

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 SB2848

Introduced 2/13/2018, by Sen. Cristina Castro

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 1205/4-7 from Ch. 105, par. 4-7 70 ILCS 1325/1 from Ch. 105, par. 330a

Amends the Park District Code and the Park District Police Act. Provides that the jurisdiction of the police officers of a park district is anywhere within the boundaries of the district (rather than within the parks, boulevards, driveways, and property controlled by the park district). Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

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

Section 5. The Park District Code is amended by changing

Section 4-7 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 1205/4-7) (from Ch. 105, par. 4-7)

Sec. 4-7. Employees; police force. The board of any park district may employ engineers, attorneys, clerks and other employees, including a police force, as may be required, and may define and prescribe their respective duties and compensation. After receiving a certificate attesting to the successful completion of a training course administered by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board, the members of the board and all police officers appointed by the board shall be conservators of the peace within the boundaries of and upon the parks, boulevards, driveways, and property controlled by that park district, and shall have power to make arrests subject to the provisions of the Park District Police Act. The exercise of such authority shall not permit the possession or use of firearms by members of the board.

21 (Source: P.A. 89-458, eff. 5-24-96; 90-540, eff. 12-1-97.)

22 Section 10. The Park District Police Act is amended by

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changing Section 1 as follows:

- 2 (70 ILCS 1325/1) (from Ch. 105, par. 330a)
- 3 Sec. 1. Park police powers.
  - (a) Whenever any park district establishes a police force under Section 4-7 of the Park District Code, each officer of that force is vested with police powers, is authorized to act as a conservator of the peace within the boundaries of that park district, and may arrest or cause to be arrested, with or without a warrant, any person who breaks the peace, or who violates any ordinance of a city, town, or village, or of the park district, or any criminal law of the State. If a park district maintains an airport, this authority also extends to any violation of a rule or regulation of a governing federal agency or any federal, State, or local law relating to that operation. The authority granted under this Section is expressly limited to the boundaries of that park district property and shall not be construed to extend to any other jurisdiction except in cases of fresh pursuit or under a validly executed intergovernmental cooperation agreement.
    - (b) An arrest may be made by a park police officer without a warrant when a criminal offense is committed or attempted in his presence, or when a criminal offense has been committed and the officer has reasonable ground for believing that the person to be arrested has committed it. Any person so arrested shall, without unnecessary delay, be taken by the officer before the

- 1 circuit court of the county having jurisdiction, and the
- 2 officer shall file a complaint in writing under oath, charging
- 3 the defendant with a violation of a statute or ordinance.
- 4 (c) A full or part-time police officer employed under this
- 5 Section shall comply with the requirements of the Illinois
- 6 Police Training Act. In addition, before carrying a firearm,
- 7 each officer shall complete a training course under the Peace
- 8 Officer and Probation Officer Firearm Training Act.
- 9 (Source: P.A. 98-725, eff. 1-1-15.)
- 10 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 11 becoming law.