

AN ACT concerning transportation.

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

Section 1. Legislative intent. It is hereby declared as the intent of this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly to promote consolidation of redundant layers of government and to promote government efficiency.

Section 5. The Illinois Highway Code is amended by changing Sections 6-130 and 6-133 and by adding Section 6-134 as follows:

(605 ILCS 5/6-130) (from Ch. 121, par. 6-130)

Sec. 6-130. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code Act to the contrary, no township road district may continue in existence if the roads forming a part of the district do not exceed a total of 4 centerline miles in length. For purposes of this Section, the roads forming a part of a township road district include those roads maintained by the district, regardless of whether or not those roads are owned by the township. On the first Tuesday in April of 1975, or of any subsequent year next succeeding the reduction of a township road system to a total mileage of 4 centerline miles or less, each such township road district shall, by operation of law, be

abolished. The roads comprising that district at that time shall thereafter be administered by the township board of trustees by contracting with the county, a municipality or a private contractor. The township board of trustees shall assume all taxing authority of a township road district abolished under this Section.

(Source: P.A. 94-884, eff. 6-20-06.)

(605 ILCS 5/6-133)

Sec. 6-133. Abolishing a road district in Cook County. By resolution, the board of trustees of any township located in Cook County, Illinois, may submit a proposition to abolish the road district of that township to the electors of that township at a general election or consolidated election in accordance with the general election law. The ballot shall be in substantially the following form:

Shall the Road District of the Township of	
..... be abolished with all the rights,	
powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities,	YES
obligations, and responsibilities being assumed	-----
by the Township of ?	NO

In the event that a majority of the electors voting on such

proposition are in favor thereof, then the road district shall be abolished by operation of law effective on January 1 of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the proposition was approved by the electors or on the date the term of the highway commissioner in office at the time the proposition was approved by the electors expires, whichever is later.

On that date, all the rights, powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, obligations, and responsibilities of the road district shall by operation of law vest in and be assumed by the township. On that date, the township board of trustees shall assume all taxing authority of a road district abolished under this Section. On that date, any highway commissioner of the abolished road district shall cease to hold office, such term having been terminated. Thereafter, the township shall exercise all duties and responsibilities of the highway commissioner as provided in the Illinois Highway Code. The township board of trustees may enter into a contract with the county, a municipality, or a private contractor to administer the roads under its jurisdiction. The township board of trustees shall assume all taxing authority of a township road district abolished under this subsection. For purposes of distribution of revenue, the township shall assume the powers, duties, and obligations of the road district.

(Source: P.A. 97-611, eff. 1-1-12.)

(605 ILCS 5/6-134 new)

Sec. 6-134. Abolishing a road district. By resolution, the board of trustees of any township located in a county with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants may submit a proposition to abolish the road district of that township to the electors of that township at a general election or consolidated election in accordance with the general election law. The ballot shall be in substantially the following form:

<u>Shall the Road District of the Township of</u>	
<u>..... be abolished with all the rights,</u>	
<u>powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities,</u>	<u>YES</u>
<u>obligations, and responsibilities being assumed</u>	-----
<u>by the Township of ?</u>	<u>NO</u>

In the event that a majority of the electors voting on such proposition are in favor thereof, then the road district shall be abolished by operation of law effective 90 days after vote certification by the governing election authority or on the date the term of the highway commissioner in office at the time the proposition was approved by the electors expires, whichever is later.

On that date, all the rights, powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, obligations, and responsibilities of

the road district shall by operation of law vest in and be assumed by the township. On that date, the township board of trustees shall assume all taxing authority of a road district abolished under this Section. On that date, any highway commissioner of the abolished road district shall cease to hold office, such term having been terminated. Thereafter, the township shall exercise all duties and responsibilities of the highway commissioner as provided in the Illinois Highway Code. The township board of trustees may enter into a contract with the county, a municipality, or a private contractor to administer the roads under its jurisdiction. The township board of trustees shall assume all taxing authority of a township road district abolished under this subsection. For purposes of distribution of revenue, the township shall assume the powers, duties, and obligations of the road district.