. House Bill 5602, offered by Representative Briel, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5603, offered by Representative Canty, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5604, offered by Representative Jiménez, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5605, offered by Representative Stava, a Bill for an Act concerning developmental disabilities. House Bill 5606, offered by Representative Andrade, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5607, offered by

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Representative Hoffman, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5608, offered by Representative Miller, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5609, offered by Representative Weaver, a Bill for an Act concerning education. House Bill 5610, offered by Representative Weaver, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5611, offered by Representative Weaver, a Bill for an Act concerning finance. House Bill 5612, offered by Representative Weaver, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5613, offered by Representative Friess, a Bill for an Act concerning government. House Bill 5614, offered by Representative Jiménez, a Bill for an Act concerning State government. House Bill 5615, offered by Representative Canty, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5616, offered by Representative Delgado, a Bill for an Act concerning local government. House Bill 5617, offered by Representative DeLaRosa, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5618, offered by Representative DeLaRosa, a Bill for an Act concerning civil law. House Bill 5619, offered by Representative Chung, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5620, offered by Representative Ford, a Bill for an Act concerning public safety. House Bill 5621, offered by Representative Ford, a Bill for an Act concerning regulation. House Bill 5622, offered by Representative Stava, a Bill for an Act concerning public aid. House Bill 5623, offered by Representative Croke, a Bill for an Act concerning revenue. House Bill 5624, offered by Representative Jawaharial Williams, a Bill for an Act concerning appropriations. First Reading of these House Bills."

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Clerk Hollman: "Introduction and First Reading of this House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #24, offered by Representative Miller.

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to amend the Illinois Constitution by changing Section 2 of Article 5 as follows:

ARTICLE V

THE EXECUTIVE

SECTION 2. TERMS

(a) These elected officers of the Executive Branch shall hold office for four years beginning on the second Monday of January after their election and, except in the case of the Lieutenant Governor, until their successors are qualified. They shall be elected at the general election in 1978 and every four years thereafter.

(b) A person may not serve more than two terms of office as Governor. A person who has served two terms as Governor may not serve another term of office in that office.

A person is considered to serve a term of office for the purpose of this subsection if the person is elected or appointed to serve any portion of the term.

SCHEDULE

This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act and applies to the gubernatorial

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election in 2030 and thereafter. This has been First Reading in full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #24."

Clerk Bolin: "First Reading in full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #25, offered by Representative Cabello.

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the general election next occurring at least 6 months after the adoption of this resolution a proposition to add Section 9 of Article III and Section 12.5 of Article IV as follows:

ARTICLE III

SUFFRAGE AND ELECTIONS

SECTION 9. INITIATIVE TO RECALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

(a) The recall of an elected local government official may be proposed by a petition signed by a number of electors equal to the percentage of the total votes cast for Governor in the preceding gubernatorial election as determined by the population of the unit of local government that the local government official represents: for a jurisdiction of not more than 1,000 qualified electors, 30%; for a jurisdiction of more than 1,000 qualified electors but not more than 10,000 qualified electors, 25%; for a jurisdiction of more than 10,000 qualified electors but not more than 50,000 qualified electors, 20%; for a jurisdiction of more than 50,000 qualified electors but not more than 100,000 qualified electors, 15%; for a jurisdiction of more than 100,000

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qualified electors, 10%. A petition shall have been signed by the petitioning electors not more than 90 days after an affidavit has been filed with the State Board of Elections providing notice of intent to circulate a petition to recall the local government official. The petition shall include the signature of the petitioning elector and a general statement of not more than 200 words describing the individual whose recall is sought and providing the grounds for which recall is sought. The affidavit may be filed no sooner than 6 months after the beginning of the local government official's term of office. If the State Board of Elections determines the petition is valid, the local government official whose recall is sought may file a response of not more than 200 words with the State Board of Elections. The petitioning elector's general statement and the local government official's response shall appear on the recall ballot.

(b) The local government officials who serve on a public body must be recalled individually.

(c) The form of the affidavit, petition, circulation, and procedure for determining the validity and sufficiency of a petition shall be as provided by law. If the petition is valid and sufficient, the State Board of Elections shall certify the petition not more than 100 days after the date the petition was filed, and the following question must be submitted to the electors at the next general election or general consolidated election after certification of the petition:

"Should (elected official) be recalled from (his or her) position(s) as (title of position)? (YES/NO)

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If (elected official) is recalled, who do you support to replace (him or her)?

(Elected official).

(Candidate).

(Candidate)."

(d) The local government official is immediately removed upon certification of the recall election results if a three-fifths majority of the electors voting on the question vote to recall the local government official.

(e) Replacement candidates wishing to be listed on the recall ballot shall be certified under the same procedures as if the candidate was running for the applicable office in a standard election, except the petition circulation and filing of petitions shall only be between the time the intent to recall is filed and 90 days before the election. Candidates running to replace the recalled officeholder shall state clearly on the candidate's petitions which officeholder they are seeking to replace.

(f) There shall be no primary or runoff election after a recall election. The top vote-getter or vote-getters in the recall election shall replace the elected official or officials who were recalled.

(g) The procedure to be certified to run in the recall election shall be the same as the procedure for being nominated and certified in the standard election for the office to be filled. Challenges to recall petitions shall follow the same procedures as challenges to petitions under the Election Code.

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(h) If multiple officeholders from the same public office or district are being recalled, each recall question must be asked separately. All candidates running as replacements for that office and the current officeholder shall be on the ballot beneath the recall question.

(i) If the local government official is removed from a unit of government over 1,000,000 persons, the vacancy shall be filled as provided by law.

(j) A local government official recalled under this Section is ineligible to serve in public office (or specified non-elected office) for 10 years following certification of the recall election.

(k) The procedure and manner of recalling a local government official shall be in addition to and not excluding any other method of removing an elected official as provided by law.

ARTICLE VI

THE JUDICIARY

SECTION 12.5. INITIATIVE TO RECALL ASSOCIATE AND CIRCUIT JUDGES

(a) The recall of an elected Associate Judge or Circuit Judge may be proposed by a petition signed by a number of electors equal to at least 15% of the total votes cast for Governor in the preceding gubernatorial election as determined by the population of the Judicial District or Judicial Circuit from which the Judge was elected. A petition shall have been signed by the petitioning electors not more than 90 days after an affidavit has been filed with the State Board of Elections providing notice of intent to circulate a petition to recall the Associate Judge or Circuit Judge. The petition shall include the signature of the petitioning elector and a general

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statement of not more than 200 words describing the individual whose recall is sought and providing the grounds for which recall is sought. The affidavit may be filed no sooner than 6 months after the beginning of the Associate Judge or Circuit Judge's term of office. If the State Board of Elections determines the petition is valid, the Associate Judge or Circuit Judge whose recall is sought may file a response of not more than 200 words with the State Board of Elections. The petitioning elector's general statement and the Associate Judge or Circuit Judge's response shall appear on the recall ballot.

(c) The form of the affidavit, petition, circulation, and procedure for determining the validity and sufficiency of a petition shall be as provided by law. If the petition is valid and sufficient, the State Board of Elections shall certify the petition not more than 100 days after the date the petition was filed, and the following question must be submitted to the electors at the next general election or general consolidated election after certification of the petition:

"Should (Associate Judge or Circuit Judge) be recalled from (his or her) position? (YES/NO)

If (Associate Judge or Circuit Judge) is recalled, who do you support to replace (him or her)?

(Associate Judge or Circuit Judge).

(Candidate).

(Candidate)."

(d) The Associate Judge or Circuit Judge is immediately removed upon certification of the recall election results if

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a three-fifths majority of the electors voting on the question vote to recall the Associate Judge or Circuit Judge.

(e) Replacement candidates wishing to be listed on the recall ballot shall be certified under the same procedures as if the candidate was running for the applicable office in a standard election, except the petition circulation and filing of petitions shall only be between the time the intent to recall is filed and 90 days before the election. Candidates running to replace the recalled Associate Judge or Circuit Judge shall state clearly on the candidate's petitions which officeholder they are seeking to replace.

(f) There shall be no primary or runoff election after a recall election. The top vote-getter or vote-getters in the recall election shall replace the elected Associate Judge or Circuit Judge who was recalled.

(g) The procedure to be certified to run in the recall election shall be the same as the procedure for being nominated and certified in the standard election. Challenges to recall petitions shall follow the same procedures as challenges to petitions under the Election Code.

(h) An Associate Judge or Circuit Judge recalled under this Section is ineligible to serve in public office (or specified non-elected office) for 10 years following certification of the recall election.

(i) The procedure and manner of recalling an Associate Judge or Circuit Judge shall be in addition to and not excluding any other method of removing an Associate Judge or Circuit Judge as provided by law.

SCHEDULE

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This Constitutional Amendment takes effect upon being declared adopted in accordance with Section 7 of the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act. This has been the First Reading in full of House Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment #25. There being no further business, the House Perfunctory Session will stand adjourned."