

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 SB2029

Introduced 2/10/2017, by Sen. James F. Clayborne, Jr.

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Public Duty Rule Codification Act. Contains legislative findings and a statement of legislative purpose. Provides that a local governmental entity and its employees owe no duty of care to individual members of the general public to provide governmental services.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Public
- 5 Duty Rule Codification Act.
- 6 Section 5. Findings; purpose.
- 7 (a) The General Assembly finds:
- 8 (1) On January 22, 2016, the Illinois Supreme Court, in 9 Coleman v. East Joliet Fire Protection District, 2016 IL
- 10 117952, abolished the public duty rule.
- 11 (2) The public duty rule is an important doctrine that
  12 is grounded in the principle that the duty of a local
  13 governmental entity to preserve the well-being of the
  14 community is owed to the public at large rather than to
- specific members of the community.
- 16 (b) It is the purpose of this Act to codify the public duty
- 17 rule.
- 18 Section 10. Public duty rule. A local governmental entity
- 19 and its employees owe no duty of care to individual members of
- the general public to provide governmental services.