

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by adding  
5 Section 11-13-22 as follows:

6 (65 ILCS 5/11-13-22 new)

7 Sec. 11-13-22. Public hearing procedures for  
8 municipalities of less than 500,000. In a municipality of less  
9 than 500,000 inhabitants, the corporate authorities may adopt  
10 or authorize the zoning board of appeals and any other board,  
11 commission, or committee that conducts public hearings under  
12 this Division to adopt rules of procedures governing those  
13 public hearings. The rules of procedures may concern  
14 participation in public hearings and the participants' rights  
15 to cross examine witnesses and to present testimony and  
16 evidence, and any other relevant matter.

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
18 becoming law.