



## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2017 and 2018

HB3127

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#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 200/15-190 new  
70 ILCS 605/1-8 new

Amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that all property used exclusively for public or conservation purposes belonging to a forest preserve district or a conservation district is exempt from taxation. Amends the Illinois Drainage Code. Provides that before any action may be taken by a drainage district regarding property owned or operated by a forest preserve district organized pursuant to the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act or a conservation district organized pursuant to the Conservation District Act, the drainage district shall first receive approval for the action from the board of commissioners of the forest preserve district or the board of trustees of the conservation district. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

HOUSING  
AFFORDABILITY  
IMPACT NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

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 Property Tax Code is amended by adding  
5 Section 15-190 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 200/15-190 new)

7 Sec. 15-190. Forest preserve districts; conservation  
8 districts. All property used exclusively for public or  
9 conservation purposes belonging to a forest preserve district  
10 organized under the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act or a  
11 conservation district organized under the Conservation  
12 District Act is exempt.

13 Section 10. The Illinois Drainage Code is amended by adding  
14 Section 1-8 as follows:

15 (70 ILCS 605/1-8 new)

16 Sec. 1-8. Forest preserve districts and conservation  
17 districts.

18 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
19 contrary, before any action may be taken by a drainage district  
20 regarding property owned or operated by a forest preserve  
21 district organized pursuant to the Downstate Forest Preserve

1 District Act or a conservation district organized pursuant to  
2 the Conservation District Act, the drainage district shall  
3 first receive approval for the action from the board of  
4 commissioners of the forest preserve district or the board of  
5 trustees of the conservation district.

6 (b) As used in this Section:

7 "Action" means any action by a drainage district under  
8 Section 3-29, 4-14, 4-16, 4-27, 4-30, or under the drainage  
9 district's eminent domain powers, including, but not limited  
10 to, Section 4-17.

11 "Approval" means approval by a majority vote of the board  
12 of commissioners of a forest preserve district or the board of  
13 trustees of a conservation district or by agreement under the  
14 Intergovernmental Cooperation Act between the drainage  
15 district and the forest preserve district or conservation  
16 district.

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