

August 24, 2018

To the Honorable Members of
The Illinois Senate,
100th General Assembly:

Today I veto Senate Bill 2830 from the 100th General Assembly, which amends the Election Code to provide that trustees for the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District will be elected, rather than appointed.

Currently, the three water reclamation districts created under the Sanitary District Act of 1917 (70 ILCS 2405) - the Fox River Water Reclamation District, the Sanitary District of Decatur, and the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District - select their officials via appointments.

Passing a state law impacting only a single unit of local government is questionable practice subject to possible political motivations and should be avoided. The state should not be codifying in law carve-outs and special solutions that only apply to an individual unit of local government. If the governance model introduced by this legislation represents good practice, then it should be applied to all reclamation districts uniformly.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 9(b) of Article IV of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby return Senate Bill 2376, entitled "AN ACT concerning local government," with the foregoing objections, vetoed in its entirety.

Sincerely,

Bruce Rauner
GOVERNOR