



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

HB0305

by Rep. David McSweeney

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

65 ILCS 5/8-1-2.7 new

Amends the Illinois Municipal Code. Provides that public funds shall not be expended by a municipality for expenses connected with a convention or gathering of municipal personnel. Provides that a State agency may not expend public funds for expenses connected with the renting or procurement of booths, hospitality suites, or other physical spaces at a convention or gathering of municipal personnel. Provides that a "convention or gathering of municipal personnel" means a gathering of employees or contractors from 2 or more separately domiciled or geographically separated municipalities in a gathering that is sponsored or co-sponsored by a league or association that includes 2 or more municipalities. Provides that the restrictions do not apply to public funds expended at a convention or gathering of public safety personnel, at a convention or gathering relating to economic development and tourism promotion, pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date of the amendatory Act, or funds appropriated and expended by a municipality if specified procedures are followed. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 8-1-2.7 as follows:

6 (65 ILCS 5/8-1-2.7 new)

7 Sec. 8-1-2.7. Conventions and gathering of municipal
8 personnel.

9 (a) As used in this Section:

10 "Convention or gathering of municipal personnel" means a
11 gathering of employees or contractors from 2 or more separately
12 domiciled or geographically separated municipalities in a
13 gathering that is sponsored or co-sponsored by a league or
14 association that includes 2 or more municipalities.

15 "Public safety personnel" has the meaning given to that
16 term in subsection (m-5) of Section 1 of the Solicitation for
17 Charity Act.

18 "State agency" means a department of the executive branch
19 of State government listed in Section 5-15 of the Departments
20 of State Government Law of the Civil Administrative Code of
21 Illinois.

22 (b) Public funds may not be expended by a municipality for
23 expenses connected with a convention or gathering of municipal

1 personnel.

2 (c) A State agency may not expend public funds for expenses
3 connected with the renting or procurement of booths,
4 hospitality suites, or other physical spaces at a convention or
5 gathering of municipal personnel.

6 (d) This Section does not apply to public funds expended:
7 (1) at a convention or gathering of public safety personnel;
8 (2) at a convention or gathering of municipal personnel
9 relating to economic development and tourism promotion; or (3)
10 pursuant to a contract entered into before the effective date
11 of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly.

12 (e) This Section does not apply to public funds
13 appropriated and expended by a municipality if:

14 (1) the appropriation is contained within a line item
15 dedicated solely to convention expenses that includes the
16 name and job title of each employee or contractor who may
17 be reimbursed;

18 (2) notice of the appropriation is posted on the
19 municipality's website not less than 30 days prior to the
20 meeting in which the appropriation will come up for a vote,
21 and the notice must include a statement that the proposed
22 appropriation will use taxpayer funds to allow one or more
23 of the municipality's employees or contractors to travel to
24 a convention; and

25 (3) the appropriation is approved by a three-fifths
26 majority vote of the governing body of the municipality.

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.